

MASS PROPER: JANUARY 18, ST. PRISCA, VIRGIN & MARTYR

MASS (*Me exspectavérunt*) (red)

**INTROIT Psalms 118: 95-96**

Me exspectavérunt peccatóres, ut  
pérderent me: testimónia tua, Dómine,  
intelléxi: omnis consummatiónis vidi  
finem: latum mandátum tuum nimis.  
(Ps 118: 1) Beáti immaculáti in via:  
qui ámbulant in lege Dómini. Glória  
Patri et Fílio et Spiritui Sancto, sicut  
erat in princípio, et nunc, et semper, et  
in sáecula sáeculórum. Amen. Me  
exspectavérunt peccatóres, ut  
pérderent me: testimónia tua, Dómine,  
intelléxi: omnis consummatiónis vidi  
finem: latum mandátum tuum nimis.

**COLLECT**

Da, quæsumus, omnípotens Deus: ut,  
qui beátæ Priscæ Vírginis et Mártyris  
tuæ natalítia cólimus; et ánnua  
solemnitáte lætémur, et tantae fídei  
proficiámus exémplo. Per Dóminum  
nostrum Iesum Christum, Fílium  
tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in  
unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per  
ómnia sáecula sáeculórum.

**LESSON Ecclesiasticus 51: 13-17**

Dómine, Deus meus, exaltásti super  
terram habitatióne meam, et pro  
morte defluénte deprecáta sum.  
Invocávi Dóminum, Patrem Dómini  
mei, ut non derelinquat me in die  
tribulatiónis meæ, et in témpore  
superbórum sine adjutório. Laudábo  
nomen tuum assídue, et collaudábo  
illud in confessióne, et exaudíta est  
orátio mea. Et liberásti me de  
perditióne, et eripuísti me de témpore  
iníquo. Proptérea confitébor et laudem  
dicam tibi, Dómine, Deus noster.

The wicked have waited for me to  
destroy me: but I have understood Thy  
testimonies, O Lord: I have seen an  
end of all perfection; Thy command is  
exceeding broad. (Ps. 118: 1)  
Blessed are the undefiled in the way:  
who walk in the law of the Lord. 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 wicked  
have waited for me to destroy me: but  
I have understood Thy testimonies, O  
Lord: I have seen an end of all  
perfection; Thy command is exceeding  
broad.

Grant, we beseech Thee, O almighty  
God, that we, who venerate the  
birthday of blessed Prisca, Thy virgin  
and martyr, may both rejoice for her  
annual solemnity and profit by the  
example of such 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.

O Lord my God, Thou hast exalted my  
dwelling place upon the earth, and I  
have prayed for death to pass away. I  
called upon the Lord, the Father of my  
Lord, that He would not leave me in  
the day of my trouble, and in the time  
of the proud without help. I will praise  
Thy Name continually, and will praise  
it with thanksgiving, and my prayer  
was heard. And Thou hast saved me  
from destruction, and hast delivered  
me from the evil time. Therefore I will  
give thanks and praise to Thee, O  
Lord our God.

**GRADUAL Psalms 45: 6, 5**

Adjuvábit eam Deus vultu suo: Deus in médio ejus, non commovébitur. Flúminis ímpetus lætificat civitátēm Dei: sanctificávit tabernáculum suum Altíssimus.

**LESSER ALLELUIA**

Allelúa, allelúa. Hæc est Virgo sápiens, et una de número prudéntum. Allelúa.

**GOSPEL Matthew 13: 44-52**

In illo tempore: Dixit Jesus discipulis suis parábolam me: Símile est regnum cælórūm thesáuro abscónditō in agro: quem qui invénit homo, abscóndit, et präe gáudio illíus vadit, et vendit univérsa, quæ habet, et emit agrum illum. Iterum símile est regnum cælórūm hómīni negotiatóri, quærénti bonas margarítas. Invénta autem una pretiósā margaríta, ábiit, et vénididit ómnia, quæ hábuit, et emit eam. Iterum símile est regnum cælórūm sagénæ, missæ in mare et ex omni génere píscium congregánti. Quam, cum impléta esset, educéntes, et secus litus sedéntes, elegérunt bonos in vasa, malos autem foras misérunt. Sic erit in consummatiōne sæculi: exibunt Ángeli, et separábunt malos de médio iustórum, et mittent eos in camínū ignis: ibi erit fletus et stridor déntium. Intellexistis hæc ómnia? Dicunt ei: Etiam. Ait illis: Ídeo omnis scriba doctus in regno cælórūm símilis est hómīni patrifamiliás, qui profert de thesáuro suo nova et vétera.

**OFFERTORY Psalms 44: 3**

Diffúsa est grátia in lábiis tuis: proptérea benedíxit te Deus in

God will help her with His countenance: God is in the midst of her, she shall not be moved. The stream of the river maketh the city of God joyful: the Most High hath sanctified His own tabernacle.

Alleluia, alleluia. This is a wise virgin, and one of the number of the prudent. Alleluia.

At that time, Jesus spoke to His disciples this parable: The Kingdom of Heaven is like unto a treasure hidden in a field. Which a man having found, hid it, and for joy thereof goeth, and selleth all that he hath, and buyeth that field. Again the Kingdom of Heaven is like to a merchant seeking good pearls. Who when he had found one pearl of great price, went his way, and sold all that he had, and bought it. Again the Kingdom of Heaven is like to a net cast into the sea, and gathering together of all kind of fishes. Which, when it was filled, they drew out, and sitting by the shore, they chose out the good into vessels, but the bad they cast forth. So shall it be at the end of the world: the angels shall go out, and shall separate the wicked from among the just, and shall cast them into the furnace of fire: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Have ye understood all these things? They say to him: Yes. He said unto them: Therefore every scribe instructed in the Kingdom of Heaven is like to a man that is a householder, who bringeth forth out of his treasure new things and old.

Grace is poured abroad in thy lips: therefore hath God blessed thee for

ætérmnum, et in sǽculum sǽculi.

**SECRET**

Hæc hóstia, quæsumus, Dómine, quam Sanctórum tuórum natalítia recenséntes offérimus, et víncula nostræ pravítatis absólvat, et tuæ nobis misericórdiæ dona conciliet. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sǽcula sǽculórum.

**COMMUNION Psalms 118: 121, 122, 128**

Feci judícium et justíiam, Dómine, non calumniéntur mihi supérbi: ad ómnia mandáta tua dirigébar, omnem viam iniquitátis ódio hábui.

**POSTCOMMUNION**

Quæsumus, Dómine, salutáribus repléti mystériis: ut, cujus solémnia celebrámus, ejus oratióibus adjuvémur.. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sǽcula sǽculórum.

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May this sacrifice, we beseech Thee, O Lord, which we offer to commemorate the birthday of Thy saints, both loose the bonds of our base nature and bring upon 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.

I have done judgment and justice, O Lord, give me not up to them that slander me: I was directed to all Thy commandments, I have hated all wicked ways.

We beseech Thee, O Lord, that, being filled with the mysteries of salvation, we may be helped by her prayers whose feast we celebrate. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.