

## THE PROPER OF SAINTS

1. The rank of the celebration, namely a Solemnity, Feast, or Memorial, is indicated for each day. If there is no indication, the celebration is an Optional Memorial.
2. For each Solemnity and Feast a complete proper Mass is provided. This is said as printed.
3. The following points that pertain to Memorials are to be observed:
  - a) Proper texts, which are proposed for some days, should always be used.
  - b) Whenever there is a reference to a particular Common, the more appropriate texts should be chosen according to the principles explained at the beginning of the Commons. The page reference that is indicated in each case only indicated an appropriate text.
  - c) If, however, a reference is given to several Commons, any of them may be used, with attention paid to pastoral benefit, the faculty always remaining to interchange texts from several Masses of the same Common.  
For example, if a Saint is both a Martyr and a Bishop, either the Common of Martyrs or the Common of Pastors (for Bishops) may be used.
  - d) In addition, as well as the Commons that illustrate a special characteristic of holiness (e.g., of Martyrs, Virgins, Pastors, etc.), the Common of Holy Men and Women, which refers to holiness in general, may also always be used.
  - e) The Prayers over the Offerings and after Communion, unless they are proper, are taken either from the Common or from the current liturgical season.
4. The Masses contained in this Proper are also said as Votive Masses, with the exception of Masses of the mysteries of the life of the Lord and of the Blessed Virgin Mary (cf. General Instruction of the Roman Missal, n. 375) as well as Masses of certain Saints for who a special Votive Mass is provided. In this case, words in prayers indicating the birth or the Solemnity or Feast are omitted and for them the word **memorial** or **commemoration** is substituted.

# JANUARY

2 January

## **Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church**

### Memorial

#### Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Sir 44, 15.14

Let the peoples recount the wisdom of the Saints,  
and let the Church proclaim their praise.  
Their names will live for ever and ever.

#### Collect

O God, who were pleased to enlighten your Church  
with the example and teaching of the Bishops  
Saint Basil the Great and Saint Gregory Nazianzen,  
grant, we pray, that we may learn your truth in humility  
and practice it by faithfully in charity.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

#### Prayer over the Offerings

Accept this sacrifice from your people, we pray, O Lord,  
so as to make what is offered to your glory  
in honor of Saints Basil and Gregory  
a means to our everlasting salvation.  
Through Christ our Lord.

#### Communion Antiphon

Cf. 1 Cor 1, 23-24

We preach Christ crucified,  
Christ, the power of God  
and the Wisdom of God.

#### Prayer after Communion

May the heavenly table, almighty God,  
confirm and increase strength from on high  
in all who celebrate the feast day of Saints Basil and Gregory,  
that we may keep intact the gift of faith  
and walk the path of salvation set before us.  
Through Christ our Lord.

3 January

## The Most Holy Name of Jesus

### Entrance Antiphon

Phil 2, 10-11

At the name of Jesus every knee must bend  
in heaven, on earth and under the earth,  
and every tongue confess  
that the Lord Jesus Christ  
is in the glory of God the Father.

### Collect

O God,  
who founded that salvation of the human race  
on the Incarnation of your Word,  
give your peoples the mercy they implore,  
so that all may know  
there is no other name worthy of invocation  
but the Name of your Only Begotten Son.  
Who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

### Prayer over the Offerings

Bringing gifts from your bounty, we pray, O Lord,  
that as you have given to Christ, obedient unto death,  
the Name that saves,  
so you will grant us protection by its power.  
Through Christ our Lord.

### Communion Antiphon

Ps 8, 2

O Lord, our Lord,  
how wonderful is your name in all the earth.

### Prayer after Communion

May the sacrifice we have received, O Lord,  
and offered to your majesty  
in honoring the Name of Christ  
imbue us richly with your grace, we pray,  
so that we may rejoice  
that our names too are written in heaven.  
Through Christ our Lord.

7 January

**Saint Raymond of Peñafort, Priest**

The Common of Pastors: For One Pastor (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, who adorned the Priest Saint Raymond of Peñafort  
the virtue of outstanding mercy  
towards sinners and captives,  
grant us at his intercession  
that, released from the slavery of sin,  
we may pursue in freedom of spirit  
what is pleasing to you.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

13 January

**Saint Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

The Common of Pastors: For a Bishop (p. 000), or the Common of Doctors of the Church (p. 000).

**Collect**

Grant us, we pray, almighty God,  
that we may rightly understand and truthfully profess  
the divinity of your Son,  
which the Bishop Saint Hilary tirelessly upheld.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

17 January

**Saint Anthony, Abbot**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

**Cf. Ps 91, 13-14**

The just will flourish like a palm tree,  
grow like a cedar of Lebanon  
planted in the house of the Lord,  
in the courts of the house of our God.

**Collect**

O God, who brought the Abbot Saint Anthony of Egypt  
to serve you by a wondrous way of life in the desert,  
grant us at his intercession  
that, denying ourselves,  
we may persevere in loving you above all else.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

Let the gifts of our service,  
placed upon your altar in commemoration of Saint Anthony,  
be acceptable to you, O Lord, we pray,  
and grant that, released from earthly attachments,  
we may be made rich in you alone.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

**Cf. Mt 19, 21**

If you would be perfect,  
go, sell what you have,  
and give to the poor,  
and follow me, says the Lord.

**Prayer after Communion**

Grant us who have been fed for our healing  
by your Sacraments, O Lord,  
to overcome every snare of the enemy,  
just as you granted Saint Anthony to win glorious victories  
over the powers of darkness.  
Through Christ our Lord.

20 January

**Saint Fabian, Pope and Martyr**

The Common of Martyrs: For One Martyr (p. 000), or the Common of Pastors: For a Pope (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, glory of your Priests, grant, we pray,  
that, helped by the intercession of your Martyr Saint Fabian,  
we may progress in the community of the one faith  
and in worthy service.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Saint Sebastian, Martyr**

The Common of Martyrs: For One Martyr (p. 000).

**Collect**

Grant us, we pray, O Lord, the spirit of fortitude,  
so that, taught by the glorious example of your Martyr Saint Sebastian,  
we may learn to obey you rather than men.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

21 January

**Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr**

**Memorial**

The Common of Martyrs: For a Virgin Martyr (p. 000), or the Common of Virgins: For One Virgin (p. 000).

**Collect**

Almighty everlasting God,  
who choose what is weak in the world to confound the strong,  
mercifully grant  
that we who celebrate the heavenly birthday of your Martyr Saint Agnes  
may follow her constancy in faith.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

22 January

**Saint Vincent, Deacon and Martyr**

The Common of Martyrs: For One Martyr (p. 000).

**Collect**

Almighty everlasting God,  
mercifully pour out your Spirit upon us,  
so that our hearts may possess that strong love  
by which the Martyr Saint Vincent of Zaragoza  
overcame all bodily torments.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

24 January

**Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

**Memorial**

The Common of Pastors: For a Bishop (p. 000), or the Common of Doctors of the Church (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, who for the salvation of souls  
willed that the Bishop Saint Francis de Sales  
become all things to all people,  
mercifully grant that, following his example  
we may always display the gentleness of your charity  
in the service of our brothers and sisters.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

Through this saving sacrifice, which we offer you, O Lord,  
kindle in our hearts that divine fire of the Holy Spirit  
with which you wonderfully inflamed  
the most gentle soul of Saint Francis.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Prayer after Communion**

Grant, we pray, almighty God,  
that, through the Sacraments we have received,  
we may, in imitating on earth  
the charity and gentleness of Saint Francis,  
likewise attain glory in heaven.  
Through Christ our Lord.



25 January

## THE CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL, APOSTLE

Feast

### Entrance Antiphon

2 Tim 1, 12; 4, 8

I know the one in whom I have believed  
and I am sure that he, the righteous judge,  
can safely keep what I entrusted to him  
until that day.

The Gloria is said.

### Collect

O God, who taught the entire world  
by the preaching of the blessed Apostle Paul,  
grant us, we pray,  
to draw nearer to you through example of him,  
whose conversion we celebrate today,  
and so to be witnesses of your truth in the world.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

### Prayer over the Offerings

As we celebrate the divine mysteries, O Lord, we pray,  
may the Spirit flood us with that light of faith  
with which he constantly enlightened the blessed Apostle Paul  
for the spreading of your glory.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface I of the Apostles, p. 000.

### Communion Antiphon

Cf. Gal 2, 20

I live by faith in the Son of God  
who has loved me and given himself up for me.

### Prayer after Communion

May the Sacraments we have received, O Lord our God,  
stir up in us the fire of charity  
with which the blessed Apostle Paul burned ardently  
as he bore his concern for all the Churches.  
Through Christ our Lord.

The Solemn Blessing formula on pp. 000-000 may be used.

26 January

**Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

Ps 95, 3-4

Tell out among the nations his glory,  
his wonders among all the peoples.  
For great is the Lord and highly to be praised.

**Collect**

O God, who adorned Saints Timothy and Titus  
with apostolic virtues,  
grant at the intercession of them both,  
that, living justly and devoutly in this age,  
we may be found worthy to attain our heavenly homeland.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

Receive, O Lord, we pray, the gifts of your people,  
offered on the feast day of your blessed ones Timothy and Titus,  
and in your kindness make us acceptable  
by perfecting us with hearts that are true.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

Mk 16, 15; Mt 28, 20

Go into all the world,  
preach the Gospel.  
I am with you always,  
says the Lord.

**Prayer after Communion**

May the Sacraments we have received, O Lord our God,  
nourish in us that faith  
which the apostolic preaching taught  
and Saints Timothy and Titus guarded with care.  
Through Christ our Lord.

27 January

**Saint Angela Merici, Virgin**

The Common of Virgins: For One Virgin (p. 000), or the Common of Holy Men and Women: For Educators (p. 000).

**Collect**

May the Virgin Saint Angela Merici never fail to commend us  
to your faithful love, O Lord, we pray,  
so that, following the lessons of her charity and prudence,  
we may hold fast to your teaching  
and express it in our conduct.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

28 January

**Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church**

**Memorial**

The Common of Doctors of the Church (p. 000), or the Common of Pastors: For One Pastor (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, who made Saint Thomas Aquinas outstanding  
in his zeal for holiness and his study of sacred doctrine,  
grant us, we pray,  
that in our thinking we may contemplate what he taught,  
and in our living imitate what he did.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

31 January

**Saint John Bosco, Priest**

**Memorial**

The Common of Pastors: For One Pastor (p. 000), or the Common of Holy Men and Women: For Educators: (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, who raise up the Priest Saint John Bosco  
as a father and teacher of the young,  
grant, we pray, that, kindled by the same fire of love,  
we may seek out souls  
and serve you alone.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

# FEBRUARY

2 February

## THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

Feast

### The Blessing of Candles and the Procession

#### First Form: The Procession

1. At the appropriate time, a gathering takes place at a small church or other suitable place outside the church to which the procession will go. The faithful hold in their hand their unlit candles.
2. The Priest, wearing white vestments as for Mass, approaches the ministers. Instead of the chasuble the Priest may wear a cope, which he removes after the procession is completed.
3. While the candles are being lit, there is sung the antiphon

Behold, our Lord will come with power,  
to enlighten the eyes of his servants, alleluia.

or another appropriate chant.

4. When the chant is completed, the Priest, turned towards the people, says: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. After this he greets the people in the usual way, and then gives an introductory explanation, by which the faithful are invited to celebrate the rite of this Feast actively and consciously. He may use these or similar words:

Dear brothers and sisters,  
forty days have passed  
since we celebrated the joyful feast  
of the Nativity of the Lord.  
Today is the blessed day  
when Jesus was presented in the Temple by Mary and Joseph.  
Outwardly he was fulfilling the Law,  
but in reality he was coming to meet his believing people.  
Moved by the Holy Spirit, Simeon and Anna came to the Temple.  
Enlightened by the same Spirit,  
they recognized the Lord  
and confessed him in exultation.  
So let us also, we are gathered together by the Holy Spirit,  
proceed to the house of God to meet Christ.  
There we shall find him  
and recognize him in the breaking of the bread  
until he comes, revealed in glory.

5. After the introduction the Priest blesses the candles, saying, with hands extended:

Let us pray.

O God, source and origin of all light,  
who on this day showed to the just man Simeon  
the Light for revelation to the Gentiles,  
we humbly ask that, receiving your people's prayers,  
you will sanctify with your gracious blessing + these candles,  
which your people are eager to carry in praise of your name,  
so that they may be worthy to come by the path of virtue  
to the light that never fails.  
Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

Or:

O God, the true light,  
who radiate and create light eternal,  
pour into the hearts of the faithful,  
the brilliance of perpetual light,  
so that everyone in your holy temple  
who is graced by the splendor of these lights  
may succeed in coming happily  
to the light of your glory.  
Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

He sprinkles the candles with holy water, saying nothing, and places incense into the thurible for the procession.

6. Then the Priest receives from the Deacon or a minister the lighted candle prepared for him and the procession begins, with the Deacon announcing (or, if there is no Deacon, the Priest himself):

Let us go in peace to meet the Lord.

Or:

Let us go forth in peace.

In this case, all respond:

In the name of Christ. Amen.

7. All carry lighted candles. As the procession moves forward, one or other of the antiphons that follow are sung, namely the antiphon A light for revelation with the canticle (Lk 2:29-32), or the antiphon Zion, adorn your bridal chamber or another appropriate chant.

## I

**Ant.** A light for revelation to the Gentiles  
and the glory of your people Israel.

Lord now you let your servant go in peace,  
in accordance with your word:

**Ant.** A light...

For my eyes have seen your salvation,

**Ant.** A light...

Which you have prepared in the sight of all the peoples,

**Ant.** A light...

## II

**Ant.** Zion, adorn your bridal chamber  
and welcome Christ the King:  
take Mary in your arms,  
who is the gate of heaven,  
for she herself is carrying the King  
of glory and new light.  
As Virgin she remains,  
though bringing in her hands  
the Son before the morning star begotten,  
whom Simeon, taking in his arms  
announced to the peoples as Lord of life and death

and Savior of the world.

8. As the procession enters the church, the Entrance Antiphon of the Mass is sung. When the Priest has arrived at the altar, he venerates it and, if appropriate, incenses it. Then he goes to the chair, where he takes off the cope, if he used it in the procession, and puts on the chasuble. After the singing of the hymn *Gloria*, he says the Collect as usual. The Mass continues in the usual manner.

### Second Form: The Solemn Entrance

9. Wherever a procession cannot take place, the faithful should assemble in the church, holding candles in their hands. The Priest, wearing sacred white vestments as for Mass, together with the ministers and a representative group of the faithful, goes to a suitable place, either in front of the door of the church or inside the church itself, where at least a substantial group of the faithful can conveniently take part in the rite.

10. When the Priest reaches the place appointed for the blessing of the candles, candles are lighted and the antiphon *Behold, our Lord* (no. 3) or another appropriate chant is sung.

11. Then the Priest, after the greeting and introduction, blesses the candles, as above nos. 4-5; and then the procession to the altar takes place, with singing (nos. 6-7). For Mass, what is indicated in no. 8 above is observed.

### The Mass

#### Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 47, 10-11

We have received your mercy, O God,  
in the midst of your temple.  
Your praise, O God, like your name,  
resounds to the ends of the earth.  
Your right hand is filled with justice.

The *Gloria* is said.

#### Collect

Almighty everlasting God,  
we humbly implore your majesty  
that, as your Only Begotten Son  
was presented in the Temple on this day  
in the substance of our flesh,  
so you will have us presented to you  
with minds made pure.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

When this Feast falls on a Sunday, the *Creed* is said.

#### Prayer over the Offerings

May the gift offered by your rejoicing Church,  
O Lord, we pray, be pleasing to you,  
who willed that your Only Begotten Son  
be offered to you for the life of the world  
as the spotless Lamb.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Preface: The mystery of the Presentation of the Lord

Text without chant:

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

V. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

V. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

It is truly right and just,  
our duty and our salvation,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For today your coeternal Son was presented in the Temple  
and made known by the Spirit as the glory of Israel  
and the Light of the nations.

And so we too go forth, rejoicing to meet your Salvation,  
and join with the Angels and Saints  
in the hymn of your praise as we acclaim without end:

Holy, Holy, Holy. . .

### Communion Antiphon

Lk 2, 30-31

My eyes have seen your salvation,  
which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples.

### Prayer after Communion

By these holy things which we have received, O Lord,  
bring your grace to completion within us,  
and, as you fulfilled Simeon's expectation  
so that he did not see death  
until he was allowed to receive the Christ,  
so may we, going forth to meet the Lord,  
obtain eternal life.  
Through Christ our Lord.

3 February

**Saint Blaise, Bishop and Martyr**

The Common of Martyrs: For One Martyr (p. 000), or the Common of Pastors: For a Bishop (p. 000).

**Collect**

Hear, O Lord, your people,  
who pray with the Martyr Saint Blaise as patron,  
that you will grant us  
to rejoice in peace on this present life  
and to find help for life eternal.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Saint Ansgar, Bishop**

The Common of Pastors: For Missionaries (p. 000), of For a Bishop (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, who willed to send the Bishop Saint Ansgar  
to bring the light to many peoples,  
grant us at his intercession  
to walk without fail in the light of your truth.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

5 February

**Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr**

**Memorial**

The Common of Martyrs: For a Virgin Martyr (p. 000), or the Common of Virgins: For One Virgin (p. 000).

**Collect**

May the Virgin Martyr Saint Agatha  
implore your pardon for us, O Lord, we pray,  
since she has always stood in your favor  
for the valor of her martyrdom  
and the merit of her chastity.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.



6 February

**Saints Paul Miki and companions, Martyrs**

**Memorial**

*The Common of Martyrs: For Several Martyrs (p. 000).*

**Collect**

O God, strength of all the Saints,  
who saw fit to call the Martyrs  
Saint Paul Miki and his companions  
to life through the Cross,  
grant, we pray, that by their intercession  
we may hold bravely unto death  
the faith we profess.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

8 February

**Saint Jerome Emiliani**

*The Common of Holy Men and Women: For Educators (p. 000).*

**Collect**

O God, Father of mercies,  
who in your providence chose Saint Jerome Emiliani  
to be a helper and father to orphans,  
grant us at his intercession  
to keep faithfully the spirit of adoption,  
by which we are called,  
and truly are, your sons and daughters.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Saint Josephine Bakhita, Virgin**

*The Common of Virgins: For One Virgin (p. 000).*

**Collect**

O God,  
who led Saint Josephine Bakhita from the subjection of slavery  
to the dignity of being your daughter and a bride of Christ,  
grant us, we pray, that after her example  
we may follow the crucified Lord Jesus with constant love,  
remaining steadfast in charity and eager to show mercy.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

10 February

**Saint Scholastica, Virgin**

**Memorial**

*The Common of Virgins: For One Virgin (p. 000), or The Common of Holy Men and Women: For a Nun (p. 000).*

**Collect**

As we celebrate anew  
the Memorial of the Virgin Saint Scholastica,  
we pray, O Lord, that, following her example,  
we may serve you with unblemished charity  
and happily receive what comes from loving you.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

11 February

**The Blessed Virgin Mary of Lourdes**

*The Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary (p. 000).*

**Collect**

Grant, O merciful God,  
protection to us in our weakness,  
that we who keep the Memorial of the Immaculate Mother of God  
may, with the help of her intercession,  
rise up from our iniquities.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

14 February

**Saints Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

These are holy men who became friends of God,  
glorious heralds of divine truth.

