The following pages contain information that will assist you in preparing your liturgy for the date below. The two pages which include music suggestions, Elaine Rendler's column, Paul Covino's ritual commentary, and the music planning template come from *Today's Liturgy*, a liturgy preparation guide published quarterly by OCP. The page which includes a suggested Introduction to Mass and General Intercessions comes from *Prayer of the Faithful*, a resource for liturgy preparation published annually by OCP.

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#### ABBREVIATIONS USED IN MUSIC SUGGESTIONS

① Corresponds to first reading	GP2
② Corresponds to second reading	H
③ Corresponds to Gospel reading	J, J2 Journeysongs (hymnal) Journeysongs (Second Edition)
① Corresponds to entrance antiphon	MI
⑤ Corresponds to Communion antiphon	R, R2
⑥ Corresponds to responsorial psalm	SS1, SS2 . Spirit & Song and Spirit & Song (Volume 2) (young adults)
7 Corresponds to the Gospel acclamation	TM
BB	UC United in Christ/Unidos en Cristo 2006-08, music resource
CM	VOZ One Faith/Una Voz (hymnal)
CPC2	*

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#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

I am the Savior of all people, says the Lord. Whatever their troubles, I will answer their cry, and I will always be their Lord.

#### FIRST READING

Amos 8:4–7 (135C)

Amos the prophet of God warned that greedy people who cheat the poor or take advantage of others' misfortune do not escape God's justice.

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Psalm 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8

Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.

#### **SECOND READING**

1 Timothy 2:1–8

Paul urged Timothy to preach truth and justice: Leaders should respect the dignity of all, and everyone should pray to God with blameless hands.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

2 Corinthians 8:9

Though our Lord Jesus Christ was rich, he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich.

#### **GOSPEL**

Luke 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

Jesus encouraged his disciples to have an enterprising spirit. He also warned them: "No servant can serve two masters.... You cannot serve both God and mammon."

#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Psalm 118:4-5

You have laid down your precepts to be faithfully kept. May my footsteps be firm in keeping your commands.

Don't be confused by today's first reading. Amos is condemning those who are dishonest. The section within quotes describes the dishonest—those who will sell the grain by fixing the scales and by cheating the poor who have to sell themselves to buy food. The last line is the message of the Lord: "Never will I forget a thing they have done!"

Today's readings (and next week's) focus on the proper use of money. What are the choices we make in order to live as followers of Christ? A priest I know took an interesting approach to preaching on the proper use of money in our affluent society. To prove a point about expendable money, he asked the assembly in the small church to empty the loose change out of their pockets and drop it on the floor. This involved a slightly painful choice for many of us! He then talked about our choices as Christians regarding money. (Passing baskets to collect the money might work better in large worship spaces, but don't forget to inform the ushers!) The following week, he announced how much "throw away" money was collected and it was donated to charity. It was a very memorable homily.

In the second reading (1 Timothy 2:1–8), Paul asks people to pray for everyone, especially those in authority, since authority comes from God. This is one reason we pray for our civil leaders in the Prayer of the Faithful in the liturgy. Consider singing the intercessions today.

— Elaine Rendler

#### MUSIC SUGGESTIONS\*

See page 72 for abbreviations

#### **ENTRANCE SONG Gathering or Processional**

Let Us Go to the Altar (D. Schutte) BB/MI 306 H 463 UC 732 GP2 539 J2 800 VOZ 773 OCP 10509TL

Gather Us Together (Alstott) BB/MI 313 H 464 UC 720 CPC2 472 GP2 534 J 488 J2 801 VOZ 783 OCP 8725TL Table of Plenty (Schutte) BB/MI 312 H 467 UC 733 CPC2 475

GP2 530 J 744 J2 793 SS1 163 VOZ 786 NTY 75 OCP 9846TL

Alleluia! Give the Glory (Canedo/Hurd) BB/MI 902 H 24 UC 105 CPC2 164 GP2 70 J 520 SS1 5 VOZ 113 NTY 3 OCP 9788TL

Come, Taste and See (Becker) BB/MI 310 GP2 526 J2 818 OCP 9224TL

3 From All That Dwell Below the Skies DUKE STREET BB/MI 571 H 375 UC 549 CPC2 370 J 447 VOZ 586

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM and GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Respond & Acclaim (Alstott) 136–137 A Lectionary Psalter (Schiavone) 167, 252

#### PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

Prayer of St. Francis/Oración de San Francisco (Temple) BB/MI 484 CM 122 H 458 UC 681 CPC2 452 GP2 651 J 759 J2 738 R 116 R2 222 SS1 199 VOZ 720 NTY 136 OCP 10762TL

In Perfect Charity (DeBruyn) BB/MI 427 GP2 547 J 442 J2 757 OCP 8413TL

Just Like You (Maher) BB/MI 512 SS2 390 NTY 100 OCP 11990TL

#### **COMMUNION SONG**

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light (Thomerson) BB/MI 597 R2 308

