

PREFACE FOR LENT

VERE dignum et justum est, aequum et salutare, nos tibi semper, et ubique gratias agere: Domine sancte, Pater omnipotens, aeternus Deus: Qui corporali jejunio virtua comprimitis, mentem elevas, virtutem largiris, et praemia: per Christum Dominum nostrum. Per quem majestatem tuam laudant Angeli, adorant dominationes, tremunt Potestates. Celi, caelorumque Virtutes, ac beata Seraphim, socia exultatione concubent. Cum quibus et nostras voces, ut admitti juberas, deprecamur, supplici confessione dicentes:

Psalm 15: 11

NOTAS mihi fecisti vias vitae: adimplabis me letitia cum vultu tuo, Domine.

SANCTIFICET nos, Domine, qua pasti sumus, mensa coelestis: et a cunctis erroribus expiatos, supernis promissionibus reddat acceptos. Per Dominum.

CONCIDE, quae sumus, omnipotens Deus: ut, qui protectionis tuae gratiam quaerimus, liberati a malis omnibus, secura tibi mente serviamus. Per Dominum.

It is truly meet and just, right and availing unto salvation, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto Thee, O holy Lord, Father almighty and everlasting God. Who by the fasting of the body dost curb our vices, elevate our minds and bestow virtue and reward; through Christ our Lord. Through whom the angels praise Thy majesty, the dominions worship it, and the powers stand in awe. The heavens and the heavenly hosts, with the blessed seraphim join together in celebrating their joy. With these we pray Thee join our voices also, while we say with lowly praise:

COMMUNION

You will show me the path to life, You will fill me with fullness of joys in Your presence, O Lord.

POSTCOMMUNION

May the heavenly banquet with which we have been nourished, make us holy, O Lord; may it be an atonement for all our sins, and make us worthy of the heavenly promises. Through our Lord.

PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Grant, almighty God, we beseech You, that we who seek the grace of Your protection, delivered from all evils, may serve You with untroubled minds. Through our Lord.

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PROPER of the MASS

WEDNESDAY OF THE THIRD WEEK OF LENT

Psalm 30: 7, 8, 2

EGO autem in Domino sperabo: exsultabo et latabor in tua misericordia: quia respexisti humilitatem meam. Ps. 39: 2. In te, Domine, speravi, non confundar in aeternum: in iustitia tua libera me et eripe me. Gloria Patri.

INTROIT

My trust is in the Lord. I will rejoice and be glad of your kindness, when You have seen my affliction. Ps. In You, O Lord, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame. In your justice rescue me. Glory be to the Father.

COLLECT

Grant, we beseech You, O Lord, that, improved by wholesome fasting, and thus abstaining from harmful sin, we may the more readily receive Your mercy. Through our Lord.

Exodus 20: 12-24

Haec dicit Dominus Deus: Honora patrem tuum et matrem tuam, ut sis longaevis super terram, quam Dominus, Deus tuus, dabit tibi. Non occides. Non moechaberis. Non furtum facies. Non loqueris contra proximum tuum falsum testimonium. Non concupisces domum proximi tui: nec desiderabis uxorem eius, non servum, non ancillam, non bovem, non asinum nec omnia, quae illius sunt. Cunctus autem populus videbat voces, et lampades, et sonitum buccinæ, montisque tumantem: et, perterriti ac pavore concussi, steterunt procul, dicentes Mosis: Lóquere tu nobis, et audiámus: non loquatur nobis Dominus, ne forte moriamur. Et ait Móyses ad populum: Nolite timere: ut enim probaret vos, venit Deus, et ut terror illius esset in vobis, et non peccaretis. Stetique populus de longe. Móyses autem accessit ad

EPISTLE

Thus says the Lord God: Honour your father and your mother, that you may have a long life in the land which the Lord, your God, is giving you. You shall not kill. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour. You shall not covet your neighbour's house. You shall not covet your neighbour's wife, nor his male or female slave, not his ox or ass, nor anything else that belongs to him. When the people witnessed the thunder and lightning, the trumpet blast and the mountain smoking, they all feared and trembled. So they took up a position much farther away and said to Moses, You speak to us, and we will listen; but let not the Lord speak to us, or we shall die. Moses answered the people, Do not be afraid, for God has come to you only to test you and put His fear upon you, lest you should sin. Still the people remained at a distance,

caliginem, in qua erat Deus. Dixit præterea Dóminus ad Móysen: Hæc dices filiis Israël: Vos vidistis, quod de coelo locutus sim vobis. Non faciétis deos argénteos, nec deos aureo s faciétis vobis. Altáre de terra faciétis mihi, et offerétes super eo holocáusta et pacífica vestra, oves vestras et boves in omni loco, in quo memória fuerit nómínis mei.

Psalm 6: 3, 4

MISERÉRE mei, Dómine, quóniam infírmus sum: sana me, Dómine, V. Conturbáta sunt ómnia ossa mea: et áнима mea turbáta est valde.

Psalm 102: 10; 78: 8, 9

DÓMINE, non secúndum peccáta nostra, quæ fécimus nos: neque secúndum iniquítátes nostras retríbus nobis. Ps 78: 8-9. Dómine, ne memíneris iniquitátum nostrárum antiquárum: cito antícipent nos misericórdia tuæ, quia páuperes facti sumus nimis. [Hic genuflectitur.] V. Help us, O God, our Saviour, because of the glory of Your Name, O Lord; deliver us and pardon our sins for Your Name's sake.

