

JUNE 24, NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

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The day of the death of other saints is kept as their feast, and in the case of St. John the Baptist the day of his birth is celebrated, as having taken place amidst the outpouring of the gifts of the Paraclete. The feast is celebrated with great liturgical splendor, the stational Mass was celebrated in the Basilica of the Saviour.

This grandeur of early devotion to the Baptist need cause no one to wonder, if we realize the eminent position which St. John holds in the history of the Incarnation. His seal of canonization is seen in the eulogy addressed to him by the Word of God Himself made man, when He pointed him out to the people as the greatest among all the prophets, and among all those born of woman, the new Elias, the burning and shining light.

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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 lætíficat 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 lætíficat juventútem meam.

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

S: Spera in Deo, quóniam adhuc confítebor illi: salutáre vultus 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 lætíficat juventútem meam.

P: †Adjutórium nostrum in nómine Dómini.

S: Qui fecit cælum et terram.

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

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

P: Amen.

S: Confíteor Deo omnipoténti, beátæ Mariæ semper Vírgini, beáto Michaéli Archángelo, beáto Joánni Baptistæ, 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 Baptistam, sanctos Apóstolos Petrum et Paulum, omnes Sanctos, et te Pater, oráre pro me ad Dóminum Deum nostrum.

S: Misereátur vestri omnípotens Deus, et, dimíssis peccátis vestris, perdúcat vos ad vitam ætérnam.

S: Amen.

P: †Indulgéntiam, absolutiónem, et remissionem peccatórum nostrórum, tríbuat nobis omnípotens 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 spírítu tuo.

P: Orémus.

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

AT THE CENTER OF THE ALTAR

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

(Only at High Mass when incense is used)

P: *Ab illo benedicáris, in cuius honóre cremáberis.*

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

From the womb of my mother the Lord hath called me by my name, and He hath made my mouth like a sharp sword; in the shadow of His hand He hath protected me, and hath made me as a chosen arrow. (Ps. 91: 2) It is good to give praise to the Lord, and to sing to Thy name, O Most High. 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. From the womb of my mother the Lord hath called me by my name, and He hath made my mouth like a sharp sword; in the shadow of His hand He hath protected me, and hath made me as a chosen arrow.

AT THE CENTER OF THE ALTAR

P: Lord, have mercy.

S: Lord, have mercy.

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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: Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men of good will. We praise Thee; we bless Thee; we adore Thee; we glorify Thee. We give Thee thanks for Thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty. O Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son. Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father. Thou Who takest away the sins of the world; have mercy on us. Thou Who takest away the sins of the world; receive our prayer. Thou who sittest at the right hand of the Father; have mercy on us. For Thou alone art holy; Thou alone art the Lord; Thou alone art most high, Jesus Christ, †with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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 hast made this day honorable to us on account of the birth of blessed John, grant Thy people the grace of spiritual joys, and direct the minds of all the faithful in the way of eternal salvation. Through 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)

Give ear, ye islands, and harken, ye people from afar. The Lord hath called me from the womb of my mother He hath been mindful of my name. Arid He hath made my mouth like a sharp sword; in the shadow of His hand He hath protected me, and hath made me as a chosen arrow; in His quiver He hath hidden me. And He said to me: Thou art My servant Israel, for in thee will I glory. And now saith the Lord that formed me from the womb to be His servant: Behold I have given thee to be the light of the Gentiles, that thou mayest be My salvation even to the farthest part of the earth. I shall see, and adore for the Lord's sake, and for the Holy One of Israel Who hath chosen thee.

S: Thanks be to God.

Before I formed thee in the bowels of thy mother, I knew thee: and before thou camest forth out of the womb, I sanctified thee. The Lord put forth His hand, and touched my mouth: and said to me.

Alleluia, alleluia. Thou, child, shalt be called the Prophet of the Highest; thou shalt go before the Lord to prepare His ways. Alleluia.

