PREFACE OF THE ASCENSION

Vere dignum et justum est, æquum et salutáre, nos tibi semper et ubíque grátias ágere: Dómine sancte, Pater omnípotens, ætérne Deus: per Christum, Dóminum nostrum. Qui post resurrectiónem suam ómnibus discípulis suis maniféstus appáruit, et ipsis cernéntibus est elevátus in cælum, ut nos divinitátis suæ tribúeret esse partícipes. Et ídeo cum Ángelis et Archángelis, cum Thronis et Dominatiónibus cumque omni milítia cæléstis exércitus, hymnum glóriæ tuæ cánimus, sine fine dicéntes:

COMMUNION Psalms 83: 3

Cor meum et caro mea exsultavérunt in Deum vivum. (T.P. Allelúja.)

POSTCOMMUNION

Cæléstibus, Dómine, pasti delíciis: quæsumus; ut beáti Philippi Confessóris tui méritis et imitatióne, semper eadem, per quæ veráciter vívimus, appetámus. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

(Commemoration of St. Eleutherius)
Refectióne sancta enutrítam gubérna,
quæsumus Dómine, tuam placátus
Ecclésiam: ut poténti moderatióne
dirécta, et increménta libertátis
accípiat et in religiónis integritáte
persístat. Per Dóminum nostrum
Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui
tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus
Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula
sæculórum.

It is truly meet and just, right and for our salvation, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto Thee, O holy Lord, Father almighty, everlasting God, through Christ our Lord. Who, after His Resurrection, appeared openly to all His disciples, and, while they looked on, was taken up into heaven, that He might grant unto us to be sharers in His own divinity. And therefore with the Angels and Archangels, with the Thrones and Dominations, and with all the hosts of the heavenly army, we sing the hymn of Thy glory, evermore saying:

My heart and my flesh have rejoiced in the living God. (P.T. Alleluia.)

Regaled with heavenly delights, O Lord, we pray Thee, that,by the merits of blessed Philip, Thy confessor, and after his example, we may ever seek those things by which we truly live. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

O Lord, we beseech Thee, graciously govern Thy Church, which Thou hast fed with a holy meal; so that, directed by a mighty wisdom, she may progress in liberty, and persist in the integrity of faith. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

MASS PROPER: MAY 26, ST. PHILIP NERI, CONFESSOR

MASS Cáritas Dei (white)

INTROIT Romans 5: 5

Cáritas Dei diffúsa est in córdibus nostris per inhabitántem Spíritum ejus in nobis. (T.P. Allelúja, allelúja.) (Ps. 102: 1) Benedic, ánima mea, Dómino: et ómnia, quæ intra me sunt, nómini sancto ejus. Glória Patri et Fílio et Spirítui Sancto, sicut erat in princípio, et nunc, et semper, et in sæcula sæculórum. Amen. Cáritas Dei diffúsa est in córdibus nostris per inhabitántem Spíritum ejus in nobis. (T.P. Allelúja, allelúja.)

COLLECT

Deus, qui beátum Philippum
Confessórem tuum Sanctórum tuórum
glória sublimásti: concéde propítius;
ut, cujus sollemnitáte lætámur, ejus
virtútum proficiámus exémplo. Per
Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum,
Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat
in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per
ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

(Commemoration of St. Eleutherius)
Gregem tuum, Pastor ætérnæ
placátus inténde: et per beátum
Eleuthérium Martyrem atque
Summum Pontíficem tuum, perpétua
protectióne custódi; quem totíus
Ecclésiæ præstitísti esse pastórem.
Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum
Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit
et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti,
Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

LESSON Wisdom 7: 7-14

Optávi, et datus est mihi sensus: et invocávi, et venit in me spíritus sapiéntiæ: et præpósui illam regnis et sedibus, et divítias nihil esse duxi in comparatióne illíus: nec comparávi illi lápidem pretiósum: quóniam omne

The charity of God is poured forth in our hearts, by His Spirit dwelling within us. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.) (Ps. 102: 1) Bless the Lord, O my soul; and let all that is within me bless His holy name. 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. The charity of God is poured forth in our hearts, by His Spirit dwelling within us. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.)

O God, Who didst exalt blessed Philip, Thy confessor, with the glory of Thy saints, mercifully grant that we, who are gladdened by his feast, may profit by the example of his virtues. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

Eternal Shepherd, regard graciously Thy flock, and keep it with an everlasting protection, by the intercession of blessed Eleutherius, Thy Martyr and Sovereign Pontiff, whom Thou hast constituted shepherd of the whole Church. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

I wished, and understanding was given me; and I called, and the spirit of Wisdom came upon me; and I preferred her before kingdoms and thrones, and esteemed riches nothing in comparison of her. Neither did I

aurum in comparatióne illíus arena est exígua, et tamquam lutum æstimábitur argéntum in conspéctu illíus. Super salútem et spéciem diléxi illam, et propósui pro luce habére illam: quóniam inexstinguíbile est lumen illíus. Venérunt autem mihi ómnia bona páriter cum illa et innumerábilis honéstas per manus illíus, et lætátus sum in ómnibus: quóniam antecedébat me ista sapiéntia, et ignorábam, quóniam horum ómnium mater est. Quam sine fictione dídici et sine invídia commúnico, et honestátem illíus non abscóndo. Infinitus enim thesáurus est homínibus: quo qui usi sunt, partícipes facti sunt amicítiæ Dei, propter disciplínæ dona commendáti.

