

Friday, July 21, 2023 Friday of the Fifteenth Week in Ordinary Time



Good morning!

We celebrate Lawrence of Brindisi. We read Exodus 11:10-12:14, Psalm 116, and Matthew 12:1-8. A little heavy for a Friday, but we get that God works in mysterious ways. Pharoah had many opportunities to allow the Israelites to leave but refused God and Moses' pleas. Now we read of the Passover, the ultimate that God needed to do. Jesus himself says he is greater than the temple. Jesus allows his disciples to pick the grain to eat on the Sabbath. The Pharisees challenge Jesus and his disciples. Do we understand the phrase, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice," enough to know the real Jesus and what his mission is about? How will you approach the Sabbath this weekend?

Peace,

RevKev

"I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord."

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