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, omnípotens Deus, qui lábia Isaíæ Prophætæ cálculo mundásti ignito: ita me tua grata miseratióne dignáre mundáre, ut sanctum Evangélium tuum dómine váleam nuntiáre. 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 spírítu tuo.**

P: Seqúentia sancti Evangélii secúndum Lucam.

S: **Glória tibi, Dómine.**

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 Luke.

S: Glory to Thee, O Lord.

GOSPEL Luke 1: 57-68

Elisabeth implētum est tempus pariēdi, et peperit filiū. Et audiērunt vicini et cognāti ejus, quia magnificāvit Dōminus misericōrdiam suam cum illa, et congratulābātur ei. Et factum est in die octāvō, venērunt circumcidere puerum, et vocābant eum nōmine patris sui Zachariām. Et respōndens mater ejus, dixit: Nequāquam, sed vocābitur Joānes. Et cognērunt ad illam: Quia nemo est in cognatione tua, qui vocātur hoc nōmine. Innuēbant autem patri ejus, quem vellet vocāri eum. Et pōstulans pugillārem, scripsit, dicens: Joānes est nomen ejus. Et mirāti sunt univērsi. Apērtum est autem illico os ejus et lingua ejus, et loquebātur benedicens Deum. Et factus est timor super omnes vicinos eōrum: et super omnia montāna Iudaeae divulgābātur omnia verba hęc: et posuērunt omnes, qui audierant in corde suo, dicētes: Quis, putas, puer iste erit? Etenim manus Dōmini erat cum illo. Et Zachariās, pater ejus, repletus est Spīritu Sancto, et prophētāvit, dicens: Benedīctus Dōminus, Deus Israēl, quia visitāvit et fecit redemptiōnem plebis suæ.

Elizabeth's full time of being delivered was come, and she brought forth a son. And her neighbors and kinsfolk heard that the Lord had showed His great mercy towards her, and they congratulated with her. And it came to pass, that on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child, and they called him by his father's name, Zachary. And his mother answering, said Not so, but he shall be called John. And they said to her: There is none of thy kindred that is called by that name. And they made signs to his father, how he would have him called. And demanding a writing-table, he wrote, saying: John is his name: and they all wondered. And immediately his mouth was opened, and his tongue loosed; and he spoke, blessing God. And fear came upon all their neighbors; and all these things were noised abroad over all the hill country of Judea; and all they that had heard them, laid them up in their heart, saying: What a one, think ye, shall this child be? For the hand of the Lord was with him. And Zachary his father was filled with the Holy Ghost; and he prophesied, saying: Blessed be the Lord God of Israel; because He hath visited, and wrought the redemption of His people.

S: Laus tibi, Christe.**P:** Per evangēlica dicta deleāntur nostra delicta.**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: Credo in unum Deum. Patrem omnipotētem, factōrem cæli et terræ, visibīlium omnium et invisibīlium. Et in unum Dōminum Jesum Christum, Filiū Dei unigēnitum. Et ex Patre natum ante omnia sęcula. Deum de Deo, lumen de lūmine, Deum verum de Deo vero. Gēnitum, non factum, consubstantiālem Patri: per quem omnia facta sunt. Qui propter nos hōmīnes, et propter nostram salutē descendit de cælis. **(Genuflect)** ET INCARNATUS EST DE SPīRITU SANCTO EX MARĪA VĪRGINE: ET HOMO FACTUS EST. Crucifixus etiā pro nobis: sub Pōntio Pilāto passus, et sepūltus est. Et resurrexit tertiā die, secūndum Scriptūras. Et ascendit in cælum: sedet ad dexteram Patris. Et iterum ventūrus est cum glōria iudicāre vivos, et mortuōs: cujus regni non erit finis. Et in Spīritu Sanctum, Dōminum et vivificāntem: qui ex Patre, Filiōque procedit. Qui cum Patre, et Filio simul adorātur et conglorificātur: qui locūsus est per Prophētas. Et unam, sanctam, catholicā et apostolicā Ecclēsiā. Confiteor unum baptisma in remissionem peccatorum. Et expēcto resurrectionem mortuōrum. †Et vitam ventūri sęculi. Amen.

