

MAY 15. ST. JOHN BAPTIST DE LA SALLE. CONFESSOR

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St. John Baptist de la Salle was canonized by Leo XIII, who also extended the observance of his feast to the Universal Church. His place in ecclesiastical history is chiefly important from the social point of view. Since at least two centuries before world changes rendered necessary the education of the masses, and before technical schools had gained for themselves the all-important place in the training of the young, which had up till then been held exclusively by classical teaching, God gave him an intuition of this need as though by a prophetic vision. St. John Baptist de la Salle, answering the divine call, resigned his honorable position as a canon of Rheims, and, overcoming much opposition and many difficulties, founded the Society of the Brothers of Christian Schools, which still is productive of so much good throughout the Church. He died at Rouen on Good Friday, April 7, 1719, at the age of 68.

eius in corde ipsíus. Allelúja.

(Ps. 36: 1) Noli æmulári in
malignántibus: neque zeláveris
faciéntes iniquitátem. Glória Patri et
Fílio et Spiritúi Sancto, sicut erat in
principio, et nunc, et semper, et in
sæcula sæculórum. Amen. Os iusti
meditábitur sapiéntiam, et lingua ejus
loquétur iudiciúm: lex Dei ejus in corde
ipsíus. Allelúja, allelúja.

COLLECT
Deus, qui, ad cristiánam páuperum

Baptístam

novam per eum in Ecclesia familiam
collegisti: concede propitius; ut ejus
intercessione et exemplo, studio
gloriae tuae in animarum salute
ferventes, ejus in coelis coronae
participes fieri valeamus. Per
Dominum nostrum Jesum Christum,
Filium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in
unitate Spiritus Sancti, Deus, per
omnia saecula saeculorum

LESSON Ecclesiasticus 31: 8-11

Beatus vir, qui inventus est sine
mácula, et qui post aurum non ábiit,
nec sperávit in pecúnia et thesáuris.
Quis est hic, et laudábimus eum? fecit
enim mirabília in vita sua. Qui probátus
est in illo, et perféctus est, erit illi glória
aetérna: qui pótuít tránsgrédi, et non est
transgréssus: fácere mala, et non fecit:
ideo stabilíta sunt bona illius in
Dómino, et eleemósynas illius enarrábit
omnis ecclésia sanctórum.

tentationem: quoniam
f'c'it...o'i'n't...o'i'n't...

GOSPEL Matthew 18: 1-5

major est in regno cælórum

advocans Jesus párvulum, státuit eum in médio eórum et dixit: Amen, dico vobis, nisi convérsi fuéritis et efficiámini sicut párvuli, non intrábitis in regnum coelórum. Quicumque ergo humiliáverit se sicut párvulus iste, hic est major in regno cælórum. Et qui suscepérit unum párvulum talem in nómine meo, me súscipit.

OFFERTORY Psalms 88: 25
Vénites avec et laissez érudie

Veritas mea et misericordia mea cum
ipso: et in nómine meo exaltábitur
cornu ejus. Allelúja.

SECRET

sanctórum

PREFACE OF THE ASCENSION
Vere dignum et justum est, æquum et salutäre, nos tibi semper et ubique creditæ, ómnem Dóminus, ascende. Patet

Christum, Dóminum nostrum. Qui

resurrectiōnem suam omnibus
discípulis suis manifestus apparuit, et
ipsi cernéntibus est elevátus in
cælum, ut nos divinitátis suæ tribúeret
esse partícipes. Et ideo cum Ángelis et
Archángelis, cum Thronis et
Dominatióibus cumque omni militiá
cælestis exércitus, hymnum glóriæ tuæ
cánimus, sine fine dicéntes:

COMMUNION Matthew 24: 46-47
Beátus ille servus quem cum vénerit
dóminus ejus invénierit sic faciéntem.
Amen dico vobis quóniam super ómnia

POSTCOMMUNION

Reféciti cibo, pótuque cælésti, Deus
noster, te súpplices exorámus: ut, in
cujus hæc commemoratióne
percépimus, ejus muniámur et
græbíbus. Per Dóminum nostrum, Iesum

et regnat in unitate S

Deus, per omnia sæcula sæculorum.

judgment: the law of his God is in his heart. Alleluia, alleluia. (Ps. 36: 1) Be not emulous of evildoers: nor envy them that work iniquity. 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 mouth of the just shall meditate wisdom, and his tongue shall speak judgment: the law of his God is in his heart. Alleluia, alleluia.

O God, Who, for the Christian instruction of the poor, and the strengthening of the young in the way

the confessor, and, through him, didst gather a new family within Thy Church, mercifully grant that, by His intercession and example, fervent in zeal for Thy glory and the salvation of souls, we may be enabled to become sharers of his crown in 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.

Happy the man found without fault, who turns not aside after gain, nor puts his trust in money nor in treasures! Who is he, that we may praise him? For he has done wonders in his life. He has been tested by gold and come off safe, and this remains his glory forever; he could have sinned but did not, could have done evil but would not, so that his possessions are secure in the Lord, and the assembly of the Saints shall recount his alms.

Alleluia. Alleluia. Blessed is the man that doeth not that which is forbidden him, that he may receive the crown of life which the Father giveth to them that do his will.

crown of life. Alleluia. The Lord loved him and adorned him: He clothed him with a robe of glory. Alleluia.

At that time, the disciples came to

the greater in the kingdom of heaven:
And Jesus calling unto Him a little child,
set him in the midst of them and said:
Amen I say to you, unless you be
converted and become as little
children, you shall not enter into the
kingdom of heaven. Whosoever
therefore shall humble himself as this
little child, he is the greater in the
kingdom of heaven. And he that shall
receive one such little child in My name
receiveth Me.

My truth and My mercy shall be with
him: and in My name shall his horn be
exalted. All hail.

We offer Thee, O Lord, sacrifices of
praise in commemoration of Thy saints.

It is truly meet and just, right and for our salvation, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks

almighty, everlasting God, through Christ our Lord. Who, after His Resurrection, appeared openly to all His disciples, and, while they looked on, was taken up into heaven, that He might grant unto us to be sharers in His own divinity. And therefore with the Angels and Archangels, with the Thrones and Dominations, and with all the hosts of the heavenly army, we sing the hymn of Thy glory, evermore saying:

Blessed is that servant, whom when his lord shall come he shall find so doing. Amen I say to you, he shall place him over all his goods. Alleluia.

with heavenly food and drink, beseech Thee, O our God, that we may be fortified by the prayers of him in whose commemoration we have partaken of these gifts. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.