

DECEMBER 24, VIGIL OF THE NATIVITY

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(Station at St. Mary Major)

It was only when Our Lord's nativity was celebrated with increasing solemnity that a special Mass was said on this vigil. The actual solemnity of December 25, instead of consisting of two Masses, one of the vigil and the other of the feast, with a third inserted in commemoration of St. Anastasia, ended by allowing four Masses, all of them in honor of the Christian mystery - viz., one in the evening of December 24 at the beginning of the night Office, one at midnight at the first cock-crowing, one in the early morning, and one, finally, at the hour of Terce.

Unlike the other vigils, in which the penitential character and a sense of sadness predominate, that of Christmas is full of vivacity and holy joy. This is fully in accordance with the nature of the heart of man. After so long a period of anxious and painful expectation, the sudden news of our approaching deliverance lightens the heart, while a common joy unites us and makes us forget for a moment the hard conditions of our life here below.

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AT THE FOOT OF THE ALTAR (Kneel)

P: †In nómine Patris, et Fílii, et Spíritus Sancti. Amen.

P: Introíbo ad altáre Dei.

S: Ad Deum qui lætificat juventútem meam.

(Psalm 42)

P: Júdica me, Deus, et discérne causam meam de gente non sancta: ab hómine iníquo et dolóso érue me.

S: Quia tu es, Deus, fortitúdo mea: quare me repulísti, et quare tristis incédo, dum afflígit me inimícus?

P: Emítte lucem tuam, et veritátem tuam: ipsa me deduxérunt, et adduxérunt in montem sanctum tuum, et in tabernácula tua.

S: Et introíbo ad altáre Dei: ad Deum qui lætificat juventútem meam.

P: Confitébor tibi cíthara, Deus, Deus meus: quare tristis es, ánima mea, et quare contúrbas me?

S: Spera in Deo, quóniam adhuc confitébor illi: salutáre quius mei, et Deus meus.

P: Glória Patri, et Fílio, et Spíritui Sancto.

S: Sicut erat in princípío, et nunc, et semper: et in sæcula sæculórum. Amen.

P: Introíbo ad altáre Dei.

S: Ad Deum qui lætificat juventútem meam.

P: †Adjutórium nostrum in nómine Dómini.

S: Qui fecit cælum et terram.

P: Confíteor Deo omnipoténti, beatæ Mariæ semper Vírgini, beáto Michaéli Archángelo, beáto Joánni Baptístæ, sanctis Apóstolis Petro et Paulo, ómnibus Sanctis, et vobis fratres: quia peccávi nimis cogitátione, verbo, et ópere: mea culpa, mea culpa, mea máxima culpa. Ideo precor beátam Mariám semper Vírginem, beátum Michaélem Archángelum, beátum Joánnem Baptístam, sanctos Apóstolos Petrum et Paulum, omnes Sanctos, et vos fratres, oráre pro me ad Dóminum Deum nostrum.

S: Misereátur tui omnipotens Deus, et, dimíssis peccátis tuis, perdúcat te ad vitam ætérnam.

P: Amen.

S: Confíteor Deo omnipoténti, beatæ Mariæ semper Vírgini, beáto Michaéli Archángelo, beáto Joánni Baptístæ, sanctis Apóstolis Petro et Paulo, ómnibus Sanctis, et tibi pater: quia peccávi nimis cogitátione, verbo, et ópere: **(strike breast 3 times)** mea culpa, mea culpa, mea máxima culpa. Ideo precor beátam Mariám semper Vírginem, beátum Michaélem Archángelum, beátum Joánnem Baptístam, sanctos Apóstolos Petrum et Paulum, omnes Sanctos, et te Pater, oráre pro me ad Dóminum Deum nostrum.

P: Misereátur vestri omnipotens Deus, et, dimíssis peccátis vestris, perdúcat vos ad vitam ætérnam.

S: Amen.

P: †Indulgéntiam, absolutiónem, et remissionem peccatórum nostrórum, tríbuat nobis omnipotens et miséricors Dóminus.

S: Amen.

P: Deus, tu convérsus vivificábis nos.

S: Et plebs tua lætábitur in te.

P: Osténde nobis, Dómine, misericórdiam tuam.

S: Et salutáre tuum da nobis.

P: Dómine, exáudi oratiónem meam.

S: Et clamor meus ad te véniat.

P: Dóminus vobíscum.

S: Et cum spíritu tuo.

P: Orémus.

P: Aufer a nobis, quæsumus, Dómine, iniquitátes nostras: ut ad Sancta sanctorum puris mereámur méntibus introíre. Per Christum Dóminum nostrum. Amen.

AT THE CENTER OF THE ALTAR

P: Orámus te, Dómine, per mérita Sanctorum tuórum, quorum reliquiæ hic sunt et ómnium Sanctorum: ut indulgæ dignéris ómnia peccáta mea. Amen.

(Only at High Mass when incense is used)

P: Ab illo benedicáris, in cuius honóre cremáberis.

AT THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE ALTAR

INTROIT Exodus 16: 6, 7

Hódie sciétis, quia véniet Dóminus, et salvábit nos: et mane vidébitis glóriam ejus. (Ps. 23: 1) Dómini est terra, et plenitúdo ejus: orbis terrárum, et univérsi qui hábitant in eo. Glória Patri et Fílio et Spíritui Sancto, sicut erat in princípío, et nunc, et semper, et in sæcula sæculórum. Amen. Hódie sciétis, quia véniet Dóminus, et salvábit nos: et mane vidébitis glóriam ejus.

AT THE CENTER OF THE ALTAR

P: Kýrie, eléison.

S: Kýrie, eléison.

P: Kýrie, eléison.

S: Christe, eléison.

P: Christe, eléison.

S: Christe, eléison.

P: Kýrie, eléison.

S: Kýrie, eléison.

(Stand at High Mass)

P: Dóminus vobíscum.

S: Et cum spíritu tuo.

AT THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE ALTAR

P: Orémus.

