

AUGUST 27, ST. JOSEPH CALASANCTIUS, CONFESSOR

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St. Joseph Calasanctius was born in Aragon in 1556. Having become a priest it was revealed to him that he should teach the children of the poor. He founded the Order of the Poor Clerks Regular of the Pious Schools of the Mother of God. He was ever a devout pilgrim at the shrines of the martyrs, and daily visited the seven Churches of Rame, where he lived for fifty years. He died August 25, 1648.

INTROIT Psalms 33: 12

Veníte, filii, audíte me: timorem Dómini docébo vos. (Ps. 33: 2) Bénédicam Dóminum in omni témpore: semper laus ejus in ore meo. Glória Patri et Fílio et Spíritui Sancto, sicut erat in princípío, et nunc, et semper, et in sæcula sæculórum. Amen. Veníte, filii, audíte me: timorem Dómini docébo vos.

COLLECT

Deus, qui per sanctum Joséphum Confessórem tuum, ad erudiéndam spírítu intellegéntiæ ac pietátis juventútem, novum Ecclésiæ tuæ subsidiúm providére dignátus es: præsta, quæsumus; nos, ejus exémplo et intercessióne, ita fácere et docére, ut præmia consequámur æténa. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

LESSON Wisdom 10: 10-14

Justum dedúxit Dóminus per vias rectas, et osténdit illi regnum Dei, et dedit illi sciéntiam labórum: honestávit illum in labóribus, et complévit labóres illíus. In fraude circumveniéntium illum áffuit illi, et honéstum fecit illum. Custodívit illum ab inimícis, et a seductóribus tutávit illum, et certámen forte dedit illi, ut vínceret et sciret, quóniam ómnium poténtior est sapiéntia. Hæc vénditum justum non derelíquit, sed a peccatoribus liberávit eum: descendítque cum illo in fóveam, et in vínculis non derelíquit illum, donec áfferret illi sceptrum regni, et poténtiam advérsus eos, qui eum deprimébant: et mendáces osténdit, qui maculáverunt illum, et dedit illi claritátem æténam, Dóminus, Deus noster.

GRADUAL Psalms 36: 30-31

Os justí meditábitur sapiéntiam, et lingua ejus loquétur júdicium. Lex Dei ejus in corde ipsíus: et non supplantabúntur gressus ejus.

LESSER ALLELUIA James 1: 12

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

GOSPEL Matthew 18: 1-5

In illo témpore: Accessérunt discípuli ad Jesum, dicéntes: Quis, putas, major est in regno coelorum? Et ádvocans Jesus parvulum, státuit eum in médio eórum et dixit: Amen, dico vobis, nisi convérsi fuéritis et efficiámini sicut párvuli, non intrabitis in regnum coelórum. Quicúmque ergo humiliáverit se sicut párvulus iste, hic est major in regno coelorum. Et qui suscéperit unum párvulum talem in nómine meo, me súscipit.

OFFERTORY Psalms 9: 17

Desidérium páuperum exaudívit Dóminus: præparatiónem cordis eórum audívit auris tua.

SECRET

Altáre tuum, Dómine, munéribus cumulamus oblatis: ut ejus nobis fiant supplicatióne propítia, cujus nos donasti patrocínio adjuvári. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

COMMUNION Mark 10: 14

Sínite párvulos veníre ad me, et ne prohibuéritis eos: tálium est enim regnum Dei.

POSTCOMMUNION

Sanctificáti, Dómine, salutári mystério: quæsumus; ut, intercedénte sancto Josépho Confessóre tuo, ad majus semper proficiámus pietátis increméntum. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

Come, children, harken to me: I will teach you the fear of the Lord. (Ps. 33: 2) I will bless the Lord at all mouths: His praise shall be ever in my mouth. V. 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. Come, children, harken to me: I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

O God, Who, through St. Joseph, Thy Confessor, didst vouchsafe to provide Thy Church with a new aid for the education of youth in the spirit of piety and understanding, grant us, we beseech Thee, so to do and to teach after his example that we may attain eternal rewards. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

The Lord conducted the just through the right ways, and showed him the kingdom of God, and gave him the knowledge of the holy things; made him honorable in his labors, and accomplished his labors. In the deceit of them that overreached him, He stood by him, and made him honorable. He kept him safe from his enemies, and defended him from seducers, and gave him a strong conflict, that he might overcome, and know that wisdom is mightier than all. She forsook not the just when he was sold, but delivered him from sinners: she went down with him into the pit, and in bands she left him not, till she brought him the sceptre of the kingdom, and power against those that oppressed him; and showed them to be liars that had accused him: and the Lord our God gave him everlasting glory.

The mouth of the just shall meditate wisdom, and his tongue shall speak judgment. The law of his God is in his heart: and his steps shall not be supplanted.

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

At that time, the disciples came to Jesus, saying, Who, thinkest Thou, is 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.

The Lord hath heard the desire of the poor: Thy ear hath heard the preparation of their heart.

We heap Thine altar, O Lord, with gifts offered to Thee, that they may be made effectual for mercy by his supplication by whose patronage Thou hast granted us to be assisted. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

Suffer little children to come to Me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of God.

Sanctified by the mystery of salvation, O Lord, we pray that, by the intercession of St. Joseph, Thy confessor, we may ever progress to a greater increase of piety. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.