

PROPER of the MASS
COMMON OF A CONFESSOR BISHOP
“SACERDOTES TUI”

Psalm 131: 9-10; 131: 1 INTROIT

SACERDÓTES tui Dómine, induant justítiam, et sancti tui exsultent: propter David servum tuum, non avértas fáciem Christi Tui. (T.P. Alleluia, alleluia.) Ps. Memento, Dómine, David: et omnis mansuetúdinis ejus. *Ÿ*. Gloria Patri.

Let Thy priests, O Lord, be clothed with justice, and let Thy Saints rejoice: for Thy servant David's sake, turn not away the face of Thine anointed. (P.T. Alleluia, alleluia.) Ps. O Lord, remember David and all his meekness. *Ÿ*. Glory be to the Father.

COLLECT

EXAUDI, quæsumus, nomine, preces nostras, quas in beáti N., Confessoris tui atque Pontificis, solemnitate deférimus: et, qui tibi digne méruit famulári, ejus intercedéntibus méritis, ab omnibus nos absolve peccátis. Per Dominum.

Grant, we beseech Thee, almighty God, that the solemn feast of blessed N., Thy Confessor and Bishop, may both increase our devotion and advance our salvation. Through our Lord.

Heb. 7:23-27 EPISTLE

FRATRES: Plures facti sunt sacerciótes, idcirco quod morte prohiberéntur permanére: Jesus autem eo quod máneat in ætérnum, sempitérnum habet sacerciótium. Unde et salvére in perpétuum potest accedéntes per semetipsum ad Deum: semper vivens ad interpellándum pro nobis. Talis enim decébat, ut nobis esset pónitifex, sanctus, innocens, impollútus, segregátus a peccatóribus, et excélsior cælis factus: qui non habet necessitátem quotidie, quemámodum sacerdótes, prius pro suis delictis hóstias offérre, deinde pro pópuli: hoc enim fecit semel, seipsum offeréndo, Jesus Christus Dóminus noster.

Brethren, there were made many priests, because by reason of death they were not suffered to continue: but Jesus, for that He continueth for ever, hath an everlasting priesthood. Whereby He is able also to save for ever them that come to God by Him: always living to make intercession for us. For it was fitting that we should have such a High Priest, holy, innocent, undefiled, separated from sinners, and made higher than the heavens: Who needeth not daily, as the other priests, to offer sacrifices, first for his own sins, and then for the people's: for this He did once in offering Himself, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Psalm 131: 16-17

SACERDOTES ejus induam salutari: et sancti ejus exsultatione exsultabunt. Illuc producam cornu David: paravi lucernam Christo meo.

Psalm 109: 4; Eccles. 45: 9

ALLELÚIA, allelúia. Juravit Dominus, et non pœnitēbit eum: Tu es sacerdos in æternum, secundum ordinem Melchisedech. Allelúia.

From Septuagesima the Alleluia and the Verse Juravit are omitted and the following is said:

Ps. 111. 1-3

BEATUS vir, qui timet Dominum: in mandatis eius cupit nimis. V̄. Potens in terra erit semen eius: generatio rectorum benedicetur. V̄. Gloria et divitiæ in domo eius: et iustitia eius manet in saeculum saeculi.

During Eastertide the Gradual is omitted and the following Alleluia is said:

Ps. 109. 4

ALLELUIA, alleluia. Juravit Dominus, et non poenitēbit eum: Tu es sacērdos in ætērnū, secūndū ordinem Melchisedech. Alleluia. Amavit eum Dominus, et ornavit eum stolum gloriae induit eum. Alleluia.

Matthew 24: 42-47

IN illo tempore: Dixit Jesus discipulis suis: Vigilate, quia nescitis, qua hora Dominus vester venturus sit. Illud autem scitote, quoniam si sciret paterfamilias, qua hora fur venturus esset, vigilaret utique, et non sineret perfodi domum suam. Ideo et vos estote parati: quia qua nescitis hora, Filius hominis venturus est. Quis, putas, est fidelis servus et prudens, quem constituit dominus suus super familiam suam, ut det illis cibum in tempore? Beatus ille

GRADUAL

I will clothe her priests with salvation: and her saints shall rejoice with exceeding great joy. There will I bring forth a horn to David: I have prepared a lamp for Mine Anointed.

