



**Saint Joseph's, Saint Anne's & Holy Family And Saint Patrick's**  
**23<sup>rd</sup> February 2025, Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C**  
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| Sunday Mass Readings for 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 23 2025, Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C |                                   |
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| 1st Reading   | 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23  |
| Responsorial Psalm  | Psalms 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13 |
| 2nd Reading   | 1 Corinthians 15:45-49            |
| Alleluia  | John 13:34                        |
| Gospel  | Luke 6:27-38                      |

### 1st Reading - 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

2 In those days, Saul went down to the desert of Ziph with three thousand picked men of Israel, to search for David in the desert of Ziph.

7 So David and Abishai went among Saul's soldiers by night and found Saul lying asleep within the barricade, with his spear thrust into the ground at his head and Abner and his men sleeping around him.

8 Abishai whispered to David: "God has delivered your enemy into your grasp this day. Let me nail him to the ground with one thrust of the spear; I will not need a second thrust!"

9 But David said to Abishai, "Do not harm him, for who can lay hands on the LORD's anointed and remain unpunished?"

12 So David took the spear and the water jug from their place at Saul's head, and they got away without anyone's seeing or knowing or awakening. All remained asleep, because the LORD had put them into a deep slumber.

13 Going across to an opposite slope, David stood on a remote hilltop at a great distance from Abner, son of Ner, and the troops.

22 He said: "Here is the king's spear. Let an attendant come over to get it.

23 The LORD will reward each man for his justice and faithfulness. Today, though the LORD delivered you into my grasp, I would not harm the LORD's anointed."

### Responsorial Psalm - Psalms 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13

R. (8a) The Lord is kind and merciful.

1 Bless the LORD, O my soul; and all my being, bless his holy name.  
 2 Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.

R. *The Lord is kind and merciful.*

2 He pardons all your iniquities, heals all your ills.  
 4 He redeems your life from destruction, crowns you with kindness and compassion.

R. *The Lord is kind and merciful.*

8 Merciful and gracious is the LORD, slow to anger and abounding in kindness.  
 10 Not according to our sins does he deal with us, nor does he requite us according to our crimes.

R. *The Lord is kind and merciful.*

12 As far as the east is from the west, so far has he put our transgressions from us.  
 13 As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him.

R. *The Lord is kind and merciful.*

### 2nd Reading - 1 Corinthians 15:45-49

Brothers and sisters:

45 It is written, The first man, Adam, became a living being, the last Adam a life-giving spirit.  
 46 But the spiritual was not first; rather the natural and then the spiritual.  
 47 The first man was from the earth, earthly; the second man, from heaven.  
 48 As was the earthly one, so also are the earthly, and as is the heavenly one, so also are the heavenly.  
 49 Just as we have borne the image of the earthly one, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly one.

### Alleluia - John 13:34

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

34 I give you a new commandment, says the Lord: love one another as I have loved you.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

### Gospel - Luke 6:27-38

Jesus said to his disciples:

27 "To you who hear I say, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you,  
 28 bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you.  
 29 To the person who strikes you on one cheek, offer the other one as well, and from the person who takes your cloak, do not withhold even your tunic.  
 30 Give to everyone who asks of you, and from the one who takes what is yours do not demand it back.  
 31 Do to others as you would have them do to you.  
 32 For if you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners love those who love them.  
 33 And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners do the same.  
 34 If you lend money to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, and get back the same amount.  
 35 But rather, love your enemies and do good to them, and lend expecting nothing back; then your reward will be great and you will be children of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked.  
 36 Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

37 "Stop judging and you will not be judged. Stop condemning and you will not be condemned. Forgive and you will be forgiven.

