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## ALTAR=BOYS SOCIETY,

 UNDER THE PROTECTION OF
## S'. JOHN BERCHMANS.

## OBJECT OF THE SOCIETY.

This society is organized to aid the altar boys by the example and the intercession of Saint John Berchmans, as also by prayers, pious exercises and instructions, to discharge their important duties with devotion and attention, with dignity and decorum, for the honor of God and the edification of the faithful.

## RULES.

1. Each member of the society will carefully avoid all unnecessary talking, looking around, moving his head or feet, or playing with his hands. He will fold his hands and make the genuflections as instructed, and will endeavor to serve in a becoming manner at Mass and at the other services.
2. He will learn the prayers for serving at Mass so as to be able to say them correctly and answer them distinctly and devoutly, and he will be punctual in attendance when appointed to serve.
3. He will bear in mind that he is called upon to do on earth what the angels do in heaven; he will strive by his devotion to make reparation for the many sins committed against God by irreverences in church.
4. He will carefully avoid all unnecessary talking in the sacristy, and he will report to the priest all serious violations against the sacristy rules.
5. He will approach the Holy Sacraments on days appointed by his pastor and on the feast of Saint John Berchmans, and he will prepare for the feast of the Patron-Saint of altar-boys by a Novena. He must be willing :
(a) To be present at the meetings appointed by the priest, once a month or oftener, for instruction or exhortations, and at them to behave respectiully and attentively.
(b) To continue serving his turn at the place appointed until discharged by the priest.
(c) To submit to the deserved punishments for failings. The priest alone has the right to dismiss or discharge a member.
(d) To recite once a day the following prayer: Saint John, who didst distinguish thyself by thy piety and modesty, by thy reverent behavior in church, and by thy devotion to the Blessed Sacrament, to the Blessed Virgin and to Saint Aloysius; obtain for us the grace to
imitate thee in these virtues, that those who see us in church may think they see thee and may give due honor to God and to thee. Our Father; Hail Mary; Glory be to the Father, etc.

## ADVANTAGES.

1. Indulgences: A Plenary Indulgence on the day of reception and on the Feast of Saint John Berchmans (August 13). Conditions : Confession and Communion and five Our Fathers and Hail Marys for the intention of the Holy Father.
2. A Plenary Indulgence on the five Sundays before the Feast of Saint John Berchmans, in honor of the five years the Saint lived in the Society of Jesus. Conditions : confession, communion, prayer according to the intention of the Holy Father.
3. One hundred days Indulgence each time for serving the Holy Mass devoutly or making the genuflection reverently, or behaving respectfully in church.
4. An Indulgence of seven years each time for reciting the following five approved prayers in honor of Saint John Berchmans:
(a) Most innocent Saint John, I beseech thee by thy excellent purity of heart, obtain for us the grace to imitate thee in this excellent virtue.

Never permit that I lose it. Inspire me with great horror of that which in any way tarnishes this virtue. Our Father; Hail Mary; Glory be to the Father, etc.
(b) Most modest Saint John, I beseech thee by the most zealous vigilance over thy senses, which made thee so wonderful in the eyes of the world, obtain for me the grace to control my senses, that the poison of the detestable sin of immodesty may not penetrate into my heart. Our Father ; Hail Mary ; Glory be to the Father, etc.
(c) Conscientious man of the convent, Saint John, I beseech thee by the great care with which thou didst observe the rules of thy order, obtain for me the grace to observe faithfully the holy commandments of God, and to esteem and honor the evangelical counsels. Our Father; Hail Mary; Glory be to the Father, etc.
(d) DevoutSaint John, I beseech thee for the love wherewith thou didst love Saint Aloysius as thy religious brother, and the Blessed Virgin as thy mother, obtain for me the grace to have Saint Aloysius for my model and special protector, and to venerate the Blessed Virgin so devoutly that I may always be able to say with thee: "I will not cease until I shall have obtained a tender love towards my Mother Mary." Our Father ; Hail Mary; Glory be to the Father, etc.
(e) Zealous Saint John, I beseech thee by thy admirable devotion towards the adorable mystery of the altar, and towards Jesus Crucified, obtain


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for me a great love and veneration for Jesus, that I may in no place, least of all in the church, offend against the reverence which I owe to the Sacrament of Love, and that I may always and everywhere glory in the cross that, I may deserve to enjoy Him with thee in heaven, after having followed Him as his faithful scholar on earth. Our Father; Hail Mary; Glory be to the Father, etc.


## PRAYER.

Saint John, thou didst deserve, when dying, to have in thy hands the Crucifix, the Rosary, and the book of Rules saying: "These three things have always been most dear to me, they are to me the strongest weapons against the enemy, and I am glad to die whilst holding them in my hands," I beseech thee by the Blood of Jesus Christ, obtain for me such reverence for the sacred precepts of the Gospel, such devotion to the Blessed Virgin, and such love for Jesus, who suffered the death of the Cross for love of me, grant that these three weapons may, in the future, be the weapons whereby I may overcome every attack of the devil, that I may also, after thy example, in my last hour, filled with contrition and with confidence, be able to repeat: "These three were
always most dear to me in life, with these in my heart I will gladly die. Amen."
V. Pray for us, Saint John.
R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

## LET US PRAY.

We beseech Thee, O Lord God, grant Thy servants the grace to imitate the example of innocence and fidelity in Thy service, those virtues through which the angelic youth, Saint John, sanctified the blossom of his life. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.


## ST. JOHN BERCHMANS,

 PATRON OF ALTAR-BOYS.Picture to yourself, dear reader, a young boy-a child pleasing to God and to men-one whom you could love and with whom your Guardian Angel would be pleased to have you associate.

The young John Berchmans was just such a little boy as the beautiful picture now in your mind. From the day of his birth his face indicated that he was a child dear to the heart of God, one upon whom had been bestowed the choicest blessings of heaven.