P: Dōminus vobiscum.**S:** **Et cum spīritu tuo.****P:** Orēmus.**(Sit)****OFFERTORY Psalms 91: 13**

Justus ut palma florēbit: sicut cedrus, quæ in Libano est, multiplicābitur.

P: Sūscipe, sancte Pater, omnīpotens ætérne Deus, hanc immaculātā hōstiam, quam ego indignus fāmulus tuus offero tibi, Deo meo vivo et vero, pro innumerabilibus peccātis, et offēnsionibus, et negligētiis meis, et pro omnibus circumstāntiis, sed et pro omnibus fidēlibus christiānis vivis atque defūctis: ut mihi, et illis proficiat ad salutē in vitam ætērnā. Amen.

AT THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE ALTAR

P: Deus, qui humanæ substāntiæ dignitatem mirabiliter condidisti, et mirabilibus reformāsti: da nobis per hujus aquæ et vini mysterium, ejus divinitatis esse consōrtēs, qui humanitatis nostræ fieri dignāsus est pārticeps, Jesus Christus Filius tuus Dōminus noster: Qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitate Spīritus Sancti, Deus: per omnia sęcula sęculōrum. Amen.

AT THE CENTER OF THE ALTAR

P: Offerimus tibi, Dōmine, cālicem salutāris tuam deprecāntes clemēntiam: ut in conspēctū divinæ majestātis tuæ, pro nostra, et totius mundi salutē cum odōre suavitatis ascendat. Amen. In spīritu humilitātis, et in ānimo contrito suscipiāmur a te, Dōmine, et sic fiat sacrificium nostrum in conspēctū tuo hōdie, ut plāceat tibi, Dōmine Deus. Veni, sanctificātor omnīpotens ætérne Deus: et benedic hoc sacrificium, tuo sancto nōmini pręparātum.

(Only at High Mass when incense is used)

P: Per intercessiōnem beāti Michælis Archāngeli, stantis a dextris altāris incēnsi, et omnium electōrum suōrum, incēnsium istud dignētur Dōminus benedicere, et in odōrem suavitatis accipere. Per Christum Dōminum nostrum. Amen.

P: Incēnsium istud a te benedīctum, ascendat ad te, Dōmine, et descendat super nos misericōrdia tua.

P: Dirigātur, Dōmine, orātiō mea, sicut incēnsium, in conspēctū tuo: elevātio mānuum meārum sacrificium vespertīam. Pone, Dōmine, custōdiam ori meo, et ostium circumstāntiæ labiis meis: ut non declinet cor meum in verba malitiæ, ad excusāndas excusatiōnes in peccātis.

P: Accēndat in nobis Dōminus ignem sui amoris, et flamma ætērnæ caritātis. Amen.

AT THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE ALTAR

P: Lavābo inter innocētes tuum meum: et circumdābo altāre tuum, Dōmine: Ut āudiam vocem laudis, et enārrem univērsa mirābilia tua. Dōmine, dilēxi decōrem domus tuæ, et locum habitātis glōriæ tuæ. Ne perdas cum impiis, Deus, ānimam meam, et cum viris sānguīnum vitam meam: In quorum mānibus iniquitātes sunt: dēxtera eōrum replēta est munēribus. Ego autem in innocēntia mea ingrēssus sum: redīme me, et miserere mei. Pes meus stetit in dirēcto: in ecclēsiis benedīcam te, Dōmine. Glōria Patri, et Filio, et Spīritui Sancto. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper: et in sęcula sęculōrum. Amen.

AT THE CENTER OF THE ALTAR

P: Sūscipe, sancta Trīnitas, hanc oblatiōnem, quam tibi offerimus ob memoriā passiōnis, resurrectionis, et ascensionis Jesu Christi Dōmini nostri: et in honōrem beātæ Mariæ semp̄ virginis, et beāti Joānes Baptistæ, et sanctorum Apostolorum Petri et Pauli, et istorum, et omnium Sanctorum: ut illis proficiat ad honōrem, nobis autem ad salutē in cælis, quorum memōriam āgimus in terris. Per eūdem Christum Dōminum nostrum. Amen.

