

THE MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INTROIT *Nos autem gloriari (Gal 6:14; Ps 67:1)*

We should glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ: in whom is our salvation, life, and resurrection, through whom we are saved and delivered. *Ps* God be merciful unto us, and bless us: and show us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us.

KYRIE

GLORIA

COLLECT

O God, who in a wonderful Sacrament hast left unto us a memorial of thy Passion: grant us, we beseech thee, so to venerate the sacred mysteries of thy Body and Blood; that we may ever know within ourselves the fruit of thy redemption; who livest and reignest with the Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. **Amen.**

FIRST READING *Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14*

In those days: The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, "This month shall be for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell all the congregation of Israel that on the tenth day of this month they shall take every man a lamb according to their fathers' houses, a lamb for a household; and if the household is too small for a lamb, then a man and his neighbor next to his house shall take according to the number of persons; according to what each can eat you shall make your count for the lamb. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male a year old; you shall take it from the sheep or from the goats; and you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month, when the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill their lambs in the evening. Then they shall take some of the blood, and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat them. They shall eat the flesh that night, roasted; with unleavened bread and bitter herbs they shall eat it. In this manner you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it in haste. It is the LORD's Passover. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike all the first-born in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the Lord. The blood shall be a sign for you, upon the houses where you are; and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall fall upon you to destroy you, when I strike the land of Egypt. "This day shall be for you a memorial day, and you shall keep it as a feast to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as an ordinance for ever.

APPOINTED PSALM *Psalms 116:11-16*

11 What reward shall I give unto the Lord * for all the benefits that he hath done unto me?

12 I will receive the cup of salvation, * and call upon the Name of the Lord.

13 I will pay my vows now in the presence of all his people: * right dear in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.

14 Behold, O Lord, how that I am thy servant; * I am thy servant, and the son of thine handmaid; thou hast broken my bonds in sunder.

15 I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving, * and will call upon the Name of the Lord.

16 I will pay my vows unto the Lord, in the sight of all his people, * in the courts of the Lord's house; even in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem.

SECOND READING *1 Corinthians 11: 23-26*

Brethren: I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way also the chalice, after supper, saying, "This chalice is the new

covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the chalice, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

TRACT *Ab ortu solis (Mal 1:11; Prov 9:5)*

From the rising up of the sun, unto the going down of the same: my Name shall be great among the Gentiles.

℣. And in every place incense shall be offered unto my Name: and a pure offering.

℣. Come, eat of my bread, and drink of the wine: which I have mingled.

GOSPEL *John 13: 1-15*

Before the feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that his hour had come to depart out of this world to the Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. And during supper, when the devil had already put it into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, to betray him, Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going to God, rose from supper, laid aside his garments, and tied a towel around himself. Then he poured water into a basin, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel that was tied around him. He came to Simon Peter; and Peter said to him, "Lord, do you wash my feet?" Jesus answered him, "What I am doing you do not know now, but afterward you will understand." Peter said to him, "You shall never wash my feet." Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no part in me." Simon Peter said to him, "Lord, not my feet only but also my hands and my head!" Jesus said to him, "He who has bathed does not need to wash, except for his feet, but he is clean all over; and you are clean, but not all of you." For he knew who was to betray him; that was why he said, "You are not all clean." When he had washed their feet, and taken his garments, and resumed his place, he said to them, "Do you know what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord; and you are right, for so I am. If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you.

HOMILY

THE MAUNDY

If done, the washing of the feet of twelve men by the Priest occurs at this time while a suitable antiphon or hymn is sung.

After the Maundy, the Priest puts the chasuble back on, and returns to the sedilia or altar and begins the Prayers of the People. The Penitential Rite is omitted.

The Creed is not said at this Mass.

OFFERTORY *Dextera Domini (Ps 118:16,17)*

The right hand of the Lord hath the pre-eminence; the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass: I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord.

THE EUCHARISTIC RITE

SANCTUS

AGNUS DEI

COMMUNION *Dominus Iesus post cenavit (Jn 13:12,13,15)*

The Lord Jesus, after that he had supped with his disciples, and had washed their feet, said unto them: Know ye what I your Lord and Master have done to you? I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you.

Or: *Hoc Corpus* (1 Cor 11:24,25)

This is my Body, which is broken for you; this cup is the new testament in my Blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me.

THE SOLEMN TRANSLATION AND RESERVATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

A procession is formed in the customary manner in which the Blessed Sacrament, accompanied by torches and incense, is carried through the church to a place of repose prepared in a part of the church or in a chapel suitably decorated.

During the procession the hymn Pange Lingua is sung up to, but not including, the verse Tantum ergo. If necessary the verses of the hymn are sung more than once.

