

that we may so persevere in keeping your commandments
as to merit being crowned with him.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

FIRST READING ➔ p. 1720 [172] **Ez 34: 11-16**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM ➔ p. 2234 [1013] **Ps 23: 1-3, 4, 5, 6**

ALLELUIA ➔ p. 2251 [601B] **Jn 10: 16**

GOSPEL ➔ p. 592 [279] **Jn 10: 11-18**

JULY 21

**Saint Lawrence of Brindisi,
Priest and Doctor of the Church** **Optional Memorial [602]**

St. Lawrence (1559–1619) was Italian and a Capuchin with great preaching, teaching, writing, and leadership abilities. His writings include a commentary on the Book of Genesis, treatises against Luther, and nine volumes of sermons.

From the **Common of Pastors: For One Pastor** (p. 2074), or from the **Common of Doctors of the Church** (p. 2082), or from the **Common of Holy Men and Women: For Religious** (p. 2092).

COLLECT

O God, who for the glory of your name
and the salvation of souls
bestowed on the Priest Saint Lawrence of Brindisi
a spirit of counsel and fortitude,
grant, we pray, that in the same spirit,
we may know what must be done
and, through his intercession,
bring it to completion.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

FIRST READING ➔ p. 2221 [722] **2 Cor 4: 1-2, 5-7**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM ➔ p. 2238 [694] **Ps 40: 2 and 4ab, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11**

ALLELUIA ➔ p. 1929 [637] **The seed is the word of God...**

GOSPEL (Long Form) ➔ p. 900 [319 (Short Form ▼▲)] **Mk 4: 1-10, 13-20**

GOSPEL (Short Form) ➔ p. 900 [319 (Short Form ▼▲)] **Mk 4: 1-9**