THE PROPER OF THE SAINTS

DECEMBER

ST. ANDREW

Apostle

SECOND CLASS

RED

INTROIT + PSALM 139.17 (Vulgate), 1-2





How pre-cious are Your friends to me, O God, and held in high- est ho - nor:



Their rule and governance is ex - ceed-ing-ly stead-fast.



O Lord, You have searched me and known me:



You know my sitting down and my ris-ing up.



Glo - ry be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



it was in the be-gin-ning, is now; and will be for - ev- er. A- men



How pre-cious ... (to the end of the Antiphon)

The Gloria in Exclesis is said.

COLLECT

We humbly beseech You, O Lord:

that as You chose Your blessed Apostle Andrew to be a teacher and bishop in Your Church;

so he may continually intercede for us in the sight of Your divine majesty,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

Almighty God, who gave such grace to Your Apostle Saint Andrew that he readily obeyed the call of Your Son Jesus Christ, and followed Him without delay: grant to us all; that we, being called by Your holy Word, may speedily give up ourselves obediently to follow Your holy commandments, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

OLD TESTAMENT + EZEKIEL 3.16-21

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel.

In those days, it came to pass at the end of seven days that the word of the Lord came to me, saying, "Son of man, I have made you a watchman for the house of Israel; therefore hear a word from My mouth, and give them warning from Me: When I say to the wicked, 'You shall surely die,' and you give him no warning, nor speak to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life, that same wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood I will require at your hand. Yet, if you warn the wicked, and he does not turn from his wickedness, nor from his wicked way, he shall die in his iniquity; but you have delivered your soul. Again, when a righteous man turns from his righteousness and commits iniquity, and I lay a stumbling block before him, he shall die; because you did not give him warning, he shall die in his sin, and his righteousness which he has done shall not be remembered; but his blood I will require at your hand. Nevertheless if you warn the righteous man that the righteous should not sin, and he does not sin, he shall surely live because he took warning; also you will have delivered your soul."

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 45.16-17 (Vulgate)

TONE V



You shall make princes in all the earth:



They shall re-mem-ber Your Name, O Lord.



In-stead of Your fathers You shall have child-ren:



There-fore the people shall praise You for-ev- er and ev-er.

EPISTLE + ROMANS 10.10-18

A reading from the epistle of blessed Paul the Apostle to the Romans.

Brethren: With the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the Scripture says, "Whoever believes on Him will not be put to

shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek, for the same Lord over all is rich to all who call upon Him. For "whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written:

"How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace, Who bring glad tidings of good things!"

But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed our report?" So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. But I say, have they not heard? Yes indeed:

"Their sound has gone out to all the earth, And their words to the ends of the world."

The Word of the Lord.

ALLELUIA + LITURGICAL VERSE

TONE V



Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



The Lord loved An-drew:



As a sweet fra-grance.



Al - le-lu-ia.

GOSPEL + ST. MATTHEW 4.18-22

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.

* At that time Jesus, walking by the Sea of Galilee, saw two brothers, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. Then He said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." They immediately left their nets and followed Him.

Going on from there, He saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets. He called them, and immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed Him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

The Nicene Creed is said.

CHIEF HYMN

"Jesus Calls Us; O'er the Tumult"

<u>OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 139.17 (Vulgate)</u>



How pre-cious are Your friends to me, O God:



And held in high-est ho - nor.

SECRETA

O Lord, we beseech You: that the devout prayers of Your blessed Apostle Saint Andrew may commend our sacrifice to You; that this oblation which we offer in his honor may, by Your grace, be acceptable in Your sight, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

Apostles and Evangelists

COMMUNIO + ST. MATTHEW 4.19-20

TONE



Fol-low Me, and I will make you fish- ers of men.



And they immediately left their nets and fol-lowed the Lord.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

We beseech You, O Lord, that Your heavenly mysteries, which we have joyfully received on this festival of blessed Andrew, Your Apostle:

may truly honor Your saints;

even as we receive the forgiveness of our sins,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You, in unity of the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

ST. PETER CHRYSOLOGUS Bishop, Confessor & Doctor

THIRD CLASS 4 DECEMBER WHITE

INTROIT + SIRACH 15.5 (Vulgate); PSALM 92.1

In the midst of the congregation he opened his mouth:

And the Lord filled him with the spirit of wisdom and understanding; He clothed him with a robe of glory.

Ps. It is good to give thanks to the Lord,

And to sing praises to Your name, O Most High.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen

In the midst of the congregation he opened his mouth:

And the Lord filled him with the spirit of wisdom and understanding; He clothed him with a robe of glory.

The Gloria in Exclesis is said.

COLLECT

O God, who by a sign from heaven was pleased to summon Your great teacher, blessed Peter Chrysologus, to be a bishop and doctor in Your Church:

grant, we beseech You;

that as we have learned from him the doctrine of life on earth, so we may be worthy to have him as our advocate in heaven,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

EPISTLE + 2 TIMOTHY 4.1-8

A reading from the epistle of blessed Paul the Apostle to Timothy.

Beloved: I charge you before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom: Preach the word! Be ready in season and out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; and they will turn their ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables.

But you be watchful in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry. For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.

Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing.

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + LITURGICAL VERSE; SIRACH 44.19-20

Behold, a great high priest:

Who, in his days, pleased God.

There was none like him:

To keep the law of the most High.

ALLELUIA + PSALM 110.4

Alleluia. Alleluia. You are a priest forever:

According of the order of Melchizedek. Alleluia.

GOSPEL + ST. MATTHEW 5.13-19

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"You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and

put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

"Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill. For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled.

"Whoever therefore breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does and teaches them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven."

The Gospel of the Lord.

The Nicene Creed is said.

OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 92.12

The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree:

He shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon.

SECRETA

Grant, O Lord, we pray: that the devout prayer of Your bishop and doctor, Saint Peter Chrysologus, may never fail to comfort and defend us; that our oblations may be acceptable in Your sight, and that we may obtain Your merciful pardon, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

All Saints

COMMUNIO + ST. MATTHEW 25.20-21

Lord, you delivered to me five talents:

Look, I have gained five more talents besides them.

Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things:

Enter into the joy of your Lord.

POST COMMUNION COLLECT

Grant, we beseech You, O Lord:

that Your holy bishop and most excellent doctor, Saints Peter Chrysologus, may always stand before You as our advocate;

that this sacrifice which You have ordained may effectually avail for our salvation,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

ST. NICHOLAS Bishop & Confessor

6 DECEMBER WHITE THIRD CLASS

INTROIT + SIRACH 45.24; PSALM 132.1

The Lord made a covenant of peace made with him, that he should be the chief of his people: And that he should have the dignity of the priesthood forever.

Ps. Lord, remember David

And all his afflictions.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen

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The Gloria in Exclesis is said.

COLLECT

O God, who adorned Your blessed bishop, Saint Nicholas, with power to work many and great miracles:

grant, we beseech You;

that by his prayers, we may be delivered from the fires of everlasting torment,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

was made evident in the compassion of Your blessed Bishop, Saint Nicholas:

grant that we, who have received the same riches of Your mercy;

may by our love show forth the glory of Your name,

Lord:

who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit:

EPISTLE + HEBREWS 13.7-17

A reading from the epistle to the Hebrews.

Brethren: Remember those who rule over you, who have spoken the word of God to you, whose faith follow, considering the outcome of their conduct. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

Do not be carried about with various and strange doctrines. For it is good that the heart be established by grace, not with foods which have not profited those who have been occupied with them. We have an altar from which those who serve the tabernacle have no right to eat. For the bodies of those animals, whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest for sin, are burned outside the camp. Therefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered outside the gate. Therefore let us go forth to Him, outside the camp, bearing His reproach. For here we have no continuing city, but we seek the one to come. Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name. But do not forget to do good and to share, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased. Obey those who rule over you, and be submissive, for they watch out for your souls, as those who must give account.

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 89.20-22

I have found My servant David; with My holy oil I have anointed him,

With whom My hand shall be established; also My arm shall strengthen him.

The enemy shall not outwit him:

Nor the son of wickedness afflict him.

ALLELUIA + PSALM 92.12

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GOSPEL + ST. MATTHEW 25.14-23

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The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.

At that time Jesus spoke this parable to His disciples:

Almighty Father, whose loving-kindness

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our

one God, now and forever.

"The kingdom of heaven is like a man traveling to a far country, who called his own servants and delivered his goods to them. And to one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one, to each according to his own ability; and immediately he went on a journey. Then he who had received the five talents went and traded with them, and made another five talents. And likewise he who had received two gained two more also. But he who had received one went and dug in the ground, and hid his lord's money.

"After a long time the lord of those servants came and settled accounts with them. So he who had received five talents came and brought five other talents, saying, 'Lord, you delivered to me five talents; look, I have gained five more talents besides them.'

"His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.'

"He also who had received two talents came and said, 'Lord, you delivered to me two talents; look, I have gained two more talents besides them.'

"His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord."

The Gospel of the Lord.

The Nicene Creed is omitted.

OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 89.24

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

SECRETA

Sanctify, O Lord, we beseech You, these our oblations which we offer You on this festival of Your blessed bishop, Saint Nicholas: that by this holy sacrament; our lives may always be ordered by Your will in both prosperity and adversity, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

All Saints

COMMUNIO + PSALM 89.35, 36-37

Once I have sworn by My holiness; His seed shall endure forever, and his throne as the sun before Me: He shall be established forever like the moon, even like the faithful witness in the heavens.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Grant, O Lord, we pray:

that as we have remembered the festival of Saint Nicholas, Your bishop, by partaking of this sacrifice; so by It we may be defended with Your everlasting protection,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

ST. AMBROSE

Bishop, Confessor & Doctor

THIRD CLASS 7 DECEMBER WHITE

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COLLECT

O God, by whose providence Saint Ambrose was sent to guide Your people in the way of everlasting salvation:

grant, we beseech You;

that as we have learned from him the doctrine of life on earth, so we may be worthy to have him as our advocate in heaven,

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OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 89.24

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SECRETA

Almighty and everlasting God: grant that these oblations which we present before Your divine majesty; may, through the intercession of Saint Ambrose, Your confessor and doctor, benefit us for the attainment of everlasting salvation, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

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POST COMMUNION COLLECT

Almighty God, who has permitted us to be partakers of this Sacrament of our salvation: grant, we beseech You;

that we, who have presented our oblations to You in memory of blessed Ambrose, Your confessor and bishop, may at all times receive the comfort of his intercessions,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

THE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

SECOND CLASS

8 DECEMBER

WHITE

INTROIT + ISAIAH 61.10; PSALM 30.1

TONE VII



I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my soul shall be joy - ful in my God;



For He has clothed me with the garments of salvation, He has covered me



with the robe of righteousness, as a bride adorns her - self with her jew-els.



I will extol You, O Lord, for You have lift-ed me up:



And have not let my foes re-joice o- ver me.

GLORIA PATRI:



Glo - ry be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now; and will be for - ev- er. A- men



I will greatly rejoice ... (to the end of the Antiphon)

The Gloria in Exclesis is said.

COLLECT

O God, who in the foreknowledge of Your Son's most precious death, prepared a dwelling-place for Him through the conception of the blessed Virgin:
mercifully grant that she, who was preserved from defilement;
may evermore pray for us until we attain in purity of heart to You,
Through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;
who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit:
one God, now and forever.

READING + PROVERBS 8.22-35

A reading from the book of Proverbs.

The Lord possessed me at the beginning of His way, Before His works of old. I have been established from everlasting, From the beginning, before there was ever an earth.

When there were no depths I was brought forth, When there were no fountains abounding with water. Before the mountains were settled, Before the hills, I was brought forth; While as yet He had not made the earth or the fields, Or the primeval dust of the world.

When He prepared the heavens, I was there,
When He drew a circle on the face of the deep,
When He established the clouds above,
When He strengthened the fountains of the deep,
When He assigned to the sea its limit,
So that the waters would not transgress His command,
When He marked out the foundations of the earth,
Then I was beside Him as a master craftsman;
And I was daily His delight,
Rejoicing always before Him,
Rejoicing in His inhabited world,
And my delight was with the sons of men.

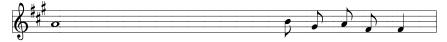
Now therefore, listen to me, my children, For blessed are those who keep my ways. Hear instruction and be wise, And do not disdain it. Blessed is the man who listens to me, Watching daily at my gates, Waiting at the posts of my doors. For whoever finds me finds life, And obtains favor from the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + JUDITH 13.18; 15.9



Bless-ed are you, O Virgin Mar-y:



By the most High God above all wo-men on the earth.



You are the exaltation of Jerusalem, you are the great glory of Israel:



You are the great pride of our nation!

EPISTLE + REVELATION 12.1-6

In those days, a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a garland of twelve stars. Then being with child, she cried out in labor and in pain to give birth. And another sign appeared in heaven: behold, a great, fiery

red dragon having seven heads and ten horns, and seven diadems on his heads. His tail drew a third of the stars of heaven and threw them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was ready to give birth, to devour her Child as soon as it was born. She bore a male Child who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron. And her Child was caught up to God and His throne. Then the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God, that they should feed her there one thousand two hundred and sixty days.