**Collect**

O God,  
who enlightened the Slavic peoples  
through the brothers Saint Cyril and Saint Methodius,  
grant that we may receive the words of your teaching in our hearts,  
and make us a people of one heart  
in true faith and right confession.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

Look, O Lord, upon the gifts  
which we bring before your majesty  
in commemoration of Saint Cyril and Saint Methodius  
and grant that these gifts may become  
the sign of a new humanity,  
reconciled to you in loving charity.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

**Cf. Mk 16, 20**

The disciples went out and preached the Gospel  
and the Lord worked with them,  
confirming their word by the signs that followed.

**Prayer after Communion**

O God, Father of all nations,  
you make us sharers in the one Bread and the one Spirit  
and heirs of the eternal banquet;  
grant in your kindness  
on this feast of Saint Cyril and Saint Methodius  
that the multitude of your children,  
persevering in the same faith,  
may unite in building the Kingdom of justice and peace.  
Through Christ our Lord.

17 February

**The Seven Holy Founders of the Order of Servants of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

The Common of Holy Men and Women: For Religious (p. 000).

**Collect**

In your kindness, Lord,  
pour into us the filial devotion of the holy brothers,  
with which they most devoutly venerated the Mother of God  
and drew your people to yourself.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

21 February

**Saint Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

The Common of Doctors of the Church (p. 000), or the Common of Pastors: For a Bishop (p. 000).

**Collect**

Grant us, we pray, almighty God,  
to follow the teaching and example of the Bishop Saint Peter Damian,  
so that, preferring nothing whatever to Christ  
and always ardent in service of your Church,  
we may be brought to the joys of eternal light.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

22 February

## THE CHAIR OF SAINT PETER, APOSTLE

Feast

### Entrance Antiphon

Lk 22, 32

The Lord says to Simon Peter:  
I have prayed for you  
that your faith may not fail,  
and once you have turned back,  
strengthen your brethren.

The Gloria is said.

### Collect

Let no tempests shake us,  
we pray, almighty God,  
for you have set us fast  
on the rock of the Apostle Peter's confession.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

### Prayer over the Offerings

Accept in your kindness, Lord, we pray,  
the prayers and offerings of your Church,  
that, with Saint Peter as her pastor,  
she may come to an eternal inheritance,  
for with him as her teacher  
she holds the faith in its fullness.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface I of the Apostles, p. 000.

### Communion Antiphon

Cf. Mt 16, 16.18

Peter said to Jesus:  
You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.  
And Jesus replied:  
You are Peter,  
and on this rock I will build my Church.

### Prayer after Communion

O God,  
who at our celebration of the Feast of the blessed Apostle Peter  
have nourished us by communion  
in the Body and Blood of Christ,  
grant, we pray, that this redemptive exchange  
may be for us a Sacrament of unity and peace.  
Through Christ our Lord.

The Solemn Blessing formula on pp. 000-000 may be used.

23 February

**Saint Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr**

The Common of Martyrs: For One Martyr (p. 000), or the Common of Pastors: For a Bishop (p. 000).

**Collect**

God of all creation,  
who were pleased to give the Martyr Saint Polycarp  
a place in the company of Martyrs,  
grant at his intercession  
that, sharing with him in Christ's chalice,  
we may rise by the Holy Spirit to eternal life.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

# MARCH

4 March

## **Saint Casimir**

The Common of Holy Men and Women: For One Saint (p. 000), or the Common of Pastors: For a Bishop (p. 000).

### **Collect**

Almighty God, to serve you is to reign;  
grant that, with the help of Saint Casimir's intercession,  
we may serve you in holiness and justice  
all the days of our life.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

7 March

## Saint Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs

### Memorial

#### Entrance Antiphon

The souls of the Saint are rejoicing in heaven,  
the Saints who followed the footsteps of Christ,  
and since for love of him they shed their blood,  
they now exult with Christ for ever.

#### Collect

O God, at the urging of whose love  
the Martyrs Saints Perpetua and Felicity  
defied the persecutor and overcame the torment of death,  
listen to their prayers and grant us, we ask,  
to grow constantly in your love.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

#### Prayer over the Offerings

With joy, O Lord, we offer this day's sacrifice,  
in which we proclaim your mighty deeds,  
recalling the heaven-sent victory of Saints Perpetua and Felicity,  
and rejoice that we have gained their prayers in glory.  
Through Christ our Lord.

#### Communion Antiphon

2 Cor 4, 11

For the sake of Jesus we are given up to death,  
that the life of Jesus also  
may be revealed in our mortal flesh.

#### Prayer after Communion

As we draw everlasting joys, O Lord,  
from the partaking of this Sacrament  
and from the Memorial of Saints Perpetua and Felicity,  
we humbly implore  
that by your gift we may truly understand  
what you grant us to perform in diligent service.  
Through Christ our Lord.



8 March

**Saint John of God, Religious**

The Common of Holy Men and Women: For Religious (p. 000), or For Those Who Practiced Works of Mercy (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, who filled Saint John of God with the spirit of mercy,  
grant, we pray, that performing works of charity,  
we may merit to be found  
among the elect in your kingdom.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

9 March

**Saint Frances of Rome, Religious**

The Common of Holy Men and Women: For Women Saints (p. 000), or For Religious (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, who have given us in Saint Frances of Rome  
a singular model of both married and monastic life,  
grant us perseverance in your service,  
that in every circumstance of life  
we may be able to recognize and follow you.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

17 March

**Saint Patrick, Bishop**

The Common of Pastors: For Missionaries (p. 000), or For a Bishop (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, who in your providence chose the Bishop Saint Patrick  
to preach your glory to the peoples of Ireland,  
grant at his merits and intercession  
that those who glory in the name of Christian  
may never cease  
to proclaim to men and women your wondrous deeds.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

18 March

**Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

The Common of Pastors: For a Bishop (p. 000), or the Common of Doctors of the Church (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God,  
who through the Bishop Saint Cyril of Jerusalem  
led you Church in a wonderful way  
to a deeper grasp of the mysteries of salvation,  
grant us through his intercession  
so to acknowledge your Son  
that we may have life more abundantly.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

19 March

SAINT JOSEPH  
HUSBAND OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Solemnity

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Lk 12, 42

Behold a wise and faithful servant  
whom the Lord set over his household.

The Gloria is said.

Collect

Grant, we pray, almighty God,  
that, with Saint Joseph interceding,  
your Church may constantly watch over  
the unfolding of the mysteries of human salvation,  
whose beginnings you entrusted to his faithful care.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

The Creed is said.

Prayer over the Offerings

We pray, O Lord,  
that as Saint Joseph  
with fatherly devotion  
served your Only Begotten Son, born of the Virgin Mary,  
so may we be always worthy to minister at your altars with pure hearts.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface: The mission of Saint Joseph

Solemn Tone

Text without chant:

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

V. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

V. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

It is truly right and just,  
our duty and our salvation,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God,  
and to give you fitting praise,  
to glorify you and bless you  
on the Solemnity of Saint Joseph.

For he is the just man given by you  
as husband to the Virgin Mother of God,  
and the wise and faithful servant put in charge of your household  
to care like a father for your Only-Begotten Son,  
our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who was conceived by the overshadowing of the Holy Spirit.

Through Christ the Angels praise your majesty,  
Dominions adore and Powers tremble before you.  
Heaven and the Virtues of heaven and the blessed Seraphim  
worship together with exultation.  
We pray you, bid our voices join with theirs  
as we acclaim in humble praise:  
Holy, Holy, Holy. . .

### Communion Antiphon

Mt 25, 21

Well done, good and faithful servant:  
enter into the joy of your Lord.

### Prayer after Communion

As you have nourished your rejoicing family  
with food from this altar  
on the Solemnity of Saint Joseph,  
defend them with unfailing protection,  
O Lord, we pray,  
and in your mercy safeguard your gifts within them.  
Through Christ our Lord.

23 March

## Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop

The Common of Pastors: For a Bishop (p. 000).

### Collect

O God, who gave increase to your Church  
through the apostolic care and zeal for truth  
of the Bishop Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo,  
grant that the people consecrated to you  
may always receive new growth in faith and holiness.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

25 March

## THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

### Solemnity

Whenever this solemnity occurs during Holy Week, it is transferred to the Monday after the Second Sunday of Easter.

#### Entrance Antiphon

Heb 10, 5-7

The Lord said, as he entered the world:  
Behold, O God, I come to do your will.

The Gloria is said.

#### Collect

O God, who willed that your Word  
should take on the reality of human flesh  
in the womb of the Virgin Mary,  
grant, we pray,  
that we who confess our Redeemer to be God and man  
may be made worthy to share also in his divine nature.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

The Creed is said. At the words and was incarnate all genuflect.

#### Prayer over the Offerings

Be pleased, almighty God,  
to accept your Church's offering,  
so that she, who recognizes her beginnings  
in the Incarnation of your Only Begotten Son,  
may rejoice to celebrate his mysteries  
on this Solemnity.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface: The mystery of the Incarnation

Solemn Tone

Text without chant:

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

V. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

V. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

It is truly right and just,  
our duty and our salvation,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God,  
through Christ our Lord.

For with faith the Virgin Mary heard  
from the heavenly messenger  
that, by the overshadowing of the Holy Spirit,  
the Christ was to be born  
among human beings and for their sake.  
In her immaculate womb she lovingly bore him,  
that the promises to the children of Israel might be fulfilled  
and the hope of nations be realized beyond all telling.

Through him the host of Angels adores your majesty  
and rejoices in your presence for ever;  
we pray you, bid our voices join with theirs  
in one chorus of exultant praise as we acclaim:  
Holy, Holy, Holy. . .

### Communion Antiphon

Is 7, 14

Behold! The Virgin will conceive and bear a Son,  
and his name will be called Emmanuel.

### Prayer after Communion

Strengthen within us the mysteries of the true faith,  
we pray, O Lord,  
so that we, who confess that the One conceived of the Virgin  
is true God and true man,  
may merit through the power of his saving Resurrection  
to come to eternal joy.  
Through Christ our Lord.

## APRIL

2 April

### **Saint Francis of Paola, Hermit**

The Common of Holy Men and Women: For Religious (p. 000).

#### Collect

O God, exultation of the lowly,  
who raised Saint Francis of Paola to the glory of your Saints,  
grant, we pray, that, helped by his merits and example,  
we may happily attain the rewards promised to the lowly.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

4 April

### **Saint Isidore, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

The Common of Pastors: For a Bishop (p. 000), or the Common of Doctors of the Church (p. 000).

#### Collect

We ask you, Lord, to hear our prayers  
offered on the commemoration of Saint Isidore,  
that your Church, instructed by his heavenly teachings,  
may be aided by his intercession.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

5 April

**Saint Vincent Ferrer, Priest**

The Common of Pastors: For Missionaries (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God,  
who raised up the Priest Saint Vincent Ferrer  
as a minister to preach the Gospel,  
grant, we pray, that we may be blessed to see reigning in heaven  
the One whom Vincent proclaimed on earth  
as the judge who is to come.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

7 April

**Saint John Baptist de la Salle, Priest**

**Memorial**

The Common of Pastors: For One Pastor (p. 000), or The Common of Holy Men and Women: For Educators (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God,  
who chose Saint John Baptist de la Salle  
to educate Christian youth,  
raise up teachers in your Church  
who will devote themselves wholeheartedly  
to the human and Christian formation of the young.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.



11 April

**Saint Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr**

**Memorial**

The Common of Martyrs: For One Martyr (p. 000) or, during the Season of Easter, (p. 000), or the Common of Pastors: For a Bishop (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, for whose honor  
the Bishop Saint Stanislaus fell beneath the swords of his persecutors,  
grant, we pray, that we may have strength  
to persevere bravely in the faith until death.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

13 April

**Saint Martin I, Pope and Martyr**

The Common of Martyrs: For One Martyr (p. 000) or, during the Season of Easter, (p. 000), or the Common of Pastors: For a Pope (p. 000).

**Collect**

Almighty God,  
who did not allow the Martyr Pope Saint Martin I  
to be daunted by threats or broken by punishment,  
grant us, we pray,  
to withstand the hostility of the world  
with unconquered firmness of purpose.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

21 April

**Saint Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

The Common of Pastors: For a Bishop (p. 000), or the Common of Doctors of the Church (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God,  
who led the Bishop Saint Anselm  
to search and expound the depths of your wisdom,  
let faith in you so come to the aid of our understanding,  
that what you have charged us to believe  
may delight our heart.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

23 April

**Saint George, Martyr**

The Common of Martyrs: For One Martyr during the Season of Easter (p. 000).

**Collect**

Extolling your power, O Lord,  
we humbly ask  
that, as Saint George imitated the Passion of the Lord,  
so he may provide ready help for us in our frailty.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Saint Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr**

The Common of Martyrs: For One Martyr during the Season of Easter (p. 000), The Common of Pastors: For a Bishop (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, as you crowned with martyrdom  
the Bishop Saint Adalbert, who burned with zeal for souls,  
grant that, with his support at hand,  
the obedience of the flock may never fail the shepherds,  
nor the care of shepherds ever fail the flock.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

24 April

**Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr**

The Common of Martyrs: For One Martyr during the Season of Easter (p. 000), The Common of Pastors: For One Pastor (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God,  
who were pleased to award the palm of martyrdom  
to Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen  
who, on fire with love for you, propagated the faith,  
grant that, grounded in charity,  
and with his intercession,  
we may become worthy with him  
to know the power of Christ's Resurrection.  
Who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

25 April

## SAINT MARK, EVANGELIST

Feast

### Entrance Antiphon

Mk 16, 15

Go into all the world,  
preach the Gospel to every creature, alleluia.

The Gloria is said.

### Collect

O God,  
who raised up Saint Mark, your Evangelist,  
with the grace to preach the Gospel,  
grant, we pray,  
so to profit from his teaching  
that we will follow faithfully  
in the footsteps of Christ.  
Who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

### Prayer over the Offerings

As we venerate the glory of Saint Mark,  
we offer you, Lord, the sacrifice of praise,  
and humbly beseech you  
that the preaching of the Gospel  
will endure in your Church without fail.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface II of the Apostles, p. 000.

### Communion Antiphon

Mt 28, 20

Behold! I am with you always,  
even to the end of the age, says the Lord, alleluia.

### Prayer after Communion

Grant, we pray, almighty God,  
that what we have received from your holy altar  
may make us holy  
and strengthen us in the faith of the Gospel,  
which Saint Mark proclaimed.  
Through Christ our Lord.

28 April

**Saint Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr**

The Common of Martyrs: For One Martyr during the Season of Easter (p. 000), The Common of Pastors: For Missionaries (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God,  
who for the growth of your Church  
crowned Saint Peter Chanel with martyrdom,  
grant us, in these days of Easter joy,  
so to celebrate the mysteries  
of Christ's Death and Resurrection,  
that we may be worthy witnesses to newness of life.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Saint Louis Marie Grignion de Montfort, Priest**

The Common of Pastors: For One Pastor (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God,  
who willed to direct the steps  
of the Priest Saint Louis Marie Grignion de Montfort  
into the way of salvation and of the love of Christ  
in the company of the Blessed Virgin,  
grant that, following his example  
in meditating on the mysteries of your love,  
we may apply ourselves tirelessly  
to the building up of your Church.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Or:**

Almighty eternal God,  
who made the Priest Saint Louis Marie Grignion de Montfort  
an outstanding witness and teacher  
of total devotion to Christ your Son  
through the hands of his Blessed Mother,  
grant us that, following the same spiritual path,  
we may constantly extend your Kingdom.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

29 April

**Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

Here is a wise Virgin,  
from among the number of the prudent,  
who went forth with lighted lamp  
to meet Christ, alleluia.

**Collect**

O God,  
who set the heart of Saint Catherine of Siena on fire with divine love  
in contemplation of the Lord's Passion  
and in service of your Church,  
grant at her intercession that your people,  
united to the mystery of Christ,  
may exult for ever in the revelation of his glory.  
Who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

Accept, O Lord, the saving sacrifice we offer  
in commemoration of Saint Catherine,  
so that we, taught by her counsels,  
may be able to give more fervent thanks  
to you, the true God.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

**Cf. 1 Jn 1, 7**

If we walk in the light, as God is in the light,  
we have fellowship with each other,  
and the Blood of Jesus Christ his Son  
cleanses us from every sin, alleluia.

**Prayer after Communion**

May the heavenly table at which we have been fed, O Lord,  
confer eternal life on us,  
as it also nourished the temporal life of Saint Catherine.  
Through Christ our Lord.

30 April  
**Saint Pius V, Pope**

The Common of Pastors: For a Pope (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God,  
who in your providence  
raised up the Pope Saint Pius V in your Church  
that the faith might be defended  
and more fitting worship be offered to you,  
grant us through his intercession,  
to be sharers in your mysteries  
with lively faith and fruitful charity.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

# MAY

1 May

## Saint Joseph the Worker

### Entrance Antiphon

Ps 127, 1-2

Blessed is everyone who fears the Lord,  
who walks in his ways.  
You will eat the work of your hands;  
blessed are you and all shall be well with you, alleluia.

### Collect

O God, Creator of all things,  
who decreed for the human race the law of work,  
mercifully grant that,  
with Saint Joseph as exemplar and patron,  
we may complete the works you instruct us to do  
and reap the rewards you promise.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

### Prayer over the Offerings

O God, wellspring of all mercy,  
look upon our offerings,  
which we bring before your majesty  
in commemoration of Saint Joseph,  
and mercifully grant that the gifts we offer  
may become the protection of those who pray.  
Through Christ our Lord.

### Preface: The mission of Saint Joseph

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

V. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

V. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

It is truly right and just,  
our duty and our salvation,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God,  
and to give you fitting praise,  
to glorify you and bless you  
on the commemoration of Saint Joseph.

For he is the just man given by you  
as husband to the Virgin Mother of God,  
and the wise and faithful servant put in charge of your household



to care like a father for your Only-Begotten Son,  
our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who was conceived by the overshadowing of the Holy Spirit.

Through Christ the Angels praise your majesty,  
Dominions adore and Powers tremble before you.  
Heaven and the Virtues of heaven and the blessed Seraphim  
worship together with exultation.

We pray you, bid our voices join with theirs  
as we acclaim in humble praise:

Holy, Holy, Holy. . .

### Communion Antiphon

Cf. Col 3, 17

Whatever you do  
in word or in work,  
do it all in the name of the Lord,  
giving thanks to God, alleluia.

### Prayer after Communion

Fed with heavenly delights  
we humbly ask you, Lord,  
that, bearing in our hearts the proofs of your love  
in accord with Saint Joseph's example,  
we may constantly enjoy the fruit of perpetual peace.  
Through Christ our Lord.

2 May

**Saint Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

**Cf. Sir 15, 5**

In the midst of the Church he opened his mouth,  
and the Lord filled him  
with the spirit of wisdom and understanding  
and clothed him in a robe of glory, alleluia.

**Collect**

Almighty everlasting God,  
who raised up the Bishop Saint Athanasius  
as an outstanding champion of your Son's divinity,  
mercifully grant that,  
rejoicing in his doctrine and protection,  
we may never cease to grow  
in knowledge and love of you.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

Look, O Lord, upon the gifts we present to you  
in commemoration of Saint Athanasius  
and let witness to your truth  
bring salvation closer  
to those who profess his unblemished faith.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

**1 Cor 3, 11**

No other foundation can anyone lay  
except the one that has been laid,  
which is Christ Jesus, alleluia.

