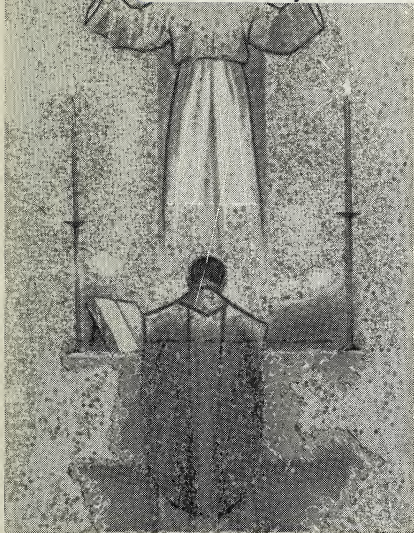


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## THE MASS OF THE CATECHUMENS

### PRAYERS AT THE FOOT OF THE ALTAR

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

I will go to the altar of God. To God, the joy of my youth.

*The paragraphs marked with asterisks are omitted at Masses for the dead.*

\*Give judgment for me, O God, and decide my cause against an unholy people; from unjust and deceitful men deliver me.

\*For Thou, O God, art my strength; why hast Thou forsaken me? And why do I go about in sadness while the enemy afflicts me?

\*Send forth Thy light and Thy truth; they have led me and brought me to Thy holy hill and Thy dwelling-place.

\*And I will go to the altar of God, to God, the joy of my youth.

\*I shall yet praise Thee on the harp, O God, my God. Why art thou sorrowful, my soul, and why dost thou trouble me?

\*Trust in God, for I shall yet praise Him, the salvation of my countenance and my God.

\*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

\*As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

\*I will go to the altar of God. To God, the joy of my youth.

Our help is in the name of the Lord. Who made heaven and earth.

*The priest bows down and says the Confiteor, to which the servers respond:*

May almighty God have mercy on thee, forgive thee thy sins, and bring thee to life everlasting. Amen.

*Now say the Confiteor with the altar-boys:*

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 blessed Mary ever virgin, blessed Michael the archangel, blessed John the Baptist, the holy apostles Peter and Paul, all the saints, and you, Father, to pray to the Lord our God for me.

May almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you your sins, and bring you to life everlasting. Amen.

May the almighty and merciful Lord

grant us pardon, absolution, and remission of our sins. Amen.

Thou wilt turn, O God, and bring us to life. And Thy People shall rejoice in Thee.

Show us, O Lord, Thy mercy. And grant us Thy salvation.

O Lord, hear my prayer. And let my cry come unto Thee.

The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit.

*The priest goes up to the altar, saying privately:*

Let us pray. Take our sins away from us, we beseech Thee, O Lord, that with pure minds we may enter into the holy of holies. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*He kisses the altar stone containing the relics, saying:*

We beseech Thee, O Lord, by the merits of Thy saints whose relics are here, and of all the saints, that Thou wouldst grant me pardon of all my sins. Amen.

*Going to the right side, the priest reads the Introit. The following, from the Mass of the Blessed Mother, is typical:*

Hail, holy Mother, who didst bring forth the King who ruleth heaven and earth for ever and ever. *Psalm 44, 2.* My heart hath uttered a good word: I speak my works to the King. Glory be to the Father, etc. *Now repeat "Hail, holy Mother" as far as the Psalm.*

*Returning to the middle, the priest says the Kyrie, alternating with the altar-boys:*

Lord, have mercy on us. (*Three times*)

Christ, have mercy on us. (*Three times*)

Lord, have mercy on us. (*Three times*)

*The Gloria which follows is omitted at Masses for the dead and otherwise in conformity with the rubrics:*

Glory to God in the highest. And on earth peace to men of good will. We praise Thee. We bless Thee. We adore Thee. We glorify Thee. We give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory.

O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty.

O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ. O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father. Thou who takest away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Thou who takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou who sittest at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For Thou only art holy. Thou only art the Lord. Thou only art most high, Jesus Christ.

With the Holy Ghost, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

*The priest kisses the altar and, turning to the people, says:*

The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit.

*Going to the right side, he now reads the Collect, Epistle, Gradual, and Alleluia:*



## COLLECT

Let us pray. Grant, Lord God, we beseech Thee, that we, Thy servants may enjoy perpetual health of body and soul; and that, by the glorious intercession of blessed Mary ever virgin, we may be delivered from present sorrows and enjoy everlasting gladness. Through our Lord, Jesus Christ, Thy Son, who livest and reignest with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, world without end. Amen.