The Word of the Lord.

ALLELUIA + SONG OF SOLOMON 4.7

TONE VI



Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



You are all fair, O Ma-ry:



And there is no spot in you.



Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL + ST. LUKE 1.26-28

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.

*At that time the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And having come in, the angel said to her, "Rejoice, highly favored one, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women!"

The Gospel of the Lord.

The Nicene Creed is said.

OFFERTORIUM + LUKE 1.28

TONE



Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you:



Blessed are you among women, alleluia.

SECRETA

PREFACE

Feasts in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary

COMMUNIO + LITURGICAL VERSE; ST. LUKE 1.48-49

TONE I



Glorious things are spoken of you, O Mary:



Because He who is mighty has done great things for you.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Grant, we beseech You, O Lord: that as the Son of the Virgin Mary has made us partakers of salvation; we may daily grow in grace, through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

ST. LUCY Virgin & Martyr

THIRD CLASS

RED

INTROIT + PSALM 45.7, 1

You love righteousness and hate wickedness;

Therefore God, Your God, has anointed You with the oil of gladness more than Your companions.

Ps. My heart is overflowing with a good theme;

I recite my composition concerning the King;

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen

You love righteousness and hate wickedness;

Therefore God, Your God, has anointed You with the oil of gladness more than Your companions.

The Gloria in Exclesis is said.

COLLECT

Graciously hear us, O God of our salvation: that as we rejoice in the festival of blessed Lucy Your holy virgin; so we may imitate her in all godliness and affection, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

EPISTLE + 2 CORINTHIANS 10.17-11.2

A reading from the epistle of blessed Paul the Apostle to the Corinthians.

Brethren: "He who glories, let him glory in the Lord." For not he who commends himself is approved, but whom the Lord commends.

Oh, that you would bear with me in a little folly—and indeed you do bear with me. For I am jealous for you with godly jealousy. For I have betrothed you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 45.7

You love righteousness:

And hate wickedness:

Therefore God, Your God:

Has anointed You with the oil of gladness.

ALLELUIA + PSALM 45.2

Alleluia. Alleluia. Grace is poured upon Your lips:

Therefore God has blessed You forever. Alleluia

GOSPEL + ST. MATTHEW 13.44-52

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.

★ At that time Jesus spoke this parable to His disciples:

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and hid; and for joy over it he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant seeking beautiful pearls, who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had and bought it.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet that was cast into the sea and gathered some of every kind, which, when it was full, they drew to shore; and they sat down and gathered the good into vessels, but threw the bad away. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come forth, separate the wicked from among the just, and cast them into the furnace of fire. There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth."

Jesus said to them, "Have you understood all these things?"

They said to Him, "Yes, Lord."

Then He said to them, "Therefore every scribe instructed concerning the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out of his treasure things new and old."

The Gospel of the Lord.

The Nicene Creed is omitted.

OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 45.14-15

The virgins, her companions who follow her, shall be brought to the King: With gladness and rejoicing they shall be brought; they shall enter the King's palace.

SECRETA

Grant, O Lord, that since we, Your faithful people, acknowledge that we are comforted by the prayers of Your saints: so may this oblation, which we offer and present to You in their honor; be acceptable in Your sight, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

All Saints

COMMUNIO + PSALM 119.161-162

Princes persecute me without a cause, but my heart stands in awe of Your word.

I rejoice at Your word as one who finds great treasure.

POST COMMUNION COLLECT

O Lord, who has graciously satisfied Your household with Your sacred gifts;

we beseech You;

that we may at all times be comforted by the intercession of blessed Lucy, Your virgin, whose feast we celebrate,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

ST. THOMAS

SECOND CLASS Apostle 21 DECEMBER

RED

INTROIT + PSALM 139.17,1-2

TONE VII







How pre-cious are Your friends to me, O God, and held in high- est ho - nor:



Their rule and governance is ex - ceed-ing-ly stead-fast.



O Lord, You have searched me and known me:



You know my sitting down and my ris-ing up.



Glo - ry be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now; and will be for - ev- er. A- men



How pre-cious ... (to the end of the Antiphon)

The Gloria in Exclesis is said.

COLLECT

Grant to us, we beseech You, O Lord, so to rejoice in the solemn festival of Your blessed Apostle Thomas: that we, being comforted by his advocacy; may steadfastly follow the example of his faith, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

Almighty and everliving God, who toward the greater confirmation of the Faith permitted Your holy Apostle Thomas to doubt Your Son's resurrection:

grant us so perfectly, and without all doubt, to believe in Your Son Jesus Christ;

that our faith in Your sight may never be reproved,

through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

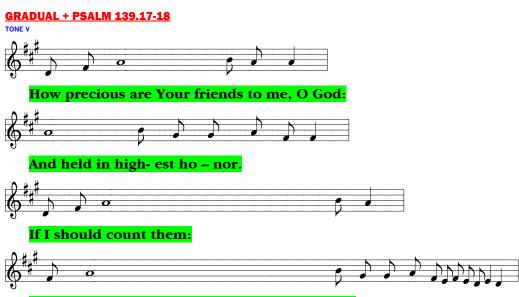
who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

OLD TESTAMENT + JUDGES 6.36-40

A reading from the book of Judges.

In those days Gideon said to God, "If You will save Israel by my hand as You have said—look, I shall put a fleece of wool on the threshing floor; if there is dew on the fleece only, and it is dry on all the ground, then I shall know that You will save Israel by my hand, as You have said." And it was so. When he rose early the next morning and squeezed the fleece together, he wrung the dew out of the fleece, a bowlful of water. Then Gideon said to God, "Do not be angry with me, but let me speak just once more: Let me test, I pray, just once more with the fleece; let it now be dry only on the fleece, but on all the ground let there be dew." And God did so that night. It was dry on the fleece only, but there was dew on all the ground.

The Word of the Lord.



They would be more in number than the sand.

EPISTLE + EPHESIANS 2.19-22

A reading from the epistle of blessed Paul the Apostle to the Ephesians.

Brethren: You are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God,having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone,in whom the whole building, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord,in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

The Word of the Lord.

ALLELUIA + PSALM 33.1

TONE VI



Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous!



For praise from the upright is beautiful.



Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL + ST. JOHN 20.24-29

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Saint John.

At that time Thomas, called the Twin, one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. The other disciples therefore said to him, "We have seen the Lord."

So he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe."

And after eight days His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, "Peace to you!"

Then He said to Thomas, "Reach your finger here, and look at My hands; and reach your hand here, and put it into My side. Do not be unbelieving, but believing."

And Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and my God!"

Jesus said to him, "Thomas, because you have seen Me, you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

The Gospel of the Lord.

The Nicene Creed is said.

CHIEF HYMN

OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 19.4

TONE I



Their line has gone out through all the earth,



And their words to the end of the world.

SECRETA

We render to You, O Lord, our reasonable service, humbly beseeching You: that as we offer this sacrifice of praise in honor of the confession of Your blessed Apostle Saint Thomas; so through his prayers You would preserve in us the effectual gifts of Your grace, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

Apostles and Evangelists

COMMUNIO + ST. JOHN 20.27

TONE I



Reach your finger here, and look at the print of the nails:



Do not be unbelieving, but believing.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Assist us, mercifully, O Lord we beseech You: and at the intercession of Your blessed Apostle Saint Thomas; continue to bestow on us the gifts of Your loving kindness, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

ST. STEPHEN Protomartyr

26 DECEMBER

See Christ Mass in The Proper of the Season.

ST. JOHN Apostle & Evangelist

27 DECEMBER

See Christ Mass in The Proper of the Season.

THE HOLY INNOCENT MARTYRS

28 DECEMBER

See Christ Mass in The Proper of the Season.

ST. DAVID Patriarch, King & Psalmist 29 DECEMBER

THIRD CLASS

WHITE

<u>INTROIT + PSALM 89.3-4, 1</u>

I have made a covenant with My chosen, I have sworn to My servant David:

Your seed I will establish forever, and build up your throne to all generations.

Ps. I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever;

With my mouth will I make known Your faithfulness to all generations.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen

I have made a covenant with My chosen, I have sworn to My servant David:

Your seed I will establish forever, and build up your throne to all generations.

COLLECT

Grant, we beseech You, almighty God:

that as Your servant King David addressed Your beloved Son as His Lord; so may we, by the same Spirit, acknowledge Christ Jesus to be our Lord and King, who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

OLD TESTAMENT + SIRACH 47.2-11

A reading from Ecclesiasticus.

As the fat is selected from the peace offering, so David was selected from the sons of Israel. He played with lions as with young goats, and with bears as with lambs of the flock. In his youth did he not kill a giant, and take away reproach from the people, when he lifted his hand with a stone in the sling and struck down the boasting of Goliath? For he appealed to the Lord, the Most High, and he gave him strength in his right hand to slay a man mighty in war, to exalt the power of his people. So they glorified him for his ten thousands, and praised him for the blessings of the Lord, when the glorious diadem was bestowed upon him. For he wiped out his enemies on every side, and annihilated his adversaries the Philistines; he crushed their power even to this day. In all that he did he gave thanks to the Holy One, the Most High, with ascriptions of glory; he sang praise with all his heart, and he loved his Maker. He placed singers before the altar, to make sweet melody with their voices. He gave beauty to the feasts, and arranged their times throughout the year, while they praised God's holy name, and the sanctuary resounded from early morning. The Lord took away his sins, and exalted his power for ever; he gave him the covenant of kings and a throne of glory in Israel.

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 18.49-50

I will give thanks to You, O Lord, among the Gentiles:

And sing praises to Your name.

Great deliverance He gives to His king:

And shows mercy to His anointed, to David and his descendants forevermore.

EPISTLE + EPHESIANS 2.11-3.5

A reading from the epistle of blessed Paul the Apostle to the Ephesians.

Brethren: Remember that you, once Gentiles in the flesh—who are called Uncircumcision by what is called the Circumcision made in the flesh by hands—that at that time you were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

For He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace, and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity. And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near. For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father.

Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets,

Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone, in whom the whole building, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

For this reason I, Paul, the prisoner of Christ Jesus for you Gentiles—if indeed you have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which was given to me for you, how that by revelation He made known to me the mystery (as I have briefly written already, by which, when you read, you may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ), which in other ages was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to His holy apostles and prophets.

The Word of the Lord.

ALLELUIA + ST. LUKE 16.16

Alleluia. Alleluia. The law and the prophets were until John.

Since that time the kingdom of God has been preached, and everyone is pressing into it. Alleluia.

GOSPEL + ST. JOHN 5.31-47

The Lord be with you.

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ according to Saint John.

+ At that time Jesus said to the Jews: "If I bear witness of Myself, My witness is not true. There is another who bears witness of Me, and I know that the witness which He witnesses of Me is true. You have sent to John, and he has borne witness to the truth. Yet I do not receive testimony from man, but I say these things that you may be saved. He was the burning and shining lamp, and you were willing for a time to rejoice in his light. But I have a greater witness than John's; for the works which the Father has given Me to finish—the very works that I do—bear witness of Me, that the Father has sent Me. And the Father Himself, who sent Me, has testified of Me. You have neither heard His voice at any time, nor seen His form. But you do not have His word abiding in you, because whom He sent, Him you do not believe. You search the Scriptures, for in them you think you have eternal life; and these are they which testify of Me. But you are not willing to come to Me that you may have life. I do not receive honor from men. But I know you, that you do not have the love of God in you. I have come in My Father's name, and you do not receive Me; if another comes in his own name, him you will receive. How can you believe, who receive honor from one another, and do not seek the honor that comes from the only God? Do not think that I shall accuse you to the Father; there is one who accuses you-Moses, in whom you trust. For if you believed Moses, you would believe Me; for he wrote about Me. But if you do not believe his writings, how will you believe My words?"

The Gospel of the Lord.

CHIEF HYMN

OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 89.24

My faithfulness and My mercy shall be with him, And in My name his horn shall be exalted.

SECRETA

PREFACE

All Saints

COMMUNIO + ST. LUKE 1.69

The Lord has raised up a horn of salvation for us In the house of His servant David.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Lord God, heavenly Father, who through Your saints of old has wondrously foreshadowed Your redemption: grant that we, who in this Sacrament, have tasted of that same goodness; may, by Your grace, ever rejoice with blessed David and all your saints in the fullness of heavenly joy, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

ST. THOMAS A BECKET Bishop & Martyr

29 DECEMBER

See Christ Mass in The Proper of the Season.

ST. SYLVESTER Bishop & Confessor

31 DECEMBER

See Christ Mass in The Proper of the Season.

BL. WILHELM LÖHE Confessor

2 JANUARY

See Supplemental Feasts.

JANUARY

THE FEAST OF ST. HILARY Bishop, Confessor & Doctor

THIRD CLASS — 14 JANUARY WHITE

INTROIT + SIRACH 15.5 (Vulgate); PSALM 92.1

In the midst of the congregation he opened his mouth:

And the Lord filled him with the spirit of wisdom and understanding; He clothed him with a robe of glory.

