

Sts. Abdon and Sennen were Persians who, coming to Rome in the Third Century, courageously confessed the faith of Christ and were put to death in the persecution of Decius in 250.

INTROIT Psalms 78: 11, 12, 10

Intret in conspéctu tuo, Dómine, gémitus compeditórum: redde vicinis nostris séptuplum in sinu eórum: víndica sánguinem Sanctórum tuórum, qui effúsus est. (Ps. 78: 1) Deus, venérunt gentes in hereditátem tuam: polluérun't templum sanctum tuum: posuérun't Ierúsalem in pomórum custódiám. Glória Patri et Fílio et Spírítui Sancto, sicut erat in princípío, et nunc, et semper, et in sáecula sáeculórum. Amen. Intret in conspéctu tuo, Dómine, gémitus compeditórum: redde vicinis nostris séptuplum in sinu eórum: víndica sánguinem Sanctórum tuórum, qui effúsus est.

COLLECT

Deus, qui sanctis tuis Abdon et Sennen ad hanc glóriam veniéndi copiósium munus grátiae contulísti: da fámulis tuis suorum véniam peccatórum; ut, Sanctórum tuórum intercedéntibus méritis, ab ómnibus mereántur adversitatibus liberáti. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spírítus Sancti Deus, per ómnia sáecula sáeculórum.

EPISTLE 2 Corinthians 6: 4-10

Fratres: Exhibeámus nosmetípsos sicut Dei minístros, in multa patiéntia, in tribulatióne, in necessitatibus, in angústia, in plagis, in carcéribus, in seditiõnibus, in labóribus, in vigíliis, in jejúniis, in castitate, in sciéntia, in longanimitate, in suavitate, in Spírítu Sancto, in caritate non ficta, in verbo veritatis, in virtúte Dei, per arma justítiæ a dextris et a sinistris: per glóriam et ignobilitátem: per infámiam et bonam famam: ut seductóres et veraces: sicut qui ignóti et cógniti: quasi moriéntes et ecce, vívimus: ut castigáti et non mortificáti: quasi tristes, semper autem gaudéntes: sicut egéntes, multos autem locupletántes: tamquam nihil habéntes et ómnia possidéntes.

GRADUAL Exodus 15: 11

Gloriosus Deus in Sanctis suis: mirábilis in majestáte, fáciens prodígia. (Ex. 15: 6) Déxtera tua, Dómine, glori ficáta est in virtúte: déxtera manus tua confrégit inimícos.

LESSER ALLELUIA Wisdom 3: 1

Allelúja, allelúja. Justórum ánimæ in manu Dei sunt, et non tanget illos torméntum malítiæ. Allelúja.

GOSPEL Matthew 5: 1-12

In illo témpore: Videns Jesus turbas, ascéndit in montem, et cum sedisset, accessérunt ad eum discípuli ejus, et apériens os suum, docébat eos, dicens: Beáti páuperes spírítu: quóniam ipsórum est regnum cælórum. Beáti mites: quóniam ipse possidébunt terram. Beáti qui lugent: quóniam ipsi consolabúntur. Beáti qui esúriunt et sitiunt justítiam: quóniam ipse saturabúntur. Beáti misericórdes: quóniam ipsi misericórdiam consequéuntur. Beáti mundo corde: quóniam ipsi Deum vidébunt. Beati pacífici: quóniam filii Dei vocabúntur. Beáti qui persecutiõnem patiúntur propter justítiam: quóniam ipsórum est regnum cælórum. Beáti est cum maledixerint vobis, et persecúti vos fúerint, et díxerint omne malum advérsus vos, mentiéntes, propter me: gaudéte, et exsultáte, quóniam merces vestra copiósia est in cælis.

OFFERTORY Psalms 67: 36

Mirábilis Deus in Sanctis suis: Deus Israë'l, ipse dabit virtútem et fortitúdinem plebi suæ: benedíctus Deus, allelúja.

SECRET

Hæc hóstia, quæsumus, Dómine, quam sanctórum Mártyrum tuórum natalítia recenséntes offerimus: et víncula nostræ pravitátis absolvat, et tuæ nobis misericórdiæ dona concíliet. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spírítus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sáecula sáeculórum.

COMMUNION Psalms 78: 2, 11

Posuérun't mortália servórum tuórum, Dómine, escas volatílibus cæeli, carnes Sanctórum tuórum béstiis terræ: secúndum magnitúdinem bráchii tui pósside filios morte punitórum.

POSTCOMMUNION

Per hujus, Dómine, operationem mystérii, et vitia nostra purgéntur: et, intercedéntibus sanctis Martyribus tuis Abdon et Sennen, justa desidéria compleántur. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spírítus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sáecula sáeculórum.

Let the sighings of the prisoners come in before Thee, O Lord; render to our neighbors sevenfold in their bosom; revenge the blood of Thy Saints, which hath been shed. (Ps. 78: 1) O God, the heathens are come into Thine inheritance; they have defiled Thy holy temple: they have made Jerusalem as a place to keep fruit. 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. Let the sighings of the prisoners come in before Thee, O Lord; render to our neighbors sevenfold in their bosom; revenge the blood of Thy Saints, which hath been shed.

O God, Who didst bestow upon Thy saints, Abdon and Sennen, an abundance of grace to bring them to this glory, grant to Thy servants the pardon of their sins, that, by the interceding merits of Thy saints, they may deserve to be delivered from all adversities. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

Brethren: In all things let us exhibit ourselves as the ministers of God, in much patience, in tribulation, in necessities, in distresses, in stripes, in prisons, in seditions, in labors, in watchings, in fastings, in chastity, in knowledge, in long-suffering, in sweetness, in the Holy Ghost, in charity unfeigned, in the word of truth, in the power of God: by the armor of justice on the right hand and on the left: by honor and dishonor: by evil report and good report: as deceivers, and yet true: as unknown, and yet known: as dying, and behold we live: as chastised, and not killed: as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing: as needy, yet enriching many: as having nothing, and possessing all things.

God is glorious in His saints: wonderful in majesty, doing wonders. (Ex. 15: 6) Thy right hand, O Lord, is glorified in strength: Thy right hand hath broken the enemies.

Alleluia, alleluia. The souls of the just are in the hands of God, nor shall the tortures of the wicked touch them. Alleluia.

At that time: Jesus seeing the multitudes, went up into a mountain: and when He was sat down, His disciples came unto Him. And opening His mouth, He taught them, saying: Blessed are the poor in spirit for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are the meek, for they shall possess the land. Blessed are they that mourn; for they shall be comforted. Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after justice; for they shall have their fill. Blessed are the merciful; for they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the clean of heart; for they shall see God. Blessed are the peace-makers; for they shall be called the children of God. Blessed are they that suffer persecution for justice' sake; for theirs is the kingdom of Heaven. Blessed are ye when they shall revile you, and persecute you, and speak all that is evil against, untruly, for My sake: be glad and rejoice, for your reward is very great in Heaven.

God is wonderful in His Saints: the God of Israel is He who will give power and strength to His people: blessed be God, alleluia.

May this offering, which we present, O Lord, in commemorating the natal feast of Thy martyrs, both loose, we beseech Thee, the bonds of our base desires and win for us the gifts of Thy mercy. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

They have given the dead bodies of Thy servants, O Lord, to be meat for the fowls of the air, the flesh of Thy saints to the beasts of the earth: in the might of Thine arm, take Thou for Thine own the children of them that suffered death for Thee.

By the operation of this mystery, O Lord, may our lives be purified, and, through the intercession of martyrs, Abdon and Sennen, our just desires have fulfillment. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.