

PREFACE OF THE CROSS

VERE dignum et justum est, aequum et salutare, nos tibi semper, et ubique gratias agere: Domine sancte, Pater omnipotens, aeternae Deus. Qui salutem humani generis in ligno crucis constitueristi: ut, unde mors orientatur, inde vita resurget: et qui in ligno vinciebat, in ligno quoque vinceretur: per Christum Dominum nostrum. Per quem majestatem tuam laudant Angeli, adorant Dominations, tremunt Potestates coeli coelorumque Virtutes, ac beata Seraphim, socia exultatione concubent. Cum quibus et nostras voces ut admitti jubreas deprecamur, supplici confessione dicentes:

It is truly meet and just, right and for our salvation, that we should at all times and in all places, give thanks unto Thee, O holy Lord, Father almighty, everlasting God Who didst establish the salvation of mankind on the tree of the Cross that whence death came, thence also life might rise again, and that He, who overcame by the tree, by the tree also might be overcome: through Christ our Lord. Through whom the Angels praise Thy majesty, the Dominations worship it, the Powers stand in awe. The heavens and the heavenly hosts together with the blessed Seraphim in triumphant chorus unite to celebrate it. Together with these we entreat Thee, that Thou mayest bid our voices also to be admitted while we say with lowly praise:

Proverbs 4.9

COMMUNION

LAETARE, mater nostra, quia dabit Dominus capiti tuo augmenta gratiarum, et corona inclita proteget te.

POSTCOMMUNION

SUPPLICES te rogamus, omnipotens Deus: ut haec sacramenta quae sumsimus, per sacrosanctae Filii tui Coronae, cuius solemnia recensemus, virtutem, nobis proficiant ad mediam. Per eundem Dominum.

We humbly beseech Thee, almighty God: that by the power of Thy Son's most holy Crown, Whose solemn offices we now observe, the sacraments that we have received may speed our cure: through the same Lord.

MATERNAL HEART of MARY

Traditional Latin Mass Parish, Lewisham

VOTIVE MASS OF THE HOLY CROWN OF THORNS OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

Friday after Ash Wednesday



Canticos 3.11; Psalm 8.6-7 INTROIT

EGREDIMINI et videte, filiae Sion, regem Salomonem in diadema, quo coronavit eum mater sua, parans crucem Salvatori suo. Ps. Gloria et honore coronasti eum, Domine: et constituisti eum super opera manuum tuarum. V. Gloria Patri.

Go forth, ye daughters of Sion, and see king Solomon in the diadem wherewith his mother crowned him, making ready a cross for her Saviour. Ps. Thou hast crowned him with glory and honour, O Lord: and hast set him over the works of thy hands. V. Glory be to the Father.

COLLECT

PRÉSTA, quæsumus, omnípotens Deus: ut, qui in memóriam passiónis Dómini nostri Jesu Christi Corónam ejus spíneam venerámur in terris, ab ipso glória et honóre coronári mercámur in cælis: Qui tecum.

Canticos 3.7-11, 4.1, 8

LÉCTULUM Salamónis sexagínta fortes ámbiunt ex fortíssimis Israël: omnes tenéntes gládios, et ad bella doctíssimi: uniuscujúsque ensis super femur suum propter timóres noctúrnos. Férculum fecit sibi rex Sálomon de lignis Líbani: colúmnas ejus fecit argénteas, reclinatórium áureum, ascénum purpúream: média carítate constrávit propter filias Jerúsalem. Egedímini et vidéte, filiæ Sion, regem Salamónem in diadémate, quo coronávit illum mater sua in die de-sponsationis illiū, et in die lætitiae cordis ejus. Quam pulchra es, amíca mea, quam pulchra es! Oculi tui columbárum, absque eo quod intrínsecus latet. Veni de Líbano, sponsa mea, veni de Líbano, veni: coronáberis.

Exli. 45.14; Psalm 20.4

CORÓNA áurea super caput ejus: expréssa signo sanctitatis, glória honóriss, et opus fortitudinis. V. Quóniam prævenisti eum in benedictiōibus dulcédinis: posuísti in cápiti ejus corónam de lápide pretiósso.

Outside Septuagesima and Lent:

Isaias 28.5

ALLELUIA, alleluia. V. Corónam tribulatiōnis efflóruit in corónam gloriæ, et sertum exsultatiōnis. Alleluia.

COLLECT

Grant, we beseech Thee, almighty God, that we who for remembrance of the passion of our Lord Jesus Christ do reverence His Crown of thorns on earth may deserve to be crowned with glory and honour in heaven by Him Who liveth and reigneth with thee.

EPISTLE

Threescore valiant ones of the most valiant of Israel surrounded the bed of Solomon: all holding swords, and most expert in war: every man's sword upon his thigh because of fears in the night. King Solomon hath made him a litter of the wood of Libanus: the pillars thereof he made of silver, the seat of gold, the going-up of purple: the midst he covered with charity for the daughters of Jerusalem. Go forth, ye daughters of Sion, and see king Solomon in the diadem wherewith his mother crowned him in the day of his espousals, and in the day of the joy of his heart. How beautiful art thou, my love, how beautiful art thou! Thine eyes are doves' eyes, besides what is hid within. Come from Libanus, my spouse, come from Libanus, come: thou shalt be crowned.

GRADUAL

A crown of gold upon his head: wherein is engraved holiness, an ornament of honour, a work of power. V. For thou hast fore stalled him with blessings of sweetness: thou hast set on his head a crown of precious stones.

ALLELUIA

Alleluia, alleluia. V. The crown of affliction hath blossomed into a crown of glory, and a garland of joy. Alleluia.

After Septuagesima the Alleluia and the verse are omitted and the following is said:

Isaias 61.10; 28.5; Wisdom 5.17

TRACT

INDUIT eum Dóminus vestíméntis salutis, et induménto justítiae, quasi sponsum décorátum coróna. V. Coróna tribulatiōnis efflóruit in corónam gloriæ, et sertum exsultatiōnis. V. Accépit regnum decórís, diadéma specií.

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

Ps 21.7; Ps 68.2-3

PASCHAL ALLELUIA

ALLELUIA, alleluia. V. Coróna tribulatiōnis efflóruit in corónam gloriæ, et sertum exsultatiōnis.

Alleluja. V. Tibi glória, hosánna: tibi triúmphus et victória: tibi summæ laudis et honóris corona. Alleluja.

John 19.1-5

IN illo témpore: Apprehéndit Pilátus Jesum, et flagellávit. Et miliites plecténtes corónam de spinis, imposuérunt cápiti ejus: et veste purpúrea circumdedérunt eum. Et veniébant ad eum, et dicébant: Ave, Rex Judæórum: et dabant ei álapas. Exívit ergo íterum Pilátus foras, et dicit eis: Ecce addúco vobis eum foras, ut cognoscáatis, quia nullam invénio in eo causam. Exívit ergo Jesus portans corónam spíneam, et purpúreum vestíméntum

Job 16.12-14

TUAM Corónam adorámus, Dómine: tuam gloriósam recólimus pas-siónem.

SECRET

TUÓRUM miliitum, Rex omnípotens, virtútem róbora: ut, quos in hujus mortalitatis stádio unigéniti Fílii tui Coróna létificat; consummáto cursu certáminis, immortalitatis brávium apprehéndant. Per eúmdem Dómi-num.

OFFERTORY

We adore Thy Crown, O Lord: and we worship Thy glorious passion.