*(Other Collects may follow, depending on the rubrics.)*

## EPISTLE

*Ecclus. 24, 14-16.* Lesson from the Book of Wisdom. From the beginning, and before the world, was I created, and unto the world to come I shall not cease to be, and in the holy dwelling-place I have ministered before him. And so was I established in Sion, and in the holy city likewise I rested, and my power was in Jerusalem. And I took root in an honorable people, and in the portion of my God his inheritance, and my abode is in the full assembly of saints. Thank God.

## GRADUAL

Thou art blessed and venerable, O Virgin Mary, who with spotless purity wast found Mother of our Saviour. Virgin Mother of God, He Whom the whole world was un-

able to contain, enclosed Himself in thy womb, being made man.

Alleluia, alleluia. After childbirth thou didst remain a virgin: Mother of God, intercede for us! Alleluia.

*The priest goes to the middle and recites this prayer while the boy carries the book to the lefthand side of the altar:*

Cleanse my heart and my lips, almighty God, who didst cleanse the lips of the prophet Isaias with a live coal; deign in Thy gracious mercy so to purify me that I may worthily proclaim Thy holy Gospel. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lord, grant Thy blessing. May the Lord be in my heart and on my lips, that I may worthily and fittingly proclaim His holy Gospel. Amen.

*The priest goes to the left side for the Gospel:*

The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit.

*As he reads the following, all mark their forehead, lips, and heart with the small sign of the cross:*

The continuation of the holy Gospel according to St. Luke. Glory be to Thee, O Lord!

At that time, as Jesus was speaking to the multitudes, a certain woman from the crowd, lifting up her voice, said to Him: Blessed is the womb that bore Thee and the breasts that nursed Thee. But He said:

Yea, rather, blessed are they who hear the word of God and keep it. Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

*Kissing the Missal, the priest says:*

May our sins be blotted out by the words of the holy Gospel.

*Returning to the middle, if it is a Sunday, an octave, or a greater feast, the priest says the Credo as follows:*

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things, visible and invisible. And in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God. Born of the Father before all ages. God of God, light of light, true God of true God. Begotten, not made; of one being with the Father: by whom all things were made. Who for us men and our salvation, came down from heaven.

*All genuflect and adore the Son of God made man.*

AND WAS MADE FLESH BY THE HOLY  
GHOST, OF THE VIRGIN MARY: AND  
WAS MADE MAN.

He was also crucified for us, suffered under Pontius Pilate, and was buried. And on the third day He arose again, according to the Scriptures. And ascending into heaven, He sitteth at the right hand of the Father. And He shall come again with glory to judge the living and the dead: and of His kingdom there shall be no end. And

in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son. Who together with the Father and the Son is no less adored and glorified: who spoke by the prophets. And in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead. And the life of the world to come. Amen.

### THE MASS OF THE FAITHFUL

*After kissing the altar, the priest faces the people and says:*

The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit.

*He turns back to the altar and reads the Offertory antiphon:*

Let us pray. Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women. Allelulia.

*He now raises the host on the paten and offers it to God with the prayer:*

Receive, O holy Father, almighty and eternal God, this spotless host, which I, Thy unworthy servant, offer unto Thee, my living and true God, for my own countless sins, offenses, and negligences, and for all here present; as well as for all faithful Christians living and dead, that it may profit me and them as a means of salvation unto life everlasting. Amen.

*He goes to the right and prepares the cup with wine and a few drops of water, saying:*

O God, who hast established the nature of man in wondrous dignity and still more wonderfully hast renewed it, grant that, through the mystery of this water and wine, we may be made sharers in His divinity, who has deigned to become a sharer in our humanity, Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who livest and reignest with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. Amen.

*Returning to the middle, the priest offers the chalice with the words:*

We offer unto Thee, O Lord, the chalice of salvation, beseeching Thy mercy that it may ascend in the sight of Thy divine majesty with a sweet fragrance, for our own salvation and for that of the whole world. Amen.

*Bending low over the altar, he says:*

In a humble spirit and a contrite heart may we be accepted by Thee, Lord, and may our sacrifice be offered in Thy sight this day so as to please Thee, Lord God.

*Raising his eyes to the crucifix, he blesses the offerings with a prayer to the Holy Ghost:*

Come, O Sanctifier, almighty and eternal God, and bless this sacrifice prepared for Thy holy name.

*Now he goes to the right and washes his*

*fingers, saying the following, from Psalm 25:*

I will wash my hands among the innocent, and will walk round Thy altar, O God.