**Prayer after Communion**

Grant us, we pray, almighty God,  
that the true divinity of your Only Begotten Son,  
which we firmly profess with Saint Athanasius,  
may through this Sacrament  
enliven and protect us for ever.  
Through Christ our Lord.

3 May

## SAINTS PHILIP AND JAMES, APOSTLES

Feast

### Entrance Antiphon

These are the holy men  
whom the Lord chose in his own sheer love  
and gave them everlasting glory, alleluia.

The Gloria is said.

### Collect

O God, who gladden us each year  
on the feast day of the Apostles Philip and James,  
grant that through their prayers  
we may share in the Passion and Resurrection  
of your Only Begotten Son,  
and so be worthy  
to attain the vision of you for ever.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

### Prayer over the Offerings

Receive, O Lord, the gifts we bring  
for the feast day of the Apostles Philip and James  
and bestow on us religion pure and undefiled.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface of the Apostles, p. 000-000.

### Communion Antiphon

Cf. Jn 14, 8-9

Lord, show us the Father,  
and it is enough for us.  
Whoever sees me, Philip,  
sees my Father also, alleluia.

### Prayer after Communion

Purify our minds, O Lord, we pray,  
by these holy things we have received,  
so that, contemplating you in your Son  
with the Apostles Philip and James,  
we may be worthy to possess eternal life.  
Through Christ our Lord.

The Solemn Blessing formula on pp. 000-000 may be used.

12 May

**Saint Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs**

The Common of Martyrs: For Several Martyrs (p. 000 or, during the Season of Easter, p. 000).

**Collect**

Grant, we pray, almighty God,  
that we who know the glorious Martyrs Nereus and Achilleus  
as valiant in their confession  
may find them to loyal  
in their intercession for us in your presence  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Saint Pancras, Martyr**

The Common of Martyrs: For One Martyr (p. 000 or, during the Season of Easter, p. 000).

**Collect**

Let your Church rejoice, O God,  
trusting in the support of the Martyr Saint Pancras,  
and through his prayers in glory  
may she persevere in fidelity  
and stand firm in safety.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

13 May

**The Blessed Virgin Mary of Fatima**

The Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God,  
who chose the Mother of your Son  
to be our Mother also,  
grant us that, persevering in penance and prayer  
for the salvation of the world,  
we may have strength each day  
to promote more effectively the reign of Christ.  
Who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

14 May

## SAINT MATTHIAS, APOSTLE

Feast

### Entrance Antiphon

Jn 15, 16

You have not chosen me, says the Lord,  
but I have chosen you  
to go out and bear fruit,  
and for your fruit to abide (P.T. alleluia).

The Gloria is said.

### Collect

O God,  
who added Saint Matthias to the college of the Apostles,  
grant us at his prayer  
that we who rejoice that your love has been allotted to us  
may be made worthy to be numbered among the elect.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

### Prayer over the Offerings

Receive, O Lord, the gifts of your Church,  
reverently offered for the Feast of Saint Matthias,  
and through them strengthen us  
by the power of your grace.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface of the Apostles, pp. 000-000.

### Communion Antiphon

Jn 15, 12

This is my commandment,  
that you love one another  
as I have love you, says the Lord (P.T. alleluia).

### Prayer after Communion

Never cease, O Lord, to fill your family with the divine gifts,  
so that, with blessed Matthias interceding on our behalf,  
graciously admit us  
to share the lot of the Saints in light.  
Through Christ our Lord.

The Solemn Blessing formula on pp. 000-000 may be used.

18 May

**Saint John I, Pope and Martyr**

The Common of Martyrs: For One Martyr (p. 000 or, during the Season of Easter, p. 000), or the Common of Pastors: For a Pope (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, who reward faithful souls  
and have consecrated this day  
by the martyrdom of the Pope Saint John I,  
listen to the prayers of your people  
and grant that we who honor his merits  
may imitate his constancy in faith.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

20 May

**Saint Bernardine of Siena, Priest**

The Common of Pastors: For Missionaries (p. 000), or The Common of Holy Men and Women: For Religious (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God,  
who gave the Priest Saint Bernardine of Siena  
a great love for the holy Name of Jesus,  
grant that at his merits and prayers  
the Spirit of your love may for ever set us aflame.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

21 May

**Saints Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs**

The Common of Martyrs: For Several Martyrs (p. 000 or, during the Season of Easter p. 000).

**Collect**

Almighty and eternal God,  
who made the Priest Saint Christopher Magallanes and his companions  
faithful to Christ the King even unto martyrdom,  
grant us at their intercession  
that, persevering in confession of the true faith,  
we may have strength always to hold fast,  
to the commandments of your love.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

22 May

**Saint Rita of Cascia, Religious**

*The Common of Holy Men and Women: For Religious (p. 000).*

**Collect**

Bestow on us, we pray, O Lord,  
the wisdom and strength of the Cross,  
with which you were pleased to enrich Saint Rita of Cascia,  
so that, suffering with Christ in every trial,  
we may be able to share more deeply  
in his Paschal Mystery.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

25 May

**Saint Bede the Venerable, Priest and Doctor of the Church**

*The Common of Doctors of the Church (p. 000), or The Common of Holy Men and Women: For a Monk (p. 000).*

**Collect**

O God,  
who illumine your Church  
through the scholarship of the Priest  
Saint Bede the Venerable,  
mercifully grant that your servants  
may always be enlightened by his wisdom  
and sustained by his merits.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Saint Gregory VII, Pope**

*The Common of Pastors: For a Pope (p. 000).*

**Collect**

Give to your Church, we pray, O Lord,  
the spirit of fortitude and zeal for justice,  
which you made shine forth in Pope Saint Gregory VII,  
so that, rejecting iniquity, she may be free  
to carry out in charity whatever is right.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

## Saint Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi, Virgin

The Common of Virgins: For One Virgin (p. 000).

### Collect

O God, lover of virginity,  
who adorned with heavenly gifts  
the Virgin Saint Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi,  
setting her on fire with your love,  
grant that we who honor her today  
may imitate her example of purity and charity.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.



26 May

**Saint Philip Neri, Priest**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

**Rom 5, 5**

The love of God has been poured into our hearts  
through the Spirit of God dwelling within us (P.T. alleluia).

**Collect**

O God,  
who never cease to raise up in the glory of holiness  
faithful servants for yourself,  
mercifully grant  
that the Holy Spirit may kindle in us that fire  
with which he wonderfully penetrated the heart of Saint Philip Neri.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

As we offer you the sacrifice of praise, O Lord,  
we ask that, like Saint Philip,  
we may always give ourselves cheerfully  
for the glory of your name  
and the service of our neighbor.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

**Jn 15, 9**

As the Father has loved me,  
so I have loved you, says the Lord;  
remain in my love (P.T. alleluia).

**Prayer after Communion**

Fed with heavenly delights,  
we pray, O Lord,  
that in imitation of Saint Philip  
we may always hunger  
for the food by which we truly live.  
Through Christ our Lord.

27 May

**Saint Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop**

The Common of Pastors: For Missionaries (p. 000), or For a Bishop (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God,  
who led the peoples of England to the Gospel  
through the preaching  
of the Bishop Saint Augustine of Canterbury,  
grant, we pray, that his labors  
may remain ever fruitful in your Church.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

31 May

## THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Feast

### Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 65, 16

Come, listen, all who fear God,  
and I shall tell you what great things  
the Lord has done for my soul (P.T. alleluia).

The Gloria is said.

### Collect

Almighty everlasting God,  
while the Blessed Virgin Mary  
was carrying your Son in her womb,  
you inspired her to visit Elizabeth;  
grant us, we pray,  
to heed the Spirit who breathes on us,  
so as to join her in proclaiming your greatness at all times.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

### Prayer over the Offerings

Let this our saving sacrifice  
be pleasing to your majesty, O Lord,  
as you deemed acceptable the selfless love  
of the Most Blessed Mother of your Only Begotten Son.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Preface II of the Blessed Virgin Mary, p. 000.

### Communion Antiphon

Lk 1, 48-49

All generations will call me blessed,  
for he who is mighty has done great things for me,  
and holy is his name (P.T. alleluia).

### Prayer after Communion

May your Church proclaim your greatness, O God,  
for you have done great things for your faithful,  
and, as Saint John the Baptist leapt with joy  
when he first sensed the hidden presence of Christ,  
so may your Church rejoice  
to perceive in this Sacrament the same ever-living Christ.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

The Solemn Blessing formula on pp. 000-000 may be used.

The Saturday after the Second Sunday after Pentecost

**The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

**Ps 12, 6**

My Heart will rejoice in your salvation;  
I will sing to the Lord for his goodness to me.

**Collect**

O God,  
who prepared a worthy dwelling place for the Holy Spirit  
in the Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
graciously grant that we may be found worthy,  
through the Virgin's intercession,  
to be a temple of your glory.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

Look, O Lord, upon the prayers and offerings of your faithful  
presented on the commemoration  
of Blessed Mary, the Mother of God,  
that they may be pleasing to you  
and may confer on us the help of your atoning love.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Preface I of the Blessed Virgin Mary** (and to praise, bless, and glorify your name on this feast, p. 000, or **II**, p. 000).

**Communion Antiphon**

**Lk 2, 19**

Mary treasured all these words  
and pondered them in her Heart.

**Prayer after Communion**

Made partakers of eternal redemption,  
we pray, O Lord,  
that we who commemorate the Mother of your Son  
may glory in the fullness of your grace  
and experience continued growth in salvation.  
Through Christ our Lord.

# JUNE

1 June

**Saint Justin, Martyr**

**Memorial**

## Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 118, 85.46

The wicked have told me fabled,  
not in accord with your Law,  
but I spoke of your decrees before kings  
and was not put to shame (P.T. alleluia).

## Collect

O God, who through the folly of the Cross  
wondrously taught Saint Justin the Martyr  
the surpassing knowledge of Jesus Christ,  
grant us at his intercession  
that, with the deceit of errors driven away,  
we may attain steadfastness of faith.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

## Prayer over the Offerings

Grant us, we pray, O Lord,  
to celebrate worthily these mysteries  
which Saint Justin defended  
with stalwart courage.  
Through Christ our Lord.

## Communion Antiphon

Cf. 1 Cor 2, 2

I resolve to know nothing among you  
except for Jesus Christ  
and him crucified (P.T. alleluia).

## Prayer after Communion

Refreshed by heavenly food from,  
we humbly implore you, Lord,  
that, heeding the counsel of Saint Justin the Martyr,  
we may abide at all times in thanksgiving  
for the gifts we have received.  
Through Christ our Lord.

2 June

**Saints Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs**

The Common of Martyrs: For Several Martyrs (p. 000 or, during the Season of Easter p. 000).

**Collect**

O God,  
who surround and protect us  
with the victorious confession of the Martyrs  
Saints Marcellinus and Peter,  
grant that we may go forward by imitating them  
and be upheld by their prayer.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

3 June

## Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs

### Memorial

#### Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Wis 3, 6-7.9

As gold in a furnace  
the Lord put his chosen to the test;  
as a burnt offering he accepted them;  
and in due time they will be honored,  
for grace and peace await the elect of God (P.T. alleluia).

#### Collect

O God,  
who made the blood of Martyrs the seed of Christians,  
mercifully grant that the field of your Church,  
watered by the blood of Saint Charles Lwanga and his companions,  
may be made fertile to yield for you a rich and unfailing harvest.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

#### Prayer over the Offerings

We offer sacrifice to you, O Lord,  
humbly praying  
that, as you granted the blessed Martyrs  
to die rather than to sin,  
so you will bring us to minister at your altar  
in dedication to you alone.  
Through Christ our Lord.

#### Communion Antiphon

Ps 115, 15

Precious in the sight of the Lord  
is death of his Saints (P.T. alleluia).

#### Prayer after Communion

We have received the divine Sacraments, O Lord,  
while recalling the victory of your holy Martyrs;  
we pray that what helped them to endure torture  
may give us in the face of trials  
steadfastness of faith and charity.  
Through Christ our Lord.

5 June

**Saint Boniface, Bishop and Martyr**

**Memorial**

The Common of Martyrs: For One Martyr (p. 000 or, during the Season of Easter, p. 000) or the Common of Pastors: For Missionaries (p. 000).

**Collect**

May the Martyr Saint Boniface  
stand forth as our advocate, O Lord,  
that we may firmly hold  
and confidently profess in action  
the faith he taught by word and sealed with blood.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

6 June

**Saint Norbert, Bishop**

The Common of Pastors: For a Bishop (p. 000), or The Common of Holy Men and Women: For Religious (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, who made the Bishop Saint Norbert  
a minister of your Church  
outstanding in his prayer and pastoral zeal,  
grant, we ask, that with the help of his prayer  
the flock of the faithful  
may always find shepherds after your own heart  
and the pastures of salvation.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

9 June

**Saint Ephraem, Deacon and Doctor of the Church**

The Common of Doctors of the Church (p. 000).

**Collect**

In your kindness, O Lord, we pray,  
pour into our hearts the Holy Spirit,  
by whose breath  
the Deacon Saint Ephraem exulted in singing your mysteries  
and by whose power he served you alone.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.



11 June

**Saint Barnabas, Apostle**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

Cf. Acts 11, 24

Blessed is this holy man  
who was worthy to be numbered among the Apostles,  
for he was a good man  
filled with the Holy Spirit and with faith (P.T. alleluia).

**Collect**

O God,  
who decreed that Saint Barnabas,  
filled with faith and the Holy Spirit,  
be set apart for the conversion of the Gentiles,  
grant that the Gospel of Christ,  
which he preached with vigor,  
may be faithfully proclaimed  
by word and by deed.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

Sanctify with your blessing, we pray, O Lord,  
the gifts that are offered,  
so that by your grace they may set us on fire  
with the flame of your love,  
with which Saint Barnabas  
brought the light of the Gospel to the Gentiles.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface of the Apostles, pp. 000-000.

**Communion Antiphon**

Cf. Jn 15, 15

No longer shall I call you servants,  
for a servant does not know  
what his Lord is doing.  
But I have called you friends,  
for I have made known to you  
all I have heard from my Father (P.T. alleluia).

**Prayer after Communion**

As we receive the pledge of eternal life,  
we humbly implore you, Lord,  
that what we celebrate in sacramental rites  
on the Memorial of the blessed Apostle Barnabas  
we may come to grasp in all its fullness.  
Through Christ our Lord.

13 June

**Saint Antony of Padua, Priest and Doctor of the Church**

**Memorial**

The Common of Pastors (p. 000), or the Common of Doctors of the Church (p. 000), or The Common of Holy Men and Women: For Religious (p. 000).

**Collect**

Almighty everlasting God,  
who gave Saint Antony of Padua to your people  
as an outstanding preacher  
and in intercessor in their needs,  
grant that, with his aid,  
as we follow the teachings of the Christian life,  
we may experience you as our helper in every trial.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

19 June

**Saint Romuald, Abbot**

The Common of Holy Men and Women: For an Abbot (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God,  
who through Saint Romuald renewed  
the eremitical life in your Church,  
grant that, denying ourselves and following Christ,  
we may receive the joy  
of ascending to the heavenly realms.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

21 June

**Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

**Cf. Ps 23, 4.3**

The one whose hands are innocent,  
whose heart is pure  
will ascend the mountain of the Lord  
and will stand in his holy place.

**Collect**

O God, source of heavenly gifts,  
who in Saint Aloysius Gonzaga  
joined penitence to a wondrous innocence of life,  
grant at his merits and intercession,  
that, when we fail to follow him in innocence,  
we may imitate him in penitence.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

As we take our place at the heavenly banquet, O Lord,  
have us always clothed in our wedding garments  
like Saint Aloysius,  
so that participation in this mystery  
may enrich us with your grace.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

**Ps 77, 24-25**

He gave them the bread of heaven;  
a man ate the bread of Angels.

**Prayer after Communion**

Bring us who have been fed  
with the food of angels, Lord,  
to serve you in purity of life  
and, following the example of him who we honor today,  
to continue for ever in thanksgiving.  
Through Christ our Lord.

22 June

**Saint Paulinus of Nola, Bishop**

The Common of Pastors: For a Bishop (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God,  
who willed that the Bishop Saint Paulinus of Nola  
be renowned for love of poverty and for pastoral care,  
mercifully grant that, as we celebrate his merits  
we may imitate his example of charity.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Saints John Fisher, Bishop and Thomas More, Martyrs**

The Common of Martyrs: For Several Martyrs (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, who in martyrdom  
have brought true faith to its highest expression,  
grant in your mercy  
that, strengthened by the intercession  
of Saints John Fisher and Thomas More,  
we may confirm by witness of our life  
the faith we profess in words.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

24 June

# THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

Solemnity

## The Vigil Mass

This Mass is used in the evening of 23 June, either before or after Evening Prayer I of the Solemnity.

### Entrance Antiphon

Lk 1, 15.14

He will be great in the presence of the Lord  
and will be filled with the Holy Spirit,  
and even from his mother's womb;  
and many will rejoice at his birth.

The Gloria is said.

### Collect

Grant, we pray, almighty God,  
that your family may walking in the way of salvation,  
and, heeding the summons of Saint John the Precursor,  
come safely to the One he foretold,  
our Lord Jesus Christ.  
Who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

The Creed is said.

### Prayer over the Offerings

Look in mercy, O Lord, on your people's gifts,  
offered on the Solemnity of Saint John the Baptist,  
and grant that what we perform in mystery  
we may carry out in dutiful service.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Proper Preface, as in the following Mass, pp. 000-000.

### Communion Antiphon

Lk 1,68

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel,  
for he has visited his people and redeemed them.

### Prayer after Communion

Let the noble prayer of Saint John the Baptist  
accompany us who have feasted at the sacred meal, O Lord,  
and let him beg forgiveness on our behalf from your Son,  
whom he proclaimed as the Lamb who would take away our sins.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

## The Mass during the Day

### Entrance Antiphon

Jn 1,6-7; Lk 1, 17

There was a man sent from God,  
whose name was John.  
He came as a witness to the light  
to make ready for the Lord a perfect people.

The Gloria is said.

### Collect

O God,  
who raised up Saint John the Baptist  
to make ready a nation fit for Christ the Lord,  
give your peoples the grace of spiritual joys  
and guide the hearts of all the faithful  
into the way of salvation and peace.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

The Creed is said.

### Prayer over the Offerings

Gift upon gift we place on your altars, O Lord,  
to celebrate with due honor  
the nativity of him  
who both sang of the coming Savior of the world  
and pointed him out when he came.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Preface: The mission of the Precursor

Solemn Tone

Text without chant:

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

V. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

V. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

It is truly right and just,  
our duty and salvation,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God,  
through Christ our Lord.

In whose Precursor, Saint John the Baptist,  
we praise your great glory,  
for you consecrated him for a singular honor  
among those born of women.

His birth brought great rejoicing;  
even in the womb he leapt for joy  
at the coming of human salvation.  
He alone of all the prophets  
pointed out the Lamb of redemption.

To make holy the flowing waters  
he baptized the very author of Baptism  
and was privileged to bear supreme witness to him  
by shedding his blood.

And therefore, with the Powers of heaven,  
we worship you constantly on earth,  
for ever crying out to your glory:

Holy, Holy, Holy. . .

### Communion Antiphon

Lk 1,78

Through the mercy of the heart of our God  
the Morning Star from on high has visited us.