Why is he called the Patron Saint of the AltarBoys? Would you like to know something about his life on earth?

John Berchmans was born at Diest, a small town on the river Dyle, in Belgium, on the 13th day of March, in the year 1599. The next day he was baptized. His good father and mother prayed earnestly that he might grow up a child of God. Often in his infancy and childhood they carried him in their arms or guided his footsteps to the Altar where they
begged our dear Lord to keep him innocent and pure, and to give him grace to preserve his baptismal innocence.

The boys who lived near the home of the Berchmans came often to look at the sweet face of the little babe, for they loved him even before he could speak their names. This love did not cease as he grew older, although he was unlike many of the noisy children who visited his home. He was gentle and patient and obedient. When only seven years of age he would rise early in the morning in order to pray or to talk to God and his Guardian Angel. He had a great love for the Blessed Mother and he would ask her questions as if he were conversing with his father and mother of this world.

The workmen, who used sometimes bad language or took the name of Godin vain, would cease their oaths or idle words when they saw the little child looking at them with pleading eyes as if asking them to praise God instead of wounding the Sacred Heart by harsh and sinful language.

One of his holy practices was to ask daily the Blessed Mother that she would guide him to do what was pleasing to her Divine Son. He was always happy when serving the priest at Mass.

He knew that to wait upon the celebrant of the Holy Sacrifice was a greater honor than to serve at the throne of the greatest king on earth. His reverent manner in the sanctuary, his careful attention to his duties, his avoidance of all unnecessary whispering, or looking about, or doing anything that might distract him or show even thoughtlessness, made him a model altarboy and an edification to all who saw him at the altar.

The day was unusually fair in his eyes and his lessons were more easily learned when he had the happiness of assisting at more than one Mass. His parents selected for him teachers who were pious as well as learned, and he advanced in the science of heaven as well as in the studies that belonged more to earth.

When he was about nine years of age, his mother was attacked with a painful illness which continued for many months. The young boy was most attentive to his dear mother, and he tried in every way to comfort her. His first visit in the morning was to her bedside. At the sound of the church-bell he left her to assist at Mass and to ask God to restore her to health. It was remarked by the friends and relatives that when John was near
his mother she did not suffer. He waited upon her like a "Little Angel," as his mother often called him.

At one of the great feasts of the church, when John was serving at the altar, the large number of people who approached the Holy Table created in the boy's heart an earnest desire to receive Holy Communion. After he returned home, he at once began to prepare for a general confession and then went to his pastor to obtain permission to receive his first Holy Communion. His pastor received him kindly, heard his confession, and appointed a day when he might approach the Holy Table. The boy was filled with happiness. From the day when he received his first Holy Communion, he went to Communion as often as his confessor permitted.

He was only a young boy when he told his father that he desired to become a priest. The father did not at once reply, but took time to pray and consider. It was indeed with sorrow that he told the young boy he must abandon all thought of becoming a priest, for his parents were too poor to continue him in school. John begged his father to permit him to go on with his studies. "Give me bread only and I will
be content to live on bread and water if I may give myself entirely to the service of God," said John as the tears rolled down his face. His father convinced of the boy's vocation consented to his wishes.
The life he led in school was most edifying. His prayers and fasts, his daily devotion, his eagerness to run in the service of God made his teachers and companions love and respect him. He took for his model Saint Aloysius, and at an early age he decided to ask for admission to the same society of which the holy Aloysius had once been a member. He entered the Society of Jesus on the 24th of September, 1616, when he was a little more than seventeen years old.

The story of his life in the novitiate would please the altar-boys as it would also please all who love to hear of the holy lives of saintly people. He performed no deeds which the world call "thrilling" nor did he receive applause for heroic acts, but he tried earnestly to do the duties of each day in a manner that would best please Almighty God. He was a cheerful novice, a happy companion, and so much in love with prayer that his hours and minutes became one continuous conversation with God and in the presence of the whole
court of heaven. Truly was he great because dear to the Sacred Heart, and his life was one of heroism because all was given to God.

He had a horror of venial sin, and when he heard that some one had committed a mortal sin, his eyes would show his pained surprise and his face would tell how his heart ached to think one creature of God would do aught to offend the Creator. His life, as we follow it, makes our heart throb with joy and we try to imitate him. His death was a glorious change -a passing from earth to heaven forever.

After six years as a novice in the Society of Jesus, and before he was ordained a priest of God, he left earth.

The altar-boys have in heaven a patron who was once a happy altar-boy, one who delighted to do just what the altar-boys do now when they are serving Mass. Saint John looks down upon the boys in the sanctuary and prays that they may be worthy of the great honor conferred upon them.

On January 15, 1888, Pope Leo XIII. canonized Saint John Berchmans. One of the two test miracles chosen by the Sacred Congregation of Rites took place in America, at the Con-

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vent of the Sacred Heart, Grand Couteau, Louisiana.

Rev. F. X. Brady, S. J., in the year 1888, gave minute information regarding this miracle. He wrote :
"We are indebted for the details of this miracle to one of the community who wrote them down at the time.
On the 20th of September, 1866, Miss Mary Wilson arrived at the convent. She had been driven from her home in London, Canada, by her parents, who were Protestants, and who were incensed on account of her conversion. She sought a refuge as a postulant among the friends of the Sacred Heart. After a month of preparation and on the eve of her reception as a novice she was suddenly seized with a most violent sickness."

Father Brady describes the condition of the young woman until at last she was given up for dead. For forty days she had not taken one ounce of solid food and only small quantities of tea or coffee. The community began a novena to Saint John Berchmans. On the 14th day of December, the last day of the novena, her condition was most alarming. With the greatest difficulty the Holy Viaticum was administered, after which all the Sisters, except the infirmarian, went to the chapel to assist at Mass.

Within one hour after receiving the last sacraments she was entirely restored to health, as she said, through the intercession of Saint John Berchmans who appeared to her. Every symptom of the disease had passed away. The doctors examined her and said her cure had been effected by a supernatural agency, for she had been beyond the aid of natural remedies.

