

TODAY'S CATHOLIC MASS SHEET

ENGLISH STANDARD VERSION

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

19th July 2026

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

See, I have God for my help.
The Lord sustains my soul.
I will sacrifice to you with willing heart,
and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

Ps 53: 6, 8

ACCLAMATION BEFORE THE GOSPEL

Alleluia, alleluia.

Cf. Matthew 11:25

I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth,
you have revealed the secrets of the kingdom to little
children.

Alleluia.

COLLECT

Show favour, O Lord, to your servants
and mercifully increase the gifts of your grace,
that, made fervent in hope, faith and charity,
they may be ever watchful in keeping your commands.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the
Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of Wisdom. Wisdom: 12:13, 16-19

There is not any God besides you, whose care is for all, to
whom you should prove that you have not judged unjustly.
For your strength is the source of righteousness, and your
sovereignty over all causes you to spare all. For you show
your strength when men doubt the completeness of your
power, and you rebuke any insolence among those who
know it. You are sovereign in strength but you judge with
mildness, and with great forbearance you govern us; for
you have power to act whenever you choose. Through
such works you have taught your people that the one who
is righteous must be kind, and you have filled your sons
with good hope, because you give repentance for sins.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 86(85):5-6. 9-10. 15-16a. R.5a

R. O Lord, you are good and forgiving.

O Lord, you are good and forgiving,
full of mercy to all who call to you.
Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer,
and attend to my voice in supplication.

All the nations you have made shall come;
they will bow down before you, O Lord,
and glorify your name,
for you are great and do marvellous deeds,
you who alone are God.

You, O God, are compassionate and gracious,
slow to anger, O Lord,
abundant in mercy and fidelity;
turn and take pity on me.

SECOND READING

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans.

Romans 8:26-27

Brothers and sisters: The Spirit helps us in our weakness.
For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the
Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep
for words. And he who searches hearts knows what is the
mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the
saints according to the will of God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

Matthew 13:24-30

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

At that time: Jesus put another parable before the crowd,
saying, 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a
man who sowed good seed in his field, but while his men
were sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds among
the wheat and went away. So when the plants came up
and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also. And the
servants of the master of the house came and said to him,
"Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? How
then does it have weeds?" He said to them, "An enemy
has done this." So the servants said to him, "Then do
you want us to go and gather them?" But he said, "No,
lest in gathering the weeds you root up the wheat along
with them. Let both grow together until the harvest, and
at harvest time I will tell the reapers, 'Gather the weeds
first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the
wheat into my barn.'"

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

- R.** O God, who in the one perfect sacrifice
brought to completion varied offerings of the law,
accept, we pray, this sacrifice from your faithful servants
and make it holy, as you blessed the gifts of Abel,
so that what each has offered to the honour of your majesty
may benefit the salvation of all.
- R.** Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Ps 110: 4-5

**The Lord, the gracious, the merciful,
has made a memorial of his wonders;
he gives food to those who fear him.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Graciously be present to your people, we pray, O Lord,
and lead those you have imbued with heavenly mysteries
to pass from former ways to newness of life.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.



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