COLLECT

Deus, qui nos redemptiónis nostræ árnua ex unigénitum lætificas: præsta; ut Unigénitum tuum, quem Redemptórem læti suscipimus, veniéntem quoque júdicem securi videámus, Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum Fílium tuum. Qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

S: Amen.

(Sit)

EPISTLE Romans 1: 1-6

Paulus, servus Jesu Christi, vocátus Apóstolus, segregátus in Evangélium Dei, quod ad unigénitum patrem per prophétas suos in Scriptúris sanctis de Fílio suo, qui factus est ei ex sémine David secúndum carnem: qui prædestinátus est Fílius Dei in virtúte resurrectionis mortuórum Jesu Christi Dómini nostri: per quem accépimus grátiam, et apostolatúm ad obediéndum fidei in ómnibus géntibus pro nómine ejus, in quibus estis et vos vocáti Jesu Christi Dómini nostri.

S: Deo grátias.

GRADUAL Exodus 16: 6, 7

Hódie sciétis, quia véniet Dóminus, et salvábit nos: et mane vidébitis glóriam ejus. (Ps. 79: 2, 3) Qui regis Israél, inténde: qui dedúcis, velut ovem, Joseph: qui sedes super Chérubim, appáre coram Ephraím, Bénjamin, et Manásse.

(The Alleluia is only said when the Vigil falls on a Sunday.)

LESSER ALLELUIA Psalms 84: 4
Allelúja, allelúja. Crastína die delébitur iniquitas terræ: et regnabit super nos Salvátor mundi. Allelúja.

AT THE CENTER OF THE ALTAR (Only at High Mass when incense is used)

P: Ab illo benedicáris, in cuius honóre cremáberis.

P: Munda cor meum, ac lábia mea, omnipotens Deus, qui lábia Isaíæ Prophétæ cálculo mundásti igníto: ita me tua grata miseratiónem dignáre mundáre, ut sanctum Evangélium tuum digne váleam nuntiáre. Per Christum Dóminum nostrum. Amen.

P: Jube, Dómine, benedicere. Dóminus sit in corde meo, et in lábiis meis: ut digne et competénter annúntiem Evangélium suum. Amen.

AT THE LEFT SIDE OF THE ALTAR (Stand)

P: Dóminus vobíscum.

S: Et cum spíritu tuo.

P: Et quæntia sancti Evangélii secúndum Matthæum.

S: Glória tibi, Dómine.

GOSPEL Matthew 1: 18-21

Cum esset desponsáta mater Jesu María Joseph, ántequam convenirent, invénta est in útero habens de Spíritu Sancto. Joseph autem vir ejus, cum esset justus, et nollet eam tradúcere, volúit occúlte dimittere eam. Hæc autem eo cogitánte, ecce Angelus Dómini apparúit in somnis ei, dicens: Joseph, fili David, noli timére accipere Mariám conjugem tuam: quod enim in ea natum est, de Spíritu Sancto est. Páriet autem filium, et vocábis nomen ejus Jesum: ipse enim salvábit pápulum suum a peccátis eórum.

S: Laus tibi, Christe.

P: Per evangélica dicta deleántur nostra delicta.

AT THE FOOT OF THE ALTAR (Kneel)

P: †In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

P: I will go unto the altar of God.

S: To God, Who gives joy to my youth.

(Psalm 42)

P: Judge me, O God, and distinguish my cause from the unholy nation, deliver me from the unjust and deceitful man.

S: For Thou, O God, art my strength, why hast Thou cast me off? And why do I go about in sadness, while the enemy afflicts me?

P: Send forth Thy light and Thy truth: they have conducted me and brought me unto Thy holy mount, and into Thy tabernacles.

S: And I will go unto the altar of God: to God, Who gives joy to my youth.

P: I shall praise Thee upon the harp, O God, my God. Why are you sad, O my soul, and why do you disquiet me?

S: Hope in God, for I will still praise Him, the salvation of my countenance, and my God.

P: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

S: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

P: I will go unto the altar of God.

S: To God, Who gives joy to my youth.

P: †Our help is in the name of the Lord.

S: Who made heaven and earth.

P: I confess to almighty God, to blessed Mary ever Virgin, to blessed Michael the Archangel, to blessed John the Baptist, to the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, to all the Saints, and to you, brethren, that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed: through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault. Therefore I pray blessed Mary ever Virgin, blessed Michael the Archangel, blessed John the Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, all the Saints, and you, brethren, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

S: May almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you your sins, and bring you to life everlasting.

P: Amen.

S: I confess to almighty God, to blessed Mary ever Virgin, to blessed Michael the Archangel, to blessed John the Baptist, to the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, to all the Saints, and to you father: that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed: **(strike breast 3 times)** through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault. Therefore I pray blessed Mary ever Virgin, blessed Michael the Archangel, blessed John the Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, all the Saints, and you, Father, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

P: May almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you your sins, and bring you to life everlasting.

S: Amen.

P: †May the almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon, absolution, and remission of our sins.

S: Amen.

P: Thou wilt turn again, O God, and quicken us.

S: And Thy people will rejoice in Thee.

P: Show us, O Lord, Thy mercy.

S: And grant us Thy salvation.

P: O Lord, hear my prayer.

S: And let my cry come unto Thee.

P: The Lord be with you.

S: And with your spirit.

P: Let us pray.

P: Take away from us our iniquities, we beseech Thee, O Lord; that with pure minds we may be made worthy to enter into the Holy of Holies. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

AT THE CENTER OF THE ALTAR

P: We pray Thee, O Lord, by the merits of Thy Saints whose relics are here, and of all the Saints: that Thou would deign to pardon me all my sins. Amen.

(Only at High Mass when incense is used)

P: Be blessed by Him in Whose honor you will be burnt.

AT THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE ALTAR

This day you shall know that the Lord will come, and save us: and in the morning you shall see His glory. (Ps. 23: 1) The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world, and all they that dwell therein. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. This day you shall know that the Lord will come, and save us: and in the morning you shall see His glory.

