

## FEAST OF ST MARY

### COLLECT FOR ST MARY

O God, you have taken to yourself the Blessed Virgin Mary, mother of your incarnate Son: grant that we, who have been redeemed by his blood, may share with her the glory of your eternal kingdom; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen**

### COLLECT FOR PENTECOST 11

Open your merciful ears, O Lord, to the prayers of your humble servants: and, that you would graciously grant what we ask, make us desire what is pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen**

### FIRST READING – ISAIAH 61: 10-11

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD,  
my whole being shall exult in my God;  
for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation,  
he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,  
as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland,  
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.  
For as the earth brings forth its shoots,  
and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up,  
so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise  
to spring up before all the nations.

### PSALM 45: 11-18

**Response Sing praises to God, sing praises**

Hear, O daughter, consider and listen closely  
forget your people and your family's house  
The king will have pleasure in your beauty  
He is your master, therefore do him honour **R**

The people of Tyre are here with a gift  
the rich among your people seek your favour  
All glorious is the princess as she enters  
her gown is cloth of gold **R**

In embroidered apparel she is brought to the king  
after her the bridesmaids follow in procession  
With joy and gladness they are brought  
and enter into the palace of the king **R**

In place of fathers, O king, you shall have sons  
you shall make them princes over all the earth  
I will make your name to be remembered  
from one generation to another  
therefore nations will praise you for ever and ever **R**

### SECOND READING Galatians 4: 4-7

But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!' So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

### GOSPEL Luke 1: 46-55

And Mary said,

'My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in my Saviour,  
for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant.

Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;  
for the Mighty One has done great things for me,  
and holy is his name.  
His mercy is for those who fear him  
from generation to generation.  
He has shown strength with his arm;  
he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.  
He has brought down the powerful from their thrones,  
and lifted up the lowly;  
he has filled the hungry with good things,  
and sent the rich away empty.  
He has helped his servant Israel,  
in remembrance of his mercy,  
according to the promise he made to our ancestors,  
to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you. Look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**