

JULY 24, ST. CHRISTINA, VIRGIN & MARTYR

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St. Christina, a Tuscan virgin, who when ten years old had taken and destroyed the silver idols in her father's house, was in consequence tied to a post and pierced with arrows. Her tomb was discovered in 1880; an examination of her relics showed that she was scarcely more than fourteen years of age at the time of her death.

On this day the Greeks celebrate another St. Christina, martyr of Tyre. The Greeks salute her as a "stainless bride wounded by arrows."

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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 éruē 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: Confitébor tibi in cíthara, Deus, Deus meus: quare tristis es, ánima mea, et quare contúrbas me?
S: Spera in Deo, quóniam adhuc confitébor illi: salutáre vultus mei, et Deus meus.

P: Glória Patri, et Fílio, et Spíritui Sancto.
S: Sicut erat in princípio, 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: Confitéor Deo omnipoténti, beátæ 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 peccátiis tuis, perdúcat te ad vitam ætérnam.
P: Amen.

S: Confitéor Deo omnipoténti, beátæ 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 peccátiis 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 oratiómem 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 Sanctórum tuórum, quorum reliquiæ hic sunt et ónium 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

The wicked have waited for me to destroy me: but I have understood Thy testimonies, O Lord: I have seen an end of all perfection; Thy command is exceeding broad. (Ps. 118: 1) Blessed are the undefiled in the way: who walk in the law of the 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. The wicked have waited for me to destroy me: but I have understood Thy testimonies, O Lord: I have seen an end of all perfection; Thy command is exceeding broad.

AT THE CENTER OF THE ALTAR

P: Lord, have mercy.
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(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.

May blessed Christina, virgin and martyr, who was ever pleasing to Thee by her merit of chastity and by her extolling of Thy power, implore Thy forgiveness for us, we beseech Thee, O Lord. 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)

O Lord my God, Thou hast exalted my dwelling place upon the earth, and I have prayed for death to pass away. I called upon the Lord, the Father of my Lord, that He would not leave me in the day of my trouble, and in the time of the proud without help. I will praise Thy Name continually, and will praise it with thanksgiving, and my prayer was heard. And Thou hast saved me from destruction, and hast delivered me from the evil time. Therefore I will give thanks and praise to Thee, O Lord our God.

S: Thanks be to God.

God will help her with His countenance: God is in the midst of her, she shall not be moved. The stream of the river maketh the city of God joyful: the Most High hath sanctified His own tabernacle.

Alleluia, alleluia. This is a wise virgin, and one of the number of the prudent. 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 my face, 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: Dóminus vobíscum.
S: Et cum spíritu tuo.
P: Seqüentia sancti Evangélíi secúndum Matthæum.
S: Glória tibi, Dómine.

**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.

AT THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE ALTAR**P:** Orémus.**POSTCOMMUNION**

Divíni múneris largitáte satiáti, quæsumus, Dómine, Deus noster: ut, intercedénte beáta Christina Vírgine et Mártýre tua, in ejus semper participatióne vivámus. Per 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, obséquium servitútis meæ: et præsta; ut sacrificium, quod óculis tuæ majestátis indignus óbtuli, tibi sit acceptábile, mihíque 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 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 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 per ipsum factus est, 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 RIGHT SIDE OF THE ALTAR**P:** Let us pray.

Filled with the Gifts of Thy divine bounty, we beseech Thee, O Lord, our God; that by the intercession of blessed Christina, Thy Virgin and Martyr, we may partake thereof for evermore. 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.**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.