**The Congregation at Prayer**

*A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer*

*for The Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist (August 29, 2021)*

*Pray and confess aloud as much from the order of meditation and prayer, as you are able, or as your family size and ages dictate. Learn by heart the verse, catechism, and hymn of the week.*

***Invocation***

**In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

***Apostle’s Creed***

***Verse*: Romans 5:8 – God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.**

**Psalm of the Week:** Psalm 119:33-48 (He and Waw)

**Bible Readings for the Week**

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| Sunday | **Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist** – Mark 6:14-29 |
| Monday | The Ark is Brought to Jerusalem – 2 Samuel 6:1-19 |
| Tuesday | God’s Covenant with David – 2 Samuel 7:1-17 |
| Wendesday | **Midweek Service**  |
| Thursday | David’s Thanksgiving to God – 2 Samuel 7:18-29 |
| Friday | David Shows Kindness to Mephibosheth – 2 Samuel 9:1-13 |
| Saturday | David and Bethsheba – 2 Samuel 11:1-17, 22-25 |

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| **The Catechism: The Ten Commandments – The Seventh and Eighth Commandments** | **Grades** |
| *What is the Seventh Commandment?***You shall not steal.** | K+ |
| *What does this mean?*We should fear and love God so that we do not take our neighbor’s money or possessions, or get them in any dishonest way, but help him to improve and protect his possessions and income. | 2nd + |
| *What is the Sixth Commandment?***You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.** | K+ |
| *What does this mean?*We should fear and love God so that we do not tell lies about our neighbor, betray him, slander him, or hurt his reputation, but defend him, speak well of him, and explain everything in the kindest way | 2nd + |