

## **Divine Worship**

**INTROIT** *Oculi mei* [Psalm 25: 14, 15, 1]

Mine eyes are ever looking unto the Lord, for he shall pluck my feet out of the net: look thou upon me, and have mercy upon me, for I am desolate, and in misery. Ps. Unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul: my God, in thee have I trusted, let me not be confounded.

**COLLECT** We beseech thee, Almighty God: look upon the hearty desires of thy humble servants, and stretch forth the right hand of thy majesty, to be our defence against all our enemies; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

**APPOINTED PSALM** Psalm 19: 7-11 *Caeli enarrant.*

The law of the Lord is an undefiled law, con- | verting the | soul; \* the testimony of the Lord is sure, and giveth | wisdom | unto the | simple.

8 The statutes of the Lord are right, and re- | joice the | heart; \* the commandment of the Lord is pure, and giveth | light\_ | unto the | eyes.

9 The fear of the Lord is clean, and en- | dureth for | ever; \* the judgments of the Lord are true, and | righteous | al-to- | gether.

10 More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than | much fine | gold; \* sweeter also than honey, | and the | honey- | comb.

11 Moreover, by them is thy | servant | taught; \* and in keeping of them | there is | great re- | ward.

**TRACT** *Ad te levavi* [Psalm 123: 1, 2, 3]

Unto thee lift I up mine eyes: O thou that dwellest in the heavens.

℣. Behold, even as the eyes of servants: look unto the hand of their masters. ℣. And as the eyes of a maiden: unto the hand of her mistress.

℣. Even so our eyes wait upon the Lord our God: until he have mercy upon us. ℣. Have mercy upon us, O Lord: have mercy upon us.

**OFFERTORY** *Justitiae Domini* [Psalm 19: 8, 10b, 11]

The statutes of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart: sweeter also than honey and the honey-comb; moreover, by them is thy servant taught.

**COMMUNION** *Passer invenit* [Psalm 84: 3, 4]

The sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young: even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God; blessed are they that dwell in thy house, they will be always praising thee.

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**FIRST READING** *Exodus 20: 1-17*

In those days: God spoke all these words, saying, "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. "You shall have no other gods before me. "You shall not make for yourself a graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; you shall not bow down to them or serve them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments. "You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain; for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain. "Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor, and do all your work; but the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; in it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your manservant, or your maidservant, or your cattle, or the sojourner who is within your gates; for in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and hallowed it. "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land which the LORD your God gives you. "You shall not kill. "You shall not commit adultery. "You shall not steal. "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. "You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant, or his maidservant, or his ox, or his ass, or anything that is your neighbors."

**SECOND READING** *1 Corinthians 1: 22-25*

Brethren: Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God

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and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

**GOSPEL** *John 2:13-25*

The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. In the temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers at their business. And making a whip of cords, he drove them all, with the sheep and oxen, out of the temple; and he poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. And he told those who sold the pigeons, "Take these things away; you shall not make my Father's house a house of trade." His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for thy house will consume me." The Jews then said to him, "What sign have you to show us for doing this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews then said, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will you raise it up in three days?" But he spoke of the temple of his body. When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word which Jesus had spoken. Now when he was in Jerusalem at the Passover feast, many believed in his name when they saw the signs which he did; but Jesus did not trust himself to them, because he knew all men and needed no one to bear witness of man; for he himself knew what was in man.



**Roman Missal**

**INTROIT** My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare. Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor. *℟̕.* To you I lift up my soul, O Lord, my God. In you I trust; let me not be put to shame, let not my enemies exult over me. No one who waits for you shall be put to shame.

**COLLECT** O God, author of every mercy and of all goodness, who in fasting, prayer and almsgiving have shown us a remedy for sin, look graciously on this confession of our lowliness, that we, who are bowed down by our conscience, may always be lifted up by 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. Amen.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** *Psalm 19: 7-10; ℟̕ John 6: 68c*

**℟̕ Lord, you have the words of eternal life.**

The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul;  
the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple. *℟̕*

The precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart;  
the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes. *℟̕*

The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring for ever;  
the ordinances of the LORD are true, and righteous altogether. *℟̕*

More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold;  
sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb. *℟̕*

**VERSE BEFORE THE GOSPEL**

**℟̕. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory.**

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might have eternal life.

**℟̕. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory.**

**OFFERTORY** The precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart, and his ordinances are sweeter than syrup or honey from the comb; therefore your servant is careful of them. *℟̕.* The command of the Lord is clear, enlightening the eye. The fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the Lord are true.

**COMMUNION VERSE** The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.