(During Eastertide the Gradual and Lesser Alleluia are replaced by the Greater Alleluia.)

GRADUAL Psalms 33: 12, 6 Veníte, fílii, audíte me: timórem Dómini docébo vos. Accédite ad eum, et illuminámini: et fácies vestræ? non confundántur.

LESSER ALLELUIA Lamentations 1: 18

Allelúja, allelúja. De excélso misit ignem in óssibus meis, et erudívit me. Allelúja.

(The Greater Alleluia is only said in Eastertide.)

GREATER ALLELUIA Lamentations 1: 13

Allelúja, allelúja. De excélso misit ignem in óssibus meis, et erudívit me. Allelúja. (Ps. 38: 4) Concáluit cor meum intra me: et in meditatióne mea exardéscet ignis. Allelúja.

GOSPEL Luke 12: 35-40

In illo témpore: Dixit Jesus discípulis

compare unto her any precious stone. for all gold in comparison of her is as a little sand, and silver in respect to her shall be counted as clay. I loved her above health and beauty, and chose to have her instead of light, for her light cannot be put out. Now all good things came to me together with her, and innumerable riches through her hands. And I rejoiced in them all; for this wisdom went before me, and I knew not that she was the mother of them all: which I have learned without guile, and communicate without envy, and her riches I hide not; for she is an infinite treasure to men, which they that use become the friends of God, being commended for the gifts of discipline.

(During Eastertide the Gradual and Lesser Alleluia are replaced by the Greater Alleluia.)

Come, children. harken to me: I will teach you the fear of the Lord. Come ye to Him, and be enlightened: and your faces shall not be confounded.

Alleluia, alleluia. From above He hath sent a fire into my bones, and hath instructed me. Alleluia.

(The Greater Alleluia is only said in Eastertide.)

Alleluia, alleluia. From above He hath sent a fire into my bones, and hath instructed me. Alleluia. (Ps. 38: 4) My heart grew hot within me, and in my meditation a fire shall break forth. Alleluia.

At that time, Jesus said to His

suis: Sint lumbi vestri præcíncti, et lucérnæ: ardéntes in mánibus vestris. et vos similes homínibus exspectántibus dóminum suum, quando revertátur a núptiis: ut, cum vénerit et pulsáverit, conféstím apériant ei. Beáti servi illi, quos, cum vénerit dóminus, invénerit vigilántes: amen, dico vobis, quod præcinget se, et fáciet illos discúmbere, et tránsiens ministrábit illis. Et si vénerit in secúnda vigília, et si in tértia vigília vénerit, et ita invénerit, beáti sunt servi illi. Hoc autem scitóte, quóniam, si sciret paterfamílias, qua hora fur veníret, vigiláret útique, et non síneret pérfodi domum suam. Et vos estóte paráti, quia, qua hora non putátis. Fílius hóminis véniet.

OFFERTORY Psalms 118: 32

Viam mandatórum tuórum cucúrri, cum dilatásti cor meum. (T.P. Allelúja.)

SECRET

Sacrifíciis præséntibus, quæsumus, Dómine, inténde placatus: et præsta; ut illo nos igne Spíritus Sanctus inflámmet, quo beáti Phílippi cor mirabíliter penetrávit. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte ejúsdem Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

(Commemoration of St. Eleutherius)

Oblátis munéribus, quæsumus, Dómine, Ecclésiam tuam benígnus illúmina: ut, et gregis tui profíciat ubíque succéssus, et grati fiant nómini tuo, te gubernánte, pastóres. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

disciples. Let your loins be girt, and lamps burning in your hands. And you vourselves like to men who wait for their lord, when he shall return from the wedding; that when he cometh and knocketh, they may open to him immediately. Blessed are those servants, whom the Lord when he cometh, shall find watching. Amen I say to you, that he will gird himself, and make them sit down to meat, and passing will minister unto them. And if he shall come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find them so, blessed are those servants. But this know ve, that if the householder did know at what hour the thief would come, he would surely watch, and would not suffer his house to be broken open. Be you then also ready: for at what hour you think not, the Son of man will come.

I have run the way of Thy commandments, when Thou didst enlarge my heart. (P.T. Alleluia.)

Look with satisfaction, we beseech Thee, O Lord, upon the sacrifices here before Thee, and grant that the Holy Spirit may kindle within us that fire with which He miraculously penetrated the heart of blessed Philip. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the same Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

By the offered gifts we beg Thee, O Lord: enlighten kindly Thy Church: so that Thy flock everywhere may be increasing, and the Shepherds, under Thy direction, may be pleasing to Thy Name. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.