P: Orāte fratres: ut meum ac vestrum sacrificium acceptābile fiat apud Deum Patrem omnipotētem.

S: Suscipiat Dōminus sacrificium de mānibus tuis, ad laudē, et glōriam nōminis sui, ad utilitē, et quōriam nostram, totiusque Ecclēsiæ suæ sanctæ.

P: Amen.**SECRET (silently)**

Tua, Dōmine, munēribus altāria cumulāmus: illius nativitatē honōre dēbito celebrāntes, qui Salvatōrem mundi et cecinī ad futūrum et adesse monstrāvit, Dōminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Filiū tuum: Qui vivis et regnas, cum Deo Patre in unitate Spīritus Sancti, Deus,

(aloud, to conclude the Secret Prayer)**P:** ...per omnia sęcula sęculōrum.**(Stand at High Mass)****S:** Amen.**P:** Dōminus vobiscum.**S:** **Et cum spīritu tuo.****P:** Sursum corda.**S:** **Habēmus ad Dōminum.****P:** Grātias agāmus Dōmino Deo nostro.**S:** **Dignum et justum est.****COMMON PREFACE**

Vere dignum et justum est, æquum et salutāre, nos tibi semper, et ubique grātias āgere: Dōmine sancte, Pater omnīpotens, ætērnæ Deus: per Christum Dōminum nostrum. Per quem majestātem tuam laudant Āngeli, adorant Dominationes, tremunt Potestātes. Cæli cælōrumque Virtutes, ac beāta Sērāphim, sōcia exultatiōne concēlebrant. Cum quibus et nostras voces, ut admitti jūbeas deprecāmur, sūpplici confessiōne dicēntes:

(Kneel)

P: Sanctus ☩, Sanctus ☩, Sanctus ☩, Dōminus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt cæli et terra glōria tua. Hosāna in excēlsis. †Benedīctus qui venit in nōmine Dōmini. Hosāna in excēlsis.

THE ROMAN CANON**(silently)**

P: Te igitur, clementissime Pater, per Jesum Christum Filium tuum, Dōminum nostrum, sūpplices rogāmus, ac pētimus uti acceptā hābeas, et benedīcas, hęc dona, hęc mūnera, hęc sacrificia illibāta, in primis, quæ tibi offerimus pro Ecclēsia tua sancta cathōlica: quam pacificāre, custodire, adunāre, et regere dignēris toto orbe terrārum: una cum fāmulo tuo Papa nostro **N.**, et Antīstite nostro **N.**, et omnibus orthodoxis, atque catholicæ et apostolicæ fidei cultōribus.

P: Memēnto, Dōmine, famulōrum, famulārūmque tuārum **N.**, et **N.**, et omnium circumstantium, quorum tibi fides cōgnita est, et nota devōtio, pro quibus tibi offerimus: vel qui tibi offerunt hoc sacrificium laudis, pro se, suisque omnibus: pro redemptione animārum suarum, pro salute et incolumitatis suæ: tibique reddunt vota sua ætērnō Deo, vivo et vero.

AT THE CENTER OF THE ALTAR

P: I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God. Born of the Father before all ages. God of God, light of light, true God of true God. Begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father, by Whom all things were made. Who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven.

(Genuflect) AND WAS INCARNATE BY THE HOLY SPIRIT, OF THE VIRGIN MARY: AND WAS MADE MAN. He was also crucified for us, suffered under Pontius Pilate, and was buried. And on the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures. And He ascended into heaven; He sits at the right hand of the Father. And He shall come again with glory to judge the living and the dead. Of Whose kingdom there shall be no end. And in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, Who spoke through the Prophets. And in one, holy, Catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the remission of sins. And I expect the resurrection of the dead †and the life of the world to come. Amen.