Eye Has Not Seen (Haugen) BB/MI 471 CM 125 H 453 UC 696 CPC2 439

The Cry of the Poor (Foley) BB/MI 541 CM 121 H 510 UC 780 CPC2 510 GP2 203 J 635 J2 847 SS1 63 VOZ 836 NTY 278 OCP 9498TL

Because the Lord Is My Shepherd (C. Walker) BB/MI 475
 H 348 UC 692 CPC2 436 GP2 627 J 716 J2 725 VOZ 731
 NTY 132 OCP 7105TL

#### SONG OF PRAISE or SENDING FORTH

Psalm 23 (Conry) BB/MI 481 GP2 636 J 560 J2 736 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise ST. DENIO BB/MI 579 J 422 J2 621

I Will Choose Christ (Booth) BB/MI 522 GP2 459 J2 775 SS1 119 NTY 261 OCP 10592TL

God of the Hungry (Soper) BB/MI 540 GP2 560 J 459 OCP 9567TL

#### **CHORAL and INSTRUMENTAL**

Ever on My Lips (D. Schutte) OCP 10321TL O Beauty Ever Ancient (O'Connor) OCP 20124TL Behold, before Our Wondering Eyes (Berberick/Walker) OCP 20062TL

\*For additional music suggestions, visit liturgy.com.

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Time	Name of Presiding Minister
CALL TO WORS	SHIP
Music Rehearsa	al/Liturgical Catechesis
Introduction, se	ee Prayer of the Faithful, page 78
INTRODUCTOR	RY RITES
Entrance/C	Gathering Song
	rinkling or Penitential Rite
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LITURGY OF TI	HE WORD
First Reading _	
Responsor	ial Psalm
Second Reading	g
Gospel Ac	eclamation
Gospel	
Homily/Preachi	ing
Dismissal	of the Catechumens and Elect
General In	tercessions, see Prayer of the Faithful, page 78
LITURGY OF TI	HE EUCHARIST
Music for l	Preparation of the Gifts
Eucharistic Acc	clamations
	Acclamation
Great Ame	en
Communion R	ite
Lord's Pray	yer
Lamb of G	God
Communic	on Processional
Psalm or H	Hymn of Praise/Instrumental or Silence
CONCLUDING	RITE
Sending Fo	orth
	them of the Day
Prelude/Po	ostlude



#### **GENUINE RICHES**

Cheating and sharp dealing in our lives serve no good. Only sorrow is to be found that way. But there is a bargain we regularly make before God when we ask him to "forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us." We can be astute in order to find our salvation. We can gain trust before God and our neighbors and find the genuine riches of the "tents of eternity" and our grace-full share in divine life. We can reach full knowledge of the truth, Christ Jesus, the mediator between God and humankind.

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Today's second reading urges Christians to offer "supplications, prayers, petitions, and thanksgivings" for everyone. At Mass, we do this principally in the eucharistic prayer and in the prayer of the faithful. There are nine choices for the eucharistic prayer, including two for reconciliation and three for Masses with children. In the prayer of the faithful, the assembly prays "(a) For the needs of the Church; (b) For public authorities and the salvation of the whole world; (c) For those burdened by any kind of difficulty; (d) For the local community" (General Instruction of the Roman Missal 70). Hear Our Prayer (OCP 11824TL, 800-LITURGY, ocp.org) is a beautifully bound book in which members of the community may be invited to write their prayer petitions, while Prayer of the Faithful 2007 (OCP PF-071TL) provides sample intercessions for Sundays,

feasts, holidays, weekdays and other occasions throughout the year. The strong admonition against those "who trample upon the needy and destroy the poor of the land" in today's first reading provides another opportunity to preach and catechize on the Church's social teaching. Highlight Catholics, including many young adults, who give a year or two of their lives in service to and solidarity with the poor through organizations like the Jesuit Volunteer Corps and Rostro de Cristo. A directory of full-time, faith-based volunteer opportunities is available from the Catholic Network of Volunteer Service (800-543-5046, cnvs.org).

Liturgy of the Hours: Begin week one of the psalm cycle.

— Paul Covino

#### Introduction to the Celebration

The Lord places confidence in those who have received good things and expects much from them.

#### Penitential Rite

Lord Jesus, you call us to be worthy of your trust. Lord, have mercy. Christ Jesus, you show us how to live in the world. Christ, have mercy. Lord Jesus, you bring us to everlasting life. Lord, have mercy.

## Presiding Minister General Intercessions

Let us place our concerns before God, who heeds the cry of the poor.

#### Leader

- A For the church's ministry of service to people who are poor, homeless, hungry or in any other need, we pray to the Lord:
- **B** For those who govern with honesty and justice, and for citizens and immigrants, we pray to the Lord:
- C For all who are victims of systematic injustice and those impoverished by neglect, we pray to the Lord:
  For teachers and students, for administrators and custodians,
- **D** For this community of faith and for all who share their talent, time and treasure with others, we pray to the Lord:

### **Presiding Minister**

we pray to the Lord:

All-powerful and ever-living God, the world is your footstool.

Make us always worthy of your trust.

This we ask through Christ our Lord.