When the procession reaches the place of repose, the Priest, assisted by the Deacon if necessary, places the ciborium in the tabernacle, the door of which remains open. He puts incense in the thurible and, kneeling, he censens the Blessed Sacrament, and meanwhile the verse Tantum ergo is sung.

199 PANGE LINGUA, 1st Tune

Plainsong



NOW, my tongue, the mystery telling
Of the glorious Body sing,
And the Blood, all price excelling,
Which the Gentiles' Lord and King,
Once on earth among us dwelling,
Shed for this world's ransoming.

- 2 Given for us, and condescending
To be born for us below,
He with men in converse blending
Dwelt, the seed of truth to sow,
Till he closed with wondrous ending
His most patient life of woe.
- 3 That last night at supper lying
Mid the twelve, his chosen band,
Jesus, with the Law complying,
Keeps the feast its rites demand;
Then, more precious food supplying,
Gives himself with his own hand.
- 4 Word-made-flesh, true bread he maketh
By his word his Flesh to be,
Wine his Blood; when man partaketh,
Though his senses fail to see,
Faith alone, when sight forsaketh,
Shows true hearts the mystery.

Tantum Ergo

Part II of Hymn 199

- 5 Therefore we, before him bending,
This great Sacrament revere;
Types and shadows have their ending,
For the newer rite is here;
Faith, our outward sense befriending,
Makes our inward vision clear.
- 6 Glory let us give and blessing
To the Father and the Son,
Honor, thanks, and praise addressing,
While eternal ages run;
Ever too his love confessing
Who from both with both is One. Amen.

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THE STRIPPING OF THE ALTARS

The candles are extinguished. The Priest, vested in alb and purple stole, stands before the altar accompanied by the Ministers and servers. The Priest or, if necessary, the cantor, says or sings the antiphon, They part my garments among them: and cast lots upon my vesture, and the beginning of the psalm, which the People or Choir then take up.

During the psalm, the altar is stripped.

Antiphon: They part my garments among them: and cast lots upon my vesture.

Deus, Deus meus (Ps 22)

My God, my God, look upon me: why hast thou forsaken me, and art so far from my health, and from the words of my complaint?

O my God, I cry in the day-time, but thou hearest not: and in the night season also I take no rest.

And thou continuest holy: O thou worship of Israel.

Our fathers hoped in thee: they trusted in thee, and thou didst deliver them.

They called upon thee, and were holpen: they put their trust in thee, and were not confounded.

But as for me, I am a worm and no man: a very scorn of men, and the outcast of the people.

All they that see me laugh me to scorn: they shoot out their lips, and shake their heads, saying,

He trusted in the Lord, that he would deliver him: let him deliver him, if he will have him.

But thou art he that took me out of my mother's womb: thou wast my hope, when I hanged yet upon my mother's breasts.

I have been left unto thee ever since I was born: thou art my God even from my mother's womb.

O go not from me, for trouble is hard at hand: and there is none to help me.

Many oxen are come about me: strong bulls of Bashan close me in on every side.

They gape upon me with their mouths: as it were a ramping and a roaring lion.

I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint: my heart also in the midst of my body is even like melting wax.

My strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue cleaveth to my gums: and thou bringest me into the dust of death.

For many dogs are come about me: and the council of the wicked layeth siege against me.

They pierced my hands and my feet, I may tell all my bones: they stand staring and looking upon me.
They part my garments among them: and cast lots upon my vesture.
But be not thou far from me, O Lord: thou art my succour, haste thee to help me.
Deliver my soul from the sword: my darling life from the power of the dog.
Save me from the lion's mouth: thou hast heard me also from among the horns of the unicorns.
I will declare thy Name unto my brethren: in the midst of the congregation will I praise thee.
O praise the Lord, ye that fear him: magnify him, all ye of the seed of Jacob; and fear him, all ye seed of Israel.
For he hath not despised nor abhorred the low estate of the poor: he hath not hid his face from him; but when he called unto him he heard him.
My praise is of thee in the great congregation: my vows will I perform in the sight of them that fear him.
The poor shall eat and be satisfied: they that seek after the Lord shall praise him; your heart shall live for ever.
All the ends of the world shall remember themselves, and be turned unto the Lord: and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before him.
For the kingdom is the Lord's: and he is the Governor among the nations.
All such as be fat upon earth: have eaten and worshipped.
All they that go down into the dust shall kneel before him: and no man hath quickened his own soul.
My seed shall serve him: they shall be counted unto the Lord for a generation.
They shall come, and shall declare his righteousness unto a people that shall be born: whom the Lord hath made.

Ant. They part my garments among them: and cast lots upon my vesture.

The Priest, Ministers and servers return to the sacristy without ceremony.