AT THE CENTER OF THE ALTAR

P: Lord, have mercy.

S: Lord, have mercy.

P: Lord, have mercy.

S: Christ, have mercy.

P: Christ, have mercy.

S: Christ, have mercy.

P: Lord, have mercy.

S: Lord, have mercy.

P: Lord, have mercy.

(Stand at High Mass)

P: The Lord be with you.

S: And with your Spirit.

AT THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE ALTAR

P: Let us pray.

O God, who makest us glad with the yearly expectation of our redemption, grant that we who now joyfully receive Thine only-begotten Son as our Redeemer, may also without fear behold Him coming as our Judge, the same our Lord Jesus Christ Thy Son: Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

S: Amen.

(Sit)

Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an Apostle, separated unto the Gospel of the apostle, which He had promised before by His prophets in the holy Scriptures concerning His Son, who was made to Him of the seed of David according to the flesh: who was predestinated the Son of God in power according to the spirit of sanctification by the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead: by whom we have received grace, and apostleship for obedience to the faith in all nations for His name, among whom are you also the called of Jesus Christ our Lord.

S: Thanks be to God.

This day you shall know that the Lord will come and save us: and in the morning you shall see His glory. (Ps. 79: 2, 3) Give ear, O Thou that rulest Israel: Thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep, Thou that sittest upon the Cherubim, shine forth before Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasses.

(The Alleluia is only said when the Vigil falls on a Sunday.)

LESSER ALLELUIA Psalms 84: 4
Alleluia, alleluia. Tomorrow shall the iniquity of the earth be abolished: and the Savior of the world shall reign over us. Alleluia.

AT THE CENTER OF THE ALTAR (Only at High Mass when incense is used)

P: Be blessed by Him in Whose honor you will be burnt.

P: Cleanse my heart and my lips, O almighty God, Who cleansed the lips of the Prophet Isaiah with a burning coal. In Thy gracious mercy, deign so to purify me, that I may worthily proclaim Thy holy Gospel. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: Pray, Lord, a blessing. The Lord be in my heart and on my lips that I may worthily and fittingly proclaim His Gospel. Amen.

AT THE LEFT SIDE OF THE ALTAR (Stand)

P: The Lord be with you.

S: And with your spirit.

P: The continuation of the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

S: Glory to Thee, O Lord.

Then Mary the Mother of Jesus was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Spirit. Whereupon Joseph her husband, being a just man and not willing publicly to expose her, was minded to put her away privately. But while he thought on these things, behold the Angel of the Lord appeared to him in his sleep, saying: Joseph, son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. And she shall bring forth a Son, and thou shalt call His name Jesus: for He shall save His people from their sins.

S: Praise to Thee, O Christ.

P: May our offenses be erased by the words of the Gospel.

AT THE CENTER OF THE ALTAR

P: Dóminus vobiscum.
S: **Et cum spiritu tuo.**

P: Orémus.

(Sit)

OFFERTORY Psalms 23: 7

Tollite portas, principes, vestras: et elevámini, portæ æternáles, et introibit Rex glóriæ.

P: Súscipe, sancte Pater, omnípotens ætérne Deus, hanc immaculátam hóstiám, quam ego indignus fámulus tuus offero tibi, Deo meo vivo et vero, pro innumerábilibus peccátis, et offénsionibus, et negligéntiis meis, et pro ómnibus circumstántibus, sed et pro ómnibus fidélibus cristiánis vivis et pro defúntis: ut mihi, et illis proficiat ad salutem in vitam ætérnam. Amen.

AT THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE ALTAR

P: Deus, qui humanæ substántiæ dignitatém mirabiliter condidisti, et mirábilis reformásti: da nobis per hujus aquæ et vini mystérium, ejus divinitátis esse consórtes, qui humanitátis nostræ fieri dignátus est párticipas, Jesus Christus Fílius tuus Dóminus noster: Qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus: per ómnia sæcula sæculórum. Amen.

AT THE CENTER OF THE ALTAR

P: Offérimus tibi, Dómine, cálicem salutáris tuam deprecántes cleméntiam: ut in conspéctu divinæ majestátis tuæ, pro nostra, et totiús mundi saluté cum odóre suavitátis ascéndat. Amen. In spíritu humilitátis, et in ánimo contríto suscipiámur a te, Dómine, et sic fiat sacrificium nostrum in conspéctu tuo hódie, ut pláceat tibi, Dómine Deus. Veni, sanctificátor omnípotens ætérne Deus: et benedic hoc sacrificium, tuo sancto nómini præparátum.

(Only at High Mass when incense is used)

P: *Per intercessionem beáti Micháelis Archángeli, stántis a dextris altáris incénsi, et ómnium electórum suórum, incénsus istud dignétur Dóminus benedicere, et in odórem suavitátis accípere. Per Christum Dóminum nostrum. Amen.*

P: *Incénsus istud a te benedictum, ascéndat ad te, Dómine, et descéndat super nos misericórdia tua.*

P: *Dirigátor, Dómine, orátio mea, sicut incénsus, in conspéctu tuo: elevátio mánuum meárum sacrificium vespertinum. Pone, Dómine, custódiám ori meo, et óstium circumstántiæ lábiis meis: ut non declinet cor meum in verba malitiæ, ad excusándas excusatiónes in peccátis.*

P: *Accéndat in nobis Dóminus ignem sui amoris, et flamma ætérnæ caritátis. Amen.*

AT THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE ALTAR

P: Lavábo inter innocéntes manus meas: et circumdábo altáre tuum, Dómine: Ut áudiam vocem laudis, et enárrem univérsa mirabília tua. Dómine, diléxi decórem domus tuæ, et locum habitatiónis glóriæ tuæ. Ne perdas cum ímpiis, Deus, ánimam meam, et cum viris sánguinem vitam meam: In quorum mánibus iniquitátes sunt: dextera eórum repléta est munéribus. Ego autem in innocéntia mea ingræssus sum: rédime me, et miserére mei. Pes meus stetit in dirécto: in ecclésiis benedícam te, Dómine. Glória Patri, et Filio, et Spíritui Sancto. Sicut erat in princípío, et nunc, et semper: et in sæcula sæculórum. Amen.