To hear the voice of Thy praise and to tell all Thy wondrous deeds.

Lord, I love the beauty of Thy house, and the place where Thy glory dwells.

Destroy not my soul with the impious, O God, nor my life with men of blood.

In whose hands there is wickedness, whose right hand is full of bribes.

But as for me, I will walk in my innocence; rescue me and have mercy on me.

My foot is on the straight way: in assemblies will I bless Thee, O Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*The priest returns to the middle, bows low, and says:*

Receive, O holy Trinity, this offering which we make to Thee in remembrance of the passion, resurrection, and ascension of our Lord, Jesus Christ, and in honor of blessed Mary ever virgin, of blessed John the Baptist, the holy apostles Peter and Paul, and of these [*whose relics are in the altar-stone*], and of all the saints, that it may add to their honor and aid our salvation; and that they may deign to intercede for us in heaven, whose memory we now

keep on earth. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The priest kisses the altar, turns to the people, and says:*

Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may become acceptable to God, the Father almighty.

*The servers answer for the people:*

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at thy hands, unto the praise and glory of His name, to our own benefit, and to that of all His holy Church.

*The priest secretly answers Amen, then goes on to read the Secret prayer:*

Through thy mercy, O Lord, and by the intercession of blessed Mary ever virgin, may this offering obtain for us prosperity and peace both now and for ever. Through our Lord, Jesus Christ, Thy Son, who livest and reignest with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God . . .

*Raising his voice, he ends the Secret and begins the Preface: . . . world without end. Amen.*

The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit.

Lift up your hearts. We have them lifted up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is meet and just.

*The priest continues:*

It is truly meet and just, right and profitable unto salvation, that we should at all

times and in all places give thanks unto Thee, O holy Lord, Father almighty and everlasting God. That, in venerating the blessed Virgin Mary, we should praise, bless, and proclaim Thee. For she conceived Thine only-begotten Son by the overshadowing of the Holy Ghost; and without losing the glory of her virginity, she gave forth to the world the everlasting light, Jesus Christ our Lord. Through whom the angels praise Thy majesty, the dominions worship it, and the powers stand in awe. The heavens and the heavenly hosts, with the blessed seraphim, join together in celebrating their joy. With these, we pray Thee, join our voices also, while we say with lowly praise:

*The bell rings three times.*

Holy holy, holy, Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of Thy glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

### THE CANON

*The priest bows low, kisses the altar, and continues in silence:*

Therefore, most merciful Father, we humbly pray and beseech Thee through Jesus Christ Thy Son, our Lord, that Thou wouldst deign to accept and bless these gifts, these offerings, these holy and un-



spotted sacrifices, which we offer to Thee in the first place for Thy holy Catholic Church, that it may please Thee to grant her peace, to protect, unite, and govern her throughout the world, together with Thy servant N. our Pope, N. our Bishop, and all true believers and followers of the Catholic and Apostolic Faith.

Be mindful, O Lord, of Thy servants and handmaids (*the priest recalls the living he wants to pray for*) and of all here present, whose faith and devotion are known to Thee, for whom we offer or who offer up to Thee this sacrifice of praise for themselves and for all those dear to them, for the redemption of their souls, the hope of their safety and salvation: who now pay their vows to Thee, the eternal, living, and true God.

In union with and venerating the memory, first, of the glorious ever Virgin Mary, Mother of our God and Lord, Jesus Christ; also of Thy blessed apostles and martyrs Peter and Paul, Andrew, James, John, Thomas, James, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Simon and Thaddeus, Linus, Cletus, Clement, Sixtus, Cornelius, Cyprian, Lawrence, Chrysogonus, John and Paul, Cosmas and Damian, and of all Thy saints; by whose merits and prayers grant that we may be defended in all things by the help of Thy protection. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The bell rings once as the priest extends his hands over the offerings.*

This oblation, therefore, of our service and that of Thy whole family, we beseech Thee, Lord, graciously to accept, and to order our days in Thy peace, and bid us be delivered from eternal damnation and numbered among the flock of Thy chosen ones. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Do Thou, O God, deign to bless what we offer, and make it approved, effective, right, and wholly pleasing in every way, that it may be for our good, the Body and the Blood of Thy dearly beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### CONSECRATION OF THE HOST

Who the day before He suffered took bread into His holy and venerable hands, and with His eyes lifted up to heaven unto Thee, God, His almighty Father, giving thanks to Thee, blessed, broke, and gave it to His disciples, saying: Take ye all and eat of this, **FOR THIS IS MY BODY.**

*The bell rings three times as the priest raises the Host for the adoration of the faithful.*

#### CONSECRATION OF THE WINE

In like manner, when the supper was done, taking also this excellent chalice into His holy and venerable hands and giving thanks to Thee, He blessed and gave it

to His disciples, saying: Take ye all and drink of this: FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD, OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL TESTAMENT: THE MYSTERY OF FAITH: WHICH SHALL BE SHED FOR YOU AND FOR MANY UNTO THE REMISSION OF SINS.