Ps. It is good to give thanks to the Lord,

And to sing praises to Your name, O Most High.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen

In the midst of the congregation he opened his mouth:

And the Lord filled him with the spirit of wisdom and understanding; He clothed him with a robe of glory.

COLLECT

O God, by whose providence blessed Saint Hilary was sent to guide Your people in the way of everlasting salvation:

grant, we beseech You, that as we have learned from him the doctrine of life on earth;

so we may be found worthy to have him for our advocate in heaven,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

EPISTLE + 2 TIMOTHY 4.1-8

A reading from the second epistle of blessed Paul the Apostle to Timothy.

Beloved: I charge you before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom: Preach the word! Be ready in season and out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; and they will turn their ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables.

But you be watchful in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry. For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.

Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing.

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 37.30-31

The mouth of the righteous speaks wisdom:

And his tongue talks of justice.

The law of his God is in his heart:

None of his steps shall slide.

ALLELUIA + SIRACH 45.7

Alleluia. Alleluia. The Lord loved him and adorned him:

He clothed him with a robe of glory. Alleluia

GOSPEL + ST. MATTHEW 5.13-19

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.

At that time Jesus spoke to His disciples, saying: "You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men.

"You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

"Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill. For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled.

"Whoever therefore breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does and teaches them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven."

The Gospel of the Lord.

OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 92.12

The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree:

He shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon.

SECRETA

Grant, O Lord, we pray: that the devout prayer of Your bishop and doctor, Saint Hilary, may never fail to comfort and defend us; that our oblations may be acceptable in Your sight, and that we may obtain Your merciful pardon, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

All Saints

COMMUNIO + ST. LUKE 12.42

A faithful and wise steward is he, whom the Lord has made ruler over his household:

To give them their portion of food in due season.

POST COMMUNION COLLECT

Grant, we beseech You, O Lord:

that Your holy bishop and most excellent doctor, Saints Hilary, may always stand before You as our advocate;

that this sacrifice which You have ordained may effectually avail for our salvation,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

THE FEAST OF ST. AGNES Virgin & Martyr

THIRD CLASS 21 JANUARY RED

INTROIT + PSALM 119.95-96, 1

The wicked wait for me to destroy me, but I will consider Your testimonies:

I have seen the consummation of all perfection, but Your commandment is exceedingly broad.

Ps. 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 will be forever. Amen

The wicked wait for me to destroy me, but I will consider Your testimonies:

I have seen the consummation of all perfection, but Your commandment is exceedingly broad.

COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, who chooses the weak things of the world to confound the strong: mercifully grant that we who keep the feast of blessed Agnes Your Virgin and Martyr; may know the comfort of her intercession in Your sight,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

EPISTLE + SIRACH 51.1-12

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus.

I will give thanks to You, O Lord and King, and will praise You as God my Savior. I give thanks to Your name, because You have been my protector and helper and have delivered my body from destruction and from the snare of a slanderous tongue, from lips that utter lies.

Before those who stood by thou were my helper, and delivered me, in the greatness of thy mercy and of thy name,

from the gnashings of teeth about to devour me,

from the hand of those who sought my life,

from the many afflictions that I endured,

from choking fire on every side and from the midst of fire which I did not kindle,

from the depths of the belly of Hades,

from an unclean tongue and lying words—the slander of an unrighteous tongue to the king.

My soul drew near to death, and my life was very near to Hades beneath. They surrounded me on every side, and there was no one to help me; I looked for the assistance of men, and there was none. Then I remembered Your mercy, O Lord, and Your work from of old, that You deliver those who wait for thee and save them from the hand of their enemies. And I sent up my supplication from the earth, and prayed for deliverance from death. I appealed to the Lord, the Father of my lord, not to forsake me in the days of affliction, at the time when there is no help against the proud. I will praise Your name continually, and will sing praise with thanksgiving. My prayer was heard, for You saved me from destruction and rescued me from an evil plight. Therefore I will give thanks to You and praise You, and I will bless the name of the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 45.2, 4

Grace is poured upon Your lips:

Therefore God has blessed You forever.

Because of truth, humility, and righteousness:

Your right hand shall teach You awesome things.

ALLELUIA + ST. MATTHEW 25.4,6

Alleluia. Alleluia. The five wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps, and at midnight a cry was heard:

Behold, the bridegroom is coming; go out to meet him, Christ the Lord. Alleluia.

TRACT + LITURGICAL VERSE; PSALM 45.7,4

During Septuagesima Season, the Tract replaces the Alleluia.

Come, Bride of Christ, and receive the crown which the Lord has prepared for you forever:

For the love of Whom you shed your blood.

You love righteousness and hate wickedness:

Therefore God, Your God, has anointed You with the oil of gladness more than Your companions.

And in Your majesty ride prosperously:

Because of truth, humility, and righteousness;

GOSPEL + ST. MATTHEW 25.1-13

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.

At that time Jesus said to His disciples:

"The kingdom of heaven shall be likened to ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Now five of them were wise, and five were foolish.

"Those who were foolish took their lamps and took no oil with them, but the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. But while the bridegroom was delayed, they all slumbered and slept. And at midnight a cry was heard: 'Behold, the bridegroom is coming; go out to meet him!'

"Then all those virgins arose and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise answered, saying, 'No, lest there should not be enough for us and you; but go rather to those who sell, and buy for yourselves.'

"And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the wedding; and the door was shut. Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, Lord, open to us!' But he answered and said, 'Assuredly, I say to you, I do not know you.'

"Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour in which the Son of Man is coming."

The Gospel of the Lord.

OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 45.14-15

The virgins, her companions who follow her, shall be brought to the King:

With gladness and rejoicing they shall be brought; they shall enter the King's palace.

SECRETA

O Lord, mercifully regard this oblation which we offer to You: and at the intercession of blessed Agnes, Your virgin and martyr; absolve us from the bonds of our iniquities, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

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All Saints

COMMUNIO + ST. MATTHEW 25.4,6

The five wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps, and at midnight a cry was heard: Behold, the bridegroom is coming; go out to meet him, Christ the Lord.

POST COMMUNION COLLECT

O God, who has been pleased to feed us with heavenly food and drink:

mercifully grant that, having received this Holy Sacrament in devout remembrance of Your blessed Saint Agnes;

we may be defended by her prayers,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

THE CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL

Apostle 25 JANUARY

SECOND CLASS

WHITE

INTROIT + 2 TIMOTHY 1.12; PSALM 139.1

TONE VII



I know whom I have be - lieved:



And am persuaded that He is able to keep



what I have committed to Him un - til that Day.



O Lord, You have searched me and known me:



You know my sitting down and my ris-ing up.

GLORIA PATRI:



Glo - ry be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now; and will be for - ev- er. A- men



I know ... (to the end of the Antiphon)

COLLECT

O God, who through the preaching of the blessed Apostle Paul has caused the light of Your Gospel to shine throughout the world:

grant, we beseech You;

that we, who remember his wonderful conversion, may show forth our thankfulness by following the holy doctrine which he taught,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

OLD TESTAMENT + JEREMIAH 1.4-10

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.

In those days the word of the Lord came to Jeremiah, saying:

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you;

Before you were born I sanctified you;

I ordained you a prophet to the nations."

Then said I:

"Ah, Lord God!

Behold, I cannot speak, for I am a youth."

But the Lord said to me:

"Do not say, 'I am a youth,'

For you shall go to all to whom I send you,

And whatever I command you, you shall speak.

Do not be afraid of their faces,

For I am with you to deliver you," says the Lord.

Then the Lord put forth His hand and touched my mouth, and the Lord said to me:

"Behold, I have put My words in your mouth.

See, I have this day set you over the nations and over the kingdoms,

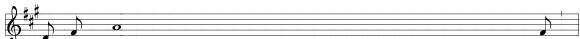
To root out and to pull down,

To destroy and to throw down,

To build and to plant."

The Word of the Lord.

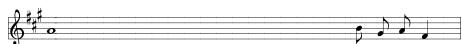
GRADUAL + GALATIANS 2:8-9; 1 CORINTHIANS 15:10



He who worked effectively in Peter for the apostleship to the circum-cised



also worked effectively in me toward the Gen-tiles:



And they perceived the grace that had been giv-en to me.



The grace of God which He bestowed on me was not in vain:



But His grace e- ver a-bides in me.

EPISTLE + ACTS 9.1-22

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

In those days Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked letters from him to the synagogues of Damascus, so that if he found any who were of the Way, whether men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem.

As he journeyed he came near Damascus, and suddenly a light shone around him from heaven. Then he fell to the ground, and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me?"

And he said, "Who are You, Lord?"

Then the Lord said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. It is hard for you to kick against the goads."

So he, trembling and astonished, said, "Lord, what do You want me to do?"

Then the Lord said to him, "Arise and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do." And the men who journeyed with him stood speechless, hearing a voice but seeing no one.

Then Saul arose from the ground, and when his eyes were opened he saw no one. But they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. And he was three days without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

Now there was a certain disciple at Damascus named Ananias; and to him the Lord said in a vision, "Ananias."

And he said, "Here I am, Lord."

So the Lord said to him, "Arise and go to the street called Straight, and inquire at the house of Judas for one called Saul of Tarsus, for behold, he is praying. And in a vision he has seen a man named Ananias coming in and putting his hand on him, so that he might receive his sight."

Then Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much harm he has done to Your saints in Jerusalem. And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on Your name."

But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen vessel of Mine to bear My name before Gentiles, kings, and the children of Israel. For I will show him how many things he must suffer for My name's sake."

And Ananias went his way and entered the house; and laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you came, has sent me that you may receive your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." Immediately there fell from his eyes something like scales, and he received his sight at once; and he arose and was baptized. So when he had received food, he was strengthened. Then Saul spent some days with the disciples at Damascus.

Immediately he preached the Christ in the synagogues, that He is the Son of God. Then all who heard were amazed, and said, "Is this not he who destroyed those who called on this name in Jerusalem, and has come here for that purpose, so that he might bring them bound to the chief priests?" But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who dwelt in Damascus, proving that this Jesus is the Christ.

The Word of the Lord.

ALLELUIA + LITURGICAL VERSE

TONE VI



Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



Great and holy is Paul, the vessel chosen by God:



He is indeed worthy to be glorified and to inher-it the twelfth throne.



Al - le - lu - ia.

TRACT + LITURGICAL VERSE

During Septuagesima Season, the Tract replaces the Alleluia.

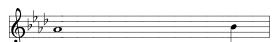
TONE II



You are the chosen vessel, O Saint Paul the A-pos-tle:



And indeed worthy to be glo-ri-fied.



You are the preacher of truth:



And the teacher of the Gen-tiles in faith and truth.



Through you all na-tions:



Have known the grace of God.

GOSPEL + ST. MATTHEW 19.27-29

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew.

At that time Peter answered and said to Jesus, "See, we have left all and followed You. Therefore what shall we have?"

So Jesus said to them, "Assuredly I say to you, that in the regeneration, when the Son of Man sits on the throne of His glory, you who have followed Me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands, for My name's sake, shall receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life."

The Gospel of the Lord.

CHIEF HYMN

"Lo, Many Shall Come from the East and the West" (Der mange skal komme fra öst og fra vest)

OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 139.17 (Vulgate)

TONE



How pre-cious are Your friends to me, O God:



And held in high-est ho - nor.

SECRETA

Sanctify, O Lord we pray: the oblations of Your people; that the favor You bestow on those who celebrate this Holy Sacrament, may be increased by Your grace, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

Sanctify, O Lord we pray: the oblations of Your people through the prayers of Your holy Apostle Saint Paul; that the favor You show those who celebrate this Holy Sacrament, may be increased by the effectual help of his advocacy, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

Apostles and Evangelists

COMMUNIO + ST. MATTHEW 19.28,29

TONE I



As-sur- edly I say to you, that you who have followed Me and for-sak - en all:



Shall re- ceive a hundredfold, and inherit e - ter-nal life.

POST COMMUNION COLLECT

O Lord, who has sanctified us with these saving mysteries:

grant, we beseech You;

that by it we may be strengthened and defended in the true Faith,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

O Lord, who has sanctified us with these saving mysteries: grant, we beseech You; that he, whom You have given to be our advocate and guide, may continually intercede for us, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

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FEBRUARY

THE FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD & THE PURIFICATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

FIRST CLASS

2 FEBRUARY

WHITE

The Blessing of Candles

The clergy enter from the Sacristy.