P: The Lord be with you.**S:** And with your spirit.**P:** Let us pray.**(Sit)**

The just man shall flourish like the palm tree; he shall grow up like the cedar of Lebanon.

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.

We hear Thine altars with gifts, O Lord, celebrating with fitting honor the nativity of him who heralded the coming of the Savior, and pointed Him out when He had come, Our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son: Who lives and reigns with God the Father 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 fitting and just, proper and beneficial, that we should always and everywhere, give thanks unto Thee, holy Lord, Father almighty, everlasting God, through Christ our Lord. Through whom the Angels praise Thy majesty, the Dominations adore, the Powers tremble: the heavens and the hosts of heaven, and the blessed Seraphim, together celebrate in exultation. With whom, we pray Thee, command that our voices of supplication also be admitted in confessing Thee 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: Communicantes, et memoriam venerantes, in primis gloriosae semper Virginis Mariae, Genitricis Dei et Domini nostri Jesu Christi: sed et beati Joseph, ejusdem Virginis Sponsi, et beatorum Apostolorum ac Martyrum tuorum, Petri et Pauli, Andreae, Jacobi, Joannis, Thomae, Jacobi, Philippi, Bartholomaei, Matthaei, Simonis, et Thaddaei: Cyni, Cleti, Clementis, Xysti, Corneli, Cipriani, Lauréntii, Chrysogoni, Joannis et Pauli, Cosmae et Damiani, et omnium Sanctorum tuorum; quorum méritis precibusque concédas, ut in omnibus protectionis tuae muniamur auxilio. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

P: 🕯️ Hanc igitur oblationem servitutis nostrae, sed et cunctae familiae tuae, quaesumus, Domine, ut placatus accipias: diésque nostros in tua pace disponas, atque ab aeterna damnatione nos eripi, et in electorum tuorum júbeas grege auxilió. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

P: Quam oblationem tu, Deus, in omnibus, quaesumus, benedictam, adscriptam, ratam, rationabilem, acceptabilemque facere digneris: ut nobis Corpus, et Sanguis fiat dilectissimi Filii tui Domini nostri Jesu Christi.

P: Qui pridie quam pateretur, accepit panem in sanctas, ac venerabiles manus suas, et elevatis oculis in caelum ad te Deum Patrem suum omnipotentem, tibi gratias agens, benedixit, fregit, dedítque discipulis suis, dicens: Accipite, et manducate ex hoc omnes, HOC EST ENIM CORPUS MEUM.

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P: Simili modo postquam caenatum est, accipiens et hunc praeclearum Calicem in sanctas ac venerabiles manus suas: item tibi gratias agens, benedixit, dedítque discipulis suis, dicens: Accipite, et bibite ex eo omnes, HIC EST ENIM CALIX SANGUINIS MEI, NOVI ET AETERNI TESTAMENTI: MYSTERIUM FIDEI: QUI PRO VOBIS ET PRO MULTIS EFFUNDÉTUR IN REMISSIÓNE PECCATORUM.

Haec quotiescumque feceritis, in mei memoriam faciétis.

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P: Unde et memores, Domine, nos servi tui, sed et plebs tua sancta, ejusdem Christi Filii tui Domini nostri tam beatae passionis, nec non et ab inferis resurrectionis, sed et in caelos gloriosae ascensionis: offerimus praeclearam majestati tuae de tuis donis, ac datis, hostiam puram, hostiam sanctam, hostiam immaculatam, Panem sanctum vitae aeternae, et Calicem salutis perpetuae.

P: Supra quae propitio ac sereno vultu respicere digneris; et accepta habere, sicuti accepta habere dignatus es munera pueri tui justí Abel, et sacrificium Patriarchae nostri Ábrahae: et quod tibi obtulit summus sacerdos tuus Melchisedech, sanctum sacrificium, immaculatam hostiam.