AT THE CENTER OF THE ALTAR

P: Súscipe, sancta Trinitas, hanc oblatiónem, quam tibi offérimus ob memóriam passiónis, resurrectiόνis, et ascensiónis Jesu Christi Dómini nostri: et in honórem beatæ Mariæ semper Virginis, et beáti Joánnis Baptistæ, et sanctorum Apostolórum Petri et Pauli, et istórum, et ómnium Sanctorum: ut illis proficiat ad honórem, nobis autem ad salutem: et illi pro nobis intercédere dignéntur in cælis, quorum memóriam ágimus in terris. Per eúndem Christum Dóminum nostrum. Amen.

P: Oráte fratres: ut meum ac vestrum sacrificium acceptábile fiat apud Deum Patrem omnipoténtem.

S: Suscipiat Dóminus sacrificium de mánibus tuis ad laudem, et glóriam nóminis sui, ad utilitátem quoque nostram, totiúsque Ecclésiæ suæ sanctæ.

P: Amen.

SECRET *(silently)*

Da nobis, quæsumus, omnípotens Deus: ut, sicut adoránda Fílii tui natalítia prævenimus, sic ejus múnera capiámus sempitérna gaudéntes: Qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus,

(aloud, to conclude the Secret Prayer)

P: ...per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

(Stand at High Mass)

S: Amen.

P: Dóminus vobiscum.

S: **Et cum spiritu tuo.**

P: Sursum corda.

S: **Habémus ad Dóminum.**

P: Grátias agámus Dómino Deo nostro.

S: **Dignum et justum est.**

PREFACE OF ADVENT

Vere dignum et justum est, æquum et salutáre, nos tibi semper, et ubique grátias ágere: Dómine sancte, Pater omnípotens, ætérne Deus: per Christum Dóminum nostrum. Quem pérdito hóminum géneri Salvatórem miséricors et fidélis promissisti: cujus virtátes instrúeret inscios, sánctitas justificáret ímpios, ergo adjuváret infírmos. Dum ergo prope est ut véniat quem missúrus es, et dies affúget liberatiónis nostræ, in hac promissiónis tuárum tuárum, piis gáudiis exsultámus. Et ideo cum Ángelis et Archángelis, cum Thronis et Dominatióibus, cumque omni militía cælestis exércitus, hymnum glóriæ tuæ cánimus, sine fine dicéntes:

(Kneel)

P: Sanctus ☩, Sanctus ☩, Sanctus ☩, Dóminus Deus Sábaoth. Pleni sunt cæli et terra glória tua. Hosánna in excélsis. †Benedictus qui venit in nómine Dómini. Hosánna in excélsis.

THE ROMAN CANON *(silently)*

P: Te ígitur, clementíssime Pater, per Jesum Christum Fílium tuum, Dóminum nostrum, súpplices rogámus, ac pétimus uti accéptas hábeas, et benedícas, hæc dona, hæc múnera, hæc sancta sacrificia illibáta, in primis, quæ tibi offérimus pro Ecclésia tua custodiáre, adunáre, et régere dignéris toto orbe terrárum: una cum fámulo tuo Papa nostro **N.**, et Antístite nostro **N.**, et ómnibus orthodoxis, atque cathólicæ et apostólicæ fidei cultóribus.

P: Meménto, Dómine, famulórum, famulárumque tuárum **N.**, et **N.**, et ómnium circumstántium, quorum tibi fides cógna est, et nota devótio, pro quibus tibi offerimus: vel tibi tibi offerunt hoc sacrificium laudis, pro se, suisque ómnibus: pro redemptiône animárum suárum, pro spe salutis et incolumitátis suæ: tibique reddunt vota sua ætérno Deo, vivo et vero.

P: Comunicántes, et memóriam venerántes, in primis gloriósam semper Virginis Mariæ, Genitricis Dei et Dómini nostri Jesu Christi: sed et beáti Joseph, ejúsdem Virginis Sponsi, et teatórum Apostolórum ac Mártyrum tuórum, Petri et Pauli, Andréæ, Jacóbi, Joánnis, Thomæ, Jacóbi, Philippi, Bartholomæi, Matthæi, Simónis, et Thaddæi: Lini, Cleti, Cléméntis, Xysti, Cornélii, Cypriáni, Lauréntii, Chrysóstomi, Joánnis et Pauli, Cosmæ et Damiáni, et ómnium Sanctorum tuórum; quorum méritis precibúsq; concédas, ut in ómnibus protectiόνis tuæ muniámur auxilio. Per eúndem Christum Dóminum nostrum. Amen.

P: ☩ Hanc ígitur oblatiónem servitútis nostræ, sed et cunctæ familiæ tuæ, quæsumus, Dómine, ut placátus accípias: diésque nostros in tua pace dispónas, atque ab ætérna damnatióne nos éripi, et in electórum tuórum júbeas grege numerári. Per Christum Dóminum nostrum. Amen.

P: Quam oblatiónem tu, Deus, in ómnibus, quæsumus, benedíctam, adscríptam, ratam, benedíctam, acceptáblemque fáceré dignéris: ut nobis Corpus, et Sanguis fiat dilectíssimi Fílii tui Dómini nostri Jesu Christi.

P: Qui pridie quam paterétur, accépit panem in sanctas, ac venerábiles manus suas, et elevátis óculis in cælum ad te Deum Patrem suum benedixit, fregit, dedítque discipulis suis, dicens: Accípite, et manducáte ex hoc omnes, HOC EST ENIM CORPUS MEUM.