Matthew 15: 1-20

IN illo témpore: Accessérunt ad Iesum ab Ierosólymis scribæ et pharisei, dicéntes: Quare discípuli tui transgrediuntur traditionem se-niörum? Non enim lavant manus suas, cum panem mandúcant. Ipse autem respónsens, ait illis: Quare et vos transgredimini mandátum Dei propter traditióne vestram? Nam Deus dixit: Hónora patrem et matrem. Et: Qui male díxerit patri vel matri, morte moriátur. Vos autem dícitis: Quicúmque díxerit patri vel matri: munus quodcúmque est ex me, tibi próderit: et non honorificábit patrem suum aut matrem suam: et írritum fecístis mandátum Dei propter traditióne vestram.

while Moses approached the cloud where God was. The Lord told Moses, Thus shall you speak to the Israelites: You have seen for yourselves that I have spoken to you from heaven. Do not make anything to rank with Me; neither gods of silver nor gods of gold shall you make for yourselves. An altar of earth you shall make for Me, and upon it you shall sacrifice your holocausts and peace offerings, your sheep and your oxen, in whatever place I choose for the remembrance of My name.

GRADUAL

Have pity on me, O Lord, for I am languishing; heal me, O Lord. V. For my body is in terror; my soul, too, is utterly terrified.

TRACT

O Lord, deal with us not according to our sins, nor requite us according to our crimes. Ps. O Lord, remember not against us the iniquities of the past; may Your compassion quickly come to us, for we are brought very low. [Kneel.] V. Help us, O God, our Saviour, because of the glory of Your Name, O Lord; deliver us and pardon our sins for Your Name's sake.

GOSPEL

At that time, the Scribes and Pharisees from Jerusalem came to Jesus, saying, Why do Your disciples transgress the tradition of the ancients? For they do not wash their hands when they take food. But He answered and said to them, And why do you transgress the commandment of God because of your tradition? For God said, 'Honour your father and your mother'; and, 'Let him who curses father or mother be put to death.' But you say, 'Whoever shall say to his father or mother, Any support you might have had from me is dedicated to God, does not have to honour his father or his mother.' So you have made void the commandment of God by your tradition.

Hypócritæ, bene prophetávit de vobis Isaías, dicens: Pópulus hic lábiis me honórat: cor autem eórum longe est a me. Sine causa autem colunt me, docéntes doctrínas et mandáta hóminum. Et convocáti ad se turbis, dixit eis: Audíte, et intellégite. Non quod intrat in os, coínquiat hóminem: sed quod procédit ex ore, hoc coínquiat hóminem. Tunc accedéntes discípuli eius, dixerunt ei: Scis, quia pharisaei, audítio verbo hoc, scandalizáti sunt? At ille respónsens, ait: Omnis plantatió, quam non plantávit Pater meus coeléstis, eradícabitur. Sínite illos: cæci sunt et duces cæcórū. Cæcus autem si cæco ducátum præstet, ambo in fóveam cadunt. Respónsens autem Petrus, dixit ei: Edíssere nobis parábola istam. At ille dixit: Adhuc et vos sine intelléctu estis? Non intellégitis, quia omne, quod in os intrat, in ventrem vadit, et in secéssum emíttitur? Quæ autem procédunt de ore, de corde éxeunt, et ea coínquian t hóminem: de corde enim exeunt cogitatiónes malæ, homicídia, adulteria, fornicatiónes, furta, falsa testimónia, blasphémiae. Hæc sunt, quæ coínquian t hóminem. Non lotis autem mánibus manducáre, non coínquiat hóminem. Non lotis autem mánibus manducáre, non coínquiat hóminem.

Psalm 108: 21

DÓMINE, fac mecum misericórdiam tuam, propter nomen tuum: quia suávis est misericórdia tua.

SUSCIPE, quaesumus, Dómine, preces pópuli tui cum oblatiōnibus hostiárum: et tua mystériá celebrántes, ab ómnibus nos défende periculis. Per Dominum.

Hypocrites, well did Isaiah prophesy of you, saying, 'This people honours me with their lips, but their heart is far from Me; and in vain do they worship Me, teaching as doctrine the precepts of men.' Then He called the crowd to Him, and said to them, Hear, and understand. What goes into the mouth does not defile a man; but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles a man. Then His disciples came up and said to Him, Do You know that the Pharisees have taken offense at hearing this saying? But He answered and said, Every plant that My heavenly Father has not planted will be rooted up. Let them alone; they are blind guides of blind men. But if a blind man guide a blind man, both fall into a pit. But Peter spoke to Him, saying, Explain to us this parable. And He said, Are you also even yet without understanding? Do you not realize that whatever enters the mouth passes into the belly and is cast out into the drain? But the things that proceed out of the mouth come from the heart, and it is they that defile a man. For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, immorality, thefts, false witness, blasphemies. These are the things that defile a man; but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile a man.

OFFERTORY

O Lord, deal kindly with me for Your Name's sake; because your kindness is generous.

SECRET

Accept, we beseech You, O Lord, that prayers and gifts Your people offer, and from all dangers protect us who celebrate Your sacramental rites. Through our Lord.