Dear altar-boys, say after the Mass which you have served the words Saint John Berchmans said hundreds of times: "The action I have just performed belongs to Thee, O adorable Trinity; I wish I had a thousand hearts wherewith to offer it to Thee."


## PRAYERS AT MASS.

In nómine Patris, ${ }^{*}$ et Filii, et Spíritus Sancti. Amen.
S. Introíbo ad altáre Dei.
M. Ad Deum, qui lætificat juventútem meam.
$S$. Júdica me Deus, et discérne causam meam de gente non sancta: ab hómine iníquo et dolóso érue me.
M. Quia tu es, Deus, fortitúdo mea, quare me repulisti ? et quare tristis incédo dum afflígit me inimícus?
S. Emitte lucem tuam et veritátem tuam: ipsa me deduxérunt et adduxérunt in montem sanctum tuum, et in tabernácula tua.
M. Et introíbo ad altáre Dei: ad Deum, qui lætíficat juventútem meam.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.
S. I will go unto the altar of God.
R. To God, who giveth joy to my youth.
$P$. Judge me, O God, and distinguish my cause from the nation that is not holy: deliver me from the unjust and deceitful man.
$R$. For Thou, O God, art my strength; why hast Thou cast me off? and why do I go sorrowful whilst the enemy afflicteth me?
$P$. Send forth Thy light and Thy truth; they have conducted me and brought me unto Thy holy mount, and into Thy holy tabernacles.
R. And I will go unto the altar of God: to God, who giveth joy to my youth.
S. Confitébor tibi in cíthara, Deus, Deus meus: quare tristis es ánima mea, et quare contúrbas me?
M. Spera in Deo, quóniam adhuc conifitébor illi: salutáre vultus mei, et Deus meus.
S. Glória Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto.
M. Sicut erat in princípio, et nunc, et semper, et in sæcula sæculórum. Amen.
S. Introíbo ad altáre Dei.
M. Ad Deum, qui lætificat juventútem meam.
S. Adjutórium nostrum in nómine Dómini.
M. Qui fecit colum et terram.
S. Confíteor Deo omnipoténti, etc.
M. Misereátur tui omnipotens Deus, et dimísșis peccátis tuis, perdúcat te ad vitam $\begin{array}{ll}\text { térnum. }\end{array}$
$P$. I will praise Thee on the harp, O God, my God: why art thou sorrowful, O my soul, and why dost thou disquiet me?
R. Hope in God, for I will still give praise to Him : who is the salvation of my countenance, and my God.
$P$. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
$r$. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
$P$. I will go unto the altar of God.
R. To God, who giveth joy to my youth.
$P$. Our help is in the name of the Lord.
R. Who hath made heaven and earth.
$P$. I confess to Almighty God, etc.
R. May the Almighty God have mercy upon thee, forgive thee thy sins, and bring thee to life everlasting.

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## S. Amen.

M. Confíteor Deo omnipoténti, beátæ Maríæ semper Virgini, beáto Michaéli Archángelo, beáto Joánni Baptistæ, sanctis Apóstolis Petro et Paulo, ómnibus Sanctis, et tibi, Pater, quia peccávinimis cogitatióne verbo, et ópere, mea culpa, meaculpa, mea máxima culpa. Ideo precor beátam Maríam semper Vírginem, beátum Michaélem Archángelum, beátum Joánnem Baptistam, sanctos Apostólos Petrum et Paulum, omnes Sanctos, et te, Pater, oráre pro me ad Dóminum Deum nostrum.
S. Misereátur vestri omnipotens Deus, et dimíssis peccátis véstris, perdúcat vos ad vitam ætérnum.
M. Amen.
S. Indulgéntiam solutiónem, et remissió-
$P$. Amen.
$R$. I confess to Almighty God, to blessed Mary ever Virgin, to blessed Michael the Archangel, to blessed John the Baptist, to the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, to all the Saints, and to you, Father, that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault. Therefore I beseech the blessed Mary ever Virgin, blessed Michael the Archangel, blessed John the Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, and all the Saints, and you, Father, to pray to the Lord our God for me.
$P$. May the Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you your sins, and bring you to life everlasting.
R. Amen.
$P$. May the Almighty and merciful Lord
nem peccatórum nostrórum tríbuat nobis omnípotens et miséricors Dóminus
M. Amen.
S. Deus,' ${ }^{\text {tu }}$ convérsus vivificábis nos.
M. Et plebs tua lætábitur in te.
S. Osténde nobis, Dómine, misericórdiam tuam.