### Prayer after Communion

Having feasted at the banquet of the heavenly Lamb,  
we pray, O Lord, that your Church,  
finding joy in the birth of Saint John the Baptist,  
may know as the author of her rebirth  
the One whose coming John foretold.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

27 June

**Saint Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

The Common of Pastors: For a Bishop (p. 000), or the Common of Doctors of the Church (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God,  
who made the Bishop Saint Cyril of Alexandria  
an unconquered champion of the divine motherhood  
of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary,  
grant that we who believe her to be truly the Mother of God  
may be saved through the Incarnation of Christ your Son.  
Who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.



28 June

**Saint Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

**Mal 2, 6**

The law of truth was in his mouth;  
no dishonesty was found on his lips.  
He walked with me in honesty and peace,  
and turned many away from iniquity.

**Collect**

O God,  
who made the Bishop Saint Irenaeus  
successful in strengthening  
true doctrine and the peace of the Church,  
grant at his intercession, we pray,  
that, renewed in faith and charity,  
we may always be intent on foster unity and concord.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

May the sacrifice we offer you with joy,  
on the heavenly birthday of Saint Irenaeus  
bring you glory, Lord,  
and may it enable us to love the truth,  
so as to keep the Church's faith intact  
and her unity secure.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

**Jn 15, 4-5**

Remain in me, and I shall remain in you, says the Lord.  
Whoever remains in me, and I in them,  
bears much fruit.

**Prayer after Communion**

Through these sacred mysteries, we pray, O Lord,  
give us in your mercy an increase of faith  
which brought glory to the Bishop Saint Irenaeus  
as he maintained it even unto death;  
may it likewise bring righteousness  
to us who follow it in truth.  
Through Christ our Lord.

29 June

## SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

Solemnity

### The Vigil Mass

This Mass is used in the evening of 28 June, either before or after Evening Prayer I of the Solemnity.

#### Entrance Antiphon

Peter the Apostle,  
and Paul the teacher of the Gentiles:  
these have taught us your Law, O Lord.

The Gloria is said.

#### Collect

Grant, we pray, O Lord our God,  
that we may be upheld  
by the intercession of the blessed Apostles Peter and Paul,  
that, as through them you gave your Church  
the foundation of her heavenly office,  
so through them you will provide  
help towards her everlasting salvation.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

The Creed is said.

#### Prayer over the Offerings

We bring gifts to your altars, Lord,  
glorifying in the Solemnity of the blessed Apostles Peter and Paul,  
so that the more we are fearful about our own merit  
the more we may glory that we are to be saved  
by your loving kindness.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Proper Preface, as in the following Mass, pp. 000-000.

#### Communion Antiphon

Simon, Son of John,  
so you love me more than these?  
Lord, you know all things;  
you know, Lord, that I love you.

Cf. Jn 21, 15.17

### Prayer after Communion

By the heavenly Sacraments, Lord, we pray,  
strengthen your faithful,  
whom you have enlightened  
with the teaching of the Apostles.  
Through Christ our Lord.

The Solemn Blessing formula on p. 000 may be used.

## The Mass during the Day

### Entrance Antiphon

These are the ones who, living in the flesh,  
planted the Church with their blood;  
they drank the chalice of the Lord  
and became the friends of God.

The Gloria is said.

### Collect

O God,  
who gave us the noble and holy joy of this day  
as we solemnly commemorate the Apostles Peter and Paul,  
grant that your Church  
may in all things follow the teaching of those  
through whom she received the beginnings of her religion.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

The Creed is said.

### Prayer over the Offerings

May the prayer of the Apostles, O Lord,  
accompany the sacrificial gift  
that we offer to your name for consecration,  
and let it make us devoted to you  
in celebrating the sacrifice.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface: The twofold mission of Peter and Paul in the Church

Solemn Tone

Text without chant:

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

V. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

V. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

It is truly right and just,  
our duty and salvation,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For in your providence  
the blessed Apostles Peter and Paul bring us joy:  
Peter, foremost in confessing the faith,  
Paul, great in unfolding its truth,  
Peter, who established the early Church from the remnant of Israel,

Paul, master and teacher of the Gentiles whom you called.

So one martyr's crown has joined  
two men honored throughout the world,  
who in different ways brought together  
the one family of Christ.

And so, with all the Angels and Saints  
we praise you and acclaim without end:

Holy, Holy, Holy. . .

### Communion Antiphon

Cf. Mt 16, 16.18

Peter said to Jesus:  
You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.  
And Jesus replied:  
You are Peter,  
and on this rock I will build my Church.

### Prayer after Communion

Grant us, O Lord,  
who have been refreshed by this Sacrament,  
so to live in the Church  
that, persevering in the breaking of the Bread  
and the teaching of the Apostles,  
we may be one heart and one soul,  
made strong in your love.  
Through Christ our Lord.

The Solemn Blessing formula on p. 000 may be used.

For a Votive Mass of Saint Peter or of Saint Paul, cf. infra, p. 000, or p. 000.

30 June

**The First Martyr Saints of the Holy Roman Church**

The Common of Martyrs: For Several Martyrs (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God,  
who consecrated the abundant first fruits of the Roman Church  
with the blood of Martyrs,  
grant, we pray, that with firm courage  
we may draw strength from so great a struggle  
and always rejoice at the triumph of faithful love.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

# JULY

3 July

## SAINT THOMAS, APOSTLE

Feast

### Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 117, 28.21

You are my God, and I will praise you.  
You are my God, and I will glorify you.  
I will praise you, for you have become my salvation.

The Gloria is said.

### Collect

Grant us, almighty God,  
to glory in the feast day of the blessed Apostle Thomas,  
so that we may always be sustained by his protection  
and, believing, may have life  
in the name of the One whom he acknowledged as Lord,  
Jesus Christ your Son.  
Who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

### Prayer over the Offerings

We render to you, Lord, the service we owe,  
humbly imploring you to safeguard your gifts in us  
who offer you sacrifices of praise  
to honor the confession of the blessed Apostle Thomas.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface of the Apostles, pp. 000-000.

### Communion Antiphon

Cf. Jn 20, 27

Reach out your hand and feel the place of the nails,  
and be no longer doubtful but believe.

### Prayer after Communion

Grant, we pray, O God,  
that we who truly receive in this Sacrament  
the Body of your Only Begotten Son  
may also proclaim by our deeds and way of life  
the One whom,  
with the Apostle Thomas,  
we recognize by faith as our Lord and our God.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

The Solemn Blessing formula on pp. 000-000 may be used.

4 July

**Saint Elizabeth of Portugal**

The Common of Holy Men and Women: For Those Who Practiced Works of Mercy (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, author of peace and lover of charity,  
who adorned Saint Elizabeth of Portugal  
with marvelous grace for reconciling those in conflict,  
grant us through her intercession to perform works of peace,  
that we may be called the children of God.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

5 July

**Saint Antony Mary Zaccaria, Priest**

The Common of Pastors (p. 000), or The Common of Holy Men and Women: For Educators (p. 000), or For Religious, (p. 000).

**Collect**

Grant, O Lord, that in the spirit of the Apostle Paul  
we may pursue the surpassing knowledge of Jesus Christ  
which formed Saint Antony Mary Zaccaria  
to preach the word of salvation unceasingly in your Church.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.



6 July

**Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr**

The Common of Martyrs: For a Virgin Martyr (p. 000), or the Common of Virgins: For One Virgin (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God,  
author of innocence and lover of chastity,  
who bestowed on your servant Maria Goretti  
the grace of martyrdom in her youth,  
we pray that you, who crowned that valiant virgin,  
will at her intercession  
grant us to be steadfast in your commandments.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

9 July

**Saints Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs**

The Common of Martyrs: For Several Martyrs (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God,  
who in your wonderful providence have strengthened your Church  
through the confession of the Martyrs  
Saint Augustine Zhao Rong and his companions,  
grant that your people, faithful to the mission entrusted to them,  
may enjoy greater freedom  
and witness to the truth before the world.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

11 July  
**Saint Benedict, Abbot**  
Memorial

**Entrance Antiphon**

There was a man of venerable life,  
Benedict, blessed by grace and by name,  
who leaving home and patrimony  
and desiring to please God alone,  
sought out the habit of holy living.

**Collect**

O God,  
who established the Abbot Saint Benedict  
as a renowned master in the school of divine service,  
grant, we pray, that we may prefer nothing to your love  
and run with open hearts  
in the way of your commandments.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

Look with kindness, Lord, we pray, upon these holy offerings  
which we bring on the feast day of Saint Benedict,  
and grant that, following his example by seeking you,  
we may receive the gifts of unity and peace in your service.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

Lk 12, 42

This is the servant, faithful and wise,  
whom the Lord set over his household  
to give them their measure of wheat in due season.

**Prayer after Communion**

We who have received the pledge of eternal life  
humbly beg you, Lord,  
that, obeying Saint Benedict's teaching,  
we may devote ourselves faithfully to your work  
and cherish our brothers and sisters with fervent charity.  
Through Christ our Lord.

13 July

**Saint Henry**

*The Common of Holy Men and Women: For One Saint (p. 000).*

**Collect**

O God,  
whose abundant grace prepared Saint Henry,  
to be raised in a wonderful way  
from the cares of earthly rule to things above,  
grant at his intercession  
that amid the changes of this world  
we may hasten towards you with minds made pure.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

14 July

**Saint Camillus de Lellis, Priest**

*The Common of Holy Men and Women: For Those Who Practiced Works of Mercy (p. 000).*

**Collect**

O God,  
who adorned the Priest Saint Camillus de Lellis  
with a singular grace of charity for the sick,  
pour out on us in light of his merits  
the spirit of your love,  
so that, serving you in our brothers and sisters,  
we may be able to pass over to you without fear  
at the hour of our death.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

15 July

**Saint Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

*The Common of Pastors: For a Bishop (p. 000) or the Common of Doctors of the Church (p. 000).*

**Collect**

Grant, we pray, almighty God,  
that we who are celebrating  
the birth into glory of the Bishop Saint Bonaventure  
may benefit from the splendor of his learning  
and constantly imitate the ardor of his charity.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

16 July

**Our Lady of Mount Carmel**

*The Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary (p. 000).*

**Collect**

May the venerable intercession of the glorious Virgin Mary  
come to our aid, we pray, O Lord,  
so that, fortified by her protection,  
we may have strength to reach the mountain, which is Christ.  
Who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

20 July

**Saint Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr**

*The Common of Martyrs: For One Martyr (p. 000), or the Common of Pastors: For a Bishop (p. 000).*

**Collect**

Guide your faithful people, Lord,  
in the way of eternal salvation,  
which the Bishop Saint Apollinaris  
showed by his teaching and martyrdom,  
and grant us through his intercession  
so to persevere in keeping your commandments  
that we may merit to be crowned with him.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

21 July

**Saint Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest and Doctor of the Church**

*The Common of Pastors (p. 000), or the Common of Doctors of the Church (p. 000), or Common of Men and Women Saints: For Religious, (p. 000).*

**Collect**

O God,  
who for the glory of your name and the salvation of souls  
bestowed on the Priest Saint Lawrence of Brindisi  
the spirit of counsel and fortitude,  
grant that in the same spirit  
we may know what must be done  
and with his intercession  
bring it to completion.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

22 July

**Saint Mary Magdalene**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

**Jn 20, 17**

The Lord said to Mary Magdalene:  
Go to my brothers and tell them:  
I am ascending to my Father and your Father,  
to my God and your God.

**Collect**

O God,  
whose Only Begotten Son  
entrusted to Mary Magdalene before all others  
the proclamation of Easter joy,  
grant, we pray,  
that, with her intercession and example,  
we may proclaim the living Christ  
and see him reigning in your glory.  
Who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

Accept, O Lord, the gifts  
offered in commemoration of Saint Mary Magdalene,  
whose devoted homage of love  
your Only Begotten Son accepted in mercy.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

**Communion Antiphon**

**2 Cor 5, 14.15**

The love of Christ impels us,  
so that those who live  
should live no longer for themselves  
but for him who died for them and rose again.

**Prayer after Communion**

May the holy reception of your mysteries, Lord,  
instill in us that persevering love  
with which Saint Mary Magdalene  
clung without ceasing to Christ her Master.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

23 July

**Saint Bridget, Religious**

The Common of Holy Men and Women: For Women Saints (p. 000), or For Religious (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God,  
who guided Saint Bridget of Sweden  
through various walks of life,  
and wondrously taught her the wisdom of the Cross  
as she contemplated the Passion of your Son,  
grant that, walking worthily in your call,  
we may seek you in all things.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

24 July

**Saint Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest**

The Common of Pastors: For One Pastor (p. 000), or The Common of Holy Men and Women: For a Monk, (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God,  
who called the Priest Saint Sharbel Makhlūf  
to the solitary combat of the desert  
and filled him with all manner of devotion,  
grant us, we pray,  
that, brought to imitate the Passion of the Lord,  
we may be worthy to share in his Kingdom.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

25 July

## SAINT JAMES, APOSTLE

Feast

### Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Mt 4, 18.21

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee,  
Jesus saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother  
mending their nets, and he called them,

The Gloria is said.

### Collect

Almighty everlasting God,  
who consecrated the first fruits of your Apostles  
by the blood of Saint James,  
grant, we pray,  
that your Church may be strengthened by his martyrdom  
and constantly encouraged by his patronage.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

### Prayer over the Offerings

Cleanse us, Lord, by the saving baptism of your Son's Passion,  
so that on the Feast of Saint James,  
whom you willed to be the first among the Apostles  
to drink of his chalice,  
we may offer you a pleasing sacrifice.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface of the Apostles, pp. 000-000.

### Communion Antiphon

They drank the chalice of the Lord,  
and became the friends of God.

### Prayer after Communion

Help us, Lord, we pray,  
by the intercession of the blessed Apostle James,  
on whose feast day we have received your holy gifts with joy.  
Through Christ our Lord.

The Solemn Blessing formula on pp. 000-000 may be used.

26 July

**Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

**Cf. Sir 44, 1.25**

Among their generation,  
let us praise Joachim and Anne,  
for the Lord gave them one  
who was a blessing for all nations.

**Collect**

O Lord, God of our Fathers,  
who bestowed on Saints Joachim and Anne the grace  
that the Mother of your incarnate Son should be born of them,  
grant in answer to their prayers  
that we may attain the salvation promised to your people.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

Receive, we pray, O Lord,  
the gifts of our devotion,  
and grant that we may be made worthy  
to share in the same blessing  
as your promised to Abraham and his seed.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

**Cf. Ps 23, 5**

They received a blessing from the Lord,  
and mercy from God their Savior.

**Prayer after Communion**

O God,  
you willed that your Only Begotten Son  
should be born of the human race  
so that by a wonderful mystery  
men and women might be born again from you;  
we pray that in your kindness  
you will make holy by the spirit of adoption  
those you have satisfied with the bread you give your children.  
Through Christ our Lord.



29 July  
**Saint Martha**  
Memorial

**Entrance Antiphon**

Cf. Lk 10, 38

Jesus entered a village,  
and a woman called Martha  
welcomed him into her home.

**Collect**

Almighty everlasting God,  
whose Son was pleased to be welcomed  
in the house of Saint Martha,  
grant, we pray,  
that through her intercession  
we may serve Christ faithfully in our brothers and sisters  
and be worthy to be received by you  
in the dwelling place of heaven.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

We proclaim you wonderful in Saint Martha, O Lord,  
and we humbly implore your majesty  
that, as her homage of love was pleasing to you,  
so our dutiful service may find favor in your sight.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

Jn 11, 27

Martha said to Jesus:  
You are the Christ,  
the Son of the living God  
who have come into this world.

**Prayer after Communion**

May the holy reception of the Body and Blood  
of your Only Begotten Son  
turn us away from all that is fleeting, O Lord,  
so that, after the example of Saint Martha,  
we may grow in sincere love of you on earth  
and rejoice in the perpetual vision of you in heaven.  
Through Christ our Lord.

30 July

**Saint Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

The Common of Pastors: For a Bishop (p. 000), or the Common of Doctors of the Church (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God,  
who made the Bishop Saint Peter Chrysologus  
an outstanding preacher of your Incarnate Word,  
grant at his intercession  
that we may constantly explore in our hearts  
they mysteries of your salvation  
and faithfully express them in our deeds.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

31 July

**Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

**Cf. Phil 2, 10-11**

At the name of Jesus every knee must bend  
in heaven, on earth and under the earth,  
and every tongue confess  
that the Lord Jesus Christ  
is in the glory of God the Father.

**Collect**

O God,  
who raised up Saint Ignatius of Loyola in your Church  
to spread the greater glory of your Name,  
grant that we may do battle on earth  
like him and with his help,  
and be worthy to be crowned with him in heaven.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

May the gifts offered to you  
in celebration of Saint Ignatius  
be pleasing, Lord God,  
and grant that the most sacred mysteries  
which you have established as the wellspring of all holiness  
may sanctify us also in the truth.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

**Cf. Lk 12, 49**

Thus says the Lord:  
I have come to cast fire on the earth,  
and how I wish that it were kindled.

**Prayer after Communion**

May the sacrifice of praise  
we have offered, O Lord,  
in thanksgiving for Saint Ignatius  
lead us to eternal praise of your majesty.  
Through Christ our Lord.

# AUGUST

1 August

**Saint Alphonsus Mary de' Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

**Memorial**

The Common of Pastors: For a Bishop (p. 000), or the Common of Doctors of the Church (p. 000).

## Collect

O God, who constantly raise up new examples  
of virtue in your Church,  
grant us to follow so closely  
the footsteps of the Bishop Saint Alphonsus Liguori  
in his zeal for souls  
that we also may attain his reward in heaven.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

## Prayer over the Offerings

O Lord, who granted that Saint Alphonsus  
should celebrate these mysteries  
and through them offer himself to you as a holy sacrifice,  
mercifully purify our hearts  
with the celestial fire of your Spirit.  
Through Christ our Lord.

## Prayer after Communion

O God, who gave us Saint Alphonsus  
as a faithful steward and herald of this great mystery,  
grant that your faithful may receive it often  
and, receiving it, praise you without end.  
Through Christ our Lord.

2 August

**Saint Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop**

*The Common of Pastors: For a Bishop (p. 000).*

**Collect**

Lead us, Lord God, to imitate  
the constancy of the Bishop Saint Eusebius of Vercelli  
in affirming your Son's divinity,  
so that, by preserving the faith he taught,  
we may become worthy to share in the life of your Son.  
Who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Saint Peter Julian Eymard, Priest**

*The Common of Holy Men and Women: For Religious, (p. 000), or the Common of Pastors: For One Pastor (p. 000).*

**Collect**

O God, who adorned Saint Peter Julian Eymard  
with wonderful love for the sacred mysteries  
of the Body and Blood of your Son,  
graciously grant that we also may be worthy to receive  
the riches he drew from this divine banquet.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

4 August

**Saint John Mary Vianney, Priest**

**Memorial**

*The Common of Pastors: For One Pastor (p. 000).*

**Collect**

Almighty and merciful God,  
who made the Priest Saint John Vianney  
admirable for his pastoral zeal,  
grant, we pray, that with his intercession and example  
we may in charity win brothers and sisters for Christ  
and with them attain eternal glory.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son  
Who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

5 August

**The Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary**

The Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary, (p. 000).

**Collect**

Pardon the faults of your servants, we pray, O Lord,  
that we who cannot please you by our own deeds  
may be saved by the intercession  
of the Mother of your Son.  
Who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

6 August

## THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

Feast

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Mt 17, 5

In a resplendent cloud the Holy Spirit appeared.  
The Father's voice was heard:  
This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased:  
listen to him.

The Gloria is said.

