



WORSHIP OFFICE

Archdiocese of Newark

Liturgical Resources for September 11, 2021

This year, the twentieth anniversary of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks falls on Saturday of the Twenty-third week in Ordinary Time. The following information is provided for Masses celebrated on 9/11/21. Note that any Ritual Mass, Votive Mass, Masses and Prayers for Various Needs and Occasions, Masses for the Dead and Funeral Masses may be used on this day.

MASS TEXTS

The Mass texts for the Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time may be used.

Or:

The Mass texts “For the Preservation of Peace and Justice, #30 A or B” may be used.
Roman Missal p. 1142 (Catholic Book edition)

PENITENTIAL RITE

After the Sign of the Cross and Greeting,
the Presider introduces the Mass in these or similar words:

On this anniversary of September 11, 2001, we pray for peace and justice in our world. We pray for all those who suffer from the sins of violence and terrorism. We ask God to forgive our misdeeds and make us bringers of peace.

Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

A brief pause for silence follows.

Deacon or presider:

Lord Jesus, you bring healing to the brokenhearted. Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you command us to forgive our enemies. Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you are the true source of peace in the world. Lord, have mercy.

Presider:

**May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life.**

R. Amen.

READINGS

The Lectionary readings for Saturday of the 23rd week in Ordinary Time may be used (Lectionary #442)

Or:

Selections from the Lectionary #887-891 “For Peace and Justice” may be chosen.

HOMILY

A brief homily is given which reflects on the themes of peace and justice.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

See below - some or all provided may be used

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Eucharistic Prayer for Reconciliation II

Or:

Eucharistic Prayer for use in Masses for Various Needs IV
Jesus, Who Went About Doing Good

Or:

Any Eucharistic Prayer approved for use in the USA.

SOLEMN BLESSING

13. Ordinary Time IV

Saturday of the Twenty-third week in Ordinary Time

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Suggested General Intercessions – Some or all may be used.

Presider:

Let us bring our prayers before God, asking for healing and forgiveness in our world.

Deacon or another suitable minister:

1. That the Church may always courageously preach the gospel message of forgiveness and reconciliation in all the regions of the world. We pray:
2. That, inspired by the words of Christ, nations may join hands and seek the way of peace together. We pray:
3. That the poor and those in need may know of God's compassion through our generous outreach. We pray:
4. That military personnel and civil servants may be protected in their efforts to bring about peace and security at home and abroad. We pray:
5. That we may be delivered from the fear of terror as we struggle to live our lives in peace with one another. We pray:
6. That we as God's holy people may forgive the wrongdoings of others as God has forgiven us our sins. We pray:
7. That all those who have died due to war or terror and all the dead, (especially, **N.**), may find light, happiness and peace at the eternal banquet of the Lamb. We pray:

Presider:

**O God, creator of the world,
under whose governance
the design for all the ages unfolds,
be attentive, we pray, to our petitions
and grant to our times tranquility and peace,
that we may exult with unceasing joy
in praise of your great mercy.
Through Christ our Lord.**

R: Amen.