Mr. Et salutáre tuum da nobis.
S. Dómine, exaudioratiónem meam.
M. Et clamor meus ad te véniat.
S. Dóminus vobiscum.
M. Et cum spiritu tuo. $S$. Kyrie Eléison.
M. Kyrie Eléison.
S. Kyrie Eléison.
M. Christe Eléison.
$S$. Christe Eléison.
M. Christe Eléison.
grant us pardon, absolution, and full remission of all our sins.
R. Amen.
$P$. Thou wilt turn again, O God, and quicken us.
$R$. And Thy people shall rejoice in Thee.
$P$. Show us, o Lord, Thy mercy.
R. And grant us Thy salvation.
$P$. O Lord, hear my prayer.
$R$. And let my cry come unto Thee.
$P$. The Lord be with you.
R. And with thy spirit.
$P$. Lord, have mercy on us.
R. Lord, have mercy on us.
$P$. Lord, have mercy on us.
$R$. Christ, have merey on us.
$P$. Christ, have mercy on us.
R. Christ, have mercy on us.
S. Kyrie Eléison.
M. Kyrie Eléison.
S. Kyrie Eléison.
S. Dóminus vobiscum.
M. Et cum spíritu tuo.
M. Deo grátias.
S. Dóminus vobiscum.
M. Et cum spíritu tuo.
S. Sequéntia (vel inítium) Sancti Evangélii secúndum N.
M. Gloria tibi, Dómine.
M. Laus tibi, Christe.
S. Dóminus vobíscum.
M. Et cum spíritu tuo.
$S$. Orate fratres.
M. Suscipiat Dóminus sacrifícium de mànibus tuis ad laudem et glóriam nóminis sui, ad utilitatem quoque nostram, totiúsque Eeclésiæ suæ sanctæ.
S. Per ómnia sæcula sæculorum.
$P$. Lord, have mercy on us.
R. Lord, have mercy on us.
P. Lord, have mercy on us.
$P$. The Lord be with you.
R. And with thy spirit.
$R$. Thanks be to God.
$P$. The Lord be with you.
R. And with thy spirit.
$P$. The continuation, (or beginning) of the holy Gospel according to N .
R. Glory be to Thee, O Lord.
R. Praise be to Thee, 0 Christ.
$P$. The Lord be with you.
$R$. And with thy spirit.
$P$. Brethren, pray, etc.
R. May the Lord receive this sacrifice from thy hands, to the praise and glory of His name, to our benefit, and to that of all His holy Church.
$P$. World without end.
M. Amen.
S. Dóminus vobiscum.
M. Et cum spiritu tuo.
S. Sursum corda.
M. Habémus ad Dóminum.
S. Grátias agámus Dómino Deo nostro.
M. Dignum et justum est.
S. Per omnia sæcula sæculorum.
M. Amen.
M. Sed libera nos a malo. Amen.
S. Per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.
M. Amen.
S. Pax Dómini sit semper vóbiscum.
M. Et cum spíritu tuo.
$S$. Dóminus vobiscum.
M. Et cum spíritu tuo.
S. Dóminus vobíscum.
M. Et cum spíritu tuo.
S. Ite Missa est, or Benedicàmus Domino.
M. Deo Grátias.
R. Amen.
$P$. The Lord be with you.
R. And with thy spirit. $P$. Lift up your hearts. $R$. We have lifted them up unto the Lord.
$P$. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
$R$. It is meet and just.
$P$. Forever and ever.
R. Amen.
$R$. But deliver us from evil. Amen.
$P$. World without end,
R. Amen.
$P$. May the peace of the Lord be always with you.
R. And with thy spirit.
$P$. The Lord be with you.
$R$. And with thy spirit.
$P$. The Lord be with you.
$R$. And with thy spirit.
$P$. Go, the Mass is ended, or, Let us bless the Lord.
R. Thanks be to God.
S. Requiéscant in páce.
M. Amen.
M. Deo Grátias.
S. Dóminus vobíscum.
M. Etcum spíritu tuo.
S. Inítium sancti Evangèlii secúndum Toánnem.
M. Glória tibi Dómine.
S. In pricípio erat Vérbum, etc.
M. Deo gràtias.
$P$. May they rest in peace.
R. Amen.
$R$. Thanks be to God.
$P$. The Lord be with you
R. And with thy spirit
$P$. The beginning of the holy Gospel according to St. John.
$R$. Glory be to Thee, 0 Lord.
$P$ In the beginning was the Word, etc.
$R$. Thanks be to God.

## VESPERS FOR SUNDAYS.

Pater noster, Ave Maria, (in secret).
$V$. Deus $\downarrow$ in adjutórium meum intende.
R. Dómine, ad adjuvándum me festina.
$\boldsymbol{V}$. Glória Patri, et Filio, et Spíritui Sancto.
R. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in sæcula sæculórum.

Amen. Alleluia.
$V$. Incline $\stackrel{\text { unto }}{ } \mathrm{my}{ }^{\mathrm{n}}$ aid, 0 God.
R. O Lord, make haste to help me.
$V$. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
$R$. As it was in the be ginning, is now, and evershall be, world with out end.
Amen. Alleluia.

From Septuagesima Sunday till Holy Thursday, instead of the Alleluia, is said:

Laus tibi Dómine Rex ætérnæ glóriæ.

Ant. Dixit Dóminus.

Praise be to Thee, Lord, King of eternal glory.
Ant. The Lord said.

## Pslam cix. - Dixit Dominus.

Dixit Dóminus Dómino meo: Sede a dextris meis.
Donec ponam inimícos tuos, * scabéllum pédum tuórum.

The Lord said to my Lord: Sit thou at my right hand.

Until I make thy ene. mies thy footstool.

Virgam virtùtis tuæ emittet Dóminus ex Sion: * dominare in médio inimicórum tuórum.

Tecum principium in die virtútis tuæ in splendóribus sanctórum: * ex utero ante luciferum genui te.

Jurávit Dóminus, et non pœnitébit eum: * Tu es Sacérdos in æternum secúndum órdinem Melchísedech.

Dóminus a dextris tuis, * confrégit in die iræ suæ reges.

Judicábit in natiónibus, implébit ruinas: * conquassábit cápita in terra multórum.

De torrénte in via bibet: * proptérea exaltábit caput.

## Glória Patri, etc.

Ant. Dixit Dóminus Dómino meo: Sede a dextris meis.

Ant. Fidelia.

The Lord will send forth the sceptre of thy power out of Sion : rule thou in the midst of thy enemies.

With thee is the principality in the day of thy strength; in the brightness of the saints: from the womb before the day-star I begot thee.

The Lord has sworn, and He will not repent: thou art a priest forever according to the order of Melchisedech.

The Lord at thy right hand hath broken kings in the day of H is wrath.

He shall judge among nations; He shall fill ruins; He shall crush the heads in the land of many.

He shall drink of the torrent in the way: therefore shall He lift up His head.

Glory be to, etc.
Ant. The Lord said to my Lord: Sit thou at my right hand. Ant. Faithful.

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## Psalm cx.-Confitebor tibi.

Confitébor tibi, Dómine, in toto corde meo : in concílio justórum, et congregatione.