THE BLESSING

The Lord be with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who on this day presented Your only-begotten Son in Your holy temple to be received in the arms of Saint Simeon:

we humbly beseech Your mercy;

that You would ble \(\mathbb{\Pi} \) ss and sanc \(\mathbb{\Pi} \) tify and kindle with the light of Your heavenly benediction these candles which we Your servants receive, and desire to light and bear to the glory of Your name:

so that we, being made worthy to offer them to You, Our Lord and Our God, and being enkindled with the holy fire of Your most gracious charity;

may be found meet to be presented in the holy temple of Your glory,

through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

O Lord Jesus Christ, the true Light who illumines eveyone who comes into the world:

we beseech You to pour out Your bless ♣ ing on these candles, and sanc ♣ tify them with the light of Your grace; and mercifully grant that even as their flame scatters the darkness of night; so our hearts, being inflamed with the inward brightness of Your Holy Spirit:

may be delivered from all blindness of iniquity;

and that the eyes of our souls may clearly perceive that which is well-pleasing in Your sight and profitable for our salvation;

and that finally after the darkness and dangers of this world are passed, we may come the never-failing Light,

through You, O blessed Jesus, Redeemer of the world;

who lives and reigns in union with the Blessed Trinity:

one God, now and forever.

O Lord Jesus Christ, who appeared among men in the substance of our flesh, and on this day was presented by Mary and Joseph in the temple, and whom the venerable Simeon, being enlightened by the light of Your Spirit, knew and blessed by taking You in his arms:

mercifully grant that the grace of the same Holy Spirit may also enlighten and instruct us; so that we may confess You truly and love You faithfully,

who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

The candles are blessed with holy water.

The candles are lit.

THE NUNC DIMITTIS

The Nunc Dimittis is sung while the candles are lit.

ANTIPHON

Lumen ad revelationem gentium:

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et gloriam plebes tuae Israel.

Nunc dimittis servum tuum, Domine,

secundum verbum tuum in pace. The antiphon is repeated.

Quia viderunt oculi mei

salutare tuum. The antiphon is repeated.

Quod parasti

ante faciem omnium populorum. The antiphon is repeated.

Gloria Patri, et Filio,

et Spiritui Sancto. The antiphon is repeated.

Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper,

et in saecula seculorum. Amen. The antiphon is repeated.

Immediately after the Nunc Dimittis, the following antiphon is sung.

TONE II

ANTIPHON

O Lord, arise for our help:

And redeem us for Your mercies' sake.

PSALN

Ps. We have heard with our ears, O God:

Our fathers have told us.

GLORIA PATRI:

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen

ANTIPHON

O Lord, arise for our help:

And redeem us for Your mercies' sake.

THE COLLECT

Let us pray.

We beseech You, O Lord, mercifully to hear the prayers of Your people: that this observance, by which we outwardly honor You each year; may by the light of Your grace bring forth fruit in our souls, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

THE PROCESSION

Let us go forth in peace.

In the name of the Lord. Amen

The Processional Hymn is sung.

The Mass

INTROIT + PSALM 48.9-10,1

We have thought, O God, on Your loving-kindness in the midst of Your temple. According to Your Name, O God, so is Your praise to the ends of the earth:

Your right hand is full of righteousness.

Ps. Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised:

In the city of our God, in His holy mountain.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen

We have thought, O God, on Your loving-kindness in the midst of Your temple. According to Your Name, O God, so is Your praise to the ends of the earth:

Your right hand is full of righteousness.

COLLECT

Almighty and ever-living God, we humbly beseech Your majesty:

that as Your only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple in the substance of our flesh:

so by Him we may be presented to You with pure and clean hearts,

through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

OLD TESTAMENT + MALACHI 3.1-4

A reading from the prophet Malachi.

Thus says the Lord God: "Behold, I send My messenger, and he will prepare the way before Me. And the Lord, whom you seek, will suddenly come to His temple, even the Messenger of the covenant, in whom you delight. Behold, He is coming," says the Lord of hosts.

"But who can endure the day of His coming? And who can stand when He appears? For He is like a refiner's fire and like launderer's soap. He will sit as a refiner and a purifier of silver; He will purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer to the Lord an offering in righteousness.

"Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasant to the Lord, as in the days of old, as in former years."

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 48.9-10,8

We have thought, O God, on Your loving-kindness in the midst of Your temple:

According to Your Name, O God, so is Your praise to the ends of the earth.

As we have heard, so we have seen in the city of our God:

In His holy mountain.

EPISTLE + 1 CORINTHIANS 1.26-31

A reading from the epistle of blessed Paul the Apostle to the Corithians.

Brethren: You see your calling, brethren, that not many wise according to the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called. But God has chosen the foolish things of the world to put to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to put to shame the things which are mighty; and the base things of the world and the things which are despised God has chosen, and the things which are not, to bring to nothing the things that are, that no flesh should glory in His presence. But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God—and righteousness and sanctification and redemption—that, as it is written, "He who glories, let him glory in the Lord."

The Word of the Lord.

TRACT + ST. LUKE 2.29-32

During Septuagesima Season, the Tract replaces the Alleluia.

Lord, now let Your servant depart in peace:

According to Your word.

For my eyes have seen Your salvation:

Which You have prepared before the face of all peoples.

A light to bring revelation to the Gentiles:

And the glory of Your people Israel.

ALLELUIA + LITURGICAL VERSE

Alleluia. Alleluia. The old man carried the young Child:

Yet the young Child was the old man's King. Alleluia.

GOSPEL + ST. LUKE 2.22-32

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.

*At that time, when the days of her purification according to the law of Moses were completed, they brought the infant Jesus to Jerusalem to present Him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every male who opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord"), and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the law of the Lord, "A pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons."

And behold, there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon, and this man was just and devout, waiting for the Consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ. So he came by the Spirit into the temple. And when the parents brought in the Child Jesus, to do for Him according to the custom of the law, he took Him up in his arms and blessed God and said:

"Lord, now You are letting Your servant depart in peace, according to Your word; for my eyes have seen Your salvation which You have prepared before the face of all peoples, a light to bring revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of Your people Israel."

The Gospel of the Lord.

CHIEF HYMN

"Thou Light of Gentile Nations" (Herr Jesu, Licht der Heiden)

OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 45.2

Grace is poured upon Your lips:

Therefore God has blessed You forever.

SECRETA

O Lord, we beseech You mercifully to hear our prayers: and that these gifts which we offer to Your divine majesty may be acceptable in Your sight; bestow on us the comfort of Your loving-kindness, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

Christmass

COMMUNIO + ST. LUKE 2.26

It had been revealed to Simeon by the Holy Spirit:

That he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Grant, we beseech You, O Lord our God:

that these holy mysteries which You have given us for the assurance of our salvation;

may, [by the intercession of the blessed Virgin Mary,] both in this life and in the life to come benefit us for the healing of our souls,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

Note: Ash Wednesday never occurs before 4 February.

MARCH

THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

FIRST CLASS

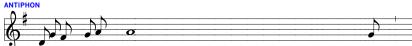
25 MARCH

WHITE

When this Feast falls during Lent, it is celebrated and the Lenten weekday Mass is commemorated. But when it falls in Holy Week or Easter Week, it is celebrated on the Monday after Quasimodogeniti.

INTROIT + PSALM 45.12, 14, 15; 1

TONE VII



The rich among the people will seek your fa-vor.



She shall be brought to the King in robes of man - y co - lors:



The vir- gins, her companions who follow her,



shall be brought to You with glad - ness and re-joic-ing.



My heart is over-flow-ing with a good theme:



I recite my composition con-cern-ing the King.

GLORIA PATRI:



Glo - ry be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now; and will be for - ev- er. A- men



The rich among the people... (to the end of the Antiphon)

The Gloria in Excelsis is sung.

COLLECT

We beseech You, O Lord, pour Your grace into our hearts: that as we have known the Incarnation of Your Son Jesus Christ by the message of an Angel; so by His Cross and Passion we may be brought to the glory of His Resurrection,

through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

OLD TESTAMENT + ISAIAH 7.10-16

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

In those days, the Lord spoke again to Ahaz, saying, "Ask a sign for yourself from the Lord your God; ask it either in the depth or in the height above."

But Ahaz said, "I will not ask, nor will I test the Lord!"

Then he said, "Hear now, O house of David! Is it a small thing for you to weary men, but will you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel. Curds and honey He shall eat, that He may know to refuse the evil and choose the good."

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 45.2, 4

TONE V



Grace is poured up-on Your lips:



Therefore God has blessed You for-ev-er.



In Your majesty ride prosperously because of truth, humility, and right-eous-ness:



And Your right hand shall teach You awe-some things.

During Eastertide, the Gradual is omitted in favor of this Alleluia:

ALLELUIA + LUKE 1.28

TONE \



Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you:



Blessed are you among women!

Al - le - lu - ia.

EPISTLE + HEBREWS 10.5-10

A reading from the epistle to the Hebrews.

Brethren: When He came into the world, He said:

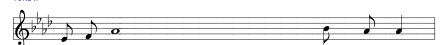
Sacrifice and offering You did not desire, But a body You have prepared for Me. In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin You had no pleasure.

Then I said, "Behold, I have come— In the volume of the book it is written of Me— To do Your will, O God."

Previously saying, "Sacrifice and offering, burnt offerings, and offerings for sin You did not desire, nor had pleasure in them" (which are offered according to the law), then He said, "Behold, I have come to do Your will, O God." He takes away the first that He may establish the second. By that will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

The Word of the Lord.

TRACT + PSALM 45.10,11,12,9,14-15



Lis-ten, O daughter, consider and in-cline your ear:



So the King will greatly de-sire your beau-ty.



The rich among the people will seek your fa-vor:



Kings' daughters are among Your honor-a- ble wo-men.



She shall be brought to the King in robes of many co-lors:



The virgins, her companions who follow her, shall be brought to You.



With gladness and rejoicing they shall be brought:



They shall enter the King's pa-lace.

During Eastertide, the Tract is omitted in favor of this Alleluia:

ALLELUIA + LITURGICAL VERSE

TONE VI



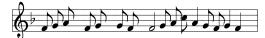
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The rod of Jesse has blossomed; a Virgin gives birth to man and God:



God has restored peace, reconciling in Himself the lowest and the highest.



Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL + ST. LUKE 1.26-38

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.

₱ At that time, the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary.

And having come in, the angel said to her, "Rejoice, highly favored one, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women!" But when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and considered what manner of greeting this was.

Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David. And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end."

Then Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I do not know a man?"

And the angel answered and said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God. Now indeed, Elizabeth your relative has also conceived a son in her old age; and this is now the sixth month for her who was called barren. For with God nothing will be impossible."

Then Mary said, "Behold the maidservant of the Lord! Let it be to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her.

The Gospel of the Lord.

CHIEF HYMN

"Now Praise We Christ the Holy One" (A solis ortus cardine)

OFFERTORIUM + ST. LUKE 1.28,42

TONE II



Hail, Ma - ry, full of grace, the Lord is with you;



blessed are you a - mong wo - men:



And bless - ed is the fruit of your womb!

SECRETA

We beseech You, O Lord, establish in our hearts the mysteries of the true faith: that since we confess Your Son, conceived of a Virgin, to be true God and true Man: so by the power of His resurrection we may be found worthy to attain unto everlasting gladness, through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

Feasts of the Blessed Virgin Mary

COMMUNIO + ISAIAH 7.14

TONE I



Be-hold, the virgin shall con-ceive and bear a Son:



And shall call His name Im-man-uel.

POST COMMUNION COLLECT

O God, who deigned that Your Word should become flesh in the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary by the message of an angel:

grant to us, Your humble servants;

that we who believe that she truly is the Mother of God, may by Your grace find favor in Your sight,

through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

JUNE

THE PRESENTATION OF THE AUGSBURG CONFESSION

SECOND CLASS

25 JUNE

WHITE

INTROIT + ISAIAH 52.7; PSALM 89.1

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news:

Who proclaims peace, who brings glad tidings of good things, who proclaims salvation.

Ps. I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever:

With my mouth will I make known Your faithfulness to all generations.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news:

Who proclaims peace, who brings glad tidings of good things, who proclaims salvation.

COLLECT

O Lord God, heavenly Father, pour out, we beseech You, Your Holy Spirit upon Your Faithful people: keep them steadfast in Your grace and truth;

protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all enemies of Your holy Word, and bestow on Christ's Church militant Your saving peace,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

OLD TESTAMENT + JEREMIAH 16.16-21

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.

Thus says the Lord God: "Behold, I will send for many fishermen," says the Lord, "and they shall fish them; and afterward I will send for many hunters, and they shall hunt them from every mountain and every hill, and out of the holes of the rocks. For My eyes are on all their ways; they are not hidden from My face, nor is their iniquity hidden from My eyes. And first I will repay double for their iniquity and their sin, because they have defiled My land; they have filled My inheritance with the carcasses of their detestable and abominable idols."

O Lord, my strength and my fortress, My refuge in the day of affliction, The Gentiles shall come to You From the ends of the earth and say, "Surely our fathers have inherited lies, Worthlessness and unprofitable things."

Will a man make gods for himself, Which are not gods?

"Therefore behold, I will this once cause them to know, I will cause them to know
My hand and My might;
And they shall know that My name is the Lord."

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 30.1-2

I will extol You, O Lord, for You have lifted me up: And have not let my foes rejoice over me.

O Lord my God, I cried out to You:

And You healed me.