Collect

O God, who in the glorious Transfiguration of your Only Begotten Son confirmed the mysteries of faith by the testimony of the Fathers and wonderfully prefigured our full adoption to sonship, grant to us, your servants, that, listening to the voice of your beloved Son, we may be worthy to become co-heirs with him. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

When this Feast falls on a Sunday, the Creed is said.

Prayer over the Offerings

Sanctify, O Lord, we pray,  
the gifts offered on the glorious Transfiguration  
of your Only Begotten Son,  
and by his radiant splendor  
cleanse us from the stains of sin.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface: The mystery of the Transfiguration

Solemn Tone

Text without chant:

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

V. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

V. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

It is truly right and just,  
our duty and salvation,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God,  
through Christ our Lord.

He revealed his glory in the presence of chosen witnesses

and filled with radiant splendor that bodily form  
which he shared with all humanity,  
to remove the scandal of the Cross  
from the hearts of his disciples  
and to show that the Body of the whole church  
will be filled with the glory  
to so wonderfully shone forth in its Head.

And therefore, with the Powers of heaven,  
we worship you constantly on earth,  
for ever crying out to your glory

Holy, Holy, Holy. . .

### Communion Antiphon

Cf. 1 Jn 3, 2

When the Christ appears,  
we shall be like him;  
for we shall see him as he is.

### Prayer after Communion

May the heavenly nourishment we have received,  
we pray, O Lord,  
transform us into the image of the One  
whose brightness you willed to display  
in his glorious Transformation.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.



7 August

**Saints Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs**

The Common of Martyrs: For Several Martyrs (p. 000).

**Collect**

Almighty God,  
who enabled Saint Sixtus and his companions  
to lay down their lives for the sake of your word  
and the testimony of Jesus,  
we pray that by the power of the Holy Spirit,  
you will make us docile in believing  
and brave in confessing the faith.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Saint Cajetan, Priest**

The Common of Pastors: For One Pastor (p. 000), or The Common of Holy Men and Women: For Religious, (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, who granted the Priest Saint Cajetan  
to imitate the apostolic way of life,  
enable us, with his example and intercession,  
to trust in you at all times  
and to seek your Kingdom without ceasing.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

8 August  
**Saint Dominic, Priest**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

**Cf. Sir 15, 5**

In the midst of the Church he opened his mouth,  
and the Lord filled him  
with the spirit of wisdom and understanding  
and clothed him in a robe of glory.

**Collect**

May Saint Dominic help your Church  
by his merits and teaching, O Lord,  
and may he who was an eminent preacher of your truth  
become a most devoted intercessor on our behalf.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

At the intercession of Saint Dominic,  
mercifully attend to the prayers we offer you, Lord,  
and by the mighty power of this sacrifice  
strengthen the champions of the faith  
with the protection of your grace.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

**Lk 12, 42**

This is the servant, faithful and wise,  
whom the Lord set over his household  
to give them their measure of wheat in due season.

**Prayer after Communion**

May your Church, O Lord,  
receive with whole-hearted devotion  
the power of the heavenly Sacrament  
with which we have been fed  
on the commemoration of Saint Dominic,  
and may the Church,  
which has flourished by his preaching,  
be helped by his intercession.  
Through Christ our Lord.

9 August

**Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr**

The Common of Martyrs: For a Virgin Martyr (p. 000), or the Common of Virgins: For One Virgin (p. 000).

**Collect**

God of our Fathers,  
who led the Martyr Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross  
to know your crucified Son  
and to imitate him even unto death,  
grant at her intercession  
that the whole human race may acknowledge Christ as Savior  
and come to behold you for ever through him.  
Who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

10 August

## SAINT LAWRENCE, DEACON AND MARTYR

Feast

### Entrance Antiphon

This is Saint Lawrence,  
who gave himself up for the treasure of the Church:  
for this he earned the suffering of martyrdom  
to ascend with joy to the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Gloria is said.

### Collect

O God, whose charity burned brightly in Saint Lawrence,  
making him faithful in service and glorious in martyrdom,  
grant us to love what he love  
and to put into practice what he taught.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

### Prayer over the Offerings

Graciously receive, O Lord,  
the gifts joyfully offered on the feast day of Saint Lawrence  
and grant that they become a help to our salvation.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface of Martyr Saints, pp. 000-000.

### Communion Antiphon

Cf. Jn 12, 26

Whoever serves me must follow me  
and where I am  
there also my servants will be, says the Lord.

### Prayer after Communion

Fully nourished by the sacred gift,  
we humbly implore you, Lord,  
that we may experience as an increase of your saving power  
the homage of our dutiful service,  
which we render on the feast day of Saint Lawrence.  
Through Christ our Lord.

11 August

**Saint Clare, Virgin**

**Memorial**

*The Common of Virgins (p. 000), or The Common of Holy Men and Women: For a Nun (p. 000).*

**Collect**

O God, who mercifully led Saint Clare to a love of poverty,  
grant at her intercession  
that by following Christ in poverty of spirit  
we may be worthy to come to contemplate you  
in the heavenly Kingdom.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

12 August

**Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious**

*The Common of Holy Men and Women: For Religious, (p. 000).*

**Collect**

O God, who made Saint Jane Frances de Chantal  
radiant with the brightest of merits  
in various walks of life,  
grant us at her intercession  
to walk faithfully in our vocation  
and to shine constantly as examples of light.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

13 August

**Saints Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs**

*The Common of Martyrs: For Several Martyrs, (p. 000), or the Common of Pastors (p. 000).*

**Collect**

Let the precious suffering of the righteous  
increase in us a desire for your love,  
O Lord, we pray,  
and let it always arouse in our hearts  
the constancy of holy faith.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

14 August

**Saint Maximilian Mary Kolbe, Priest and Martyr**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

**Mt 25, 34.40**

Come, you blessed of my Father, says the Lord.  
Amen I say to you,  
insofar as you did this  
for one of the least of these my brethren,  
you did it for me.

**Collect**

O God,  
who filled the Priest and Martyr Saint Maximilian Kolbe  
with a burning love for the Immaculate Virgin  
and with zeal for souls and love of neighbor,  
graciously grant that through his intercession,  
we may work strenuously for your glory  
in the service of others  
and even unto death be conformed to your Son.  
Who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

We present our gifts to you, O Lord,  
humbly praying that we may learn  
by the example of Saint Maximilian  
to offer our life to you.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

**Cf. Jn 15, 13**

Greater love has no one  
that to lay down his life for his friends, says the Lord.

**Prayer after Communion**

We pray, O Lord,  
that, renewed by the Body and Blood of your Son,  
we may be enkindled with the fire of charity  
that Saint Maximilian received from this banquet.  
Through Christ our Lord.

15 August

# THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Solemnity

## The Vigil Mass

This Mass is used in the evening of 14 August, either before or after Evening Prayer I of the Solemnity.

### Entrance Antiphon

Glorious things have been spoken of you, O Mary,  
who today were exalted  
above the choirs of Angels  
into eternal triumph with Christ.

The Gloria is said.

### Collect

O God,  
you looked on the lowliness of the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
and raised her to such grace,  
that your Only Begotten Son  
was born of her according to the flesh,  
and you crowned her today with surpassing glory;  
grant at her prayers  
that we may be saved by the mystery of your redemption,  
and merit to be raised by you on high.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

The Creed is said.

### Prayer over the Offerings

Receive, we pray, O Lord,  
the sacrifice of atonement and praise,  
which we celebrate on the Assumption  
of the holy Mother of God,  
that it may lead us to obtain pardon  
and establish us in perpetual thanksgiving.  
Through Christ our Lord

Proper Preface, as in the following Mass, pp. 000-000.

### Communion Antiphon

Blessed is the womb of the Virgin Mary,  
which bore the Son of the eternal Father.

Cf. Lk 11, 27

### Prayer after Communion

Made partakers of the heavenly table,  
Lord our God,  
we beg your mercy  
that we who keep the Assumption of the Mother of God  
may be freed from all impending evils.  
Through Christ our Lord.

The Solemn Blessing formula on pp. 000-000 may be used.



## The Mass during the Day

### Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Rev 12, 1

A great sign appeared in heaven:  
a woman clothed with the sun,  
and the moon beneath her feet,  
and on her head a crown of twelve stars.

Or:

Let us all rejoice in the Lord,  
as we celebrate the feast day  
in honor of the Virgin Mary,  
at whose Assumption the Angels rejoice  
and praise the Son of God.

The Gloria is said.

### Collect

Almighty everlasting God,  
who assumed the immaculate Virgin Mary,  
the Mother of your Son,  
body and soul into the glory of heaven,  
grant, we pray,  
that, always intent on the things that are above,  
we may be worthy to share in her glory.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

The Creed is said.

### Prayer over the Offerings

Let the offering of our devotion rise up to you, O Lord,  
and, through the intercession of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary  
assumed into heaven,  
may our hearts, aflame with the fire of charity,  
constantly long for you.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface: The Glory of Mary assumed into heaven.

Solemn Tone

Text without chant:

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

V. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

V. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

It is truly right and just,  
our duty and our salvation,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God,  
through Christ our Lord.

For today the Virgin Mother of God was assumed into heaven,  
as the beginning and pattern of your Church's perfection  
and a sign of sure hope and comfort to your pilgrim people.

Rightly you would not allow her  
to see the corruption of the tomb,  
because from her own flesh  
she brought forth ineffably  
your incarnate Son, the Author of life.

And so, in company with the choirs of Angels,  
we praise you, proclaiming with joy"

Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord God of hosts.

### Communion Antiphon

Lk 1, 48-49

All generations will call me blessed,  
for he who is might has done great things for me.

### Prayer after Communion

We who have received the Sacraments of salvation, O Lord,  
ask you to grant  
that, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
assumed into heaven,  
we may be brought to the glory of the resurrection.  
Through Christ our Lord.

The Solemn Blessing formula on pp. 000-000 may be used.

16 August

**Saint Stephen of Hungary**

The Common of Holy Men and Women: For One Saint (p. 000).

**Collect**

Grant to your Church, we pray, almighty God,  
that she may be worthy to have Saint Stephen of Hungary,  
who fostered her growth while a king on earth,  
as her glorious champion in heaven.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

19 August

**Saint John Eudes, Priest**

The Common of Pastors: For One Pastor (p. 000), or The Common of Holy Men and Women: For Religious, (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, who wonderfully chose the Priest Saint John Eudes  
to proclaim the unfathomable riches of Christ,  
grant us through his example and teachings  
to grow in your knowledge  
and to live faithfully according to the light of the Gospel.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

20 August

**Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

The Lord filled Saint Bernard with a spirit of understanding  
and he poured forth streams of teaching  
in his service to the people of God.

**Collect**

O God, who made the Abbot Saint Bernard  
blaze with zeal for your house  
as a light burning and shining in your Church,  
grant us at his intercession  
to be on fire with the same spirit  
and to walk always as children of light.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

We offer to your majesty, O Lord,  
the Sacrament of unity and peace,  
as we keep the Memorial of the Abbot Saint Bernard,  
a man illustrious in word and deed,  
who vigorously brought harmony of order to your Church.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

**Jn 15, 9**

As the Father has loved me,  
so I have loved you, says the Lord;  
remain in my love.

**Prayer after Communion**

May the food we have received  
on the feast day of Saint Bernard  
work its effect in us, O Lord,  
so that, strengthened by his example  
and instructed by his teaching,  
we may be caught up in love of your incarnate Word.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

21 August  
**Saint Pius X, Pope**  
**Memorial**

The Common of Pastors: For a Pope (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, who to safeguard the Catholic faith  
and to restore all things in Christ  
filled Pope Saint Pius the Tenth  
with heavenly wisdom and apostolic courage,  
graciously grant that, following his teaching and example,  
we may obtain eternal rewards.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

As you receive our offerings with kindness,  
grant, we pray, O Lord,  
that, following the teaching of Pope Saint Pius,  
we may celebrate these divine mysteries with sincere reverence  
and receive them in a spirit of faith.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Prayer after Communion**

Celebrating the Memorial of Pope Saint Pius  
pray, O Lord our God,  
that by the power of the heavenly table  
we may be made constant in faith  
and be of one heart in your love.  
Through Christ our Lord.

22 August

## The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

### Memorial

#### Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 44, 10

At your right hands the Queen,  
richly arrayed in vesture of gold.

#### Collect

O God, who made the Bearer of your Son  
to be our Mother and our Queen,  
graciously grant that, supported by her intercession,  
we may attain the glory of your children  
in the heavenly Kingdom.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

#### Prayer over the Offerings

As we observe the Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
we offer you our gifts, O Lord,  
imploping that we may draw strength  
from the humanity of him  
who offered himself to you on the Cross  
as the unblemished Victim.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Preface I of the Blessed Virgin Mary (on the feast day), p. 000, or II, p. 000.

#### Communion Antiphon

Cf. Lk 1, 45

Blessed are you who have believed  
that what was told to you by the Lord  
will be fulfilled.

#### Prayer after Communion

Having received the heavenly Sacraments,  
we humbly beg you, Lord,  
that we who reverently keep  
the Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
may be worthy to share in the eternal banquet.  
Through Christ our Lord.

23 August

**Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin**

The Common of Virgins: For One Virgin (p. 000),

**Collect**

O God,  
you led Saint Rose of Lima, on fire with your love,  
to leave the world  
and, in austere penance, to be free for you alone;  
grant that through her intercession  
we may tread the paths of life on earth  
and enjoy the stream of your delights in heaven.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

24 August

## SAINT BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE

Feast

### Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 95, 2-3

Proclaim the saving work of God  
from day to day;  
proclaim among the nations his glory.

The Gloria is said.

### Collect

Strengthen in us, O Lord, the faith  
by which the blessed Apostle Bartholomew  
clung wholeheartedly to your Son,  
and grant that with the help of his prayers  
your Church may become the sacrament of salvation  
for all the nations.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
Who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

### Prayer over the Offerings

As we celebrate anew  
the feast day of Saint Bartholomew, O Lord,  
we pray that we may obtain your help  
through the intercession of the Apostle  
in whose honor we offer you sacrifices of praise.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface of the Apostles, pp. 000-000.

### Communion Antiphon

Lk 22, 29-30

I confer on you a kingdom  
as my Father conferred a kingdom on me  
that you may eat and drink  
at my table in my Kingdom, says the Lord.

### Prayer after Communion

We who celebrate the feast day of the blessed Apostle Bartholomew  
have received the pledge of eternal redemption, O Lord,  
and we pray that it may be a help to us  
both for this present life and for the life to come.  
Through Christ our Lord.

The Solemn Blessing formula on pp. 000-000 may be used.



25 August

**Saint Louis**

The Common of Holy Men and Women: For One Saint (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, who brought Saint Louis  
from the care of earthly rule  
to the glory of the heavenly Kingdom,  
grant, we pray, at his intercession,  
that through the discharge of our temporal duties  
we may seek your eternal Kingdom.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Saint Joseph Calazanz, Priest**

The Common of Holy Men and Women: For Educators, (p. 000) or the Common of Pastors: For One Pastor (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, who adorned the Priest Saint Joseph Calasanz  
with such charity and patience  
that he labored tirelessly to educate children  
and equip them with every virtue,  
grant, we pray, that we who venerate him as a teacher of wisdom  
may constantly imitate him as a co-worker in the truth  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

27 August

**Saint Monica**

**Memorial**

The Common of Holy Men and Women: For Women Saints, (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, who console the sorrowful  
and who in mercy accepted the motherly tears of Saint Monica  
at the conversion of her son Augustine,  
grant us with their intercession  
to weep for our sins  
and to find the grace of your forgiveness.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

28 August

**Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

**Cf. Sir 15, 5**

In the midst of the Church he opened his mouth,  
and the Lord filled him  
with the spirit of wisdom and understanding  
and clothed him in a robe of glory.

**Collect**

Renew in your Church, we pray, O Lord,  
the spirit you poured into the Bishop Saint Augustine  
that, filled with the same spirit,  
we may thirst for you, the sole fount of true wisdom,  
and seek you, the source of heavenly love.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

Celebrating the memorial of your salvation,  
we humbly beg your clemency, Lord,  
that this Sacrament of love  
may be for us a sign of unity and a bond of charity.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

**Mt 23, 10.8**

Thus says the Lord:  
You have one teacher, the Christ,  
and you are all brothers and sisters.

**Prayer after Communion**

May partaking of the table of Christ  
sanctify us, we pray, O Lord,  
that, having become his members,  
we may be what we have received.  
Through Christ our Lord.

29 August

## The Passion of Saint John the Baptist

### Memorial

#### Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 118, 46-47

I spoke of your decrees before kings, O Lord,  
and was not put to shame.  
I pondered your commandments,  
which I have dearly loved.

#### Collect

O God, who willed that Saint John the Baptist  
should be the Precursor of your Son  
both in birth and in death,  
grant that as he died a Martyr for truth and justice,  
we also may fight vigorously in defense of your teaching.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

#### Prayer over the Offerings

Through these gifts we offer you, Lord,  
grant us to make straight our paths,  
as Saint John the Baptist taught,  
a voice crying in the desert,  
who with great courage sealed his teaching  
by the shedding of his blood.  
Through Christ our Lord.

#### Preface: The mission of the Precursor

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

V. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

V. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

It is truly right and just,  
our duty and salvation,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God,  
through Christ our Lord.

In whose Precursor, Saint John the Baptist,  
we praise your great glory,  
for you consecrated him for a singular honor  
among those born of women.

His birth brought great rejoicing;  
even in the womb he leapt for joy  
at the coming of human salvation.

He alone of all the prophets  
pointed out the Lamb of redemption.

To make holy the flowing waters  
he baptized the very author of Baptism  
and was privileged to bear supreme witness to him  
by shedding his blood.

And therefore, with the Powers of heaven,  
we worship you constantly on earth,  
for ever crying out to your glory:

Holy, Holy, Holy. . .

### Communion Antiphon

Jn 3, 27.30

John answered:  
He must increase,  
but I must decreased.

### Prayer after Communion

Grant, O Lord, that we  
who celebrate the heavenly birth of Saint John the Baptist  
may honor for what they signify  
the saving Sacraments we have received,  
and, ever more, may rejoice in their effect within us.  
Through Christ our Lord.

# SEPTEMBER

3 September

**Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church**

**Memorial**

## Entrance Antiphon

Saint Gregory, raised upon the throne of Peter,  
sought always the beauty of the Lord,  
and lived in celebration of that love.

## Collect

O God,  
who care for your peoples with gentleness  
and rule them with love,  
at the intercession of Pope Saint Gregory the Great,  
endow with the Spirit of wisdom,  
those to whom you have handed on authority to guide,  
that from the flourishing of the holy flock  
eternal joys may come to the shepherds.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

## Prayer over the Offerings

Grant our request, we pray, O Lord,  
that in celebration of Saint Gregory,  
this sacrifice may be for our good,  
since through its offering  
you have granted release  
of all the world's offenses.  
Through Christ our Lord.

## Communion Antiphon

Lk 12, 42

This is the servant, faithful and wise,  
whom the Lord set over his household  
to give them their measure of wheat in due season.

## Prayer after Communion

Through Christ the teacher, O Lord,  
instruct those you feed with Christ, the living Bread,  
that on the feast of Saint Gregory  
they may learn your truth  
and express it in works of charity.  
Through Christ our Lord.

8 September

## THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Feast

### Entrance Antiphon

Let us celebrate with joy  
the birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
from whom arose the Sun of Justice,  
Christ our God.

The Gloria is said.

