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INTROITUS.  Ps. 73.

Exsúrge, Deus, júdica causam tuam: memor esto improperiórum tuórum, córnum quae ab insipiénte sunt tota die. Ps. Ut quid, Deus, repulísti in finem? * irátus est furor tuus super oves páscuæ tuae? Glória Patri ... Exsúrge, Deus ...

ORATIO.

Deúntes cum fidúcia ad thronum grátiae tuæ, Dómine Jesu, propítius respicite et exaúdi; ut glória tua, quæ in Sacraménto amóris tui perpétuis impiórum contuméliis impéttitur, perpétuo quoque tibi famulántium cultu repárétur. Qui vivis et regnas cum Deo Patre, &c.

INTROIT.  Ps. 73.

Bestir thyself, O God, to vindicate thy own cause; do not forget the taunts which reckless men hurl at thee, day after day. Ps. O God, hast thou altogether abandoned us? Sheep of thy own pasturing, must we feel the fires of thy vengeance? Glory be ... Bestir thyself ...

COLLECT.

Lord Jesu, drawing nigh with boldness to the throne of grace, we pray thee mercifully to behold and hear our prayer: that thy glory, which in the Sacrament of thy love is outraged perpetually by the blasphemies of wicked men, may by the perpetual worship of thy family be repaired.

EPISTLE.  Heb. 10.

Brethren, we can enter the sanctuary with confidence through the blood of Christ. He has opened up for us a new, a living approach, by way of the veil, I mean, his mortality. A great priest is ours, who has dominion over God’s house. Let us come forward with sincere hearts in the full assurance of the faith, our guilty consciences purified by sprinkling, our bodies washed clean in hallowed water. Do not let us waver in acknowledging the hope we cherish; we have a promise from one who is true to his word. Let us keep one another in mind, always ready with incitements to charity and to acts of piety, not abandoning, as some do, our common assembly, but encouraging one another; all the more, as you see the great day drawing nearer. If we go on sinning wilfully, when once the full knowledge
of the truth has been granted to us, we have no further sacrifice for sin to look forward to; nothing but a terrible expectation of judgement, a fire that will eagerly consume the rebellious. Let a man be convicted by two or three witnesses of defying the law of Moses, and he dies, without hope of mercy. What of the man who has trampled the Son of God under foot, who has reckoned the blood of the covenant, that blood which sanctified him, as a thing unclean, mocked at the Spirit that brought him grace? Will not he incur a punishment much more severe? It is one we know well, who has told us, Vengeance is for me, I will repay; and again, The Lord will judge his people. It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

**GRADUAL.** (Ps. 73) See what havoc thy enemies have wrought in the holy place! They have set fire to thy sanctuary, sullied the dwelling-place of thy glory in the dust. В. O God, shall our enemy taunt us everlastingly, shall blasphemy still defy thy name?

**TRACTUS.** (Dan. 9; Bar. 2) We, Lord, have been sinners, we have shewn ourselves unworthy of all thy faithful dealings with us. В. But wilt thou let thy indignant anger fall on thy city, on that holy mountain of thine? В. God’s was never the fault; for us and for our fathers the blush of shame: be it thine, O Lord our God, to have mercy and to forgive. В. God of our race, give audience at last to the prayer: restore the sanctuary, that now lies forlorn, to the smile of thy favour, for it is desolate, the city that claims to be thine own. В. Incliña, My God, give ear and listen to us; open thy eyes, and see our desolation. В. No merits of
prostérnimus preces ante fáciem tuam: sed in miseratiónibus tuis multis. Ἡ Exáudi, Dómine: placáre, Dómine: atténde, et fac: ne moréris, propter temetípsum, Deus meus. Ἡ Quia nomen tuum invocátum est super civitátem et super pópulum tuum.


SEQUENTIA.

J Esu mitis, expiátum Mundi tollis qui peccátum Quo te flemus conculcátum, Tolle nefas ímpium. Os occlúde blasphemánti, Sana mentem nauseánti, Ne des sanctum usurpánti, Ne te credas non amánti: Fac te cuncti páveant. Scelus adhuc dum videámus, Fletus præter quid non demus? En nos tibi devóvemus: Fletus ipse, quos spondémus, Da qui tibi pláceant. Amen. (Alleluia.)

SEQUENCE.

[O Jesus, full of meekness, atoning Lamb that takest away the sins of the world: receive our tears, and forgive the iniquity of them that trample thee in the dust.]

[Shut the mouths of all blasphemers; heal the sick minds of them that despise and reject thee; suffer not thy holy things to be taken by them that know thee and love thee not; and send forth thy fear into all hearts.]

[As for us, beholding such wickedness that is done against thee, could we offer thee anything but our weeping? Unto thee do we make our vows: only grant us those tears which alone can make them well-pleasing in thy sight.]

