

## WEDNESDAY AFTER THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

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The entire Mass is inspired by the thought of the sacrament of Baptism.

St. Paul is the prototype and model of catechumens, on account of his conversion on the way to Damascus.

The miracle which Christ worked upon the blind man in today's Gospel was revealed in a spiritual sense upon the candidates for baptism. The Pontiff explained to them for the first time (with solemn rites) the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the beginning of the four Gospels.

### New User Guide

#### AT THE FOOT OF THE ALTAR (Kneel)

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

**P:** Introibo 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 éru me.

**S:** Quia tu es, Deus, fortitúdo mea: quare me repulisti, et quare tristis incédo, dum affligit me inimicus?

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

**S:** Et introibo 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 ad huc confitébor 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:** Introibo 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 cogitatióne, verbo, et ópere: 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 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.

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**P:** 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 spíritu 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 cujus 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 afflicteth 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.

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**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

When I shall be sanctified in you, I will gather you from every land: and I will pour upon you clean water, and you shall be cleansed from all your filthiness: and I will give you a new spirit. (Ps. 33: 2) I will bless the Lord at all times: His praise shall be ever in my mouth. 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. When I shall be sanctified in you, I will gather you from every land: and I will pour upon you clean water, and you shall be cleansed from all your filthiness: and I will give you a new spirit.

#### AT THE CENTER OF THE ALTAR

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#### AT THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE ALTAR

**P:** Let us pray. Let us kneel.

**P:** Arise.

God, Who dost vouchsafe to the just the reward of their merits, and to sinners pardon through fasting, have mercy upon Thy supplicants, that the confession of our guilt may have power to obtain for us forgiveness of our misdoings. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever.

Thus saith the Lord God, I will sanctify My great name, which was profaned among the gentiles which you have profaned in the midst of them; that the gentiles may know that I am the lord, saith the Lord of hosts, when I shall be sanctified in you before their eyes. For I will take you from among the gentiles, and will gather you together out of all countries, and will bring you into your own land; and I will pour upon you clean water, and you shall be cleansed from all your filthiness, and I will cleanse you from all your idols, and will give you a new heart, and put a new spirit within you; and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and will give you a heart of flesh. And I will put My spirit in the midst of you, and I will cause you to walk in My commandments, and to keep My judgments, and do them, and you shall dwell in the land which I gave to your fathers, and you shall be My people, and I will be your God; saith the Lord almighty.

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.

#### AT THE CENTER OF THE ALTAR (Stand at High Mass)

**P:** Dóminus vobíscum.

**S:** **Et cum spíritu tuo.**

#### 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:** Orémus.

#### COLLECT

Præsta, quæsumus, omnípotens Deus: ut quos jejúnia votíva, castigant, ipsa quoque devótió sancta lætíficet; ut, terrénis afféctibus mitigátis, facílius cæléstia capiámus. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

**S:** **Amen.**

**P:** Orémus.

#### COLLECT

Deus, humílium celsitúdo, qui beátum Gracianum Confessórum tuórum glória sublimásti: tribue, quæsumus; ut, ejus méritis et imitatióne, promissa humílibus præmia noscitur consequámur. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

**S:** **Amen.**

**(Sit)**

#### AT THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE ALTAR

**P:** Let us pray.

Grant, we beseech Thee, O almighty God, that we who have undertaken to chastise our bodies by fasting, even in this devotion, find cause for rejoicing: for as much as earthly passions being thereby subdued, we are the better able to fix our hopes on the delights of Heaven. 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.

**P:** Let us pray.

#### For St. Francis of Paula

O God, Who in exalting the lowly hast raised the blessed confessor Francis to the glory of the saints, grant, we beseech Thee, that, by his merits and our imitation of him, we may happily attain to the rewards promised to the humble. 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)**

Thus saith the Lord God, Wash yourselves, be clean, take away the evil of your devices from My eyes; cease to do perversely, learn to do well; seek judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge for the fatherless, defend the widow, and then come, and accuse Me, saith the Lord: if your sins be as scarlet, they shall be made as white as snow: and if they be red as crimson, they shall be white as wool. If you be willing to walk harken to Me, you shall eat the good things of the land; saith the Lord almighty.

**S:** Thanks be to God.

Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord: the people whom He hath chosen for His inheritance. By the word of the Lord the heavens were established; and all the power of them by the spirit of His mouth.

O Lord, repay us not according to the sins we have committed, nor according to our iniquities. (Ps. 78: 8-9) O Lord, remember not our former iniquities, let Thy mercies speedily prevent us; for we are become exceeding poor. **(Here kneel.)** Help us, O God, our Savior, and for the glory of Thy name, O Lord, deliver us: and forgive us our sins for Thy name's sake.





**P:** Ecce Agnus Dei, ecce qui tollit peccata 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 Dómini nostri Jesu Christi custódiat Ánimen tuam in vitam ætérnam. Amen.

**AT THE CENTER OF THE ALTAR**

**P:** Quod ore sumpsimus, Dómine, pura mente capiámus: et de múnere temporáli fiat nobis remédium sempitérnum.

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

**AT THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE ALTAR**

**COMMUNION John 9: 11**

Lutum fecit ex sputo Dóminus, et linivit óculos meos: abii et lavi, et vidi, et crédidi Deo.

**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**

Sacraménta quæ sumpsimus, Dómine Deus noster: et spirituálibus nos répleant aliméntis, et corporálibus tueántur auxiliis. Per eúndem Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

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**S:** **Amen.**

**P:** Orémus.

**PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE**

Humilitáte cápita vestra Deo. Páteant aures misericórdiæ tuæ, Dómine, præcibus supplicántium: et, ut peténtibus desideráta concédas; fac eos quæ tibi sunt plácita postuláre. 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, obséquam servitútis meæ: et præsta; ut sacrificium, quod óculis tuæ majestátis indignus óbtuli, tibi sit acceptábile, mihi que 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 principio erat Verbum, et Verbum erat apud Deum, et Deus erat Verbum. Hoc erat in principio apud Deum. Ómnia per ipsum facta sunt: et sine ipso factum est nihil, quod factum est: in ipso vita erat, et lux 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 lúmine, ut omnes créderent per illum. Non erat ille lux, sed ut testimónium perhiberet 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 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)

**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 Lord made clay of spittle, and anointed my eyes; and I went, and I washed, and I saw, and I have believed in 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.

May the sacrament we have received, O Lord, our God, both fill us with spiritual nourishment and keep us with bodily assistance. Through the same Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

**S:** Amen.

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**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.