P: Súpplíces te rogámus, omnípotens Deus: jube haec perferri per manus sancti Ángeli tui in sublíme altáre tuum, in conspéctu divínæ majestátis tuæ: ut quotquot, ex hac altáris participatióne sacrosánctum Filii tui, Corpus, et Sanguinem sumpsérimus, omni benedictiÓne caelésti et grátia repleámur. Per eúndem Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

P: Meménto étiam, Domine, famulórum, famularúmque tuarum **N.** et **N.** qui nos praecesserunt cum signo fidei, et dormiunt in somno pacis. Ipsis, Domine, et omnibus in Christo quiescentibus, locum refrigerii, lucis et pacis, ut indulgeas, deprecámur. Per eúndem Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

P: Nobis quoque peccatoribus famulis tuis, de multitudíne miseratiónum tuarum sperántibus, partem aliquam, et societatem donáre digneris: cum Joánné, Stéphanó, Matthía, Bárnaba, Ignátio, Alexándro, Marcellíno, Petro, Felicitáte, Perpétua, Ágatha, Lúcia, Agnéte, Cæcília, Anastásia, et omnibus Sanctis tuis: intra quorum nos consortium, non aestimátor mériti, sed vénia, quaesumus, largítor admítte. Per Christum Dominum nostrum.

P: Per quem haec ómnia, Domine, semper bona creas, sanctíficas, vivíficas, benedícis, et praestas nobis. Per ipsum, et cum ipso, et in ipso, est tibi Deo Patri omnípoténti, in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, omnis honor, et glória.

(aloud, to conclude the Canon)

P: Per ómnia saecula saeculorum.

(Stand at High Mass)

S: Amen.

P: Orémus. Praeceptis salutáribus mónití, et divína institutióne formátí, audémus dicere: Pater noster, qui es in caelis: Sanctificétur nomen tuum: Advéniat regnum tuum: Fiat volúntas tua, sicut in caelo, et in terra. Panem nostrum quotidianum da nobis hodie: Et dimítte nobis debíta nostra, sicut et nos dimíttimus debítóribus nostris. Et ne nos indúcas in tentatióne:

S: Sed líbera nos a malo.

P: Amen

P: Líbera nos, quaesumus, Domine, ab ómnibus malis, praeteritis, praeséntibus, et futúris: et intercede beata et gloriosa semper Vírgine Dei Genitrice Maria, cum beátis Apóstolis tuis Petro et Paulo, atque Andréa, et ómnibus Sanctis, da propítius pacem in diébus nostris: da ope misericórdiae tuae adjúti, et a peccáto miser semper líberi et ab omni perturbatióne securi. Per eúndem Dominum nostrum Jesum Christum Filium tuum. Qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia saecula saeculorum.

S: Amen.

P: Pax Domini sit semper vobiscum.

S: Et cum spíritu tuo.

(Kneel at High Mass)

P: Hæc commixtio, et consecratio Corporis et Sanguinis Domini nostri Jesu Christi fiat accipientibus nobis in vitam aeternam. Amen.

P: Dómine Jesu Christe, qui dixisti Apóstolis tuis: Pacem relínquo vobis, pacem meam do vobis: ne respicias peccáta mea, sed fidem Ecclésiæ tuæ: eámque secúndum volúntatem tuam pacificáre et coadunáre digneris: Qui vivis et regnas Deus per ómnia saecula saeculorum. Amen.

P: Dómine Jesu Christe, Fili Dei vivi, qui ex volúntate Patris, cooperánte Spíritu Sancto, per mortem tuam mundum vivificásti: líbera me per hoc sacrosánctum Corpus et Sanguinem tuum ab ómnibus iniquitatibus meis, et univérsis malis: et fac me tuis semper inhærére mandátis, et a te numquam separári permittás: Qui cum eódem Deo Patre et Spíritu Sancto vivis et regnas Deus in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

P: Percéptio Corporis tui, Domine Jesu Christe, quod ego indignus sumere praesúmo, non mihi provéniat in judicium et prosémnitatem: sed pro tua pietate condemni ad tutamentum mentis et corporis, et ad medelam percipiendam: Qui vivis et regnas cum Deo Patre in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia saecula saeculorum. Amen.