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P: Símilí modo postquam cænátum est, accípiens et hunc præclárum Cálicem in sanctas ac venerábiles manus suas: ítem tibi grátias agens, benedixit, dedítque discipulis suis, dicens: Accípite, et bíbite ex eo omnes, HIC EST ENIM CALIX SÁNGUINIS MEI, NOVI ET AETÉRNÍ TEMÉNTI: MIYSTERIUM FÍDEI: QUI PRO VOBIS ET PRO MULTIS EFFUNDÉTUR IN REMISSIÓNEM PECCATÓRUM.

Hæc quotiescúmque fecéritis, in mei memóriam faciétis.

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P: Unde et memores, Dómine, nos servi tui, sed et plebs tua sancta, ejúsdem Christi Fílii tui Dómini nostri tam beatæ passiónis, nec non et ab ínferis resurrectiόνis, sed et in cælos glorióas ascensiónis: offerimus præcláre majestáti tuæ de tuis donis, ac datis, hóstiám puram, hóstiám sanctam, hóstiám immaculátam, Panem sanctum vitæ ætérnæ, et Cálicem salutis perpétuæ.

AT THE CENTER OF THE ALTAR

P: The Lord be with you.

S: And with your spirit.

P: Let us pray.

(Sit)

Lift up your gates, O ye princes, and be ye lifted up, O eternal gates: and the King of glory shall enter in.

P: Receive, O Holy Father, almighty and eternal God, this spotless host, which I, Thine unworthy servant, offer unto Thee, my living and true God, for my innumerable sins, offenses, and negligences, and for all here present; and also for all faithful Christians both living and dead, that it may profit me and them for salvation unto life everlasting. Amen.

AT THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE ALTAR

P: O God, Who wonderfully formed the dignity of human nature, and more wonderfully restored it, grant us through the mystery of this water and wine, to be made participants of His divinity, Who condescended to become a partaker of our humanity, Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who with Thee, lives and reigns in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen.

AT THE CENTER OF THE ALTAR

P: We offer Thee, O Lord, the chalice of salvation, pleading Thy clemency, that it may ascend in the sight of Thy divine majesty, with a sweet fragrance, for our salvation and for that of the whole world. Amen. In a humble spirit and a contrite heart may we be received by Thee, O Lord, and let our sacrifice be so made in Thy sight this day that it may please Thee, O Lord God. Come, O sanctifier, almighty and eternal God, and bless this sacrifice prepared for Thy holy name.

(Only at High Mass when incense is used)

P: *By the intercession of blessed Michael the Archangel, who stands at the right hand of the altar of incense, and of all His elect, may the Lord deign to bless this incense, and to receive it as a sweet fragrance, through Christ our Lord.*

P: *May this incense, blessed by Thee, ascend to Thee, O Lord, and may Thy mercy descend upon us.*

P: *Let my prayer be directed, O Lord, as incense in Thy sight, the lifting up of my hands as an evening sacrifice. Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth: and a door round about my lips: that my heart may not incline to evil words: to make excuses in sins.*

P: *May the Lord enkindle in us the fire of His love and the flame of everlasting charity. Amen.*

AT THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE ALTAR

P: I will wash my hands among the innocent, and I will compass Thine altar, O Lord, that I may hear the voice of praise: and tell of all Thy wondrous deeds. I have loved, O Lord, the beauty of Thy house and the place where Thy glory dwelleth. Destroy not my soul, O God, with the wicked, nor my life with men of blood. In whose hands are iniquities, their right hand is full with gifts. But I have walked in my innocence: redeem me, and have mercy on me. My foot has stood on the right path; in the churches I will bless Thee, O Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

AT THE CENTER OF THE ALTAR

P: Receive, O holy Trinity, this oblation which we offer to Thee in remembrance of the Passion, Resurrection, and Ascension of Our Lord Jesus Christ, and in honor of blessed Mary, ever Virgin, blessed John the Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, and of these and of all the Saints; that it may avail unto their honor and our salvation, and may they deign to intercede in heaven for us who honor their memory here on earth. Through the same Christ, our Lord. Amen.

P: Pray brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father almighty.

S: May the Lord receive the sacrifice from your hands, to the praise and glory of His name, to our benefit, and that of all His holy Church.

P: Amen.

Grant, we beseech Thee, almighty God, that as we anticipate the adorable birthday of Thy Son, so may we joyfully receive His eternal gifts: Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,

P: ...forever and ever.

(Stand at High Mass)

S: Amen.

P: The Lord be with you.

S: And with your spirit.

P: Lift up your hearts.

S: We have lifted them up to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

S: It is fitting and just.

It is truly meet and just, right and for our salvation, that we should at all times and places give thanks unto Thee, O holy Trinity, almighty Father, eternal God, through Christ our Lord; for in Thy mercy and fidelity Thou hast promised Him as Savior to the lost race of men, to instruct the ignorant with His truth, justify the wicked with His holiness, and help the weak by His power. Now that the time draweth nigh that He Whom Thou art to send should come, and the day of our liberation should dawn, with faith in Thy promises, we rejoice with holy exultation. And therefore with the Angels and Archangels, with the Thrones and Dominations, and with all the hosts of the heavenly army, we sing a hymn of Thy glory, evermore saying:

(Kneel)

P: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts! Heaven and earth are filled with Thy glory. Hosanna in the highest!

†Blessed is He Who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

THE ROMAN CANON

P: Therefore, most merciful Father, we humbly pray and entreat Thee, through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Our Lord, that Thou would accept and bless these gifts, these offerings, these holy and spotless sacrifices, which, in the first place, we offer Thee for Thy holy Catholic Church: deign to pacify, to guard, to unite, and to govern her throughout the world, together with Thy servant **N.**, our Pope, and **N.**, our Bishop; and all orthodox believers of the Catholic and apostolic faith.

P: Be mindful, O Lord, of Thy servants and handmaids **N.** and **N.**, and of all here present, whose faith and devotion are known unto Thee, for whom we offer, or who offer to Thee, this sacrifice of praise for themselves, and for all their own, for the redemption of their souls, for their hope of salvation and safety; and who pay their vows to Thee, the everlasting, living, and true God.

