

APRIL 11, ST. LEO THE GREAT, POPE

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W/ COMMEMORATION OF LENTEN FERIA, FRIDAY, 5TH WEEK

The feast of this great Pope was transferred from the day of his death, November 10, 461, to April 11, the day on which his body was first laid in the tomb under the outer porch of the old St. Peter's. He is called "Great," not only for his learning, but also for his successful government of the Church by overcoming heretics and saving Rome from the invasion of Attila.

The magnificent Offices of Advent are attributed to him and certainly several of his compositions are contained in the Leonine Sacramentary. By his humility, mildness, and charity, this great Pope won the love and reverence of emperors, princes, and people of every rank.

INTROIT John 21: 15-17

Si diligis me, Simon Petre, pasce agnos meos, pasce oves meas. (Ps. 29: 1) Exaltábo te, Dómine, quóniam suscepisti me, nec delectásti inimicos meos super me. Glória Patri et Fílio et Spíritui Sancto, sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in sæcula sæculórum. Amen. Si diligis Me, Simon Petre, pasce agnos meos, pasce oves meas.

COLLECT

Gregem tuum, Pastor ætérnæ inténde: et per beátum Leonem Summum Pontíficem tuum, perpétua protectióne custódi; quem totíus Ecclésiæ præstitisti esse pastórem. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

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Córdibus nostris, quæsumus, Dómine, grátiam tuam benígnus infúnde: ut peccáta nostra castigatióne voluntária cohibéntes, temporáliter pótius macerémur, quam súpliciis deputémur ætérnis. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

EPISTLE 1 Peter 5: 1-4, 10-11

Caríssimi: Senióres, qui in vobis sunt, óbsecro consénior et testis Christi passiónum, qui et ejus, quæ in futúro revelánda est, glóriæ comunicátor: páscite qui in vobis est gregem Dei, providéntes non coácte, sed spontáneæ secúndum Deum, neque turpis lucrí grátia, sed voluntárie; neque ut dominántes in cleris, sed forma facti gregis ex ánimo. Et, cum apparúerit princeps pastórum, percipiétis immarcescibilem glóriæ corónam. Deus autem omnis grátiae, qui vocávit nos in ætérnam suam glóriam in Christo Jesu, módicum passos ipse perficiet, confirmábit solidabítque. Ipsi glória et impérium in saecula sæculórum. Amen.

GRADUAL Psalms 106: 32,31

Exáltent eum in ecclésia plebis: et in cáthedra seniórum laudent eum. Confíteántur Dómino misericórdiae ejus, et mirabilia ejus filiis hóminum.

TRACT Psalms 39: 10-11

Annuntiávi justítiam tuam in ecclésia magna; ecce lábia mea non prohibébo: Dómine, tu scisti. Justítiam tuam non abscondi in corde meo: veritátem tuam et salutáre tuum dixi. Non abscondi misericórdiam tuam, et veritátem tuam a concílio multo.

GOSPEL Matthew 16: 13-19

In illo témpore: Venit Jesus in partes Cæsaráe Philíppi, et interrogábat discipulos suos, dicens: Quém dicunt hómines esse Fílium hóminis? At illi dixerunt: Álii Joánnem Baptístam, álii autem Eliám, álii vero Jeremíam aut unum ex prophétis. Dicit illis Jesus: Vos autem quem me esse dicitis? Respóndens Simon Petrus, dixit: Tu es Christus, Fílius Dei vivi. Respóndens autem Jesus, dixit ei: Beátus es, Simon Bar Jona: quia caro et sanguis non revelávit tibi, sed Pater meus, qui in cælis est. Et ego dico tibi, quia tu es Petrus, et super hanc petram ædificábo Ecclésiám meam, et portæ inferi non prævalébunt advérsus eam. Et tibi dabo claves regni cælórum. Et quodcúmque ligáveris super terram, erit ligátum et in cælis: et quodcúmque sólveris super terram, erit solútum et in cælis.

OFFERTORY Jeremiah 1: 9-10

Ecce, dedi verba mea in ore tuo: ecce, constítui te super gentes et super regna, ut evéllas et déstruas, et ædífices et plantes.

SECRET

Oblátis munéribus, quæsumus, Dómine, Ecclésiám tuam benígnus illúmina: ut, et gregis tui proficiat ubique 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.