38 Give, and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you."

## Saint(s) Of The Day



- Saint Polycarp of Smyrna, Bishop and Martyr
- Saint Serenus the Gardener
- Saint Willigis of Mainz
- Blessed Josephine Vannini
- Blessed Ludwik Mzyk
- Saint Giovanni Theristi
- Blessed Alerinus de Rambaldis
- Blessed Rafaela Ybarra Arambarri de Villalonga
- Saint Alexander Akimetes
- Saint Romana
- Saint Milburga
- Blessed Stefan Wincenty Frelichowski
- Blessed Nicolas Tabouillot
- Blessed Milo of Benevento
- Blessed Giovannina Franchi
- Saint Boswell

### Blessed Juan Lucas Manzanares

Blessed Juan Lucas Manzanares was also known as Braulio Carlos. He was a professed religious in the Brothers of the Christian Schools (De La Salle Brothers) born on 10th December 1913 in Cortiji-Lorca, Murcia, Spain. He was killed on 23<sup>rd</sup> February 1937 and died as a martyr in Madrid during the Spanish Civil War. He was beatified on 13<sup>th</sup> October 2013 by Pope Francis.

### Blessed Anselm of Milan

Blessed Anselm of Milan was a 15th-century Franciscan friar. His body is enshrined in the church of Santa Maria della Pace in Milan, Italy, but all records about him have been lost, and we know nothing about him. He died in 1481.

### Saint Martha of Astorga

Saint Martha of Astorga was a virgin martyr in the persecutions of Decius. She was beheaded in 250 AD at Astorga, Spain and her relics enshrined in the abbey of Ribas de Sil and at Ters.

### Saint Zebinus of Syria

Saint Zebinus of Syria was a hermit in Syria and a spiritual teacher of many monks, including Saint Maro and Saint Polychronius. He died in the 5th century of natural causes.

### Saint Medrald

Saint Medrald also known as Merald, Merault or Meraut was a benedictine monk at Saint-Evrault, Ouche, France. He became abbot of Vendome, France. In 850 AD he died of natural causes.

### Saint Felix of Brescia

Saint Felix of Brescia was born in the 6th century AD. He was the bishop of Brescia, Italy for 40 years. He was a fierce opponent of Arianism and died in 650 AD.

### Saint Polycarp of Rome

Saint Polycarp of Rome was a priest in Rome, Italy who was known for his ministry to people imprisoned for their faith. He died in 300 AD.

### Saint Dositheus of Egypt

Saint Dositheus of Egypt was born in Egypt. He became a sixth-century desert hermit whose deep prayer life led to deep personal holiness.

### Blessed John of Hungary

Blessed John of Hungary was born French and died in 1287 of natural causes.

### Saint Ordonius

Saint Ordonius was a benedictine monk in Sahagun, Leon, Spain. Bishop of Astorga, Spain in 1062. He died in 1066 of natural causes.

### Saint Florentius of Seville

Saint Florentius of Seville died as a martyr in 485 AD in Seville, Spain.

### Martyrs of Syrmium

Martyrs of Syrmium was a group of 73 Christians who were martyred together in the persecutions of Diocletian. Some of their names are Antigonus, Libius, Rogatianus, Rutilus, Senerotas and Syncrotas. They died in 303 AD at Syrmium, Pannonia modern Sremska Mitrovica, Serbia.

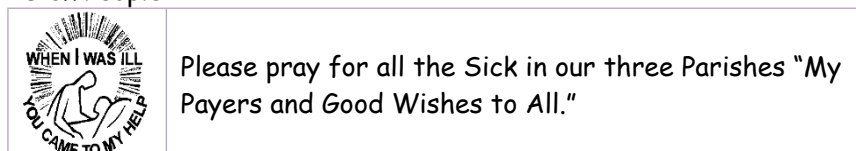
### Other Saints of the Day for 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2025

- Madonna del Divin Pianto
- Primianus of Ancona

Sunday Mass Readings Homily for 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2025, Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

23<sup>rd</sup> February 2025 Catholic Sunday Readings Homily Theme: Love Your Enemies and Pray for Those Who Persecute and Mistreat You - Matthew 5:43-48, Luke 6:27-38

Sick People:



Saint Josephs 5:30pm

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| Saint Joseph's             | 9:30am   |
| Saint Anne's & Holy Family | 11:00 am |
| Saint Patrick's Ryhope     | 9:30 am  |

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