P: Having communion with, and venerating first of all the memory of the glorious and ever Virgin Mary, Mother of our God and Lord Jesus Christ; and also of blessed Joseph, Spouse of the same Virgin, and of Thy blessed Apostles and Martyrs, Peter and Paul, Andrew, James, John, Thomas, James, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Simon and Thaddeus; of Linus, Cletus, Clement, Sixtus, Cornelius, Cyprian, Lawrence, Chrysogonus, John and Paul, Cosmas and Damian, and all Thy Saints, by whose merits and prayers, grant that in all things we may be defended by the help of Thy protection. Through the same Christ, our Lord. Amen.

P: We therefore beseech Thee, O Lord, to graciously accept this oblation of our service, as also of Thy entire family; dispose our days in Thy peace, save us from eternal damnation, and command that we be numbered in the flock of Thine elect. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: Which oblation, do Thou, O God, deign in all respects to make blessed, approved, ratified, reasonable and acceptable, so that it may become for us the Body and Blood of Thy most beloved Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ.

P: Who, the day before He suffered, took bread into His holy and venerable hands, and with His eyes raised to heaven, unto Thee, God, His almighty Father, giving thanks to Thee, He blessed it, broke it, and gave it to His disciples saying: Take, all of you, and eat of this: FOR THIS IS MY BODY.

P: In like manner, after He had supped, taking also this excellent chalice into His holy and venerable hands, and giving thanks to Thee, He blessed it, and gave it to His disciples, saying: Take, all of you, and drink of this: FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL TESTAMENT: THE MYSTERY OF FAITH: WHICH SHALL BE Poured OUT FOR YOU AND FOR MANY UNTO THE REMISSION OF SINS. As often as you shall do these things, you do them in memory of Me.

P: Wherefore, Lord, we, Thy servants, but also Thy holy people, mindful of the same Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, of His blessed passion, and of His resurrection from the grave, and of His glorious ascension into heaven, offer unto Thy most excellent majesty of Thine own gifts, bestowed upon us, a pure victim, a holy victim, an unspotted victim, the holy Bread of eternal life and the Chalice of everlasting salvation.

P: Supra quæ propitio ac sereno vultu respicere digneris; et accepta habere, sicuti accepta habere dignatus es munera pueri tui justii Abel, et sacrificium Patriarchæ nostri Abraham: et quod tibi obtulit hæc nostris sacerdos tuus Melchisedech, sanctum sacrificium, immaculatam hostiam.

P: Súpplīces te rogāmus, omnīpotens Deus: jube hæc perfērri per manus sancti Angeli tui in sublimē altāre tuum, in conspēctū divīnæ majestātis tuæ: ut quotquot, ex hac altāris participationē sacrosanctum Filii tui, Corpus, et Sanguinem sumpsērimus, omni benedictionē cælesti et grātia repleāmur. Per eūdem Christum Dōminum nostrum. Amen.

P: Memēnto etiā, Dōmine, famulōrum, famularūque tuarum **N.** et **N.** qui nos præcesserunt cum signo fidei, et dormiunt in somno pacis. Ipsis, Dōmine, et omnibus in Christo quiescētibus, locum refrigerii, lucis et pacis, ut indulgeas, deprecāmur. Per eūdem Christum Dōminum nostrum. Amen.

P: Nobis quoque peccatoribus famulis tuis, de multitudine miseratiōnum tuarum sperantibus, partem aliquam, et societatem donare digneris, cum tuis sanctis Apōstolis et Martīribus: cum Joāne, Stéphano, Matthia, Bārnaba, Ignatio, Alexandro, Marcellino, Petro, Felicitate, Perpētua, Agatha, Lúcia, Agnēte, Cæcilia, Anastasia, et omnibus Sanctis tuis: intra quorum nos consortium, non æstimātor mēriti, sed veniæ, quæsumus, largitor admitte. Per Christum Dōminum nostrum.

P: Per quem hæc omnia, Dōmine, semper bona creas, sanctificas, vivificas, benedixisti, et præstas nobis. Per ipsum, et cum ipso, et in ipso, est tibi Deo Patri omnipotenti, in unitate Spīritus Sancti, omnis honor, et glória.

(aloud, to conclude the Canon)

P: Per omnia sæcula sæculōrum.

(Stand at High Mass)

S: Amen.

P: Orémus. Præceptis salutāribus mōniti, et divīna institutiōne formāti, audémus dicere: Pater noster, qui es in cælis: Sanctificetur nomen tuum: Advēniat regnum tuum: Fiat volūntas tua, sicut in cælo, et in terra. Panem nostrum quotidiānum da nobis hōdie: Et dimitte nobis débita nostra, sicut et nos dimittimus debitōribus nostris. Et ne nos inducas in tentatiōnem:

S: Sed libera nos a malo.

P: Amen

P: Libera nos, quæsumus, Dōmine, ab omnibus malis, præteritis, præsentibus, et futuris: et intercedente beāta et gloriosa semper Virgine Dei Genitricē Mariā, cum beātis Apōstolis tuis Petro et Paulo, atque Andrēa, et omnibus Sanctis, da propitius pacem in diēbus nostris: ut ope misericordiæ tuæ adjūti, et a peccāto simul semper liberi et ab omni perturbatiōne securi. Per eūdem Dōminum nostrum Jesum Christum Filium tuum. Qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitate Spīritus Sancti, Deus, per omnia sæcula sæculōrum.

S: Amen.

P: Pax Dōmini sit semper vobiscum.

S: Et cum spīritu tuo.

(Kneel at High Mass)

P: Hæc commixtio, et consecratiō Cōrporis et Sanguinis Dōmini nostri Jesu Christi fiat accipiētibz nobis in vitam ætērnā. Amen.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccāta mundi: **(strike breast)** miserere nobis.

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Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccāta mundi: **(strike breast)** dona nobis pacem.