GOSPEL. Heb. 10.

At that time: Jesus spoke to the chief priests and Pharisees in parables: Here is an image, he said, of the kingdom of heaven; there was once a king, who held a marriage-feast for his son, and sent out his servants with a summons to all those whom he had invited to the wedding; but they would not come. Then he sent other servants with a fresh summons, bidding them tell those who had been invited, By this, I have prepared my feast, the oxen have been killed, and the fatlings, all is ours, nothing but thy great love emboldens us to lay our prayers at thy feet. Ἡ Thy hearing, Lord, and thy pardon; thy heed, Lord, and thy aid! For thy own honour, my God, deny thyself no longer. Ἡ To the city, to the people that is called thy own.

[Alleluia, alleluia. Ἡ Power and Godhead, wisdom and strength, honour and glory and blessing are thine by right, O Lord.]
ready now; come to the wedding. But still they paid no heed, and went off on other errands, one to his farm in the country, and another to his trading; and the rest laid hands upon his servants, and insulted and killed them. The king fell into a rage when he heard of it, and sent out his troops to put those murderers to death, and burn their city. After this, he said to his servants, Here is the marriage-feast all ready, and those who had been invited have proved unworthy of it. You must go out to the street-corners, and invite all whom you find there to the wedding. And his servants went out into the streets, where they mustered all they could find, rogues and honest men together; and so the wedding had its full tale of guests. But when the king came in to look at the company, he saw a man there who had no wedding-garment on; My friend, he said, how didst thou come to be here without a wedding-garment? And he made no reply. Whereupon the king said to his servants, Bind him hand and foot, and cast him out into the darkness, where there shall be weeping, and gnashing of teeth. Many are called, but few are chosen.

**OFFERTORY.** (II Macc. 1)

Lord God, that all things madest, the terrible, the strong, the just, the merciful, King gracious as none else. none else so kindly, none else so just, as thou, the almighty, the eternal! Thy people from all peril thou deliverest: For thy whole nation receive our sacrifice; all are thine; thy own domain keep inviolate. to the despised, the outcast grant redress; let the world know what a God is ours! (T. P. Allelúia.)

**SECRET.**

We beseech thee, O Lord, to receive, from our humble hands, this sacrifice of propitiation: and grant; that what we humbly offer unto thy divine majesty, in honour of thy Son our Lord, may through
in nos caritátem récipit oppróbíia reparémus. Qui tecum, &c.

**PRAEFATIO.**


the immensity of thy love become a means whereby we may repair all the evils committed against thee. Who livest, &c.

**PREFACE.**

Throughout all ages of ages. Ἡν. Amen. Ἴν. The Lord be with you. Ἴν. And with thy spirit. Ἴν. Lift up your hearts. Ἴν. We lift them up unto the Lord. Ἴν. Let us give thanks unto our Lord God. Ἴν. It is meet and right so to do. — It is very meet and right, just and availing unto salvation, that always and everywhere we should give thanks unto thee, O Lord holy, Father almighty, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord: Who is the true and eternal Pontiff, the only spotless Priest without sin, by whose Blood the hearts of the faithful are cleansed: whom, by his own institution, we do immolate not only through offerings for the sins of the people, but also for our own offences. Through whom the Angels praise, the Dominations adore, the Powers fear thy majesty. The Heavens and the heavenly Virtues and the blessed Seraphim together sing thy praise with exultation. With whom, we beseech thee, bid that our voices also be admitted, humbly praising thee, and saying: Holy, Holy, Holy, &c.
COMMUNIO. (1 Cor. 11) A man must examine himself first, and then eat of that bread and drink of that cup; he is eating and drinking damnation to himself if he eats and drinks unworthily, not recognizing the Lord’s body for what it is. (T. P. Allelúia.)

POSTCOMMUNION.

O Jesu most merciful, who of thy great mercy dost not repel even the guilty who receive thee into their inward parts: mercifully grant; that the partaking of this thy table may become unto them not a snare but a saving remedy and a loving nourishment. Who liveth, &c.

COMMUNIO. (1 Cor. 11) Probet autem seípsum homo, et sic de pano illo edat, et de cálice bibat: qui enim mandúcat et bibit indígne, non dijúdicans Corpus Dómini. (T. P. Allelúia.)

POSTCOMMUNIO. CLEMENTÍSSIME Jesu, qui étiam Córporis et Sángui-nis tui reos, a misericórdiæ tuæ viscéribus non repéllis: concéde propítius; ut quibus ineffá-bilis hujus mensæ participátio fuit in láqueum, fiat illis postmódum in salútis remédium et amóris aliméntum. Qui vivis, &c.