EPISTLE + EPHESIANS 2.19-22

A reading from the epistle of blessed Paul the Apostle to the Ephesians.

Brethren: You are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone, in whom the whole building, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

The Word of the Lord.

ALLELUIA + PSALM 89.17

Alleluia. Alleluia. You, O Lord, are the glory of our strength:

And by Your grace our horn is exalted. Alleluia

GOSPEL + ST. MATTHEW 10.26-33

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew.

At that time Jesus said to His disciples: "There is nothing covered that will not be revealed, and hidden that will not be known. Whatever I tell you in the dark, speak in the light; and what you hear in the ear, preach on the housetops.

"And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.

"Are not two sparrows sold for a copper coin? And not one of them falls to the ground apart from your Father's will. But the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Do not fear therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows.

"Therefore whoever confesses Me before men, him I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven. But whoever denies Me before men, him I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven."

The Gospel of the Lord.

CHIEF HYMN

"O God, Our Lord, Thy Holy Word" (O Herre Gott, dein göttlich Wort)

OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 89.6

Who in the heavens can be compared to the Lord?

Who among the sons of the mighty can be likened to the Lord?

SECRETA

O Lord, who is gracious and merciful, and full of compassion: be pleased to bless this oblation which we present; that it may cleanse us from all defilements of body and soul, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

Weekdays

COMMUNIO + PSALM 89.2

Mercy shall be built up forever:

Your faithfulness You shall establish in the very heavens.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift: and we beseech You that of Your mercy;

You would strengthen us through the same in faith towards You and in fervent love toward one another, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

THE FEAST OF ST. IRENAEUS Bishop & Martyr

THIRD CLASS 28 JUNE RED

INTROIT + MALACHI 2.6; PSALM 78.1

The law of truth was in his mouth, and injustice was not found on his lips:

He walked with Me in peace and equity, and turned many away from iniquity.

Ps. Give ear, O my people, to my law:

Incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen

The law of truth was in his mouth, and injustice was not found on his lips:

He walked with Me in peace and equity, and turned many away from iniquity.

COLLECT

O God, who bestowed upon blessed Irenaeus, Your martyr and bishop, grace to overcome false doctrine and heresy by the teaching of the truth, and to establish Your Church in peace and prosperity: we beseech You, to give to Your people constancy in Your holy religion; and grant us Your peace all the days of our life, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

EPISTLE + 2 TIMOTHY 3.14-4.5

A reading from the epistle of Saint Paul to Timothy.

Beloved: You must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them, and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.

I charge you before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom: Preach the word! Be ready in season and out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; and they will turn their ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables. But you be watchful in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 122.8; 37.37

For the sake of my brethren and companions: I will now say, "Peace be within you."

Mark the blameless man, and observe the upright:

For the future of that man is peace.

ALLELUIA + SIRACH 6.34-35

Alleluia. Alleluia. Stand in the multitude of the elders; and cleave unto him that is wise: Be willing to hear every godly discourse. Alleluia.

GOSPEL + ST. MATTHEW 10.28-33

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.

At that time Jesus said to His disciples: "Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.

"Are not two sparrows sold for a copper coin? And not one of them falls to the ground apart from your Father's will. But the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Do not fear therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows.

"Therefore whoever confesses Me before men, him I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven. But whoever denies Me before men, him I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven."

The Gospel of the Lord.

OFFERTORIUM + SIRCH 24.44 (VULGATE)

I make my teachings shine as the morning: And will make them known afar off.

SECRETA

PREFACE

All Saints

COMMUNIO + SIRCH 24.34

Behold that I have not labored for myself only: But for all those who seek wisdom.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

O Lord, who has graciously satisfied us with Your sacred gifts: we humbly beseech You; that following the example of Saint Irenaeus; we may remain steadfast in the Faith and increase in love, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

THE FEAST OF STS. PETER & PAUL

Apostles

FIRST CLASS 29 JUNE RED

INTROIT + ACTS 12.11; PSALM 139.1-2

Now I know for certain that the Lord has sent His angel:

And has delivered me from the hand of Herod and from all the expectation of the Jewish people.

Ps. O Lord, You have searched me and known me:

You know my sitting down and my rising up.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen

Now I know for certain that the Lord has sent His angel:

And has delivered me from the hand of Herod and from all the expectation of the Jewish people.

COLLECT

O God, who hallowed this day by the martyrdom of Your Apostles Peter and Paul: grant to Your Church;

that as she learned from them Your true religion, so she may obediently follow their commandments,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

OLD TESTAMENT + JEREMIAH 26.12-16

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.

In those days Jeremiah spoke to all the princes and all the people, saying: "The Lord sent me to prophesy against this house and against this city with all the words that you have heard. Now therefore, amend your ways and your doings, and obey the voice of the Lord your God; then the Lord will relent concerning the doom that He has pronounced against you. As for me, here I am, in your hand; do with me as seems good and proper to you. But know for certain that if you put me to death, you will surely bring innocent blood on yourselves, on this city, and on its inhabitants; for truly the Lord has sent me to you to speak all these words in your hearing."

So the princes and all the people said to the priests and the prophets, "This man does not deserve to die. For he has spoken to us in the name of the Lord our God."

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 45.16,17

You shall make princes in all the earth:

They shall remember Your Name, O Lord.

Instead of Your fathers shall be Your sons:

Therefore the people shall praise You forever and ever.

EPISTLE + ACTS 12.1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

In those days Herod the king stretched out his hand to harass some from the church. Then he killed James the brother of John with the sword. And because he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded further to seize Peter also. Now it was during the Days of Unleavened Bread. So when he had arrested him, he put him in prison, and delivered him to four squads of soldiers to keep him, intending to bring him before the people after Passover.

Peter was therefore kept in prison, but constant prayer was offered to God for him by the church. And when Herod was about to bring him out, that night Peter was sleeping, bound with two chains between two soldiers; and the guards before the door were keeping the prison. Now

behold, an angel of the Lord stood by him, and a light shone in the prison; and he struck Peter on the side and raised him up, saying, "Arise quickly!" And his chains fell off his hands. Then the angel said to him, "Gird yourself and tie on your sandals"; and so he did. And he said to him, "Put on your garment and follow me." So he went out and followed him, and did not know that what was done by the angel was real, but thought he was seeing a vision. When they were past the first and the second guard posts, they came to the iron gate that leads to the city, which opened to them of its own accord; and they went out and went down one street, and immediately the angel departed from him. And when Peter had come to himself, he said, "Now I know for certain that the Lord has sent His angel, and has delivered me from the hand of Herod and from all the expectation of the Jewish people."

The Word of the Lord.

ALLELUIA + ST. MATTHEW 16.18

Alleluia. Alleluia. I say to you that you are Peter: And on this rock I will build My church. Alleluia

GOSPEL + ST. MATTHEW 16.13-19

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.

♣ At that time, when Jesus came into the region of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, saying, "Who do men say that I, the Son of Man, am?"

So they said, "Some say John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets."

He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"

Simon Peter answered and said, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

Jesus answered and said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven. And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it. And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven."

The Gospel of the Lord.

CHIEF HYMN

"Lord Jesus, Thou the Church's Head" (O Jesu, einig wahres Haupt)

OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 45.16-17

You shall make princes in all the earth.

I will make Your name to be remembered in all generations.

SECRETA

Consecrate, O Lord, the oblation which we offer to You: and with this offering, accept the prayers Your blessed Apostles pray for us; and thereby cleanse and defend us, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

Apostles and Evangelists

COMMUNIO + ST. MATTHEW 16.18

I say to you that you are Peter:

And on this rock I will build My church.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

O Lord, who has satisfied us with bread from heaven:

By the intercession of Your Apostles; Defend us against all adversity, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

THE COMMEMORATION OF ST. PAUL

Apostle

THIRD CLASS 30 JUNE RED

INTROIT + 2 TIMOTHY 1.12; PSALM 139.1

I know whom I have believed:

And am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that Day.

Ps. O Lord, You have searched me and known me:

You know my sitting down and my rising up.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen

I know whom I have believed:

And am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that Day.

COLLECT

O God, who through the preaching of the blessed Apostle Saint Paul caused the light of Your Gospel to shine to all the world:

grant, we beseech You;

that we, who this day celebrate his heavnly birthday, may feel the effectual comfort of his intercession, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

EPISTLE + GALATIANS 1.11-20

A reading from the epistle of Blessed Paul the Apostle to the Galatians.

Brethren: I make known to you that the gospel which was preached by me is not according to man. For I neither received it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through the revelation of Jesus Christ. For you have heard of my former conduct in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God beyond measure and tried to destroy it. And I advanced in Judaism beyond many of my contemporaries in my own nation, being more exceedingly zealous for the traditions of my fathers. But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb and called me through His grace, to reveal His Son in me, that I might preach Him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately confer with flesh and blood, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me; but I went to Arabia, and returned again to Damascus.

Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to see Peter, and remained with him fifteen days. But I saw none of the other apostles except James, the Lord's brother. (Now concerning the things which I write to you, indeed, before God, I do not lie.)

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + GALATIANS 2:8-9; 1 CORINTHIANS 15:10

He who worked effectively in Peter for the apostleship to the circumcised also worked effectively in me toward the Gentiles:

And they perceived the grace that had been given to me,

The grace of God which He bestowed on me was not in vain:

But His grace ever abides in me.

ALLELUIA + LITURGICAL VERSE

Alleluia. Alleluia. Great and holy is Paul, the vessel chosen by God:

He is indeed worthy to be glorified and to inherit the twelfth throne. Alleluia

GOSPEL + ST. MATTHEW 10.16-22

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.

♣ At that time Jesus said to His disciples: "Behold, I send you out as sheep in the midst of wolves. Therefore be wise as serpents and harmless as doves.

"But beware of men, for they will deliver you up to councils and scourge you in their synagogues. You will be brought before governors and kings for My sake, as a testimony to them and to the Gentiles. But when they deliver you up, do not worry about how or what you should speak. For it will be given to you

in that hour what you should speak; for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father who speaks in you.

"Now brother will deliver up brother to death, and a father his child; and children will rise up against parents and cause them to be put to death. And you will be hated by all for My name's sake. But he who endures to the end will be saved."

The Gospel of the Lord.

CHIEF HYMN

"Lord Jesus, Thou the Church's Head" (O Jesu, einig wahres Haupt)

OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 139.17 (Vulgate)

Very dear are Your friends to me, O God, and held in highest honor:

Their rule and governance is exceedingly steadfast.

SECRETA

Sanctify, O Lord, through the prayers of Your apostle Paul, our oblations: that these gifts, which by Your institution are acceptable to You; may avail for the remission of our sins, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

Apostles and Evangelists

COMMUNIO + ST. MATTHEW 19.28,29

Assuredly I say to you, that you who have followed Me and forsaken all:

Shall receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life.

POST COMMUNION COLLECT

O Lord, who have made us partakers of this holy Sacrament:

grant, we beseech You;

that at the intercession of Your holy apostle Saint Paul, the mysteries we have celebrated commemorating him, may be profitable to us for the healing of our souls,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

JULY

THE FEAST OF THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

SECOND CLASS 2 JULY WHITE

INTROIT + SEDULIUS; PSALM 45.1

TONE V



Hail, ho - ly Mother who gave birth to the King:



Who rules heaven and earth for-e - ver and e - ver.



My heart is overflowing with a good theme:



I recite my composition con-cern-ing the King;

GLORIA PATRI:



Glo - ry be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now; and will be for - ev- er. A- men



Hail, ho - ly Mother ... (to the end of the Antiphon)

COLLECT

We beseech You, O Lord, to pour into our hearts the abundance of Your heavenly grace: that as the child-bearing of the Blessed Virgin Mary was for us the beginning of salvation; so the devout observance of her Visitation may avail for increase of our peace, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

OLD TESTAMENT + SONG OF SONGS 2.8-14

A reading from the Song of Songs.

The voice of my beloved! Behold, he comes leaping upon the mountains, skipping upon the hills.

My beloved is like a gazelle or a young stag. Behold, he stands behind our wall; He is looking through the windows, gazing through the lattice.

My beloved spoke, and said to me: "Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away. For lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone. The flowers appear on the earth; the time of singing has come, and the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land. The fig tree puts forth her green figs, and the vines with the tender grapes give a good smell. Rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away!

"O my dove, in the clefts of the rock, in the secret places of the cliff, let me see your face, let me hear your voice; for your voice is sweet, and your face is lovely."

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + LITURGICAL VERSE

TONE V



Bless-ed and venerable are you, O Virgin Ma-ry:



For without losing your virginity, you gave birth to the Sa-vior.



Vir-gin Mother of God, the whole world cannot con-tain Him:



Yet He who became man for our sake lies hid-den in your womb.

EPISTLE + ROMANS 12.9-16

A reading from the epistle of blessed Paul the Apostle to the Romans.

Beloved: Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil. Cling to what is good. Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another; not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord; rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer; distributing to the needs of the saints, given to hospitality.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. Rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep. Be of the same mind toward one another. Do not set your mind on high things, but associate with the humble. Do not be wise in your own opinion.