P: Dōmine Jesu Christe, qui dixisti Apōstolis tuis: Pacem relinquo vobis, pacem meam do vobis: ne respicias peccāta mea, sed fidem Ecclēsiæ tuæ: eāquē secundum voluntatē tuam pacificāre et coadunāre digneris: Qui vivis et regnas Deus per omnia sæcula sæculōrum. Amen.

P: Dōmine Jesu Christe, Fili Dei vivi, qui ex voluntate Patris, cooperante Spīritu Sancto, per mortem tuam mundum vivificasti: libera me per hoc sacrosanctum Corpus et Sanguinem tuum ab omnibus iniquitatibus meis, et univērsis malis: et fac me tuis semper inhærere mandātis, et a te nunquam separari permittas: Qui cum eodem Deo Patre et Spīritu Sancto vivis et regnas Deus in sæcula sæculōrum. Amen.

P: Percēptio Cōrporis tui, Dōmine Jesu Christe, quod ego indignus sumere præsumo, non mihi provēniat in judiciū et condemnatiōnem: sed pro tua pietate prosit mihi ad tutamētum mentis et cōrporis, et ad medēlam percipiēdam: Qui vivis et regnas cum Deo Patre in unitate Spīritus Sancti, Deus, per omnia sæcula sæculōrum. Amen.

P: Panem cælestem accipiam, et nomen Dōmini invocābo.

Dōmine, non sum dignus ☩, ut intres sub tectum meum: dignus dic verbo, et sanābitur anima mea.

Dōmine, non sum dignus ☩, ut intres sub tectum meum: sed tantum dic verbo, et sanābitur anima mea.

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P: Corpus Dōmini nostri Jesu Christi custōdiat animam meam in vitam ætērnā. Amen.

P: Quid retribuam Dōmino pro omnibus quæ retribuit mihi? Cálicem salutāris accipiam, et nomen Dōmini invocābo. Laudans invocābo Dōminum, et ab inimicis meis salvus ero.

P: Sanguis Dōmini nostri Jesu Christi custōdiat animam meam in vitam ætērnā. Amen.

P: Ecce Agnus Dei, ecce qui tollit peccāta mundi.

S: Dōmine, non sum **(strike breast)** dignus, ut intres sub tectum meum: sed tantum dic verbo, et sanābitur anima mea.

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AT THE COMMUNION RAIL

P: Corpus Dōmini nostri Jesu Christi custōdiat animam tuam in vitam ætērnā. Amen.

AT THE CENTER OF THE ALTAR

P: Quod ore sumpsimus, Dōmine, pura mente capiāmus: et de mūnere temporali fiat nobis remēdium sempitērnū.

P: Corpus tuum, Dōmine, quod sumpsit, et Sanguis, quem potāvi, adhæreat visceribus meis: et præsta; ut in me non remaneat scelerum macula, quem pura et sancta refecerunt sacramenta: Qui vivis et regnas in sæcula sæculōrum, Amen.

AT THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE ALTAR

COMMUNION Isaiah 40: 5
Revelābitur glória Dōmini: et vidēbit omnis caro salutāre Dei nostri.

AT THE CENTER OF THE ALTAR

(Stand at High Mass)

P: Dōminus vobiscum.

S: Et cum spīritu tuo.

AT THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE ALTAR

P: Orémus.

POSTCOMMUNION

Da nobis, quæsumus, Dōmine, unigēniti Filii tui recensita nativitate respirāre; cujus cælesti mysterio pascimur et potāmur. Per eūdem Dōminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Filium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitate Spīritus Sancti, Deus, per omnia sæcula sæculōrum.

S: Amen.

AT THE CENTER OF THE ALTAR

P: Dōminus vobiscum.

S: Et cum spīritu tuo.

P: Ite, Missa est.

S: Deo grātiās.

(Kneel at High Mass)

P: Pláceat tibi, sancta Trīnitas, obséquium servitūtis meæ: et præsta; ut sacrificium, quod oculis tuæ majestātis indignus obtuli, tibi sit acceptabile, mihiq; et omnibus pro quibus illud obtuli, sit, te miserante, propitiabile. Per Christum Dōminum nostrum. Amen.

P: Benedicat vos omnipotens Deus, †Pater, et Filius, et Spīritus Sanctus.

S: Amen.

P: Deign to regard them with a gracious and serene countenance, and to accept them, as Thou didst deign to accept the gifts of Thy just servant Abel, and the sacrifice of Abraham our Patriarch, and that which Thy chief priest Melchisedech offered to Thee, a holy sacrifice, an unspotted victim.

P: Humbly we pray Thee, almighty God, command these offerings to be borne by the hands of Thy holy Angel to Thine altar on high, in the sight of Thy divine majesty, so that as many of us as shall, by partaking from this altar, consume the most holy Body and Blood of Thy Son, may be filled with every heavenly grace and blessing. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: Be mindful also, O Lord, of Thy servants and handmaids **N.** and **N.** who have gone before us with the sign of faith and rest in the sleep of peace. To these, O Lord, and to all who rest in Christ, we plead that you grant a place of comfort, light, and peace. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: To us sinners also, Thy servants, trusting in the multitude of Thy mercies, deign to grant some part and fellowship with Thy holy Apostles and Martyrs, with John, Stephen, Matthias, Barnabas, Ignatius, Alexander, Marcellinus, Peter, Felicitas, Perpetua, Agatha, Lucy, Agnes, Cecilia, Anastasia, and with all Thy Saints, into whose company, we beseech Thee, not as appraiser of merit but as bestower of pardon, to admit us. Through Christ our Lord.

P: Through Whom, O Lord, Thou always create, sanctify, quicken, bless and bestow upon us all good things. Through Him and with Him and in Him is to Thee, God the Father almighty, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory,

P: Forever and ever.

(Stand at High Mass)

S: Amen.

P: Let us pray: Admonished by Thy saving precepts, and following Thy divine institution, we dare to say: Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation.

S: But deliver us from evil.

P: Amen.