Magna ópera Dómini: exquisita in omnes voluntátes ejus.

Conféssio et magnificéntia opus ejus : et justitia ejus manet in sæculum sæculi.

Memóriam fecit mirabilium tuorum miséricors et miserátor Dóminus: escam dedit timéntibus se.

Memor erit in sæculum testaménti sui: virtútem óperum suórum annuntiábit pópulo suo:

Ut det illis hæreditátem géntium : ópera mánuum ejus véritas et judícium.

Fidélia ómnia mandata ejus: confirmáta in

I will praise Thee, 0 Lord, with my whole heart: in the assembly of the just, and in the congregation.

Great are the works of the Lord -sought out are they unto all His pleas. ure.
His work is His praise and His honor: and His justice endureth forever and ever.

The merciful and gracious Lord hath left a memorial of His marvellous works. He dath given meat to them that fear Him.

He shall ever be mindful of His covenant: He shall show forth unto His people the power of His works.

That He may give them the heritage of the Gentiles: the works of His hands are judgment and truth.

Faithful are all His commandments: they
sæculum sæculi: facta in veritáte et æquitáte.

Redemptiónem misit pópulo suo: mandávit in ætérnum testaméntum suum.

Sanctum et terríbile nomen ejas : inítium sapiéntiæ timor Domini.

Intelléctus bonus ómnibus faciéntibus eum: laudátio ejus manet in sæculum sæculi.

Glória Patri, etc.
Antiphona, Fidélia ómnia mandàta ejus, confirmáta in sæculum sxculi.

Antiphona. In mandatis.
stand fast forever and ever: they are done in truth and equity.

He hath sent redemption unto His people: He hath commanded His covenant forever.
Holy and terrible is His name: the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.

A good understanding have they all that do thereafter: His praise endureth forever and ever.

Glory be to the Father etc.
Anthem. Faithful are all His commandments : they stand fast forever and ever.

Anthem. In His commandments.

## Psalm cxi.-Beatus vir.

Beátus vir qui timet Dóminum: in mandátis ejus volet nimis,

Potens in terra erit semen ejus: generátio rectórum benedicétur.

Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord: in His commandments he shall have great delight.
His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the righteous shall be blessed.

Glória et divítia in domo ejus: et justítia ejus manet in sæculum sæculi.

Exórtum est in tènebris lumen rectis: mıséricors, et miserátor, et justus.

Jucúndus homo qui miserétur et cómmodat, disponet sermónes suos in judício; quia in ætérnum non commove bitur.

In memória æterna erit justus: ab auditióne mala non timébit.

Parátum cor ejus speráre in Dómino, confirmátum est cor ejus: non commovébitur donec despíciat inimícos suos.

Dispérsit, dedit paupéribus : justitia ejus manet in sæculum sæculi: cornu ejus exaltábitur in gloria.

Peccátor vidébit et irascétur: déntibus suis

Glory and riches shall be in his house : and his justice endureth forever and ever.

Unto the righteous there hath risen up light in the darkness: He is merciful, compassionate, and just.

Acceptable is the man who is merciful, and lendeth: he will guide his words with judgment: he shall not be moved forever.

The just man shall be in everlasting remembrance: he shall not be afraid for evil report.

His heart is prepared to hope in the Lord: his heart is fixed: he shall not be moved until he look down upon his enemies.

He hath dispersed abroad, he hath given to the poor: his justice endureth forever and ever: his horn shall be exalted in glory.

The sinner shall see it and be wroth: he shall
fremet et tabéscet: desidérium peccatórum peribit.

Glória Patri, etc.
Antiphona. In mandátis ejus cupit nimis.

Antiphona. Sit nomen Dómini.
gnash with his teeth, and consume away: the desire of the wicked shall perish.

Glory be, etc.
Anthem. In His commandments he had great delight.

Anthem. Blessed be the name.

## Psalm cxil.-Laudate, Pueri.

Laudáte pūeri Dóminum : laudáte nomen Dómini.

Sit nomen Dómini benedictum: ex hoc nunc, et usque in sæculum.

A solis ortu usque ad occàsum: laudábile nomen Dómini.

Excélsus super ómnes gentes Dóminus: et super coolos glória ejus.

Quis sicut Dóminus Deus noster, qui in altis hábitat: et humilia réspicit in cœlo et in terra?

Praise the Lord, ye children: praise ye the name of the Lord.

Blessed be the name of the Lord: from this time forth, for evermore.

From the rising up of the sun unto the going down of the same: the name of the Lord is worthy to be praised.
The Lord is high above all nations: and His glory above the heavens.

Who is like unto the Lord our God, who dwelleth on high : and regardeth the things that are lowly in heaven and in earth ?

Sǔscitans a terra ínopem: et de stércore érigens páuperem :

Ut cóllocet eum cum princípibus: cum princípibus pópuli sui.

Qui habitáre facit sterilem in domo: matrem filiórum lætántem.

Glória Patri, etc.
Antiphona. Sit nomen Dómini benedictum in sæcula.

Antipdona. Nos qui vivimus.

Who raiseth up the needy from the earth: and lifteth the poor from off the dunghill:

That He may set him with the princes: even with the princes of his people.

Who maketh the bar. ren woman to dwell in her house: the joyful mother of children.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

Anthem. Blessed be the name of the Lord forever.

Anthern. We who live.

## Psalm cxiti.-In exitu Israel.

In éxitu Israel de Egypto: domus Jacob de populo bárbaro.

Facta est Judæa sanctificatio ejus: Israel potéstas ejus.

Mare vidit et fugit: Jordánis convérsus est retrórsum.

When Israel came out of Egypt: the house of Jacob from among a strange people.

Juda was made his sanctuary: and Israel his dominion.
The sea beheld, and fled: the Jordan was turned back.

Montes exultavérunt ut aríetes: et colles sicut agni óvium.

