

JULY 31, ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA, CONFESSOR

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St. Ignatius, founder of the Society of Jesus, was born at Loyola in Spain, in the year 1491. He served his king as a soldier till his thirtieth year. Convalescing from a severe wound received at the siege of Pampeluna, he was given, in the absence of other books, the Lives of Jesus Christ and of the Saints. It dawned on his chivalric nature that the Church has need of her army to defend under the sovereign Pontiff the interest of God against heresy and all evil. On his recovery he ascended Montserrat and in the Benedictine Abbey. There he laid down his sword at the feet of the Blessed Virgin. He learned here to love the Psalms and canticles of the Divine Office which he was later to recommend to the faithful; he desired that those who were to make his Spiritual Exercises should choose a dwelling whence they could easily go to the Offices of Matins and Vespers as well as to Mass. Among the Benedictines of St. Paul's in Rome, Ignatius pronounced his vows and was regularly elected the first general of his new Society.

With the sweet name of Jesus on his lips and in his heart, St. Ignatius gave his soul to God on July 31, 1556. His body is preserved in Rome in the magnificent church built by Cardinal Alessandro Farnese and dedicated to his memory.

INTROIT Philippians 2: 10-11

In nómine Jesu omne genu fléctitur, coeléstium, terréstrium et infernórum: et omnis lingua confiteátur, quia Dóminus Jesus Christus in glória est Dei Patris. (Ps. 5: 12-13) Gloriabúntur in te omnes, qui díligunt nomen tuum: quóniam tu benedíces justo. Glória Patri et Fílio et Spíritui Sancto, sicut erat in princípío, et nunc, et semper, et in sæcula sæculórum. Amen. In nómine Jesu omne genu fléctitur, coeléstium, terréstrium et infernórum: et omnis lingua confiteátur, quia Dóminus Jesus Christus in glória est Dei Patris.

COLLECT

Deus, qui ad majórem tui nóminis glóriam propagándam, novo per beátum Ignátium subsidío militántem Ecclésiám roborásti: concéde; ut, ejus auxilió et imitatióne certánde in terris, coronári cum ipso mereámur in coelis. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

EPISTLE 2 Timothy 2: 8-10; 3: 10-12

Caríssime: Memor esto, Dóminum Jesum Christum resurrexísse a mórtuis ex sémine David, secúndum Evangélium meum, in quo labóro usque ad víncula, quasi male óperans: sed verbum Dei non est alligátum. Ideo ómnia sustíneo propter eléctos, ut et ipsi salutem consequántur, quæ est in Christo Jesu, cum glória cælésti. Tu autem assecútus es meam doctrínam, institutiónem, propósitum, fidem, longanimitátem, dilectiόnem, paciéntiam, persecutiόnes, passiόnes: quália mihi facta sunt Antiochiæ, Iconii et Lystris: quales perseditiόnes sustinui, et ex ómnibus eripuit me Dóminus. Et omnes, qui pie volunt vivere in Christo Jesu, persecutiόnem patiéntur.

GRADUAL Psalms 91: 13-14

Justus ut palma florébit: sicut cedrus Libani multiplicábitur in domo Dómini. (Ps. 91: 3) Ad annuntiándum mane misericórdiam tuam, et veritátem tuam per noctem.

LESSER ALLELUIA James 1: 12

Allelúja, allelúja. Beátus vir, qui suffert tentatiόnem: quóniam, cum probátus fúerit, accípiet corónam vitæ. Allelúja.

GOSPEL Luke 10: 1-9

In illo témpore: Designávit Dóminus et álios septuaginta duos: et misit illos binos ante faciē suam in omnem civitátem et locum, quo erat ipse ventúrus. Et dicébat illis: Messis quidem multa, operárii autem pauci. Rogáte ergo Dóminum messis, ut mittat operários in messem suam. Ite: ecce, ego mitto vos sicut agnos inter lupos. Nolíte portare sácculum neque peram neque calceaménta; et neminem per viam salutavéritis. In quamcúmque domum intravéritis, primum dícite: Pax huic dómui: et si ibi fúerit filius pacis, requiescet super illum pax vestra: sin autem, ad vos revertátur. In eádem autem domo manéte, edéntes et bibéntes quæ apud illos sunt: dignus est enim operárius mercéde sua. Nolíte transíre de domo in domum. Et in quamcúmque civitátem intravéritis, et suscéperint vos, manducáte quæ apponúntur vobis: et curáte infirmos, qui in illa sunt, et dícite illis: Appropinquávit in vos regnum Dei.