ALLELUIA

Alleluia, alleluia. The Lord hath sworn and He will not repent: Thou art a priest forever according to the order of Melchisedech. Alleluia.

TRACT

Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord: he shall delight exceedingly in His commands. V̄. His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the righteous shall be blessed. V̄. Glory and wealth shall be in his house: and his justice remaineth for ever and ever.

PASCHAL ALLELUIA

Alleluia, alleluia. The Lord hath sworn, and He will not repent: Thou art a priest for ever according to the order of Melchisedech. Alleluia. The Lord loved him and adorned him. He clothed him with a robe of glory. Alleluia.

GOSPEL

At that time, Jesus said to His disciples: Watch, because you know not what hour your Lord will come. But this know ye, that, if the goodman of the house knew at what hour the thief would come, he would certainly watch, and would not suffer his house to be broken open. Wherefore be you also ready: because at what hour you know not the Son of man will come. Who, thinkest thou, is a faithful and wise servant, whom his lord hath appointed over his family, to give them meat in season?

servus, quem, cum venerit dominus ejus, invenerit sic facientem. Amen dico vobis, quoniam super omnia bona sua constituet eum.

Psalm 88: 25

VERITAS, mea, et misericordiam mea cum ipso: et in nomine meo, exaltabitur cornu ejus. (T.P. Alleluia.) .

SANCTI N., Confessoris tui atque Pontificis, quæsumus, Domine, annua solemnitas pietati tuæ nos reddat acceptos: ut, per hæc piæ placationis officia, et illum beata retributio comitetur, et nobis gratiæ tuæ dona conciliet. Per Dominum.

VERE dignum et justum est, æquum et salutare. Te Domine suppliciter exorare, ut gregem tuum, pastor æterne, non deseras: sed per beatos Apostolos tuos continua protectione custodias. Ut iisdem rectoribus gubernetur, quos operis tui vicarios eidem contulisti præesse pastores. Et ideo cum Angelis et Archangelis, cum Thronis et Dominationibus, cumque omni militia cælestis exercitus, hymnum gloriae tuæ canimus, sine fine dicentes:

Matthew 24: 46-47

BEATUS servus, quem, eum venerit dominus, invenerit vigilantem: Amen dico vobis, super omnia bona sua constituet eum. (T.P. Alleluia.) .

DEUS, fidelium remunerator animarum præsta; ut beati N., Confessoris tui atque Pontificis, cujus venerandam celebramus festivitatem, precibus indulgentiam consequamur. Per Dominum.

Blessed is that servant, whom when his lord shall come he shall find so doing. Amen I say to you, he shall place him over all his goods.

OFFERTORY

My truth and My mercy shall be with him: and in My name shall his horn be exalted. (P.T. Alleluia.)

SECRET

May this annual feast of N., Thy Confessor and Bishop, make us in Thy kindness acceptable to Thee, O Lord: and may this present rite duly appease Thee, bring happy recompense to him, and assure gifts of Thy grace to us. Through our Lord.

PREFACE OF THE APOSTLES

It is truly meet and just, right and for our salvation, to entreat Thee humbly, O Lord, that Thou wouldst not desert Thy flock, O everlasting Shepherd; but through Thy blessed Apostles, wouldst keep it under Thy constant protection; that it may be governed by those same rulers, whom as vicars of Thy work, Thou didst set over it to be its pastors. And therefore with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominations, and with all the hosts of the heavenly army, we sing the hymn of Thy glory, evermore saying:

COMMUNION

Blessed is that servant, whom when his lord cometh he shall find watching: Amen I say to you, he shall place him over all his goods. (P.T. Alleluia.)

POSTCOMMUNION

O God, the rewarder of faithful souls, grant that by the prayers of blessed N., Thy Confessor and Bishop, whose venerable feast we celebrate, we may obtain pardon. Through our Lord.