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Præsta nobis, miséricors Deus: ut digne tuis servíre semper altáribus mereámur; et eórum perpétua participatióne salvári. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

PREFACE OF LENT

Vere dignum et justum est, æquum et salutáre nos tibi semper et ubíque grátiam ágere: Dómine sancte, Pater omnipotens, ætérne Deus: Qui corporáli jejúnio vítia cóprimis, mentem élevas, virtútem largiris et præmia: per Christum Dóminum nostrum. Per quem majestátatem tuam laudent Angeli, adórant Dominatiónes, tremunt Potestátes. Cæli cælórúmque Virtútes ac beáta Séraphim sócia exultatióne concélebrant. Cum quibus et nostras voces ut admítte júbeas, deprecámur, súplici confessióne dicéntes:

COMMUNION Matthew 16: 18

Tu es Petrus, et super hanc petram ædificábo Ecclésiám meam.

POSTCOMMUNION

Refectiõne sancta enutrítam gubérna, quæsumus Dómine, tuam placátus Ecclésiám: ut poténti moderatióne dirécta, et increménta libertátis accípiat et in religiõnis integritáte persístat. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

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Sumpti sacrificii, Dómine, perpétua nos tuítio non derelinquat: et nóxia semper a nobis cuncta depéllat. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

Simon Peter, if thou lovest Me, feed My lambs, feed My sheep. (Ps. 29: 1) I will extol Thee, O Lord, for Thou hast upheld me: and hast not made my enemies to rejoice over me. 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. Simon Peter, if thou lovest Me, feed My lambs, feed My sheep.

Eternal Shepherd, regard graciously Thy flock, and keep it with an everlasting protection, by the intercession of blessed Leo., Thy 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.

Graciously pour forth Thy grace into our hearts, we beseech Thee, O Lord, that, keeping our sinful inclinations under control by self-denial, we may suffer for a brief while rather than be condemned to everlasting punishment. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

Dearly beloved, The ancients therefore that are among you, I beseech, who am myself also an ancient, and a witness of the sufferings of Christ: as also a partaker of that glory which is to be revealed in time to come: feed the flock of God which is among you, taking care of it, not by constraint, but willingly, according to God: not for filthy lucre's sake, but voluntarily: neither as lording it over the clergy, but being made a pattern of the flock from the heart. And when the Prince of pastors shall appear, you shall receive a never fading crown of glory. But the God of all grace, Who hath called us into His eternal glory in Christ Jesus, after you have suffered a little, will Himself perfect you, and confirm you, and establish you. To Him be glory and empire for ever and ever. Amen.

Let them exalt him in the church of the people: and praise him in the chair of the ancients. Let the mercies of the Lord give glory to Him: and His wonderful works to the children of men.

I have declared Thy justice in a great church, lo, I will not restrain my lips: O Lord, Thou knowest it. I have not hid Thy justice within my heart: I have declared Thy truth and Thy salvation. I have not concealed Thy mercy and Thy truth from a great council.

And Jesus came into the quarters of Cesarea Philippi: and he asked his disciples, saying: Whom do men say that the Son of man is? But they said: Some John the Baptist, and other some Elias, and others Jeremias, or one of the prophets. Jesus saith to them: But whom do you say that I am? Simon Peter answered and said: Thou art Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus answering, said to him: Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-Jona: because flesh and blood hath not revealed it to thee, but my Father who is in heaven. And I say to thee: That thou art Peter; and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. And I will give to thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven. And whatsoever thou shalt bind upon earth, it shall be bound also in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose upon earth, it shall be loosed also in heaven.

Behold I have given My words in thy mouth: lo, I have set thee over the nations, and over kingdoms, to root up, and to pull down, and to build, and to plant.

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.

Grant us, O merciful God, that we may ever have the grace to serve Thine altars worthily, and may we be saved by constantly partaking of the sacrifice. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

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. Who by this bodily fast, dost curb our vices, dost lift up our minds and bestow on us strength and rewards through Christ our Lord. Through Thy grace, the Dominions 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:

Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build My Church.

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.

May the abiding protection of the sacrament we have received, O Lord, never forsake us, and always keep us from all things harmful. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.