### Collect

Impart the gift of heavenly grace  
to your servants, we pray, O Lord,  
that the feast day of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin  
may bring deeper peace  
to those for whom the birth of her Son  
was the dawning of salvation.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

### Prayer over the Offerings

As we joyfully celebrate  
the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
we offer you our gifts, O Lord,  
humbly imploring that we may draw strength  
from the humanity of your Son,  
who from the Virgin was pleased to take flesh  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Or:

May we draw strength, O Lord,  
from the humanity of your Only Begotten Son,  
so that he, who in being born of the Virgin  
did not impair his Mother's virginity  
but hallowed it,  
will take away our sins  
and make our oblation acceptable to you.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Preface I of the Blessed Virgin Mary (on the Nativity), p. 000, or II, p. 000.

### Communion Antiphon

Behold! the Virgin will bear a Son  
who will save his people from their sins.

Is 7, 14; Mt 1, 21

### Prayer after Communion

As you have renewed your Church  
with sacred mysteries, O Lord,  
let her exult in joy  
in the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
which was the hope and the dawn of salvation  
for all the world.  
Through Christ our Lord.

The Solemn Blessing formula on pp. 000-000 may be used.

9 September

**Saint Peter Claver, Priest**

The Common of Pastors: For One Pastor (p. 000), or The Common of Holy Men and Women: For Those Who Practiced Works of Mercy (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, who made Saint Peter Claver a slave of slaves  
and strengthened him  
with wonderful charity and patience in coming to their aid,  
grant at his intercession  
that, seeking the things of Jesus Christ,  
we may love our neighbors in deed and in truth.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.



12 September

## The Most Holy Name of Mary

### Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Jdt 13, 18-19

Blessed are you, O Virgin Mary,  
by the Lord God most high  
above all women on earth,  
because he has so glorified your Name  
that your praise will never fail  
on the lips of humankind.

### Collect

Grant, we pray, almighty God,  
that for all who celebrate her glorious Name  
the Blessed Virgin Mary may secure  
the blessings of your mercy.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

### Prayer over the Offerings

May the intercession of Blessed Mary ever-Virgin  
commend our offerings, we pray, O Lord,  
and may it make us acceptable to your majesty  
as we venerate her Name.  
Through Christ our Lord.

### Communion Antiphon

Cf. Lk 1, 48

All generations will call me blessed,  
for God has looked on his lowly handmaid.

### Prayer after Communion

Let us obtain the grace of your blessing, O Lord,  
through the intercession of Mary, the Mother of God,  
that in every necessity  
we may receive help from her  
whose holy Name we venerate.  
Through Christ our Lord.

13 September

**Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

**Cf. Dan 12, 3**

The learned will shine as brightly as the vault of heaven,  
and those who instruct many in righteousness  
are like stars for all eternity.

**Collect**

O God, the strength of those who hope in you,  
who willed that the Bishop Saint John Chrysostom  
should be illustrious for his wonderful eloquence  
and for his experience of suffering,  
grant us, we pray,  
that, instructed by his teachings,  
we may be strengthened by his example of unconquered patience.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

Be pleased, O God,  
with the sacrifice gladly presented  
in commemoration of Saint John Chrysostom,  
in accord with whose teaching  
we too give ourselves wholly to you in praise.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

**Cf. 1 Cor 1, 23-24**

We preach Christ crucified,  
Christ, the power of God  
and the Wisdom of God.

**Prayer after Communion**

Grant, O merciful God,  
that the mysteries we have received  
to commemorate Saint John Chrysostom  
may strengthen us in your charity  
and make us faithful confessors of your truth.  
Through Christ our Lord.

14 September

## THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Feast

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Gal 6, 14

For us it is right to boast in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
in whom is our salvation, our life and resurrection,  
through whom we have been saved and set free.

The Gloria is said.

Collect

O God, who willed that your Only Begotten Son  
should undergo the Cross to save the human race,  
grant, we pray,  
that we who have known his mystery on earth  
may be merit the prize of his redemption in heaven.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

When this Feast falls on a Sunday, the Creed is said.

Prayer over the Offerings

O Lord, we pray that this sacrifice,  
which on the altar of the Cross  
took away the sin of the whole world,  
may cleanse us of all sin.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface: The victory of the glorious Cross.

Solemn Tone

Text without chant:

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

V. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

V. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

It is truly right and just,  
our duty and our salvation,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For you established the salvation of the human race  
on the wood of the Cross,  
so that from where death arose  
life might rise again,

and the one who conquered on a tree  
might also on a tree be conquered,  
through Christ our Lord.

Through him the Angels praise your majesty,  
Dominions adore and Powers tremble before you.  
Heaven and the Virtues of heaven and the blessed Seraphim  
worship together with exultation.

We pray you, bid our voices join with theirs  
as we acclaim in humble praise:

Holy, Holy, Holy. . .

*Preface I of the Passion of the Lord, p. 000, may also be used.*

### **Communion Antiphon**

**Jn 12, 32**

When I am lifted up from the earth,  
I will draw all people to myself, says the Lord.

### **Prayer after Communion**

Lord Jesus Christ,  
we who have been nourished by your holy banquet  
humbly beg you  
to lead to the glory of the resurrection  
those you have redeemed  
by the wood of the life-giving Cross.  
Who live and reign for ever and ever.

15 September  
**Our Lady of Sorrows**  
Memorial

**Entrance Antiphon**

Cf. Lk 2, 34-35

Simeon said to Mary:  
Behold, this child is destined  
for the ruin and rising of many in Israel,  
and to be a sign of contradiction;  
and your own soul a sword will pierce.

**Collect**

O God, who willed  
that when your Son was lifted up on the Cross  
his Mother should stand by and suffer with him,  
grant that your Church,  
sharing with her in the Passion of Christ,  
may be worthy to share in his Resurrection.  
Who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

Receive, O merciful God, to the praise of your name  
the prayers and sacrificial offerings we present  
as we venerate the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
whom in your compassion  
you gave to us as a most devoted Mother  
when she stood by the Cross of Jesus.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

*Preface I of the Blessed Virgin Mary (on the feast day), p. 000, or II, p. 000.*

**Communion Antiphon**

Cf. 1 Pet 4, 13

Rejoice when you share in the sufferings of Christ,  
that you may also rejoice and exult  
when his glory is revealed.

**Prayer after Communion**

We who have received the Sacraments of eternal redemption  
humbly ask, O Lord,  
that, recalling the sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
we may complete in ourselves  
for the sake of the Church  
what is lacking in the sufferings of Christ.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

16 September

**Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs**

**Memorial**

The Common of Martyrs: For Several Martyrs (p. 000), or the Common of Pastors: For a Bishop (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God,  
who provided Saint Cornelius and Saint Cyprian for your people  
as zealous shepherds and unconquered Martyrs,  
grant that by their intercession  
we may be strengthened in faith and constancy  
and may work untiringly for the unity of the Church.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

Receive, we pray, O Lord, the gifts of your people  
dedicated in honor of the sufferings of your holy Martyrs  
Saint Cornelius and Saint Cyprian,  
and may the gifts that supplied them with courage under persecution  
make us also steadfast in adversity.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Prayer after Communion**

Through these mysteries which we have received  
we humbly implore you, O Lord,  
that, by the example of the Martyrs Saint Cornelius and Saint Cyprian,  
we may be fortified with the strength of your Spirit  
to bear witness to the truth of the Gospel.  
Through Christ our Lord.

17 September

**Saint Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

The Common of Pastors: For a Bishop (p. 000) or the Common of Doctors of the Church (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, who adorned the Bishop Saint Robert Bellarmine  
with wonderful learning and virtue  
to vindicate the faith of your Church,  
grant at his intercession  
that your people may always find joy  
in the fullness of that same faith.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

19 September

**Saint Januarius, Bishop and Martyr**

The Common of Martyrs: For One Martyr, (p. 000), or the Common of Pastors: For a Bishop (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, who grant us to venerate  
the memory of the Martyr Saint Januarius,  
give us the joy of his companionship  
in eternal blessedness.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

20 September

**Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest,  
and Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

The blood of the holy Martyrs  
was poured out for Christ upon the earth;  
therefore they have gained everlasting rewards.

**Collect**

O God, who have been pleased to multiply  
you adopted children throughout the world  
and who made the blood of the Martyrs  
Saint Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn and his companions  
a most fruitful seed of Christians,  
grant that we may be defended by their help  
and profit always from their example.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

Look with favor, almighty God,  
on the offerings of your people  
and at the intercession of the blessed Martyrs  
grant that we ourselves may be made  
a sacrifice acceptable to you  
for the salvation of all the world.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

**Mt 10, 32**

Whoever acknowledges me before others  
I too will acknowledge before my Father  
who is in heaven, says the Lord.

**Prayer after Communion**

Nourished with the food of the brave  
in celebration of the blessed Martyrs,  
we humbly ask you, Lord,  
that, clinging faithfully to Christ,  
we may labor in the Church for the salvation of all.  
Through Christ our Lord.



21 September

SAINT MATTHEW,  
APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST

Feast

Entrance Antiphon

Mt 28, 19-20

Go, teach all nations,  
baptizing them, and instructing them  
to keep all that I have commanded you,  
say the Lord.

The Gloria is said.

Collect

O God, who with ineffable mercy  
were pleased to choose as an Apostle  
Saint Matthew, the tax collector,  
grant that, supported by his example and intercession,  
we may in following you  
hold to you without fail.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
Who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

Prayer over the Offerings

As we recall the memory of Saint Matthew, O Lord,  
we bring you prayers and sacrifices,  
humbly imploring you to look kindly upon your Church,  
whose faith you have nourished  
by the preaching of the Apostles.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface of the Apostles, pp. 000-000.

Communion Antiphon

Mt 9, 13

I have not come to call the righteous,  
but sinners, says the Lord.

Prayer after Communion

Grant, O Lord,  
that as Saint Matthew was glad  
to welcome the Savior as a guest in his home,  
we too, sharing in that saving joy,  
may always be renewed by the food  
of the One who came to call  
not the just, but sinners to salvation.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

The Solemn Blessing formula on pp. 000-000 may be used.

23 September

**Saint Pio of Pietrelcina, Priest**

The Common of Pastors: For One Pastor (p. 000) or The Common of Holy Men and Women: For Religious (p. 000).

**Collect**

Almighty everlasting God,  
who by a special grace  
allowed the Priest Saint Pio of Pietrelcina  
to share in the Cross of your Son  
and through his ministry renewed the wonder of your mercy,  
grant us that, always united by his intercession  
to the sufferings of Christ,  
we may be safely led to the glory of the resurrection.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

26 September

**Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs**

The Common of Martyrs; For Several Martyrs (p. 000).

**Collect**

Let the blessed memory of your Saints Cosmas and Damian  
magnify you, O Lord,  
for with ineffable providence  
you have granted everlasting glory to them  
and assistance to us.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

In honor of the precious death of your just ones, O Lord,  
we offer that sacrifice  
from which all martyrdom has sprung.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Prayer after Communion**

Preserve in us your gift, O Lord,  
and let what we have received at your hand  
to commemorate the Martyrs Saint Cosmas and Saint Damian,  
bring us salvation and peace.  
Through Christ our Lord.

27 September

**Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

**Cf. Lk 4, 18**

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,  
for he has anointed me  
and sent me to preach the good news to the poor,  
to heal the broken-hearted.

**Collect**

O God, who for the relief of the poor  
and the formation of the clergy  
filled the Priest Saint Vincent de Paul with apostolic virtues,  
grant, we pray, that afire with the same spirit,  
we may love what he loved  
and practice what he taught.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

O God, who enabled Saint Vincent  
to imitate what he celebrated  
in the divine mysteries,  
grant that by the power of this sacrifice  
we also may become an oblation acceptable to you.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

**Cf. Ps 106, 8-9**

Let the Lord's works of mercy give him thanks,  
the wonders he had done for the children of men.  
For he has satisfied the empty soul  
and filled the hungry with good things.

**Prayer after Communion**

Renewed by heavenly Sacraments, O Lord,  
we humbly implore  
that we may be helped by the patronage of Saint Vincent  
as we are stirred by his example  
to imitate your Son in preaching the Gospel to the poor.  
Through Christ our Lord.

28 September

**Saint Wenceslas, Martyr**

The Common of Martyrs: For One Martyr (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, who taught the Martyr Saint Wenceslas  
to value the heavenly Kingdom  
above an earthly one,  
grant at his prayers that, denying ourselves,  
we may have the strength to hold fast to you with all our heart.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Saint Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs**

The Common of Martyrs: For Several Martyrs (p. 000).

**Collect**

Grant us, we pray, Lord God,  
the patient endurance of your Martyrs  
Saint Lawrence Ruiz and his companions  
in service of your and of neighbor,  
since those who suffer persecution  
for the sake of righteousness  
are blessed in your Kingdom.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

29 September

SAINT MICHAEL, GABRIEL  
AND RAPHAEL, ARCHANGELS

Feast

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 102, 20

Bless the Lord, all you his Angels,  
mighty in strength,  
who carry out what he commands,  
obedient to the word he speaks.

The Gloria is said.

Collect

O God, who dispose ministries both angelic and human  
in marvelous order,  
grant in your mercy  
that our life on earth may be defended  
by those who give you perpetual service in heaven.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

Prayer over the Offerings

We offer you sacrifices of praise, O Lord,  
and humbly beg  
that as they are borne by the ministry of Angels  
into the sight of your majesty,  
you will receive them favorably  
and grant that they may profit us for salvation.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface: God glorified through the Angels.

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

V. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

V. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

It is truly right and just,  
our duty and our salvation,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God,  
and to praise you without end  
in your Archangels and Angels.

For the honor we pay the angelic creatures  
in whom you delight  
redounds to your own surpassing glory,

and by their great dignity and splendor  
they show how infinitely great you are  
and how you are to be exalted above all things,  
through Christ our Lord.

Through him the multitude of Angels extols your majesty,  
and we are united with them in exultant adoration  
as we cry out together in one voice of praise:

Holy, Holy, Holy. . .

### Communion Antiphon

Ps 137, 1

I will thank you, Lord, with all my heart;  
in the presence of the Angels I will sing to you.

### Prayer after Communion

We who have been renewed by the heavenly bread  
humbly beseech you, O Lord,  
that, strengthened by its power,  
we may advance boldly along the way of salvation  
beneath the faithful protection of your Angels.  
Through Christ our Lord.

30 September

**Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

**Cf. Ps 1, 2-3**

Blessed is the man  
who ponders the Law of the Lord  
by day and by night;  
he will yield his fruit in due season.

**Collect**

O God,  
who gave the Priest Saint Jerome  
a lively and tender love for Sacred Scripture,  
grant that your people  
may be more richly nourished by your word  
and discover in it the fount of life.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

Grant us, O Lord,  
that we who have meditated on your word  
after the example of Saint Jerome  
may more readily draw near  
to offer to your majesty the saving Victim.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

**Cf. Jer 15, 16**

Lord God, your words we found and I devoured them;  
your words became the joy and delight of my heart.

**Prayer after Communion**

May your holy gifts, O Lord,  
which we have received with joy  
on the feast day of Saint Jerome,  
stir up the hearts of your faithful  
so that, attentive to sacred teachings,  
they may understand the path they are to follow  
and, by following it, obtain everlasting life.  
Through Christ our Lord.



# OCTOBER

1 October

**Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church**

**Memorial**

## Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Deut 32, 10-12

The Lord led her and taught her,  
and kept her as the apple of his eye.  
Like an eagle spreading its wings  
he took her up and bore her on his shoulders.  
The Lord alone was her guide.

## Collect

O God, who open your Kingdom to the humble  
and to the little ones,  
make us follow confidently  
the little way of Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus,  
so that at her intercession  
your eternal glory may be revealed to us.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

## Prayer over the Offerings

We who proclaim you wonderful in Saint Thérèse, O Lord,  
and humbly implore your majesty  
that, as her merits are pleasing to you,  
so our dutiful service may find favor in your sight.  
Through Christ our Lord.

## Communion Antiphon

Mt 18, 3

Thus says the Lord:  
Unless you are converted  
and become like little children,  
you will not enter the Kingdom of heaven.

## Prayer after Communion

May the Sacraments we have received, O Lord,  
enkindle in us the power of that love  
with which Saint Thérèse surrendered herself to you  
and longed to win your mercy for all.  
Through Christ our Lord.

2 October

## The Holy Guardian Angels

### Memorial

#### Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Dan 3, 58

Bless the Lord, all you Angels of the Lord,  
sing a hymn and exalt him above all for ever.

#### Collect

O God, who in your unfathomable providence  
are pleased to send your holy Angels to guard us,  
hear our supplication as we cry to you,  
that we may always be sheltered by their protection  
and for ever rejoice in their company.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

#### Prayer over the Offerings

Receive, O Lord, the gifts we bring  
as we venerate your holy Angels,  
and grant in your mercy  
that under their constant protection  
we may be delivered from present dangers  
and safely attain eternal life.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface: God glorified through the Angels.

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

V. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

V. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

It is truly right and just,  
our duty and our salvation,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God,  
and to praise you without end  
in your Archangels and Angels.

For the honor we pay the angelic creatures  
in whom you delight  
redounds to your own surpassing glory,  
and by their great dignity and splendor  
they show how infinitely great you are  
and how you are to be exalted above all things,  
through Christ our Lord.

Through him the multitude of Angels extols your majesty,

and we are united with them in exultant adoration  
as we cry out together in one voice of praise:

Holy, Holy, Holy. . .

**Communion Antiphon**

**Cf. Ps 137, 1**

In the presence of the Angels  
I will sing to you, my God.

**Prayer after Communion**

As you are pleased to nourish us for eternal life  
with such powerful Sacraments, O Lord,  
guide us by the ministry of your Angels  
into the way of salvation and peace.  
Through Christ our Lord.

4 October

**Saint Francis of Assisi**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

Francis, the man of God,  
left his home behind, abandoned his inheritance  
and became poor and penniless,  
but the Lord raised him up.

**Collect**

O God, by whose gift Saint Francis of Assisi  
was conformed to Christ in poverty and humility,  
grant that in walking his paths  
we may follow your Son,  
and through joyful charity  
come to be united with you.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

We offer gifts to you, O Lord,  
praying that we be well prepared  
to celebrate the mystery of the Cross,  
which Saint Francis so ardently embraced.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

Blessed are the poor in spirit,  
for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

**Mt 5, 3**

**Prayer after Communion**

Through these holy things we have received,  
grant us, we pray, O Lord,  
that, by imitating the charity and apostolic zeal of Saint Francis,  
we may experience the effects of your love  
and spread them abroad for the salvation of all.  
Through Christ our Lord.

6 October

**Saint Bruno, Priest**

The Common of Holy Men and Women: For a Monk (p. 000), of the Common of Pastors: For One Pastor (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God,  
who called Saint Bruno to serve you in solitude,  
grant at his intercession  
that amid the changes of this world  
we may constantly wait in openness to you.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

7 October

## Our Lady of the Rosary

### Memorial

#### Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Lk 1, 28.42

Hail Mary, full of grace,  
the Lord is with you.  
Blessed are you among women  
and blessed is the fruit of your womb.

#### Collect

Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord,  
your grace into our hearts,  
that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ your Son  
was made know by the message of an Angel  
may, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
be brought by his Passion and Cross  
to the glory of the Resurrection  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

#### Prayer over the Offerings

Grant us, we pray, O Lord,  
to be rightly conformed to these gifts we have offered,  
and so to recall the mysteries of your Only Begotten Son  
that we may be made worthy of his promises.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Preface I of the Blessed Virgin Mary (on the feast day) p. 000, or II p. 000.

