

THE SOLEMN BLESSING

May God, who through the childbearing of the Blessed Virgin Mary
willed in his great kindness to redeem the human race,
be pleased to enrich you with his blessing.

R. Amen.

May you know always and everywhere the protection of her,
through whom you have been found worthy to receive the author of life.

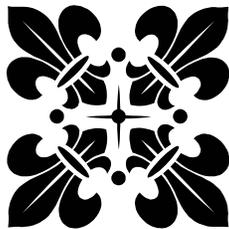
R. Amen.

May you, who have devoutly gathered on this day,
carry away with you the gifts of spiritual joys and heavenly rewards.

R. Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God,
the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit,
come down on you and remain with you for ever.

R. Amen.



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THE SOLEMNITY OF
OUR LADY OF PROMPT SUCCOR

AS CELEBRATED IN
THE ECCLESIASTICAL PROVINCE OF NEW ORLEANS

JANUARY 8

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Let us all rejoice in the Lord, celebrating the solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary as Our Lady of Prompt Succor, in whose honor the angels rejoice and praise in unison the Son of God.

The GLORIA is said.

COLLECT

Grant, we beseech you, Lord God,
that we who have been favored
by the prompt succor of the Virgin Mother
of your divine Son in war, in disasters, in epidemics and illness,
may continue to merit her protection
by fidelity to your word and to your law.
We ask this through the same Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
One God, forever and ever. Amen.

FIRST READING

*On the Solemnity itself the First Reading is taken from Nos. 707, 1 to 11
of the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary.*

RESPONSORIAL CANTICLE

Luke 1:46-55

- R. The Almighty has done great things for me
and holy is His Name.
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- V. Mary said: "My being proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my
spirit finds joy in God my Savior. (R.)
- V. For He has looked upon His servant in her lowliness;
all ages to come shall call me blessed.
God who is mighty has done great things for me,
and holy is His name. (R.)
- V. His mercy is from age to age on those who fear Him.
He has shown might with His arm;
He has confused the proud in their inmost thoughts. (R.)
- V. He has deposed the mighty from their thrones
and raised the lowly to high places.
The hungry He has given every good thing,
while the rich He has sent empty away. (R.)
- V. He has upheld Israel, His servant, ever mindful of His mercy;
even as He promised our fathers,
promised Abraham and his descendants forever." (R.)

SECOND READING

*On the Solemnity itself the Second Reading is taken from Nos. 710, 1 to 4
of the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*On the Solemnity itself the Gospel Acclamation Reading is taken from Nos. 711, 1 to 4
of the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary.*

GOSPEL

*On the Solemnity itself the Gospel Reading is taken from Nos. 712, 1 to 11
of the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary.*

The NICENE CREED is said.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

May the humanity of your only-begotten Son, Lord, bring us salvation.
Born of the Virgin, may He cleanse us of the stains of our sins
and render our offerings acceptable to you.
We ask this through the same Christ, our Lord. Amen.

PREFACE

*On the Solemnity itself, the Preface of Blessed Virgin Mary I is proper,
with the words inserted "under the title of Our Lady of Prompt Succor."*

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Luke 1: 49

He who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name.

*(Note: The above option is taken from The Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 2
since none is provided in the Proper Mass Texts for the Solemnity.)*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Having partaken of the Eucharistic sacrifice, O Lord,
we ask your gracious kindness,
that as we rejoice on this feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary,
Our Lady of Prompt Succor,
we may be accounted worthy,
through imitating her virtues,
of sharing in the mystery of our redemption.
We ask this through the same Christ, our Lord. Amen.

The Solemn Blessing is located on the back cover.