OFFERTORY Psalms 88: 25

Véritas mea et misericórdia mea cum ipso: et in nómine meo exaltábitur cornu ejus.

SECRET

Adsint, Dómine Deus, oblatiόnibus nostris sancti Ignátii benigna suffrágia: ut sacrosáncta mystéria, in quibus omnis sanctitátis fontem constitúisti, nos quoque in veritáte sanctíficet. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

COMMUNION Luke 12: 49

Ignem veni mittere in terram: et quid volo, nisi ut accendátur?

POSTCOMMUNION

Laudis hóstia, Dómine, quam pro sancto Ignátio grátias agentes obtúlimus: ad perpétuam nos majestátis tuæ laudatiόnem, ejus intercessiόne, pérducat. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

In the name of Jesus let every knee bow, of things in Heaven, on earth, and under the earth: and let every tongue confess that the Lord Jesus Christ is in the glory of God the Father. (Ps. 5: 12-13) All they that love Thy name shall glory in Thee: for Thou wilt bless the just. 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. In the name of Jesus let every knee bow, of things in Heaven, on earth, and under the earth: and let every tongue confess that the Lord Jesus Christ is in the glory of God the Father.

God, Who, to spread abroad the greater glory of Thy name, didst, through blessed Ignatius, strengthen the Church militant with a new reinforcement, grant that we, who are fighting on earth by his help and after his example, may deserve to be crowned with him 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.

Dearly beloved, be mindful that the Lord Jesus Christ is risen again from the dead, of the seed of David, according to my gospel. Wherein I labor even unto bands, as an evil-doer: but the word of God is not bound.

Therefore I endure all things for the sake of the elect, that they may also obtain the salvation, which is in Christ Jesus, with Heavenly glory. But thou hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, long-suffering, love patience persecutiόnes, afflictions, such as came upon me at Antioch, at Iconium, and at Lystra; what persecutiόnes I endured and out of them all the Lord delivered me. And all that will live godly in Jesus Christ shall suffer persecutiόnem.

The just shall flourish like the palm-tree; he shall grow up like the cedar of Libanus in the house of the Lord. (Ps. 91: 3) To show forth Thy mercy in the morning and Thy truth in the night.

Alleluia, alleluia. Blessed is the man that endureth temptatiόnem; for when he hath been proved, he shall receive the crown of life. Alleluia.

At that time, The Lord appointed also other seventy-two; and He sent them two and two before His face into every city and place whither He Himself was to come. And He said to them, The harvest indeed is great, but the laborers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He send laborers into His harvest. Go, behold I send you as lambs among wolves. Carry neither purse, nor scrip, nor shoes; and salute no man by the way. Into whatsoever house you enter, first say, Peace be to this house: and if the son of peace be there, your peace shall rest upon him: but if not, it shall return to you. And in the same house remain, eating and drinking such things as they have: for the laborer is worthy of his hire. Remove not from house to house. And into what city soever you enter, and they receive you, eat such things as are set before you; and heal the sick that are therein; and say to them, The kingdom of God is come nigh unto you.

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

May the kind intercessions of St. Ignatius be with our offerings, O Lord God, that the most holy mysteries, in which Thou hast established the fountain of all sanctity, may in very truth sanctify us likewise. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

I am come to send fire upon the earth, and what will I but that it be enkindled?

May the sacrifice of praise, O Lord, which with thanksgiving we have offered Thee, in honor of St. Ignatius, bring us, by his intercession, to the everlasting praise of Thy majesty. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.