#### Communion Antiphon

Lk 1, 31

Behold! you will conceive in your womb  
and bear a Son,  
and you will call his name Jesus.

#### Prayer after Communion

O Lord our God,  
as we proclaim in this Sacrament  
the Death and Resurrection of your Son,  
we pray that, being made companions in his suffering,  
we may be worthy to share also  
in his consolation and his glory.  
Through Christ our Lord.

9 October

## **Saint Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs**

*The Common of Martyrs: For Several Martyrs (p. 000).*

### **Collect**

O God, who sent Saint Denis and his companions  
to preach your glory to the nations  
and strengthened them with the virtue of constancy in suffering,  
grant us, we pray, to imitate them  
in disdaining the successes of this world  
and in fearing none of its adversities.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

## **Saint John Leonardi, Priest**

*The Common of Pastors: For Missionaries (p. 000), or the Common of Men and Women Saint: For Those Who Practiced Works of Mercy (p. 000).*

### **Collect**

O God, the giver of all good things,  
who through the Priest Saint John Leonardi  
caused the Gospel to be announced to the nations,  
grant at his intercession  
that the true faith may prosper always and everywhere.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

14 October

## **Saint Callistus I, Pope and Martyr**

*The Common of Martyrs: For One Martyr (p. 000), or the Common of Pastors: For a Pope (p. 000).*

### **Collect**

O God, who raised up Saint Peter Callistus  
to serve the Church  
and attend devoutly to Christ's faithful departed,  
strengthen us, we pray, by the witness of his faith,  
so that, rescued from the slavery of corruption,  
we may gain an incorruptible inheritance.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

15 October

**Saint Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

Cf. 41, 2-3

As a deer longs for springs of water,  
so my soul longs for you, O God.  
My soul is thirsting for the strong and living God.

**Collect**

O God, who by your Spirit  
raised up Saint Teresa of Jesus  
to show the Church the way to seek perfection,  
grant that we may be nourished always  
by the food of her heavenly teaching  
and fired with longing for true holiness.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

Let our gifts, O Lord, be acceptable to your majesty,  
to whom the devoted service of Saint Teresa  
was so greatly pleasing.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

Ps 88, 2

I shall sing of the Lord's mercies for ever;  
from generation to generation  
my mouth will proclaim your truth.

**Prayer after Communion**

Grant, O Lord our God,  
that your obedient family,  
whom you have filled with the Bread of heaven,  
may follow the example of Saint Teresa  
and rejoice to sing your mercies for eternity.  
Through Christ our Lord.



16 October

**Saint Hedwig, Religious**

The Common of Holy Men and Women: For Religious (p. 000), or For Women Saints (p. 000).

**Collect**

Grant, we pray, almighty God,  
that the venerable intercession of Saint Hedwig  
may yield us help from heaven,  
just as her wonderful life  
gives an example of humility to us all.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin**

The Common of Virgins: For One Virgin (p. 000).

**Collect**

Pour out on us, we pray, O Lord,  
the spirit with which you so richly endowed  
Saint Mary Margaret Alacoque,  
that we may be able to know  
the love of Christ which surpasses knowledge  
and be filled with all your fullness.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

17 October

**Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

**Cf. Gal 2, 19-20**

With Christ I am nailed to the Cross,  
yet I am alive, though it is no longer I,  
but Christ who is alive in me.  
I live by faith in the Son of God  
who loved me, and gave himself up for me.

**Collect**

Almighty everlasting God,  
who adorn the sacred Body of your Church  
with the confessions of holy Martyrs,  
grant, we pray,  
that, as the glorious suffering remembered today  
gave Saint Ignatius of Antioch everlasting splendor,  
so it may work for our unending protection.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

May the offering of our worship be pleasing to you, O Lord,  
who accepted Saint Ignatius, the wheat of Christ,  
made pure bread through the suffering of his martyrdom.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

I am the wheat of Christ  
to be ground by the teeth of beasts,  
that I may be found to be pure bread.

**Prayer after Communion**

May the heavenly Bread we have received  
on the birthday of Saint Ignatius  
renew us, O Lord,  
and may it make us Christians  
in both name and deed.  
Through Christ our Lord.

18 October

## SAINT LUKE, EVANGELIST

Feast

### Entrance Antiphon

Is 52, 7

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet  
of the herald and preacher of peace,  
who heralds good news, who preaches salvation.

The Gloria is said.

### Collect

Lord God, who chose Saint Luke  
to reveal by his preaching and writings  
the mystery of your love for the poor,  
grant that we, who even now glory in your name,  
may persevere as one heart and one soul,  
and that all nations may see your salvation.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
Who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

### Prayer over the Offerings

Grant us through the heavenly gifts to serve you in freedom,  
we pray, O Lord,  
so that the offerings we make on the feast day of Saint Luke  
may bring about our healing and glory.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface II of the Apostles, p. 000.

### Communion Antiphon

Cf. Lk 10, 1.9

The Lord sent out his disciples  
to proclaim throughout the towns:  
The Kingdom of God has drawn near to you.

### Prayer after Communion

Grant, we pray, almighty God,  
that what we have received from your holy altar  
may make us holy  
and may strengthen us in the faith of the Gospel,  
which Saint Luke proclaimed.  
Through Christ our Lord.

19 October

**Saints John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests  
and Companions, Martyrs**

The Common of Martyrs: For Missionary Martyrs (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, who chose to manifest  
the blessed hope of an eternal kingdom  
by the toil and shedding of blood  
of Saint John de Brébeuf, Saint Isaac Jogues and their companions,  
mercifully grant that by their intercession  
the faith of Christians may be made stronger day by day.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Saint Paul of the Cross, Priest**

**Entrance Antiphon**

**Cf. 1 Cor 2, 2**

I resolve to know nothing among you  
except for Jesus Christ  
and him crucified.

**Collect**

May the Priest Saint Paul,  
who cherished the Cross with a remarkable love,  
obtain for us your grace, O Lord,  
so that, urged on more intensely by his example,  
we may courageously embrace our own cross.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

Look kindly, almighty God,  
upon the sacrificial gifts we offer  
in commemoration of Saint Paul  
and grant that we  
who celebrate the mysteries of the Lord's passion  
may imitate what we now do.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

**1 Cor 1, 23.24**

We preach Christ crucified,  
Christ, the power of God  
and the Wisdom of God.

### Prayer after Communion

O God, who in Saint Paul  
have wonderfully illuminated the mystery of the Cross,  
grant in your mercy  
that, strengthened by this sacrifice,  
we may cling faithfully to Christ  
and labor in the Church for the salvation of all.  
Through Christ our Lord.

23 October

### **Saint John of Capestrano, Priest**

*The Common of Pastors: For Missionaries (p. 000) or The Common of Holy Men and Women: For Religious (p. 000).*

### Collect

O God, who raised up Saint John of Capestrano  
to comfort your faithful people in tribulation,  
grant, we pray,  
that you will set us safe within your protection  
and keep your Church in lasting peace.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

24 October

### **Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop**

*The Common of Pastors: For Missionaries (p. 000), or For a Bishop (p. 000).*

### Collect

O God, who strengthened the Bishop Saint Anthony Mary Claret  
with admirable charity and patience  
for the evangelization of peoples,  
grant at his intercession  
that in seeking what is yours  
we may earnestly devote ourselves  
to gaining brothers and sisters in Christ.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

28 October

## SAINTS SIMON AND JUDE, APOSTLES

Feast

### Entrance Antiphon

These are the holy men  
whom the Lord chose in his own sheer love  
and gave them everlasting glory.

The Gloria is said.

### Collect

O God, who through the blessed Apostles  
have brought us to acknowledge your name,  
mercifully grant at the intercession of Saints Simon and Jude  
that the Church may grow constantly  
by the increase of peoples who believe in you.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

### Prayer over the Offerings

As we honor the perpetual glory  
of the holy Apostles Simon and Jude, O Lord,  
we ask that you receive our prayers  
and graciously lead us to worthy celebration of the sacred mysteries.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface of the Apostles, pp. 000-000.

### Communion Antiphon

Jn 14, 23

Whosoever loves me will keep my word,  
says the Lord;  
and my Father will love them,  
and we will come to them,  
and make our home with them.

### Prayer after Communion

We who have received the Sacraments, O Lord,  
humbly implore you in the Holy Spirit  
that what we do to honor the suffering  
of the Apostles Simon and Jude,  
may keep us in your love.  
Through Christ our Lord.

The Solemn Blessing formula on pp. 000-000 may be used.

# NOVEMBER

1 November

## ALL SAINTS

Solemnity

### Entrance Antiphon

Let us all rejoice in the Lord,  
as we celebrate the feast day  
in honor of all the Saints,  
at whose festival the Angels rejoice  
and praise the Son of God.

The Gloria is said.

### Collect

Almighty everlasting God,  
who have given us one celebration  
to honor the merits of all your Saints,  
we pray that at the intercession of such a multitude  
you will bestow on us what we long for,  
the abundance of your atoning love.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

The Creed is said.

### Prayer over the Offerings

May the gifts we offer in honor of all the Saint  
be pleasing to you, O Lord,  
and grant that we who believe  
that they are already secure in their immortality  
may experience their concern for our salvation.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface: The glory of Jerusalem, our mother.

Solemn Tone

Text without chant:

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

V. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

V. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

It is truly right and just,  
our duty and our salvation,

always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For today you let us keep the festival of your city  
the heavenly Jerusalem, our mother,  
where a victorious company of our brothers and sister  
already gives you eternal praise.

As pilgrims advancing by faith  
we hasten eagerly towards her,  
rejoicing in the glorification  
of those exalted members of the Church,  
by which you also give us inspiration and strength in our weakness.

And therefore, with the multitude of Saints and Angels,  
we glorify you as we cry out with one voice of praise:

Holy, Holy, Holy. . .

### Communion Antiphon

Mt 5, 8-10

Blessed are the pure in heart,  
for they will see God.  
Blessed are the peacemakers,  
for they will be called the children of God.  
Blessed are those who suffer persecution  
for the sake of justice,  
for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

### Prayer after Communion

We adore you, O God,  
the one Holy God, wonderful in all your Saints,  
and we implore your grace  
so that we may come to perfect holiness  
in the fullness of your love  
and pass over from the pilgrim table  
to the banquet of the heavenly homeland.  
Through Christ our Lord.

The Solemn Blessing formula on pp. 000-000 may be used.

For the Votive Mass of All Saints, see p. 000.



2 November

## THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

The Masses that follow may be used at the discretion of the celebrant.<sup>†</sup>

Even when 2 November falls on a Sunday, the Mass of the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed takes place.

### 1

#### Entrance Antiphon

Cf. 1 Th 4, 14; 1 Cor 15, 22

Just as Jesus died and rose again,  
so through Jesus God will bring with him  
those who have fallen asleep;  
and as in Adam all die,  
so also in Christ will all be made alive.

#### Collect

We ask, O Lord,  
listen with kindness to our prayers,  
that as our faith in your Son, raised from the dead,  
finds new strength,  
so too, our hope may be made firm  
as we look forward to the resurrection of your servants.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

#### Prayer over the Offerings

Look favorably on our gifts, O Lord,  
that your servants may be taken up into glory with your Son,  
to whose great Sacrament of love we are united.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Preface of the Dead, pp. 000-000.

#### Communion Antiphon

Cf. Jn 11, 25-26

I am the Resurrection and the Life, says the Lord.  
Whoever believes in me,  
even though they die, will live,  
and everyone who lives and believes in me  
will never die.

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<sup>†</sup> On this day, any Priest may celebrate three Masses, observing, nevertheless, what was established by Benedict XV in the Apostolic Constitution, *Incruentum Altaris Sacrificium*, 10 August 1915: A.A.S. 7 (1915) pp. 401-404.

### Prayer after Communion

Grant, we pray, O Lord, that your servants,  
for who we have celebrated the Paschal Sacrament,  
may pass over into a dwelling place of light and peace.  
Through Christ our Lord.

The Solemn Blessing formula on pp. 000-000 may be used.

2

### Entrance Antiphon

Cf. 4 Esdr 2, 34-35

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon them.

### Collect

O God, glory of the faithful and life of the just,  
by the Death and Resurrection of whose Son  
we have been redeemed,  
look mercifully on your departed servants,  
that as they professed the mystery of our resurrection,  
they may merit to receive the joys of eternal bliss.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

### Prayer over the Offerings

Almighty and merciful God, we pray,  
by these sacrificial gifts  
wash your departed servants clean of their sins  
in the Blood of Christ,  
so as to purify unceasingly with faithful pardon  
those you cleansed in the water of Baptism.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface of the Dead, pp. 000-000.

### Communion Antiphon

Cf. 4 Esdr 2, 35.34

May light eternal shine on them, O Lord,  
with your Saints for ever,  
for you are merciful.

### Prayer after Communion

Having received the Sacraments of your Only Begotten Son,  
who was sacrificed for us and rose in glory,  
we humbly implore you, Lord,  
that your departed servants,  
cleansed by the paschal mysteries,  
may glory in the gift of the resurrection to come.  
Through Christ our Lord.

The Solemn Blessing formula on pp. 000-000 may be used.

**Entrance Antiphon**

Cf. 4 Rom 8, 11

God, who raised Jesus from the dead,  
will give life also to our mortal bodies,  
because of his Spirit dwelling within us.

**Collect**

O God,  
who brought your Only Begotten Son  
to pass over into the heavenly places  
through his conquest of death,  
grant to your departed servants  
that with the mortality of this life overcome,  
they may contemplate you for ever  
as Creator and Redeemer.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

Receive in your kindness, Lord,  
the sacrificial offering  
made for all your servants who sleep in Christ,  
that, set free from the bonds of death by this unique sacrifice,  
that may merit eternal life.  
Through Christ our Lord.

*Preface of the Dead, pp. 000-000.*

**Communion Antiphon**

Cf. Phil 3, 20-21

We await a Savior,  
the Lord Jesus Christ,  
who will transform our lowly body  
to be glorious like his own body.

**Prayer after Communion**

Through these sacrificial gifts which we have received, O Lord,  
lavish your mercy upon your departed servants  
and grant the fullness of eternal joys  
to those whom you gave the grace of Baptism.  
Through Christ our Lord.

*The Solemn Blessing formula on pp. 000-000 may be used.*

3 November

**Saint Martin de Porres, Religious**

The Common of Holy Men and Women: For Religious (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God who led Saint Martin de Porres to heavenly glory  
by the path of humility,  
grant us so to follow his shining example in this life  
that we may be worthy  
to be exalted with him in heaven.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

4 November

**Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop**

**Memorial**

The Common of Pastors: For a Bishop (p. 000).

**Collect**

Preserved in your people, we ask, O Lord,  
the spirit with which you filled the Bishop Saint Charles Borromeo,  
that your Church may be unceasingly renewed  
and, by conforming herself to the image of Christ,  
may show his face to the world.  
Who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

Look, O Lord upon the gifts placed on your altars  
to commemorate of Saint Charles,  
and grant by the power of this sacrifice  
that, as you made him pre-eminent in pastoral vigilance  
and outstanding in the merits of his virtues,  
so you will bless our labors  
with true and abundant fruits.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Prayer after Communion**

May the sacred mysteries we have received,  
O Lord, we pray,  
accord us that strength of spirit  
which made Saint Charles faithful in ministry  
and fervent in charity.  
Through Christ our Lord.

9 November

## THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

Feast

In the basilica itself, the Mass of the Common of the Dedication of a Church is used (p. 000).

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Rev 21, 2

I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem,  
coming down out of heaven from God  
prepared like a bride adorned to meet her husband.

Or:

Cf. Rev 21, 3

Behold God's dwelling with the human race.  
He will live with them  
and they will be his people,  
and God himself with them will be their God.

The Gloria is said.

Collect

O God, who from living and chosen stones  
prepare an eternal dwelling place for your majesty,  
increase in your Church  
the spirit of grace you have given,  
so that your faithful people  
may by their unceasing growth  
build up the heavenly Jerusalem.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

Or:

O God, who were pleased to name your people as Church,  
grant that the people gathered in your name  
may revere you, love you and follow you,  
and may be led by you  
to attain the promised blessings of heaven.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

When this Feast falls on a Sunday, the Creed is said.

### Prayer over the Offerings

Accept, we ask, O Lord,  
the gift that is offered,  
and grant that those who seek your favor  
may receive in this place the power of the Sacraments  
and an answer to their prayers.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Preface: The mystery of the Church, the Bride of Christ and the Temple of the Spirit.**

**V.** The Lord be with you.

**R.** And with your spirit.

**V.** Lift up your hearts.

**R.** We lift them up to the Lord.

**V.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**R.** It is right and just.

It is truly right and just,  
our duty and our salvation,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For in your benevolence you are pleased  
to dwell in a house of prayer  
in order to perfect us as the temple of the Holy Spirit,  
supported by the perpetual help of your grace  
and resplendent with the glory of a life pleasing to you.

Year by year you sanctify the Church, the Bride of Christ,  
foreshadowed in visible buildings,  
so that, rejoicing as the mother of countless children,  
she may be given her place in your heavenly glory.

And so, with all the Angels and Saints,  
we praise you and acclaim without end:

Holy, Holy, Holy. . .

### Communion Antiphon

**Cf. 1 Pet 2, 5**

Be built up like living stones,  
as a spiritual house,  
a holy priesthood.

### Prayer after Communion

O God,  
who through the sign of the Church on earth  
willed to foreshadow for us the Jerusalem above,  
grant, we pray,  
that by our partaking of this Sacrament  
you will make us the temple of your grace  
and admit us to the dwelling place of your glory.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**The Solemn Blessing formula on pp. 000-000 may be used.**

10 November

**Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

**Cf. Sir 45, 30**

The Lord established for him a covenant of peace,  
and made him the prince,  
that he might have the dignity of priesthood for eternity.

**Collect**

O God, who never allow the gates of hell  
to prevail against your Church,  
firmly founded on the apostolic rock,  
grant to her, we pray,  
that with the intercession of Pope Saint Leo the Great,  
she may stand firm in your truth,  
and enjoy the protection of lasting peace.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

Through the gifts here offered, we pray, O Lord,  
graciously enlighten your Church,  
so that your flock in every place may prosper  
and that, with you to guide them,  
the shepherds may be pleasing to your name.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

**Mt 16, 16.18**

Peter said to Jesus:  
You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.  
And Jesus replied:  
You are Peter,  
and on this rock I will build my Church.

**Prayer after Communion**

Lord, we pray,  
mercifully direct your Church,  
nourished by this holy meal  
so that, powerfully guided and governed,  
she may grow in freedom  
and remain steadfast in sound religion.  
Through Christ our Lord.



11 November

**Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

**Cf. 1 Sam 2, 35**

I shall raise up for myself a faithful Priest  
who will act in accord with my hear and my mind,  
says the Lord.

**Collect**

O God, who were glorified in the Bishop Saint Martin of Tours,  
both by his life and by his death,  
renew the wonders of your grace in our hearts,  
that neither death nor life  
may be able to separate us from your love.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

We pray, Lord God,  
sanctify these gifts,  
which we joyfully offer in honor of Saint Martin,  
so that through them our life may always find direction  
whether in adversity or in prosperity.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

**Mt 25, 40**

Amen, I say to you,  
insofar as you did this  
for one of the least of these my brethren,  
you did it for me, says the Lord.