The Word of the Lord.

ALLELUIA + LITURGICAL VERSE

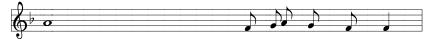
TONE VI



Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



Bless-ed are you, O holy Virgin Mother, and most worthy of all prais-es:



For out of you has risen the Sun of Right-eous-ness.



Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL + ST. LUKE 1.39-47

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.

At that time Mary arose and went into the hill country with haste, to a city of Judah, and entered the house of Zacharias and greeted Elizabeth. And it happened, when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, that the babe leaped in her womb; and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit.

Then she spoke out with a loud voice and said, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb! But why is this granted to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For indeed, as soon as the voice of your greeting sounded in my ears, the babe leaped in my womb for joy. Blessed is she who believed, for there will be a fulfillment of those things which were told her from the Lord."

And Mary said:

My soul magnifies the Lord,

And my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior.

For He has regarded the lowly state of His maidservant;

For behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed.

For He who is mighty has done great things for me,

And holy is His name.

And His mercy is on those who fear Him

From generation to generation.

He has shown strength with His arm;

He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He has put down the mighty from their thrones,

And exalted the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things,

And the rich He has sent away empty.

He has helped His servant Israel,

In remembrance of His mercy,

As He spoke to our fathers,

To Abraham and to his seed forever.

The Gospel of the Lord.

CHIEF HYMN

"My Soul doth Magnify the Lord" (Mein' Seel', o Gott, muss loben dich)

OFFERTORIUM + LITURGICAL VERSE

TONE II



Bless-ed are you, O Virgin Mary, who bore the Cre-a - tor of all things:



You gave birth to your Maker and yet re-mained a vir - gin.

SECRETA

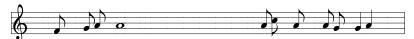
We beseech You, O Lord, that the manhood of Your only-begotten Son may be our comfort: that even as He, who was born of the Virgin, did not destroy but hallowed the innocence of His Mother; so on this feast of her Visitation, He may deliver us from all our offenses, and render us an oblation acceptable to You, through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

Feasts in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary

COMMUNIO + LITURGICAL VERSE

TONE



Bless-ed is the womb of the Vir - gin Ma - ry:



Who bore the Son of the e-ver - last-ing Fa-ther.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Grant, we beseech You, O Lord:

that the Sacrament which we have received in Your mysteries on this yearly festival; may both in this life and in the life to come be profitable for su for the healing of our souls, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

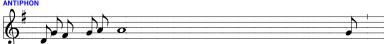
THE FEAST OF ST. JAMES

Apostle

SECOND CLASS 25 JULY RED

INTROIT + PSALM 139.17 (Vulgate), 1-2

TONE VII



How pre-cious are Your friends to me, O God,



and held in high- est ho - nor:



Their rule and governance is ex - ceed-ing-ly stead-fast.



O Lord, You have searched me and known me:



You know my sitting down and my ris-ing up.

GLORIA PATRI:



Glo - ry be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now; and will be for - ev- er. A- men



How pre-cious ... (to the end of the Antiphon)

The Gloria in Exclesis is said.

COLLECT

O Lord, sanctify and defend Your people:

that we, who are strengthened by the assistance of Your apostle James;

may through our godly conduct be found acceptable in Your sight, and ever serve You with a quiet mind,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

OLD TESTAMENT + 1 KINGS 19.9-18

A reading from the first book of Kings.

In those days Elijah went into a cave, and spent the night in that place; and behold, the word of the Lord came to him, and He said to him, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" So he said, "I have been very zealous for the Lord God of hosts; for the children of Israel have forsaken Your covenant, torn down Your altars, and killed Your prophets with the sword. I alone am left; and they seek to take my life."

Then He said, "Go out, and stand on the mountain before the Lord." And behold, the Lord passed by, and a great and strong wind tore into the mountains and broke the rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a still small voice. So it was, when Elijah heard it, that he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood in the entrance of the cave.

Suddenly a voice came to him, and said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?"

And he said, "I have been very zealous for the Lord God of hosts; because the children of Israel have forsaken Your covenant, torn down Your altars, and killed Your prophets with the sword. I alone am left; and they seek to take my life."

Then the Lord said to him: "Go, return on your way to the Wilderness of Damascus; and when you arrive, anoint Hazael as king over Syria. Also you shall anoint Jehu the son of Nimshi as king over Israel. And Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel Meholah you shall anoint as prophet in your place. It shall be that whoever escapes the sword of Hazael, Jehu will kill; and whoever escapes the sword of Jehu, Elisha will kill. Yet I have reserved seven thousand in Israel, all whose knees have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 45.16-17 (Vulgate)



You shall make princes in all the earth:



They shall re-mem-ber Your Name, O Lord.



In-stead of Your fathers You shall have child-ren:



There-fore the people shall praise You for-ev- er and ev-er.

EPISTLE + 1 CORINTHIANS 4.9-15

A reading from the epistle of blessed Paul the Apostle to the Corinthians.

Brethren: I think that God has displayed us, the apostles, last, as men condemned to death; for we have been made a spectacle to the world, both to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ! We are weak, but you are strong! You are distinguished, but we are dishonored! To the present hour we both hunger and thirst, and we are poorly clothed, and beaten, and homeless. And we labor, working with our own hands. Being reviled, we bless; being persecuted, we endure; being defamed, we entreat. We have been made as the filth of the world, the offscouring of all things until now.

I do not write these things to shame you, but as my beloved children I warn you. For though you might have ten thousand instructors in Christ, yet you do not have many fathers; for in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the gospel.

The Word of the Lord.

ALLELUIA + JOHN 15.16

TONE VI



Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit:



And that your fruit should re-main.



Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL + ST. MATTHEW 20.20-23

The Lord be with you.

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ according to St. Matthew.

♣ At that time the mother of Zebedee's sons came to Jesus with her sons, kneeling down and asking something from Him. And He said to her, "What do you wish?" She said to Him, "Grant that these two sons of mine may sit, one on Your right hand and the other on the left, in Your kingdom."

But Jesus answered and said, "You do not know what you ask. Are you able to drink the cup that I am about to drink, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They said to Him, "We are able."

So He said to them, "You will indeed drink My cup, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with; but to sit on My right hand and on My left is not Mine to give, but it is for those for whom it is prepared by My Father."

The Gospel of the Lord.

CHIEF HYMN

"Come, Follow Me, the Savior Spake" (Mir nach, spricht Christus, unser Held)

OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 19.4

TONE II



Their line has gone out through all the earth:



And their words to the end of the world.

We beseech You, O Lord: that the blessed sufferings of Your apostle James may commend to You the oblations of Your people; and although they are not worthy because of our deeds, through his prayers they may be acceptable to You, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

Apostles and Evangelists

COMMUNIO + ST. MATTHEW 19.28



You who have followed Me will sit on twelve thrones:



Judg-ing the twelve tribes of Is-ra-el.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

We beseech You, O Lord:

that we, who on this feast of Your blessed apostle James have joyfully received Your holy mysteries;

may by his intercession obtain Your comfort,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

AUGUST

THE FEAST OF THE DORMITION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

FIRST CLASS 15 AUGUST WHITE

INTROIT + LITURGICAL VERSE; PSALM 45.1

TONE VII



Re - joice in the Lord,



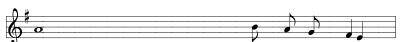
keeping holy day in honor of the Blessed Vir - gin Ma - ry:



In whom the Angels rejoice, glorifying the Son of God.

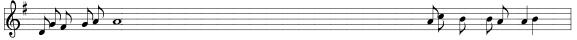


My heart is overflowing with a good theme:



I recite my composition con-cern-ing the King.

GLORIA PATRI:



Glo - ry be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now; and will be for - ev- er. A- men



Re - joice in the Lord, ... (to the end of the Antiphon)

COLLECT

We beseech You, O Lord:

mercifully to forgive the sins of Your people;

that we, who by ourselves can do nothing acceptable for You, may be comforted through the intercessions of the Mother of Your Son,

Jesus Christ, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

You, beseech \mathbf{o} Lord: mercifully to forgive the sins of Your people; that we, who by ourselves can do nothing acceptable for You, may be comforted through the grace of Your Son, Jesus Christ, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

OLD TESTAMENT + ECCLESIASTICUS 24.7-15

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus.

Among all these I sought a resting place; I sought in whose territory I might lodge. Then the Creator of all things gave me a commandment, and the one who created me assigned a place for my tent.

And He said, "Make your dwelling in Jacob, and in Israel receive your inheritance."

From eternity, in the beginning, He created me, and for eternity I shall not cease to exist. In the holy tabernacle I ministered before him, and so I was established in Zion. In the beloved city likewise he gave me a resting place, and in Jerusalem was my dominion. So I took root in an honored people, in the portion of the Lord, who is their inheritance.

I grew tall like a cedar in Lebanon, and like a cypress on the heights of Hermon. I grew tall like a palm tree in En-gedi, and like rose plants in Jericho; like a beautiful olive tree in the field, and like a plane tree I grew tall. Like cassia and camel's thorn I gave forth the aroma of spices, and like choice myrrh I spread a pleasant odor.

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 45.4,10

TONE '



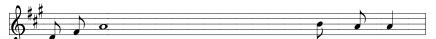
In Your majesty ride prosperously



because of truth, humility and right-eous-ness:



And your right hand shall teach you awe-some things.



Lis-ten, O daughter, consider and in-cline your ear:



So the King will greatly de-sire your beau-ty.

EPISTLE + GALATIANS 4.22-27

A reading from the epistle of blessed Paul the Apostle to the Galatians.

Brethren: It is written that Abraham had two sons: the one by a bondwoman, the other by a freewoman. But he who was of the bondwoman was born according to the flesh, and he of the freewoman through promise, which things are symbolic. For these are the two covenants: the one from Mount Sinai which gives birth to bondage, which is Hagar—for this Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia, and corresponds to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children—but the Jerusalem above is free, which is the mother of us all. For it is written: "Rejoice, O barren, you who do not bear! Break forth and shout, you who are not in labor! For the desolate has many more children than she who has a husband."

The Word of the Lord.

ALLELUIA + LITURGICAL VERSE

TONE VI



Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



Ma-ry is taken up in-to heav-en:



The company of An-gels re - joice.



Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL + ST. LUKE 10.38-42

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke.

At that time Jesus entered a certain village; and a certain woman named Martha welcomed Him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, who also sat at Jesus' feet and heard His word. But Martha was distracted with much serving, and she approached Him and said, "Lord, do You not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Therefore tell her to help me."

And Jesus answered and said to her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and troubled about many things. But one thing is needed, and Mary has chosen that good part, which will not be taken away from her."

The Gospel of the Lord.

CHIEF HYMN

"One Thing's Needful; Lord This Treasure" (Eins ist not: ach Herr, dies eine)

OFFERTORIUM + LITURGICAL VERSE

TONE II



Ma-ry is taken up in - to heav - en:



The an-gels rejoice and glorify the Lord, al - le - lu - ia.

SECRETA

We beseech You, O Lord, that the prayers of the Mother of God may comfort Your people: that we, who acknowledge her to have departed this life because of our mortal frailty; may feel the effectual comfort of the intercession which she offers to You in Your heavenly glory, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

Feasts in Honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary

COMMUNIO + ST. LUKE 10.42

TONE



Ma-ry has chos - en that good part:



Which will not be tak-en a-way from her.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

O Lord, who has been pleased to make us partakers of Your heavenly banquet: we humbly beseech You;

that we who here observe the dormition of the Mother of God, may [by her intercession] be delivered from all evils that beset us,

through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

THE FEAST OF THE BEHEADING OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIZER

SECOND CLASS 29 AUGUST RED

INTROIT + PSALM 119.46-47; 92.1

I will speak of Your testimonies also before kings, and will not be ashamed:

And I will delight myself in Your commandments, which I love.

Ps. It is good to give thanks to the Lord:

And to sing praises to Your name, O Most High.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen

I will speak of Your testimonies also before kings, and will not be ashamed:

And I will delight myself in Your commandments, which I love.

COLLECT

We beseech You, O Lord:

that this solemn festival of Saint John the Baptizer, Your Forerunner and Martyr; may effectually bestow on us Your comfort to the attainment of our salvation, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

OLD TESTAMENT + JEREMIAH 1.17-19

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.

In those days, the Word of the Lord came to Jeremiah saying:

"Prepare yourself and arise, and speak to Judah all that I command you. Do not be dismayed before their faces, lest I dismay you before them. For behold, I have made you this day a fortified city and an iron pillar, and bronze walls against the whole land—against the kings of Judah, against its princes, against its priests, and against the people of the land. They will fight against you, but they shall not prevail against you. For I am with you to deliver you," says the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 92.12-13, 2

The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree:

He shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon in the house of the Lord.

To declare Your lovingkindness in the morning:

And Your faithfulness every night,

EPISTLE + 2 TIMOTHY 2.8-10; 3.10-12

A reading from the epistle of blessed Paul the Apostle to Timothy.