Quid est tibi, mare, quod fugisti : et tu Jordánis, quia convérsus es retrórsum?

Montes exultástis sicut arietes: et colles, sicut agni óvium?

A fácie Dómini mota est terra: a fácie Dei Jacob.

Qui convértit petram in stagna aquárum : et rupem in fontes aquárum.

Non nobis, Dómini, non nobis: sed nómini tuo da glóriam.

Super misericórdia tuá, et veritáte tua: nequán. do dicant gentes, Ubi est Deus eórum?

Deus autem noster in cœlo: ómnia quæcumque vóluit fecit,

Simulácra géntium ar-

The mountains skipped like rams: and the little hills like the lambs of the flock.
What aileth thee, 0 thou sea, that thou fledst, and thou Jordan, that thou wast turned back?

Ye mountains, that ye skipped like rams: and ye little hills like the lambs of the flock?

At the presence of the Lord the earth was moved: at the presence of the God of Jacob.
Who turned the rock into a standing water: and the stony hill into a flowing stream.

Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us: but unto Thy name give the glory.

For Thy mercy and for Thy truth's sake: lest the Gentiles should say, Where is their God?
But our God is in heaven: He hath done whatsoever He would.

The idols of the Gen-
géntura et aurum : ópera mánuum hóminum.

Os habent, et non loquéntur : óculos habent, et non vidébunt.

Aures habent, et non áudient: nares habent, et non odorábunt.

Manus habent, et non palpábunt: pedes habent, et non ambulábunt : non clamábunt in gùtture suo.

Símiles illis fiant qui fáciunt ea: et omnes qui confidunt in eis.

Domus Israel sperávit in Dómini: adjùtor eórum et protéctor eórum est.

Domus Aaron sperávit in Dómino: adjútor eorum et protéctor eórum est.

Qui timent Dóminum speravérunt in Dómino: adjútor eórum et protéctor eórum est.
tiles are silver and gold: the work of the hands of men.

They have mouths, and they shall not speak: they have eyes and they shall not see.

They have ears, and they shall not hear: they have noses, and they shall not smell.

They have hands, and they shall not feel: they have feet, and they shall not walk: neither shall they speak through their throats.
Let those that make them become like unto them, and all such as put their trust in them.

The house of Israel hath hoped in the Lord: He is their helper and protector.
The house of Aaron hath hoped in the Lord: He is their helper and protector.
They that fear the Lord have hoped in the Lord: He is 'their helper and protector.

Dóminus memor fuit nostri : et benedixit nobis.
Benedixit dómui Israel: benedixit dómui Aaron.

Benedixitómnibus, qui timent Dóminum : pusillis cum majóribus.

Adjiciat Dóminus super vos: super vos, et super filios vestros.

Benedícti vos a Domino: qui fecit cœlum et terram.
Cœlum cœli Dómino: terram autem dedit filiis hóminum.

Non mórtui laudàbunt te, Dómine: neque omnes qui descéndunt in infernum.

Sed nos qui vivimus, benedicimus Dómino: ex hoc nunc et usque in sæculum.

Gloria Patri. etc.

The Lord hath been mindful of us: and hath blessed us.

He hath blessed the house of Israel: He hath blessed the house of Aaron.

He hath blessed all that fear the Lord: the least together with the greatest.
May the Lord add blessings upon you: upon you, and upon your children.

Blessed be ye of the Lord: who hath made heaven and earth.

The heaven of heavens is the Lord's: but the earth hath He given to the children of men.

The dead shall not praise Thee, O Lord: neither all they that go down into hell.
But we who live, bless the Lord: from this time forth for evermore.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

Ant. Nos qui vivi- Ant. And we who mus, benedicimus Dó- live bless the Lord. mino.

The following is sung on sundry festivals, in place of the foregoing.

Psalm cxvi.-Laudate Dominum.

Laudáte Dóminum, omnes gentes: laudàte eum, omnes pópuli :

Quóniam confirmáta est super nos, misericórdia ejus : et véritas Domini manet in ætérnum.

Gloria Patri, etc.
In Paschal time: Ant. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Praise the Lord all ye Gentiles: praise Him, all ye people:

For His mercy is confirmed upon us: and the truth of the Lord endureth forever.

Glory, etc.

The Little Chapter, 2 Cor. i.

Benedíctus Deus, et Pater Dómini nostri Jesu Christi, Pater misericor. diàrum, et Deus totius consolatiónis, qui consolàtur nos in omni tribulatióne nostra.
R. Deo gratias.

## Hymn.

Lucis Creátor optime.
Lucem diérum próferens,
Primórdiis lucis novæ,
Mundi parans originem.
Qui mane junctum vésperi,
Diem vocári præcipis,
Illábitur tetrum chaos;
Audi preces cum flétibus.
Ne mens graváta crimine.
Vitæ sit exul múnere,
Dum nil perénne cógitat,
Seséque culpis illigat.
Cœléste pulset óstium,
Vitále tollat præmium:
Vitémus omne nóxium :
Purgémus omne péssimum.

O great Creator of the light!
Who from the darksome womb of night,
Brought'st forth new light at nature's birth, To shine upon the face of earth.
Who, by the morn and evening ray,
Hast measured time and called it day;
While sable night involves the spheres,
Vouchsafe to hear our prayers and tears.
Lest our frail mind with $\sin$ defiled,
From gift of life should be exiled;
While on no heavenly thing she thinks,
But twines herself in Satan's links.
Oh! may she soar to heaven above,
The happy seat of life and love;
Meantime, all sinful actions shun,
And satisfy for evil done.

Præsta, Pater piíssime,
Patríque compar Unice,
Cum Spíritu Paráclito,
Regnans per omne sæculum. Amen.

This prayer, most gracious Father, hear;
Thy equal Son incline His ear,
Who, with the Holy Ghost and Thee,
Doth live and reign eternally. Amen.

The Magnificat, or the Canticle of the Blessed Virgin.-St. Luke i.

