

AUGUST 31
BLESSED ANDREW of BORGIO SAN SEPOLCRO
FRIAR SERVANT OF MARY – HERMIT

Optional Memorial

Entrance Antiphon

Psalm 15 (16), 5-6

O Lord, my allotted portion and my cup. It is you who hold fast my lot.
For me the measuring lines have fallen on pleasant sites.
Fair to me indeed is my inheritance.

Prayer of the Assembly

Lord God,
through Blessed Andrew, you called many hermits
to the Order of Servants of Mary
and made them one in their devotion to Mary
and in their love for one another.
Grant that, in serving Our Lady,
we too may be united in heart and action.
(We ask this) through our Lord Jesus Christ
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

First Reading

Colossians 3, 1-4

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Colossians

Your life is hidden with Christ in God

If then you were raised with Christ,
seek what is above,
where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.
Think of what is above,
not of what is on earth.
For you have died,
and your life is hidden with Christ in God.
When Christ your life appears,
then you too will appear with him in glory.

This is the Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 26 (27), 1, 4,5, 8b-9

R/.I seek your face, O Lord

The Lord is my light and my help;
whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
before whom shall I shrink?

R/.I seek your face, O Lord

There is one thing I ask of the Lord,
for this I long,
to live in the house of the Lord,

all the days of my life,
to savor the sweetness of the Lord,
to behold his temple.

R/I seek your face, O Lord

For there he keeps me safe in his tent
in the day of evil.
He hides me in the shelter of his tent,
on a rock he sets me safe.

R/I seek your face, O Lord

It is your face, O Lord, that I seek;
hide not your face.
Dismiss not your servant in anger;
you have been my help.
Do not abandon or forsake me,
O God my help!

R/I seek your face, O Lord

Gospel Acclamation

II Corinthians 8, 9

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Although he was rich, Christ made himself poor, so that you might be rich by his poverty. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading

Mark 10, 17-30

+ A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Go, sell what you have; then come, follow me

As Jesus was setting out on a journey,
a man ran up, knelt down before him, and asked him,
“Good teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?”
Jesus answered him,
“Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone.
You know the commandments:
‘You shall not kill; you shall not commit adultery;
you shall not steal; you shall not bear false witness;
you shall not defraud; honour your father and your mother.’ ”
He replied and said to him,
“Teacher, all of these I have observed from my youth.”
Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said to him,
“You are lacking in one thing.
Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor
and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.”
At that statement his face fell,
and he went away sad, for he had many possessions.
Jesus looked around and said to his disciples,
“How hard it is for those who have wealth
to enter the kingdom of God!”
The disciples were amazed at his words.

So Jesus again said to them in reply,
“Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God!
It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle
than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Prayer over the Offerings

Lord,
we come before your altar
with our sacrifice of praise.
Through the intercession of Blessed Andrew,
may we put aside the things of earth
and more willingly contemplate those of heaven.
(We ask this) through Christ our Lord.

Preface for Holy Men and Women

The glory of the saints

Father, all-powerful and ever-living God,
we do well always and everywhere to give you thanks.
You are glorified in your saints,
for their glory is the crowning of your gifts.
In their lives on earth,
you give us an example.
In our communion with them,
you give us their friendship.
In their prayer for the Church,
you give us strength and protection.
This great company of witnesses spurs us on to victory,
to share their prize of everlasting glory
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
With angels and archangels
and the whole company of saints,
we sing our unending hymn of praise: Holy, Holy...

Communion Antiphon

Matthew 19, 27-29

I give you my solemn word that you who have left all things
and have followed me, shall receive a hundred-fold
and shall inherit everlasting life.

Prayer after Communion

Fortified by the sacrament of our salvation,
we humbly ask you, O Lord,
through the intercession of blessed Andrew,
that the strength of our soul
may overcome the weakness of our body.
(We ask this) through Christ our Lord.

Note: Some biblical texts are taken from: The New American Bible <http://www.vatican.va/archives/>