Beloved: Remember that Jesus Christ, of the seed of David, was raised from the dead according to my gospel, for which I suffer trouble as an evildoer, even to the point of chains; but the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure all things for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.

You have carefully followed my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, love, perseverance, persecutions, afflictions, which happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra—what persecutions I endured. And out of them all the Lord delivered me. Yes, and all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution.

The Word of the Lord.

ALLELUIA + HOSEA 14.6

Alleluia. Alleluia. The righteous man shall grow like the lily: And flourish forever before the Lord. Alleluia.

GOSPEL + ST. MARK 6.17-29

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark.

*At that time Herod himself had sent and laid hold of John, and bound him in prison for the sake of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife; for he had married her. For John had said to Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." Therefore Herodias held it against him and wanted to kill him, but she could not; for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a just and holy man, and he protected him. And when he heard him, he did many things, and heard him gladly.

Then an opportune day came when Herod on his birthday gave a feast for his nobles, the high officers, and the chief men of Galilee. And when Herodias' daughter herself came in and danced, and pleased Herod and those who sat with him, the king said to the girl, "Ask me whatever you want, and I will give it to you." He also swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, up to half of my kingdom."

So she went out and said to her mother, "What shall I ask?" And she said, "The head of John the Baptist!" Immediately she came in with haste to the king and asked, saying, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." And the king was exceedingly sorry; yet, because of the oaths and because of those who sat with him, he did not want to refuse her.

Immediately the king sent an executioner and commanded his head to be brought. And he went and beheaded him in prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl; and the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard of it, they came and took away his corpse and laid it in a tomb.

The Gospel of the Lord.

CHIEF HYMN

"When All the World was Cursed" (Es war die ganze Welt)

OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 21.1-2

The righteous shall have joy in Your strength, O Lord:

And in Your salvation how greatly shall he rejoice! You have given him his heart's desire,

SECRETA

We beseech You, O Lord: that the oblation we offer to You in remembrance of the passion of Your holy martyr, John the Baptizer; may [through his intercession] be profitable for our salvation, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

Advent

COMMUNIO + PSALM 21.3

You set a crown of pure gold:

Upon his head, O Lord.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

We beseech You, O Lord, that the observance of this festival of blessed John the Baptizer: may teach us to venerate aright the meaning of the wondrous sacraments we have received; and to rejoice abundantly in the fruits they bring forth in us, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

SEPTEMBER

THE FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

SECOND CLASS 8 SEPTEMBER WHITE

INTROIT + SEDULIUS; PSALM 45.1

Hail, holy Mother most holy, who gave birth to the King:

Who rules heaven and earth forever and ever.

Ps. My heart is overflowing with a good theme:

I recite my composition concerning the King.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen

Hail, holy Mother most holy, who gave birth to the King:

Who rules heaven and earth forever and ever.

COLLECT

We beseech You, O Lord, pour into our hearts the abundance of Your grace: that as the child-bearing of the blessed Virgin was for us the beginning of our salvation; so the devout observance of her nativity may avail for the increase of our peace, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

OLD TESTAMENT + PROVERBS 8.22-35

A reading from the book of Proverbs

The Lord possessed me at the beginning of His way, Before His works of old.

I have been established from everlasting, From the beginning, before there was ever an earth.

When there were no depths I was brought forth, When there were no fountains abounding with water.

Before the mountains were settled, Before the hills, I was brought forth;

While as yet He had not made the earth or the fields, Or the primeval dust of the world.

When He prepared the heavens, I was there, When He drew a circle on the face of the deep,

When He established the clouds above, When He strengthened the fountains of the deep,

When He assigned to the sea its limit, So that the waters would not transgress His command, When He marked out the foundations of the earth,

Then I was beside Him as a master craftsman; And I was daily His delight, Rejoicing always before Him,

Rejoicing in His inhabited world, And my delight was with the sons of men.

Now therefore, listen to me, my children, For blessed are those who keep my ways.

Hear instruction and be wise, And do not disdain it.

Blessed is the man who listens to me, Watching daily at my gates, Waiting at the posts of my doors.

For whoever finds me finds life, And obtains favor from the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + LITURGICAL VERSE

Blessed and venerable are you, O Virgin Mary:

For without losing your virginity, you gave birth to the Savior.

Virgin Mother of God, the whole world cannot contain Him:

Yet He who became man for our sake lay hidden in your womb.

EPISTLE + 1 TIMOTHY 3.14-16

A reading from the epistle of blessed Paul the Apostle to Timothy.

Beloved: These things I write to you, though I hope to come to you shortly; but if I am delayed, I write so that you may know how you ought to conduct yourself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth. And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness:

God was manifested in the flesh, Justified in the Spirit, Seen by angels, Preached among the Gentiles, Believed on in the world, Received up in glory.

The Word of the Lord.

ALLELUIA + LITURGICAL VERSE

Alleluia. Alleluia. Blessed are you, O holy Virgin Mother, and most worthy of all praise: For out of you has risen the Sun of Righteousness, Chirst our God. Alleluia.

GOSPEL + ST. MATTHEW 1.1-16

The Lord be with you.

The beginning of the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.

The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the Son of David, the Son of Abraham: Abraham begot Isaac, Isaac begot Jacob, and Jacob begot Judah and his brothers. Judah begot Perez and Zerah by Tamar, Perez begot Hezron, and Hezron begot Ram. Ram begot Amminadab, Amminadab begot Nahshon, and Nahshon begot Salmon. Salmon begot Boaz by Rahab, Boaz begot Obed by Ruth, Obed begot Jesse, and Jesse begot David the king.

David the king begot Solomon by her who had been the wife of Uriah. Solomon begot Rehoboam, Rehoboam begot Abijah, and Abijah begot Asa. Asa begot Jehoshaphat, Jehoshaphat begot Joram, and Joram begot Uzziah. Uzziah begot Jotham, Jotham begot Ahaz, and Ahaz begot Hezekiah. Hezekiah begot Manasseh, Manasseh begot Amon, and Amon begot Josiah. Josiah begot Jeconiah and his brothers about the time they were carried away to Babylon.

And after they were brought to Babylon, Jeconiah begot Shealtiel, and Shealtiel begot Zerubbabel. Zerubbabel begot Abiud, Abiud begot Eliakim, and Eliakim begot Azor. Azor begot Zadok, Zadok begot Achim, and Achim begot Eliud. Eliud begot Eleazar, Eleazar begot Matthan, and Matthan begot Jacob. And Jacob begot Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus who is called Christ.

The Gospel of the Lord.

CHIEF HYMN

OFFERTORIUM + LITURGICAL VERSE

Blessed are you, O Virgin Mary, who bore the Creator of all things:

You gave birth to your Maker and yet remained a virgin.

SECRETA

We beseech You, O Lord, that the manhood of Your only-begotten Son may avail for our comfort:

that even as He, being born of a Virgin, destroyed not but hallowed the innocence of His mother:

so on this feast of her nativity, He may deliver us from our offenses, and render us an oblation acceptable to You,

through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

Feasts in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary

COMMUNIO + LITURGICAL VERSE

Blessed is the womb of the Virgin Mary:

Who bore the Son of the everlasting Father.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Grant, we beseech You, O Lord:

that the Sacrament we have received in the mysteries of this annual festival; may both in this life and in the life to come, be profitable to us for the healing of our souls, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

THE FEAST OF SAINTS COSMAS & DAMIAN

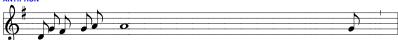
Martyrs

THIRD CLASS 27 SEPTEMBER RED

<u>INTROIT + SIRACH 44.15,14; PSALM 33.1</u>

TONE VII

ANTIPHON



Let the people tell of the wisdom of the saints,



and let the congre-ga-tion de-clare their praise:



Their names shall live for-ev - er.



Re - joice in the Lord, O you right-eous!



For praise from the up-right is beau-ti-ful.

GLORIA PATRI:



Glo - ry be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now; and will be for - ev- er. A- men





Let the people ... (to the end of the Antiphon)

COLLECT

Grant, we beseech You, almighty God:

that we, who commemorate the heavenly birthday of blessed Cosmas and Damian; may [by their intercession] be delivered from all evils that beset us, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

READING + WISDOM OF SOLOMON 5.15-19

A reading from the Wisdom of Solomon.

The righteous live for ever, and their reward is with the Lord; the Most High takes care of them. Therefore they will receive a glorious crown and a beautiful diadem from the hand of the Lord, because with his right hand he will cover them, and with his arm he will shield them. The Lord will take his zeal as his whole armor, and will arm all creation to repel his enemies; he will put on righteousness as a breastplate, and wear impartial justice as a helmet; he will take holiness as an invincible shield.

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 34.17-18





The right-eous cry out, and the Lord hears:



And delivers them out of all their trou-bles.



The Lord is near to those who have a brok-en heart:



And saves such as have a con-trite spir-it.

EPISTLE + HEBREWS 11.33-40

A reading from the epistle to the Hebrews.

Brethren: Through faith the saints subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, became valiant in battle, turned to flight the armies of the aliens. Women received their dead raised to life again. And others were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection. Still others had trial of mockings and scourgings, yes, and of chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, were tempted, were slain with the sword. They wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented—of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, having obtained a good testimony through faith, did not receive the promise, God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us.

The Word of the Lord.

ALLELUIA + LITURGICAL VERSE

TONE V



Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



This is the true brotherhood which overcame the wicked-ness of the world:



In following Christ, it attains the glory of the heav-en-ly king-dom.



Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL + ST. LUKE 6.17-23

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke.

*At that time, Jesus came down from the mountain with disciples and stood on a level place with a crowd of His disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem, and from the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, who came to hear Him and be healed of their diseases, as well as those who were tormented with unclean spirits. And they were healed. And the whole multitude sought to touch Him, for power went out from Him and healed them all.

Then He lifted up His eyes toward His disciples, and said:

Blessed are you poor,

For yours is the kingdom of God.

Blessed are you who hunger now, For you shall be filled.

Blessed are you who weep now, For you shall laugh.

Blessed are you when men hate you, And when they exclude you, And revile you, and cast out your name as evil, For the Son of Man's sake.

Rejoice in that day and leap for joy! For indeed your reward is great in heaven.

The Gospel of the Lord.

CHIEF HYMN

"Rise Again, Ye Lion-Hearted" (Löwen, lasst euch widerfinden)

OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 5.11-12

TONE II



Let those al - so who love Your name be joyful in You;



for You, O Lord, will bless the right-eous:



With fa - vor You will sur-round him as with a

SECRETA

Grant, O Lord, we pray: that the devout prayers of Your blessed saints may never fail to comfort us; and that our oblations may be well-pleasing in Your sight; so that we may obtain for our sins the pardon of Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

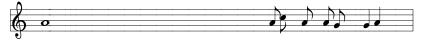
PREFACE

All Saints

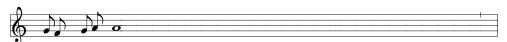
COMMUNIO + PSALM 79.2,11



The dead bodies of Your servants they have given as food for the birds of the heav-ens;



the flesh of Your saints to the beasts of the earth.



Ac - cord- ing to the greatness of Your power preserve, O Lord,



those who are ap - point-ed to die.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

O Lord, who has made us partakers of this heavenly banquet, and bestowed on us the comfort of [the intercession of] Your saints:

Grant, we beseech You;

that we, Your people, may be effectually defended by this Holy Sacrament, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit:

THE DEDICATION OF ST. MICHAEL

Archangel

SECOND CLASS 29 SEPTEMBER WHITE

INTROIT + PSALM 103.20,1

O bless the Lord, you His angels:

Who excel in strength, Who do His Word, heeding the voice of His Word.

Ps. Bless the Lord, O my soul:

And all that is within me, bless His holy name!

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen

O bless the Lord, you His angels:

Who excel in strength, Who do His Word, heeding the voice of His Word.

COLLECT

O everlasting God, who has ordained and constituted the services of angels and men in a wonderful order:

mercifully grant, that as Your holy angels always serve You in heaven;

so by Your appointment they may help and defend us on earth,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

OLD TESTAMENT + 2 KINGS 6.8-17

A reading from the second book of the Kings.

In those days the king of Syria was making war against Israel; and he consulted with his servants, saying, "My camp will be in such and such a place." And the man of God sent to the king of Israel, saying, "Beware that you do not pass this place, for the Syrians are coming down there." Then the king of Israel sent someone to the place of which the man of God had told him. Thus he warned him, and he was watchful there, not just once or twice. Therefore the heart of the king of Syria was greatly troubled by this thing; and he called his servants and said to them, "Will you not show me which of us is for the king of Israel?" And one of his servants said, "None, my lord, O king; but Elisha, the prophet who is in Israel, tells the king of Israel the words that you speak in your bedroom."

