

MONDAY 1 JUNE 2026

SAINT JUSTIN

Born about 100 at Nablus (Palestine). Died about 165 in Rome, after lengthy study of Greek philosophies, he acknowledged Christ as the source of all truth. A lay intellectual, Christian philosopher, and apologist. Remembered for his reasoned defence of Christian belief and practice and for the ultimate witness given by his martyrdom.

ENTRANCE VERSE: The wicked have told me lies, but not so is your law: I spoke of your decrees before kings and was not confounded.

First Reading: *2 Peter 1:2-7*

PSALM RESPONSE In you, my God, I place my trust.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness, first born from the dead; you have loved us and washed away our sins in your blood. Alleluia!

The Gospel: *Mark 12: 1-12*

COMMUNION VERSE: I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified.

TUESDAY 2 JUNE 2026

TUESDAY OF THE 9TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

ENTRANCE VERSE: Turn to me and have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am alone and poor. See my lowliness and suffering and take away all my sins, my God

First Reading: *2 Peter 3: 11-15, 17-18*

PSALM RESPONSE: In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of the heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. Alleluia!

The Gospel: *Mark 12: 13-17*

COMMUNION VERSE: To you I call for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words.

WEDNESDAY 3 JUNE 2026
SAINTS CHARLES LWANGA & COMPANIONS

Died on this day in 1886. Between 1885 and 1887, these twenty-two martyrs were among many newly baptised Catholics and Anglicans who were killed for their faith and virtue in Uganda by a debauched and brutal ruler. They included judges, catechists, soldiers and teenage pages under the leadership of Charles Lwanga, who was burned alive. Remembered for the heroic calm of their fidelity to Christ.

ENTRANCE VERSE

As gold in the furnace, the Lord put his chosen to the test; as sacrificial offerings, he took them to himself; and in due time they will be honoured, and grace and peace will be with the elect of God.

First Reading: ***2 Timothy 1: 1-3, 6-12***

PSALM RESPONSE:

To you O Lord, I lift up my eyes.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever believes in me will not die for ever.

Alleluia

The Gospel: ***Mark 12: 18-27***

COMMUNION VERSE:

How precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of his holy ones.

THURSDAY 4 JUNE 2026
THURSDAY OF THE 9TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

ENTRANCE VERSE

Turn to me and have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am alone and poor. See my lowliness and suffering and take away all my sins, my God

First Reading: ***2 Timothy 2: 8-15***

PSALM RESPONSE:

Teach me your ways, O Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia

Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death and brought us life through his gospel.

Alleluia!

The Gospel: ***Mark 12: 28-34***

COMMUNION VERSE:

To you I call for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words.

FRIDAY 5 JUNE 2026

SAINT BONIFACE

Born in Devon (England) about 675. Died in the Netherlands on this day in 754. A monk and teacher who went to evangelise the Germanic peoples. Was ordained bishop and given wide-ranging papal commissions throughout Germany and Gaul. Founded monasteries and established dioceses, presided at synods, and maintained close associations with various emperors. Remembered as a determined missionary and as a Church organiser and reformer whose work shaped the future of Europe. He is buried at his abbey of Fulda and is honoured as Apostle of Germany

ENTRANCE VERSE: This holy man fought to the death for the law of his God and did not fear the words of the godless, for he was built on solid rock

First Reading: ***2 Timothy 3: 10-17***

PSALM RESPONSE: O Lord, great peace have they who love your law

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me keep my words, and my Father will love them and will come to them. Alleluia!

The Gospel: ***Mark 12: 35-37***

COMMUNION VERSE: Whoever wishes to come after me, must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me, says the Lord.

SATURDAY 6 JUNE 2026

SATURDAY OF THE 9TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

ENTRANCE VERSE: Turn to me and have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am alone and poor. See my lowliness and suffering and take away all my sins, my God

First Reading: ***2 Timothy 4: 1-8***

PSALM RESPONSE: I will sing of your salvation

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! Alleluia!

The Gospel: ***Mark 12: 38-44***

COMMUNION VERSE: To you I call for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words.