Magníficat * ànima mea Dóminum,
Et exultávit spiritus meus * in Deo salutári meo.
Quia respéxit humilitátem ancíllæ suæ, * ecce enim ex hoc beatam me dicent omnes generatiónes.

Quia fecit mihi magna qui potens est; * et sanctum nomen ejus.

Et misericórdia ejus a progénie in progénies * timéntibus eum.
Fecit poténtiam in brachio suo: * dispersit

My soul doth magnify the Lord.

And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

Because He hath regarded the humility of His handmaid: for, behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.
For He that is mighty hath done great things to me: and holy is His name.

And His mercy is from generation togeneration, to them that fear Him.

He hath showed might in His a . He hath
supérbos mente cordis sui.

Depósuit potentes de sede: * et exultávit humiles.

Esuriéntes implévit bonis: * et divites dimisit inánes.

Suscépit Israel púerum suum; * recordàtus misericordiæ suæ.

Sicut locútus est ad patres nostros; * Abraham et sémini ejus in sæcula.

Gloria Patri, etc.
scattered the proud in the conceit of their heart.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat, and hath exalted the humble.

He hath filled the hungry with good things: and the rich He hath sent away empty.

He hath received Israel His servant, being mindful of His mercy.

As He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his seed forever.

Glory, etc.

After the proper Anthem and Collect, and the commemorations, if any, the celebrant adds :
V. Dóminus vobíscum.
R. Et cum spíritu tuo.
V. Benedicàmus Dómino.
R. Deo gràtias.
V. Fidélium ánimæ per misercórdiam Dei, requiéscant in pace.
V. The Lord be with you.
R. And with thy spirit.
$V$. Let us bless the Lord.
R. Thanks be to God.
$V$. May the souls of the faithful, through the merey of God, rest in peace.
R. Amen.

Pater noster, etc.
$V$. Dóminus det nobis suam pacem.
R. Et vitam æternam. Amen.
R. Amen,

Our Father, etc.
V. Maythe Lord grant us His peace.
R. And the life eternal. Amen.

## ANTHEMS TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN.

From the first Sunday in Advent to the Purification, inclusively.

Alma Redemptóris Mater, quæ pérvia cœeli, Porta manes, et stella maris, succúrre candénti:
Súrgere qui curat pópulo; tu quæ genuisti, Natúra miránte, tuum sanctum genitórum. Virgo prius ac postérius, Gabriélis ab ore;

Sumens illud Ave, peccatórum miserére.

Mother of Jesus, Heaven's open gate,
Star of the sea, support the fallen state

Of mortals; thou whose womb thy Maker bore.
And yet, strange thing, a virgin as before;
Who didst, from Gabriel's hail, this news receive;
Repenting sinners by thy prayers relieve.

> In Advent.

Angelus Dómini nuntrávit Mariæ.
R. Et concépit de Spíritu Sancto.

The angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.
$R$. And she conceived of the Holy Ghost.

Oremus.
Grátiam tuam quæsumus, Dómine, méntibus nostris infúnde; ut qui, angelo nuntiánte, Christi Fílii tui incarnatiónem cognóvimus, per passionem ejus et crucem ad resurrectiónis gloriam perducamur. Per éundem Christum Dominum nostrum.
$R$. Amen.
Divínum auxilium máneat semper nobiscum. $R$. Amen.

Let us pray.
Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts, that we, to whom the incarnation of Christ Thy Son was made known by the message of an angel, may, by His passion and cross, be brought to the glory of His resurrection. Through the same Christ our Lord.
$R$. Amen.
May the divine assistance always remain with us. $R$. Amen.

## After Advent.

Post partum Virgo invioláta permansisti.
R. Dei Génitrix, intercéde pro nobis. Oremus.
Deus. qui salùtis ætérnæ, beátæ Mariæ virginitáte fecúnda, humáno géneri præmia præstitisti: tribue, quæsumus, ut ipsam pro nobis intercédere sentiámus, per

After child-birth thou didst remain an inviolate virgin.
R. Mother of God, make intercession for us.

Let us pray.
O God, who, by the fruitful virginity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, hast given to mankind the rewards of eternal salvation; grant, we beseech Thee, that we may
quam merúimus auctorem vitæ suscipere, Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum filium tuum.

Amen.

Divinum, etc.
$R$. Amen.
be sensible of the benefits of her intercession, by whom we have received the Author of life, our Lord Jesus Christ Thy Son. Amen. May the. etc. $R$. Amen.

From the Purification till Easter.

Ave, Regina cœelórum;
Ave, Dómina Angelórum,
Salve radix, salve porta,
Ex qua mundo lux est orta,
Gaude, virgo gloriósa,
Super omnes speciósa;
Vale, o valde decóra,
Et pro nobis Christum exóra.
$V$. Dignáre me laudàre te, Virgo sacráta.
R. Da mihi virtútem contra hostes tuos.

Hail, o Queen of Heav. en enthroned!
Hail, by angels mistress own'd!
Root of Jesse! Gate of morn!
Whence the world's true Light was born.
Glorious Virgin, joy to thee,
Loveliest whom in heaven they see;
Fairest thou where all are fair!
Plead with Christ our sins to spare.
V. Vouchsafe, O sacred

Virgin! to accept my praises.
R. Give me power against Thy enemies.

## Oremus.

Concéde, miséricors Deus, fragilitáti nostræ præsidium; ut qui sanctæ Dei Genitrícis memóriam ágimus, intercessiónis ejus auxilia a nostris iniquitátibus resurgámus. Per eundem Christum Dóminum nostrum.
R. Amen.

Let us pray.
Grant us, O merciful God ! strength against all our weaknesses; that we, who celebrate the memory of the holy Mother of God, may, by the help of her intercession, rise again from our iniquities. Through the same Christ, our Lord, R. Amen.

## REGINA CGELI.

From Holy Saturday, M., to Trinity Eve, M.