So he said, "Go and see where he is, that I may send and get him." And it was told him, saying, "Surely he is in Dothan." Therefore he sent horses and chariots and a great army there, and they came by night and surrounded the city. And when the servant of the man of God arose early and went out, there was an army, surrounding the city with horses and chariots. And his servant said to him, "Alas, my master! What shall we do?" So he answered, "Do not fear, for those who are with us are more than those who are with them." And Elisha prayed, and said, "Lord, I pray, open his eyes that he may see." Then the Lord opened the eyes of the young man, and he saw. And behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha.

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 103.20,1

Bless the Lord, you His angels, who excel in strength:

Who do His word, heeding the voice of His word.

Bless the Lord, O my soul:

And all that is within me, bless His ho ly name!

EPISTLE + REVELATION 12.7-12

A reading from the book of the Revelation of blessed John the Apostle.

In those days war broke out in heaven: Michael and his angels fought with the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought, but they did not prevail, nor was a place found for them in heaven any longer. So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and

Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, "Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down. And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death. Therefore rejoice, O heavens, and you who dwell in them! Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and the sea! For the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, because he knows that he has a short time."

The Word of the Lord.

ALLELUIA + LITURGICAL VERSE

Alleluia. Alleluia. Holy Michael the Archangel, defend us in the battle: That we perish not in the dreadful judgment. Alleluia.

GOSPEL + ST. MATTHEW 18.1-10

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.

At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Who then is greatest in the kingdom of heaven?"

Then Jesus called a little child to Him, set him in the midst of them, and said, "Assuredly, I say to you, unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven. Therefore whoever humbles himself as this little child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. Whoever receives one little child like this in My name receives Me.

"But whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in Me to sin, it would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck, and he were drowned in the depth of the sea. Woe to the world because of offenses! For offenses must come, but woe to that man by whom the offense comes!

"If your hand or foot causes you to sin, cut it off and cast it from you. It is better for you to enter into life lame or maimed, rather than having two hands or two feet, to be cast into the everlasting fire. And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out and cast it from you. It is better for you to enter into life with one eye, rather than having two eyes, to be cast into hell fire.

"Take heed that you do not despise one of these little ones, for I say to you that in heaven their angels always see the face of My Father who is in heaven."

The Gospel of the Lord.

CHIEF HYMN

"Lord God, We All to Thee Give Praise" (Dicimus grates tibi, summe rerum)

OFFERTORIUM + REVELATION 8.3-4

An angel stood by the altar of the temple, holding a golden censer in his hand:

And He was given much incense, and the smoke of the incense ascended before God, alleluia.

SECRETA

We humbly beseech You, O Lord: that the prayers of Your holy angels may assist us, Your servants, who offer You this sacrifice of praise; that our offering may be acceptable in Your sight, and profitable to us for our salvation, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

Sundays after Michaelmass

COMMUNIO + SONG OF THE THREE YOUTHS 37

Bless the Lord, you angels of the Lord:

Praise Him and magnify Him forever.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

O Lord, who sees that we [are comforted by] trust in the intercession of blessed Michael the Archangel:

we humbly beseech You;

that as, with our outward lips, we have partaken of this holy Sacrament, so we may inwardly receive its benefit,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit:

THE FEAST OF ST. JEROME Priest, Confessor & Doctor

THIRD CLASS 30 SEPTEMBER WHITE

INTROIT + SIRACH 15.5 (Vulgate); PSALM 92.1

In the midst of the congregation he opened his mouth:

And the Lord filled him with the spirit of wisdom and understanding; He clothed him with a robe of glory.

Ps. It is good to give thanks to the Lord,

And to sing praises to Your name, O Most High.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen

In the midst of the congregation he opened his mouth:

And the Lord filled him with the spirit of wisdom and understanding; He clothed him with a robe of glory.

COLLECT

O God, who for the exposition of Your holy Scriptures bestowed on Your church the wondrous teaching of blessed Jerome, Your the Confessor and Doctor:

grant we beseech You;

that by his intercession we may be enabled to perform those things which he taught in word and deed, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

EPISTLE + 2 TIMOTHY 4.1-8

A reading from the epistle of blessed Paul the Apostle to Timothy.

Beloved: I charge you before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom: Preach the word! Be ready in season and out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; and they will turn their ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables.

But you be watchful in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry. For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.

Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing.

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 37.30-31

The mouth of the righteous speaks wisdom:

And his tongue talks of justice.

The law of his God is in his heart:

None of his steps shall slide.

ALLELUIA + SIRACH 45.7

Alleluia. Alleluia. The Lord loved him and adorned him:

He clothed him with a robe of glory. Alleluia

GOSPEL + ST. MATTHEW 5.13-19

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.

At that time Jesus spoke to His disciples, saying: "You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men.

"You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

"Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill. For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled.

"Whoever therefore breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does and teaches them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven."

The Gospel of the Lord.

OFFERTORIUM + PSALM 92.12

The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree:

He shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon.

SECRETA

Grant, we beseech You, O Lord, that through these holy gifts we may be enabled to serve You in freedom of spirit: that these our oblations, through the interecession of blessed Jerome, Your Confessor, may avail for our healing; and bring us to everlasting glory, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

All Saints

COMMUNIO + ST. LUKE 12.42

A faithful and wise steward is he, whom the Lord has made ruler over his household:

To give them their portion of food in due season.

POST COMMUNION COLLECT

O Lord, who has graciously satisfied us with heavenly sustenance:

grant, we beseech You;

that at the intercession of blessed Jerome, Your Confessor, we may be found worthy to receive the grace of Your mercy,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit:

OCTOBER

THE FESTIVAL OF THE REFORMATION

SECOND CLASS 31 OCTOBER RED

<u>INTROIT + PSALM 46.11,2,1</u>

The Lord of hosts is with us;

the God of Jacob | is our refuge:

Therefore we will not fear, even though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into | the midst of the sea.

Ps. God is our | refuge and strength:

A very present | help in trouble.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the | Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be | forever. Amen

The Lord of hosts is with us;

the God of Jacob | is our refuge:

Therefore we will not fear, even though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into | the midst of the sea.

COLLECT

O Lord God, heavenly Father, pour out, we beseech You, Your Holy Spirit upon Your Faithful people:

keep them steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and comfort them in all temptations, defend them against all enemies of Your holy Word;

and bestow on Christ's Church militant Your saving peace,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit:

one God, now and forever.

OLD TESTAMENT + ISAIAH 62.6-7, 10-12

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord God:

I have set watchmen on your walls, O Jerusalem; They shall never hold their peace day or night. You who make mention of the Lord, do not keep silent, And give Him no rest till He establishes And till He makes Jerusalem a praise in the earth.

Go through,

Go through the gates!

Prepare the way for the people;

Build up,

Build up the highway!

Take out the stones,

Lift up a banner for the peoples!

Indeed the Lord has proclaimed

To the end of the world:

"Say to the daughter of Zion, 'Surely your salvation is coming;

Behold, His reward is with Him,

And His work before Him.' "

And they shall call them The Holy People,

The Redeemed of the Lord;

And you shall be called Sought Out,

A City Not Forsaken.

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 48.1,12-13

Great is the Lord, and greatly | to be praised:

In the city of our God, in His | holy mountain.

Walk about Zion, and go all around her;

count her | towers:

Mark well her bulwarks; consider her palaces; that you may tell it to the gener | ation following.

EPISTLE + ROMANS 3.21-28

A reading from the epistle of blessed Paul the Apostle to the Romans.

Brethren: Now the righteousness of God apart from the law is revealed, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets, even the righteousness of God, through faith in Jesus Christ, to all and on all who believe. For there is no difference; for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God set forth as a propitiation by His blood, through faith, to demonstrate His righteousness, because in His forbearance God had passed over the sins that were previously committed, to demonstrate at the present time His righteousness, that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

Where is boasting then? It is excluded. By what law? Of works? No, but by the law of faith. Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith apart from the deeds of the law.

The Word of the Lord.

ALLELUIA + PSALM 48.14

Alleluia. Alleluia. God is our God forever | and ever: He will be our guide | even unto death. Alleluia.

GOSPEL + ST. MATTHEW 11.12-15

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.

*At that time Jesus spoke to the multitudes saying: "From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and the violent take it by force. For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John. And if you are willing to receive it, he is Elijah who is to come. He who has ears to hear, let him hear!"

The Gospel of the Lord.

CHIEF HYMN

"If God Had Not Been on Our Side" (Wär Gott nicht mit uns diese Zeit)

OFFERTORIUM +PSALM 119.46

I will speak of Your testimonies | before kings, O Lord: And I will | not be asham-ed.

SECRETA

We beseech You, O Lord: that the gifts which we present on Your altar; may be profitable to us for our salvation, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

Michaelmass Tide

COMMUNIO + ST. MATTHEW 11.12

The kingdom of heaven | suffers violence: And violent men | take it by force.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift: and we beseech You;

that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit:

NOVEMBER

THE FEAST OF ALL SAINTS

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INTROIT + LITURGICAL VERSE; PSALM 33.1

TONE VII

ANTIPHON



Let us all rejoice in the Lord, keeping this feast day in ho - nor of all the saints:



In whose solemnity the angels rejoice and glorify the Son of God.

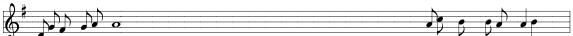


Re - joice in the LORD, O you right-eous:



For praise from the up-right is beau-ti-ful.

GLORIA PATRI:



Glo - ry be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now; and will be for - ev- er. A- men



Let us all rejoice ... (to the end of the Antiphon)

COLLECT

O almighty God, who has knit together Your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of Your Son Jesus Christ Our Lord:

grant us grace so to follow Your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living;

that we may come to those unspeakable joys which You have prepared for those who unfeignedly love You,

through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord;

who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit:

OLD TESTAMENT + DEUTERONOMY 33.1-3

A reading from the fifth book of Moses commonly called Deuteronomy.

Now this is the blessing with which Moses the man of God blessed the children of Israel before his death. And he said: "The Lord came from Sinai, and dawned on them from Seir; He shone forth from Mount Paran, and He came with ten thousands of saints; from His right hand came a fiery law for them. Yes, He loves the people; all His saints are in Your hand; they sit down at Your feet; everyone receives Your words."

The Word of the Lord.

GRADUAL + PSALM 34.9-10



Oh, fear the LORD, you His saints:



There is no want to those who fear Him.



But those who seek the LORD:



Shall not lack an - y good thing.

EPISTLE + REVELATION 7.2-12 (13-17)

A reading from the book of the Revelation to blessed John the Apostle.

In those days I, John, saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God. And he cried with a loud voice to the four angels to whom it was granted to harm the earth and the sea, saying, "Do not harm the earth, the sea, or the trees till we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads." And I heard the number of those who were sealed. One hundred and forty-four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel were sealed:

of the tribe of Judah twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Reuben twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Gad twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Asher twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Naphtali twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Manasseh twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Simeon twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Levi twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Issachar twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Zebulun twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Joseph twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Benjamin twelve thousand were sealed.

After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could number, of all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" All the angels stood around the throne and the elders and the four living creatures, and fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying:

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom, Thanksgiving and honor and power and might, Be to our God forever and ever. Amen."

Then one of the elders answered, saying to me, "Who are these arrayed in white robes, and where did they come from?" And I said to him, "Sir, you know." So he said to me, "These are the ones who come out of the great tribulation, and washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve Him day and night in His temple. And He who sits on the throne will dwell among them. They shall neither hunger anymore nor thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any heat; for the Lamb who is in the midst of the throne will shepherd them and lead them to living fountains of waters. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

The Word of the Lord.

ALLELUIA + ST. MATTHEW 11.28

TONE VI



Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



Come to Me, all you who labor and are heav-y lad-en:



And I will give you rest.



Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL + ST. MATTHEW 5.1-12

The Lord be with you.

The continuation of the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.

At that time seeing the multitudes, Jesus went up on a mountain, and when He was seated His disciples came to Him. Then He opened His mouth and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit,

For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn, For they shall be comforted.

Blessed are the meek,

For they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, For they shall be filled.

Blessed are the merciful, For they shall obtain mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart, For they shall see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, For they shall be called sons of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake. Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven."

The Gospel of the Lord.

CHIEF HYMN

"For All the Saints Who from Their Labors Rest"

OFFERTORIUM + WISDOM OF SOLOMON 3.1-2

TONE



The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God;



and no torment will ev - er touch them:



In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died,



but they are at peace. Al - le-lu - ia.

SECRETA

Grant, we beseech You, O Lord: that the gifts we offer You of our bounden duty and service; may both be acceptable to You in honor of Your saints and, by Your mercy, profitable to us for our salvation, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.

PREFACE

All Saints

COMMUNIO + ST. MATTHEW 5.8-10

TONE



Bless-ed are the pure in heart for they shall see God:



Bless- ed are the peacemakers for they shall be called sons of God.



Bless-ed are those who are persecuted for righ-teous-ness' sake:



For theirs is the king-dom of heav-en.

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

Grant, O Lord, we pray:

That Your faithful people may evermore rejoice in the veneration of all Your saints; And be defended by their perpetual supplication, through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit: one God, now and forever.