P: Deliver us, we beseech Thee, O Lord, from all evils, past, present, and to come; and by the intercession of the blessed and glorious ever-Virgin Mary, Mother of God, together with Thy blessed Apostles, Peter and Paul, and Andrew, and all the Saints, mercifully grant peace in our days, that sustained by the help of Thy mercy, we may be always free from sin and secure from all disturbance. Through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with Thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

S: Amen.

P: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

S: And with your spirit.

(Kneel at High Mass)

P: May this mingling and consecration of the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ be to us who receive it effectual unto eternal life. Amen.

Lamb of God, Who takes away the sins of the world, **(strike breast)** have mercy on us.

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Lamb of God, Who takes away the sins of the world, **(strike breast)** grant us peace.

P: O Lord Jesus Christ, Who said to Thine Apostles: Peace I leave you, My peace I give you; regard not my sins, but the faith of Thy Church, and deign to grant her peace and to unify her according to Thy will: Who lives and reigns God, forever and ever. Amen.

P: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, Who, by the will of the Father, with the cooperation of the Holy Spirit, hast by Thy death given life to the world; deliver me by this Thy most sacred Body and Blood, from all my sins and from all evils. Make me always cleave to Thy commandments, and never permit me to be separated from Thee, Who with the same God the Father and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, God, forever and ever. Amen.

P: Let not the partaking of Thy Body, O Lord Jesus Christ, which I, unworthy, presume to receive, turn to my judgment and condemnation; but through Thy kindness, may it benefit me, a safeguard both of mind and body, and a certain remedy. Who with God the Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns God, forever and ever. Amen.

P: I will take the Bread of heaven, and will call upon the name of the Lord.

Lord, I am not worthy that Thou should enter under my roof; but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

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P: May the Body of our Lord Jesus Christ preserve my soul unto life everlasting. Amen.

P: What return shall I render unto the Lord for all He has given me? I will take the Chalice of salvation, and I will call upon the name of the Lord. Praising I will call upon the Lord, and I shall be saved from my enemies.

P: May the Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ preserve my soul to life everlasting. Amen.

P: Behold the Lamb of God, behold Him who takes away the sins of the world.

S: Lord, I am **(strike breast)** not worthy that Thou should enter under my roof; but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

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AT THE COMMUNION RAIL

P: May the Body of our Lord Jesus Christ preserve your soul unto everlasting life. Amen.

AT THE CENTER OF THE ALTAR

P: Grant, O Lord, that what we have taken with our mouth, we may receive with a pure mind; and from a temporal gift may it become to us an eternal remedy.

P: May Thy Body, O Lord, which I have consumed, and Thy Blood which I have drunk, cling to my vitals; and grant that no wicked stain may remain in me, whom these pure and holy mysteries have refreshed. Who lives and reigns, forever and ever. Amen.

AT THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE ALTAR

The glory of the Lord shall be revealed: and all flesh shall see the salvation of our God.

AT THE CENTER OF THE ALTAR

(Stand at High Mass)

P: The Lord be with you.

S: And with your spirit.

AT THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE ALTAR

P: Let us pray.

Grant, we beseech Thee, O Lord, that the celebration of the birth of Thine only-begotten Son may give us fresh life; whose heavenly mystery is our food and drink. Through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

S: Amen.

AT THE CENTER OF THE ALTAR

P: The Lord be with you.

S: And with your spirit.

P: Go, the Mass is ended.

S: Thanks be to God.

(Kneel at High Mass)

P: May the performance of my homage be pleasing to Thee, O holy Trinity: and grant that the sacrifice which I, though unworthy, have offered up in the sight of Thy majesty, may be acceptable unto Thee, and may, through Thy mercy, be a propitiation for myself and all those for whom I have offered it. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: May almighty God bless you, †the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

S: Amen.

**AT THE LEFT SIDE OF THE ALTAR
(Stand)**

P: Dóminus vobíscum.

S: **Et cum spírítu tuo.**

P: Inítium sancti Evangélii secúndum Joánnem.

S: **Glória tibi, Dómine.**

P: In princípío erat Verbum, et Verbum erat apud Deum, et Deus erat Verbum. Hoc erat in princípío apud Deum.

Ómnia per ipsum facta sunt: et sine ipso factum est nihil, quod factum est: in ipso víta erat, et víta erat lux hóminum: et lux in ténebris lucet, et ténebræ eam non comprehendérunt. Fuit homo missus a Deo, cui nomen erat Joánnes. Hic venit in testimónium, ut testimónium perhibéret de lúmine, ut omnes créderent per illum. Non erat ille lux, sed ut testimónium perhibéret de lúmine. Erat lux vera, quæ illúminat omnem hóminem veniéntem in hunc mundum. In mundo erat, et mundus eum non cognóvit. In própria venit, et sui eum non recepérunt. Quotquot autem recepérunt eum, dedit eis potestátem filios Dei fferi, his qui credunt in nómine ejus: qui non ex sanguínibus, neque ex voluntáte carnis, neque ex voluntáte viri, sed ex Deo nati sunt.

(Genuflect) ET VERBUM CARO

FACTUM EST

et habitávit in nobis: et vídimus glóriam ejus, glóriam quasi Unigéniti a Patre, plenum grátiaë et veritátis.

S: Deo grátias.

**AT THE LEFT SIDE OF THE ALTAR
(Stand)**

P: The Lord be with you.

S: And with your spirit.

P: The beginning of the holy Gospel according to John.

S: Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

P: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by Him: and without Him was made nothing that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. This man came for a witness, to give testimony of the light, that all men might believe through him. He was not that light, but was to give testimony of the light. That was the true light, which enlighteneth every man that cometh into this world.

He was in the world, and the world was made by Him, and the world knew Him not. He came unto His own, and His own received Him not. But as many as received Him, He gave them power to be made the sons of God, to them that believe in His name. Who are born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

(Genuflect) AND THE WORD WAS

MADE FLESH,

and dwelt among us, (and we saw His glory, the glory as it were of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

S: Thanks be to God.

[Leonine Prayers](#)

(optional after Low Mass)