Regìna coli lætáre, Allelùia.
Quia quem meruisti portàre, Allelùia.

Resurréxit, sicut dixit, Allelùia.

Ora pro nobis Deum, Allelùia.
V. Gaude et lætáre, Virgo Marìa, Allelùia.
$R$. Quia surréxit Dóminus vere, Allelùia.

Oremus.
Deus, qui, per resurrectiónem Fílii tui Dómıni nostri Jesu Christi,

Queen of heaven, rejoice. Alleluia.
He whom thou wast made worthy to bear. Alleluia.
Hath risen, as He said. Alleluia.
Pray for us to God. Alleluia.
$V$. Rejoice and beglad, O Virgin Mary. Alleluia.
R. For the Lord hath risen indeed. Alleluia.

Let us pray.
O God, who, by the resurrection of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ
mundum lætificáre dignátus es, præsta quæsumus, ut per ejus genitrìcem virginem Mariam perpétuæ capiámus gaúdia vitæ. Per eùndem Christum Dóminum nostrum.
R. Amen.
has been pleased to fill the world with joy, grant, we beseech Thee, that by the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may receive the joys of eternal life. Through the same Christ our Lord. $R$. Amen.

## From Trinity Sunday till Advent.

Salve, Regina, Mater misericórdiæ, vita, dulcédo, et spes nostra, salve.

Ad te clamámus, éxules filii Eve. Ad te suspiràmus, geméntes et flentes in hac lacymárum valle.

Eia ergo advocáta nostra, illos tuos misericórdes óculos ad nos convérte.

Et Jesum benedictum fructum ventris tui, nobis post hoc exilium osténde :
O clemens! O pia! O dulcis Virgo Maria!
$V$. Ora pro nobis, sancta Dei Gẻnetrix!

Hail, O Queen, O Mother of Mercy! hail, our life, our comfort, and our hope.
We, the banished children of Eve, cry out un. to thee. To thee we send up our sighs, groaning and weeping in this vale of tears.
Come, then, our advocate, and look upon us with those thy pitying eyes.

And after this our banishment, show us Jesus, the blessed fruit of thy womb.
O merciful, O pious, O sweet Virgin Mary !
V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God!
R. Ut digni efficiámur promissiónibus Christi.

## Oremus.

Omnípotens sempitérne Deus, qui gloriósæ Virginis Matris Mariæ corpus et animam ut dignum Filii tui habitáculum éffici mererétur, Spìritu Sancto cooperànte, præparásti: da ut cujus commemoratióne lætámur ejus pia intercessióne ab instantibus malis, et a morte perpétua liberémur. Per eùndem Christum Dóminum nostrum.
$R$. Amen.
V. Divinum auxilium máneat semper nobiscum.
R. Amen.
R. That we may be worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.
Almighty and eternal God, who, by the cooperation of the Holy Ghost, didst prepare the body and soul of the glorious Virgin Mother, Mary, that she might become a worthy habitation for Thy Son; grant that, as with joy we celebrate her memory, so by her pious intercession we may be delivered from present evils and eternal death: through the same Christ our Lord.
R. Amen.
V. May the divine assistance always remain with us.
$R$. Amen.

## BENEDICTION

## OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT.

 o SALUTARIS HOSTIA.O salutaris Hóstia!
Quæcœli pandis óstium :
Bella premunt hostilia,

Da robur, fer auxílium.
Uni trinóque Dómino,
Sit sempiterna gloria;
Qui vitam sine término,
Nobis donet in patria.

O saving Victim I opening wide
The gate of heaven to man below;
Our foes press on from every side,
Thine aid supply, Thy strength bestow.
To Thy great name be endless praise,
Immortal Godhead one in three;
Oh! grant us endless length of days,
In our true native land with Thee,

## TANTUM ERGO.

Tantum ergo Sacramén- Down in adoration falltum,
Venerémur cérnui:
Et antíquum documéntum,
Novo cedat ritui :
Præstet fides suppleméntum
ing,
Lo! the sacred Host we hail;
Lo! o'er ancient forms departing,
Newer rites of grace prevail;
Faith for all defects supplying,

Sénsuum deféctui.
Genitóri, Genitóque,
Laus et jubilátio,
Salus, honor, virtus quoque,
Sit et benedictio:
Procedénti ab utróque,
Compar sit laudátio. Amen.
$P$. Panem de colo prestitisti eis. [Allelúia.]
R. Omne delectaméntum in se habéntem. [Allelùia.]

Oremus.
Deus, qui nobis sub Sacraménto mirábili Passiónis tuæ memóriam reliquisti: tríbue, quæssumus; ita nos Córporis et Sánguinis tui sacra mystéria venerári, ut Redemptiónis tuæ, fructum in nobis jugiter sentiámus. Quivivis et

Where the feeble senses fail.
To the everlasting Father,
And the Son who reigns on high,
With the Holy Ghost proceeding
Forth from each eternally,
Besalvation, honor, blessing,
Might and endless majesty. Amen.
$\boldsymbol{P}$. Thou hast given them bread from heaven. [Alleluia.]
R. Replenished with all sweetness and delight. [Alleluia.]

Let us pray.
O God, who has left us in this wonderful Sacrament a perpetual memorial of Thy Passion : grant us, we beseech Thee, so to reverence the Sacred Mysteries of Thy Body and Blood, that we may continually find in our souls the fruit of
regnas in sæcula sæculórum.
Amen.

Thy Redemption. Thou who livest and reignest world without end. Amen.

After Benediction.
Psalm cxvi.-Laudate Dominum.

Laudáte Dóminum, omnes gentes: laudáte eum, omnes pópuli:

Quóniam confirmáta est super nos misericórdia ejus : et véritas Dómini manet in æternum. Gloria, etc

Praise the Lord, all ye nations: praise Him, all ye people.
For his mercy is confirmed upon us: and the truth of the Lord endureth forever.
Glory, etc.

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