**Prayer after Communion**

Grant to us who have been refreshed  
by the Sacrament of unity, O Lord,  
a perfect harmony with your will in all things,  
so that, as Saint Martin submitted himself entirely to you,  
we also may glory in being fully yours.  
Through Christ our Lord.

12 November

**Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

Because of the Lord's covenant and the ancestral laws  
the Saints of God persevered in loving brotherhood,  
for there was always one spirit in them, and one faith.

**Collect**

Stir up in your Church, we pray, O Lord,  
the Spirit that filled Saint Josaphat  
as he laid down his life for the sheep,  
so that through his intercession  
we may be strengthened by the same Spirit  
and not fear to lay down our life for our brothers and sisters.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

Most merciful God,  
pour out your blessing upon these gifts  
and strengthen us in the faith  
that Saint Josaphat upheld by the shedding of blood.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

**Mt 10, 39**

If you lose your life for my sake, says the Lord,  
you will find it for ever.

**Prayer after Communion**

May this heavenly table, Lord,  
bestow on us the Spirit of fortitude and peace,  
so that, following the example of Saint Josaphat,  
we may willingly spend our life  
for the honor and unity of the Church.  
Through Christ our Lord.

15 November

**Saint Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

The Common of Pastors: For a Bishop (p. 000), or the Common of Doctors of the Church (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, who made the Bishop Saint Albert  
great in harmonizing human wisdom with divine faith,  
grant us, we pray, to adhere to the principles of his teaching,  
so that through advances in the sciences  
we may come to a deeper knowledge and love of you.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

16 November

**Saint Margaret of Scotland**

The Common of Holy Men and Women: For Those Who Practiced Works of Mercy (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, who made Saint Margaret of Scotland admirable  
for her outstanding charity towards the poor,  
grant that with her intercession and example  
we may reflect among all people  
the image of your goodness.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Saint Gertrude, Virgin**

The Common of Virgins (p. 000), or The Common of Holy Men and Women: For a Nun (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, who prepared a pleasing dwelling for yourself  
in the heart of the Virgin Saint Gertrude,  
mercifully illumine the darkness of our hearts  
at her intercession,  
that we may joyfully experience you  
abiding and working within us.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

17 November

**Saint Elizabeth of Hungary**

**Memorial**

The Common of Holy Men and Women: For Those Who Practiced Works of Mercy (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, who enabled Saint Elizabeth of Hungary  
to recognize and honor Christ in the poor,  
grant us through her intercession  
to serve with unfailing charity  
the needy and afflicted.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

18 November

**The Dedication of the Basilicas  
of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles**

**Entrance Antiphon**

**Cf. Ps 44, 17-18**

You will make them princes over all the earth;  
in every generation your name will be remembered;  
therefore the people will praise you  
for ever, from age to age.

**Collect**

Guard your Church, O Lord,  
by the protection of the Apostles,  
so that as she received from them  
the beginning of divine knowledge,  
through them she may secure  
growth in heavenly grace  
even to the end of time.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

As we offer you the gift of our service,  
we beg your mercy, Lord,  
that the truth handed on to us  
by the ministry of the Apostles Peter and Paul  
may endure undiminished in our hearts.  
Through Christ our Lord.

*Preface of the Apostles, pp. 000-000.*

**Communion Antiphon**

**Cf. Jn 6, 69.70**

O Lord, you have the words of eternal life,  
and we have come to believe  
that you are the Christ, the Son of God.

**Prayer after Communion**

We pray, O Lord, that your people,  
renewed by the heavenly Bread,  
may rejoice in commemorating  
of the Apostles Peter and Paul,  
under whose patronage  
you have granted them to be governed.  
Through Christ our Lord.

21 November

**The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**Memorial**

*The Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary (p. 000).*

**Collect**

Grant, we pray, O Lord,  
at the intercession of the most holy Virgin Mary,  
that we who venerate her glorious memory  
may likewise be found worthy  
to receive from the fullness of your grace.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

22 November

**Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr**

**Memorial**

*The Common of Martyrs: For a Virgin Martyr (p. 000), or the Common of Virgins: For One Virgin (p. 000).*

**Collect**

O God, who gladden us each year  
with the feast day of Saint Cecilia,  
grant, we pray,  
that what has been devoutly handed down  
concerning your servant  
may offer us examples to imitate  
and may tell of the wonders of Christ your Son in his servants.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

23 November

**Saint Clement I, Pope and Martyr**

The Common of Martyrs: For One Martyr (p. 000), or the Common of Pastors: For a Pope (p. 000).

**Collect**

Almighty everlasting God,  
wonderful in the valor of all your Saints,  
grant us joy in the yearly commemoration of Saint Clement  
who, as a Priest of your Son and a Martyr,  
bore out by his witness what he celebrated in mystery,  
and confirmed by example what he preached with his lips.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Saint Columban, Abbot**

The Common of Pastors: Missionaries (p. 000), or The Common of Holy Men and Women: For an Abbot (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, who in Saint Columban  
wonderfully combined the work of evangelization  
with a zeal for monastic life,  
grant, we pray,  
that with his intercession and example  
we may strive to seek you above all things  
and to increase the community of believers.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

24 November

**Saints Andrew Dũng Lac, Priest,  
and Companions, Martyrs**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

**Cf. Gal 6, 14; cf. 1 Cor 1, 18**

Far be it from us to boast,  
except in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
For the word of the Cross  
is the power of God  
to us who have been saved.

**Collect**

O God, source and origin of all fatherhood,  
who kept the Martyrs Saints Andrew Dung Lac and his companions  
faithful to the Cross of your Son,  
even to the shedding of their blood,  
grant at their intercession  
that, spreading your love among our brothers and sisters,  
we may be your children in name and in truth.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

Receive, O holy Father, the gifts we offer  
as we venerate the suffering of the holy Martyrs,  
so that amid the trials of our life  
we may be found always faithful to you  
and may present ourselves to you as an acceptable sacrifice.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

**Mt 5, 10**

Blessed are those who suffer persecution  
for the sake of justice,  
for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

**Prayer after Communion**

Restored and nourished by the one Bread  
on the commemoration of the holy Martyrs,  
we humbly beg you, Lord,  
that, abiding as one in your love,  
we may be worthy to receive  
the eternal reward for patient endurance.  
Through Christ our Lord.



25 November

**Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr**

The Common of Martyrs: For a Virgin Martyr (p. 000), or the Common of Virgins: For One Virgin (p. 000).

**Collect**

Almighty everlasting God,  
who gave Saint Catherine of Alexandria to your people  
as a Virgin and an victorious Martyr,  
grant that with her intercession  
we may be strengthened in faith and constancy  
and spend ourselves without reserve  
for the unity of the Church.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

30 November

## SAINT ANDREW, APOSTLE

Feast

### Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Mt 4, 18-19

Beside the sea of Galilee,  
the Lord saw two brothers, Peter and Andrew,  
and he called them:  
Follow me and I will make you fishers of men.

The Gloria is said.

### Collect

We humbly implore your majesty, O Lord,  
that just as the blessed Apostle Andrew  
was for your Church a preacher and pastor,  
so he may be for us  
a constant intercessor in your presence.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

### Prayer over the Offerings

Grant us, almighty God,  
that through these gifts  
which we bring on the feast day of Saint Andrew  
we may please you by what we have offered  
and be given life by what you have accepted.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface of the Apostles, pp. 000-000.

### Communion Antiphon

Cf. Jn 1, 41-42

Andrew told his brother Simon:  
We have for the Messiah, the Christ.  
And he brought him to Jesus.

### Prayer after Communion

May communion in your Sacrament give us strength, O Lord,  
so that, following the example of the blessed Apostle Andrew,  
we who carry in our body the Death of Christ  
may be worthy to live in glory with him.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

The Solemn Blessing formula on pp. 000-000 may be used.

# DECEMBER

3 December

**Saint Francis Xavier, Priest**

**Memorial**

## Entrance Antiphon

Ps 17, 50; 21, 23

I will praise you, Lord, among the nations,  
and tell of your name to my brethren.

## Collect

O God, who through the preaching of Saint Francis Xavier  
won many peoples for yourself,  
grant that the hearts of the faithful  
may burn with the same zeal for the faith,  
and that Holy Church may everywhere rejoice  
in abundant offspring.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

## Prayer over the Offerings

Receive, O Lord, the gifts we bring you  
in commemoration of Saint Francis,  
and grant that, as he journeyed to distant lands  
out of longing for the salvation of souls,  
so we also, in bearing powerful witness to the Gospel,  
may hasten eagerly towards you  
in the company of our brothers and sisters.  
Through Christ our Lord.

## Communion Antiphon

Mt 10, 27

What I tell you in the dark,  
speak it in the light, says the Lord,  
and what you hear whispered,  
proclaim it on the housetops.

## Prayer after Communion

May your mysteries, O God,  
kindle in us that fire of charity  
with which Saint Francis burned for the salvation of souls,  
we may obtain with him  
the reward promised to those who labor well.  
Through Christ our Lord.

4 December

**Saint John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church**

The Common of Pastors: For One Pastor (p. 000), or the Common of Doctors of the Church (p. 000).

**Collect**

Grant, we pray, O Lord,  
that we may be helped by the prayers  
of the Priest Saint John Damascene,  
so that the true faith, which he excelled in teaching,  
may always be our light and our strength.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

6 December

**Saint Nicholas, Bishop**

The Common of Pastors: For a Bishop (p. 000).

**Collect**

We humbly implore your mercy, Lord,  
that in every danger you will guard us  
with the prayer of the Bishop Saint Nicholas,  
so that the way of salvation may life open before us.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

7 December

**Saint Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

**Cf. Sir 15, 5**

In the midst of the Church he opened his mouth,  
and the Lord filled him  
with the spirit of wisdom and understanding  
and clothed him in a robe of glory.

**Collect**

O God, who made the Bishop Saint Ambrose  
a teacher of the Catholic faith  
and a model of apostolic courage,  
raise up in your Church  
men after your own heart  
who will govern her with courage and wisdom.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

As we celebrate the divine mysteries, O Lord, we pray,  
may the Holy Spirit flood us with that light of faith  
with which he constantly enlightened Saint Ambrose  
for the spreading of your glory.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

**Cf. Ps 1, 2-3**

The one who ponders the Law of the Lord  
by day and by night  
will yield his fruit in due season.

**Prayer after Communion**

Now that we have been strengthened  
by the power of this Sacrament,  
lead us, Lord, to profit from the teaching of Saint Ambrose  
so that, hastening fearlessly along your paths,  
we may be prepared for the delights of the eternal banquet.  
Through Christ our Lord.

8 December

## THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Solemnity

Entrance Antiphon

Is 61, 10

I shall rejoice and be glad in the Lord,  
and my soul shall exult in my God,  
for he had clothed me with garments of salvation  
and wrapped me in a cloak of justice,  
like a bride adorned with her jewels.

The Gloria is said.

Collect

O God, who by the Immaculate Conception of the Virgin  
prepared a worthy dwelling for your Son,  
we pray that,  
as you preserved her from every stain  
by the Death of your Son, which you foresaw,  
so you will grant that, through her intercession,  
we also may be clean and come into your presence.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

The Creed is said.

Prayer over the Offerings

Graciously accept the saving sacrifice  
we offer you, O Lord,  
on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception  
of the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
and grant that, as we profess her to be untouched by any stain  
through your provident grace,  
so by her intercession we may be delivered from every fault.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface: The mystery of Mary and the Church.

Solemn Tone

Text without chant:

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

V. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

V. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

It is truly right and just,  
our duty and our salvation,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For you preserved the Most Blessed Virgin Mary  
from all stain of original sin,  
so that in her, enriched with the fullness of your grace,  
you might prepare a worthy Mother for your Son,  
and signify the beginning of the Church,  
his beautiful Bride without spot or wrinkle.

For she, the most pure Virgin, was to bring forth a Son,  
the innocent Lamb who would blot out our offenses;  
you placed her above all others  
to be for your people and advocate of grace  
and a model of holiness.

And so, in company with the choirs of Angels,  
we praise you, proclaiming with joy:  
Holy, Holy, Holy. . .

### Communion Antiphon

Glorious things are spoken of you, O Mary,  
because from you arose the Sun of Justice,  
Christ our God.

### Prayer after Communion

Let the Sacraments we have received, O Lord our God,  
heal in us the wounds of that fault  
from which in a unique way  
you preserved Blessed Mary in her Immaculate Conception.  
Through Christ our Lord.

The Solemn Blessing formula on pp. 000-000 may be used.

9 December

**Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin**

*The Common of Holy Men and Women: For One Saint (p. 000).*

**Collect**

O God, who through Saint Juan Diego  
showed the love of the most holy Virgin Mary for your people,  
grant at his intercession  
that, by following the counsels our Mother gave at Guadalupe,  
we may be constant in fulfilling your will.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

11 December

**Saint Damasus I, Pope**

*The Common of Pastors: For a Pope (p. 000).*

**Collect**

Grant, we pray, O Lord,  
that we may constantly celebrate  
the merits of your Martyrs,  
whom Pope Saint Damasus honored and loved  
in so outstanding a way.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

12 December

**Our Lady of Guadalupe**

*The Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary (p. 000).*

**Collect**

O God, the Father of mercies,  
who placed your people under the special protection  
of your Son's most holy Mother,  
grant that all who invoke the Blessed Virgin of Guadalupe  
may seek with more lively faith  
the development of peoples  
in the ways of justice and peace.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.



13 December

**Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr**

**Memorial**

The Common of Martyrs: For a Virgin Martyr (p. 000), or the Common of Virgins: For One Virgin (p. 000).

**Collect**

May the glorious intercession  
of the Virgin and Martyr Saint Lucy  
give us new heart, we pray, O Lord,  
so that we may celebrate her heavenly birthday  
in this present age  
and contemplate it for eternity.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

14 December

**Saint John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church**

**Memorial**

**Entrance Antiphon**

**Gal 6, 14**

Far be it from me to boast,  
except in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
through whom the world has been crucified to me,  
and I to the world.

**Collect**

O God, who gave the Priest Saint John  
an outstanding love of perfect self-denial and of the Cross,  
grant that by imitating him closely at all times  
we may come to eternal contemplation of your glory.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

**Prayer over the Offerings**

Look kindly, almighty God,  
upon the sacrificial gifts we offer  
in commemoration of Saint John,  
and grant that we  
who celebrate the mysteries of the Lord's Passion  
may imitate what we now do.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**Communion Antiphon**

**Cf. Mt 16, 24**

Whoever wishes to come after me,  
let them deny themselves  
and take up their cross and follow me,  
says the Lord.

**Prayer after Communion**

O God, who in Saint John  
have wonderfully illuminated the mystery of the Cross,  
grant in your mercy  
that, strengthened by this sacrifice,  
we may cling faithfully to Christ  
and labor in the Church for the salvation of all.  
Through Christ our Lord.

21 December

**Saint Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church**

The Common of Pastors (p. 000), or the Common of Doctors of the Church (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, who for the defense of the Catholic faith  
made the Priest Saint Peter Canisius  
strong in virtue and learning,  
grant at his intercession  
that those who seek the truth  
may joyfully find you, who are God,  
and that the community of believers  
may persevere in confessing you.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

23 December

**Saint John of Kanty, Priest**

The Common of Pastors (p. 000), or The Common of Holy Men and Women: For Those Who Practiced Works of Mercy (p. 000).

**Collect**

Grant, we pray, almighty God,  
that after the example of the Priest Saint John of Kanty  
we may advance in the knowledge of holy things  
and, by showing compassion to all,  
may gain pardon in your sight.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

26 December

## SAINT STEPHEN, THE FIRST MARTYR

Feast

### Entrance Antiphon

The gates of heaven were opened for Saint Stephen,  
who was found to be first among the number of Martyrs  
and therefore is crowned triumphant in heaven.

The Gloria is said.

### Collect

Grant us, Lord, we pray,  
to imitate what we worship,  
that we may learn to love our enemies,  
for we celebrate the heavenly birthday  
of one who knew how to pray  
even for his persecutors.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

### Prayer over the Offerings

Accept, we pray, O Lord,  
the gifts we devoutly offer today,  
which the glorious commemoration of Saint Stephen the Martyr  
prompts us to bring.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface of the Nativity of the Lord, pp. 000-000.

### Communion Antiphon

Acts 7, 58

They stoned Stephen  
as he cried in invocation:  
Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.

### Prayer after Communion

For your many mercies which surround us  
we give thanks to you, O Lord,  
who save us through the birth of your Son  
and gladden us with the celebration  
of Saint Stephen the Martyr.  
Through Christ our Lord.

27 December

## SAINT JOHN, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST

Feast

### Entrance Antiphon

This is John,  
who lay on the Lord's breast at supper,  
the blessed Apostle to whom celestial secrets were revealed  
and who spread the worlds of life through all the world.

Or:

Cf. Sir 15, 5

In the midst of the Church he opened his mouth,  
and the Lord filled him  
with the spirit of wisdom and understanding  
and clothed him in a robe of glory

The Gloria is said.

### Collect

O God, who through the blessed Apostle John  
have unlocked for us the secrets of your Word,  
grant, we pray,  
that what he has so magnificently given us to hear  
we may receive with well-informed understanding.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

### Prayer over the Offerings

Sanctify the gifts we have offered, O Lord, we pray,  
and grant that from the banquet of this supper  
we may draw forth the hidden things of the eternal Word,  
which you revealed to your Apostle John  
from the same source.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface of the Nativity of the Lord, pp. 000-000.

### Communion Antiphon

Jn 1, 14.16

The Word became flesh  
and dwelt among us;  
and from his fullness  
we have all received.

### Prayer after Communion

Grant, we pray, almighty God,  
that, through this mystery which we have celebrated,  
the Word made flesh proclaimed by the blessed Apostle John  
may dwell in us always.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

28 December

## THE HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS

Feast

### Entrance Antiphon

The Innocents were slaughtered as infants for Christ;  
spotless, they follow the Lamb  
and sing for ever:  
Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gloria is said.

### Collect

O God, whom on this day the Innocent Martyrs proclaimed and confessed  
not by speaking but by dying,  
grant, we pray,  
that we may profess your faith  
not only with our lips but with our lives.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

### Prayer over the Offerings

Receive, O Lord, we pray,  
the gifts of your devoted servants,  
and purify them as they faithfully serve your mysteries,  
by which you justify even those who lack understanding.  
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface of the Nativity of the Lord, pp. 000-000.

### Communion Antiphon

Cf. Rev 14, 4

These were redeemed from among humankind,  
as first fruits for God and the Lamb;  
they follow the Lamb wherever he goes.

### Prayer after Communion

Grant, O Lord, abundant salvation to your faithful  
as they receive your holy gifts  
on the feast day of those  
who could not yet profess your Son in human speech,  
but were crowned with heavenly grace  
because of his birth.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

29 December

**Saint Thomas à Becket, Bishop and Martyr**

The Common of Martyrs: For One Martyr (p. 000), or the Common of Pastors: For a Bishop (p. 000).

**Collect**

O God, who gave the Martyr Saint Thomas à Becket  
the nobility of spirit  
to pour out his life for the sake of justice,  
grant us through his intercession  
to renounce our life in this world for the sake of Christ,  
so that we may be able to find life in heaven.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.

31 December

**Saint Sylvester I, Pope**

The Common of Pastors: For a Pope (p. 000).

**Collect**

Come, O Lord, to the aid of your people  
who are upheld by the intercession of Pope Saint Sylvester I,  
so that, running the course of this present life under your guidance,  
they may safely reach life without end.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God,  
for ever and ever.