P: Panem caelestem accipiam, et nomen Domini invocábo.

Dómine, non sum dignus 🕯️, ut intres sub tectum meum: sed tantum dic verbo, et sanábitur ánima mea. Dómine, non sum dignus 🕯️, ut intres sub tectum meum: sed tantum dic verbo, et sanábitur ánima mea. Dómine, non sum dignus 🕯️, ut intres sub tectum meum: sed tantum dic verbo, et sanábitur ánima mea.

P: Corpus Domini nostri Jesu Christi custódiat ánimam meam in vitam aeternam. Amen.

P: Quid retribuam Dómino pro ómnibus quæ retribuit mihi? Calicem salutáris accipiam, et nomen Domini invocábo. Laudans invocábo Dominum, et ab inimicis meis salvus ero.

P: Sanguis Domini nostri Jesu Christi custódiat ánimam meam in vitam aeternam. Amen.

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

S: Dómine, non sum (strike breast) dignus, ut intres sub tectum meum: sed tantum dic verbo, et sanábitur ánima mea.

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AT THE COMMUNION RAIL

P: Corpus Domini nostri Jesu Christi custódiat ánimam meam in vitam aeternam. Amen.

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: 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.

P: Lamb of God, (Strike breast) who takes away the sins of the world, (Strike breast) have mercy on us.

P: Lamb of God, Who takes away the sins of the world, (Strike breast) have mercy on us.

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

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: Quod ore súmpsimus, Dómine, pura mente capiámus: et de múnere temporáli fiat nobis remédium sempitérnium.

P: Corpus tuum, Dómine, quod sumpsi, et Sanguis, quem potávi, adhæreat viscéribus meis: et præsta; ut in me non remâneat scélerum mácula, quem pura et sancta refecérunt sacraménta: Qui vivis et regnas in sæcula sæculórum, Amen.

AT THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE ALTAR

COMMUNION Luke 1: 76

Tu, puer, prophéta Altíssimi vocáberis: præíbus enim ante fáciem Dómini paráre vias ejus.

AT THE CENTER OF THE ALTAR

(Stand at High Mass)

P: Dóminus vobíscum.

S: **Et cum spírítu tuo.**

AT THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE ALTAR

P: Orémus.

POSTCOMMUNION

Sumat Ecclésia tua, Deus, beáti Joánnis Baptístæ generatióne lætítiam: per quem suæ regeneratiónis cognóvit auctórem, Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum: Qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

S: **Amen.**

AT THE CENTER OF THE ALTAR

P: Dóminus vobíscum.

S: **Et cum spírítu tuo.**

P: Ite, Missa est.

S: **Deo grátias.**

(Kneel at High Mass)

P: Pláceat tibi, sancta Trínitas, obséqium servitútis meæ: et præsta; ut sacrificium, quod óculis tuæ majestátis indignus óbtuli, tibi sit acceptábile, mihique et ómnibus pro quibus illud óbtuli, sit, te miseránte, propitiábile. Per Christum Dóminum nostrum. Amen.

P: Benedícat vos omnípotens Deus,

†Pater, et Fílius, et Spíritus Sanctus.

S: **Amen.**

AT THE LEFT SIDE OF THE ALTAR

(Stand)

P: Dóminus vobíscum.

S: **Et cum spírítu tuo.**

P: Inítium sancti Evangéllii 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 perhiberet de lúmíne, ut omnes créderent per illum. Non erat ille lux, sed ut testimónium perhiberet de lúmíne. 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 fieri, 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 grátiae et veritátis.

S: Deo grátias.

[Leonine Prayers](#)

(optional after Low Mass)

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

Thou, child, shalt be called the Prophet of the Highest; for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord, to prepare His ways.

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.

May Thy Church, O God, be joyful at the birth of blessed John the Baptist: through whom she knew the Author of her regeneration, 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.

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: 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.