

HOW TO USE AN ORDO

July 20 Saturday: Weekday [15]; BVM on Saturday

m HOURS **Pss III** Seasonal wkdy *Common of BVM*
Gr on Sat EP 1 of Sun begin Pss IV
Wh MASS any Mass or of mem Sugg: Holy Mary, Handmaid of
V3 R3 the Lord (collection, #22); 9 alt
RDGS 394: Mi 2:1-5 Ps 10: 1-4,7-8,14 Mt 12: 14-21

Social injustice (Ps) is denounced by Micah (1). The suffering servant seeks faith, not superficial enthusiasm (2).

March 19 Tuesday: JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

S HOURS* Sanctoral Prop Common of Holy Men
Wh MP: Proper antt pss Sun I DP: proper antt
R compl pss NP: Sun II
MASS Prop Gl Cr Pf of Joseph
RDGS 543: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16 Ps 89:2-5, 27,29
Rom4: 13, 16-18,22 Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Luke 2:41-51a

An heir of David (1,Ps) and son of Joseph and Mary (3b), Jesus brings forgiveness (3a) through the gift of faith (2).

Joseph honored on 19 March since the end of the 10th c; declared Patron of the Universal Church in 1870 by Pope Pius IX; patron of workers and carpenters; also of Austria, Belgium, Bohemia, Canada, Mexico, Peru and (South) Vietnam; mentioned in the Roman Canon.

PN It is the custom in some places today to bless bread, pastries, and other food and to give a large portion to the poor. For the **Order of Blessing of St. Joseph's Table**, see BB nos. 1679-1700.

Source: *The Order of Prayer in the Liturgy of the Hours and Celebration of the Eucharist 2002*, Compiled by Peter Rocca, CSC. Mahwah, NJ: Paulist Press, 2001, pp.73, 161.

These boxes show entries from an ordo. They provide a wealth of information. For example, on Saturday, July 20, a weekday in the Fifteenth Week in Ordinary Time, you may use any Mass. Indeed, on any Saturday in Ordinary Time which does not have a prescribed feast or memorial, a Mass of the BVM is optional (cf. GIRM 375). V3 allows Masses for Various Needs and Occasions or a Votive Mass. R3 means that a Mass for the Dead may be offered. The ordo tells you that this is Week III of the four-week Psalter and on Saturday night you will use Evening Prayer I for Sunday of Week IV. The readings for the day are found in the Lectionary, no.394; a brief summary of each is provided. The Mass vestments may be green or white, depending on your choice of Mass.

On the other hand, the ordo provides strict guidelines for March 19, the solemnity of Joseph, Husband of Mary. There are proper prayers for this solemnity, including a proper preface (Preface #62). Even though this solemnity falls in Lent, the Gloria is sung. The Creed is professed. There is additional information about St. Joseph and pastoral notes mention a special blessing for food which is distributed to the poor.

What other information can you find in these samples?