As often as ye shall do these things, ye shall do them in remembrance of Me.

*Again the bell rings three times as the priest raises the chalice for the adoration of the faithful. He continues praying:*

Wherefore, Lord, we Thy servants and likewise Thy holy people, calling to mind the blessed passion of the same Christ Thy Son, our Lord, and also His resurrection from hell as well as His glorious ascension into heaven, offer unto Thy most excellent majesty, of Thy gifts and presents, the pure Victim, the all-perfect Victim, the holy Bread of eternal life, and the cup of everlasting salvation.

Deign to look upon this with a propitious and serene regard, and to accept them as Thou wert pleased to accept the gifts of Thy just servant Abel, and the sacrifice of our patriarch Abraham, and that which Thy high priest Melchisedech offered to Thee, a holy sacrifice, a spotless Victim.

*The priest bows low over the altar as he says:*

We most humbly beseech Thee, almighty God, command these things to be carried up by the hands of Thy holy angel to Thine

altar on high, in the sight of Thy divine majesty, that as many of us who, by sharing in the sacrifice of this altar, shall receive the most sacred Body and Blood of Thy Son, may be filled with every heavenly blessing and grace. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Be mindful also, Lord, of Thy servants and handmaids N. and N. who are gone before us with the sign of faith and rest in the sleep of peace.

*Here the priest prays for his dead.*

To these, Lord, and to all that rest in Christ, grant, we beseech Thee, a place of refreshment, light, and peace. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Striking his breast, the priest prays again for the Church on earth:*

And to us sinners also, Thy servants, hoping in the multitude of Thy mercies, deign to grant some fellowship with Thy holy apostles and martyrs: with John, Stephen, Matthias, Barnabas, Ignatius, Alexander, Marcellinus, Peter, Felicitas, Perpetua, Agatha, Lucy, Agnes, Cecilia, Anastasia, and with all Thy saints, into whose company we implore Thee to admit us, not considering our merits, but pardoning our offenses. Through Christ our Lord.

Through Whom, Lord, Thou dost always create, hallow, fill with life, bless, and bestow upon us all good things.

Through Him, and with Him, and in Him, be unto Thee, God the Father almighty, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

## THE COMMUNION

*The priest says the Lord's Prayer aloud:*

Let us pray. Taught by Thy saving precepts and guided by the divine institution, we make bold to say: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation. But deliver us from evil.

*The priest concludes: Amen. He then continues:*

Deliver us, we beseech Thee, Lord, from all evils, past, present, and to come, and by the intercession of the blessed and glorious ever Virgin Mary, Mother of God, together with Thy blessed apostles Peter and Paul, and Andrew, and all the saints, mercifully grant peace in our days: that through the abundant help of Thy mercy we may always be free from sin and safe from all disturbance. Through the same Jesus Christ Thy Son, our Lord, who livest and reignest with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

May the peace of the Lord be always with you. And with thy spirit.

*As he drops a particle of the Host into the cup, the priest says:*

May this mingling and consecration of the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ help us who receive it unto life everlasting. Amen.

*Now the priest genuflects, bows down, and, striking his breast, says:*

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

*(At a Mass for the dead, the petition is "Grant them rest," and after the third one, "Grant them rest everlasting.")*

*Now the priest bends over the Blessed Sacrament and, hands joined, says the following prayers. (The first is omitted at Masses for the dead.)*

Lord Jesus Christ, who didst say to Thine apostles, Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you, look not upon my sins but upon the faith of Thy Church; and deign to grant her peace and unity according to Thy will: who livest and reignest, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, who according to the will of the Father, with the cooperation of the Holy Ghost,

hast by Thy death given life to the world: deliver me by this Thy most holy Body and Blood from all my sins and from all evils; make me always cling to Thy commandments and never let me be parted from Thee; who with the same God the Father and the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Let not the partaking of Thy Body, Lord Jesus Christ, which I, all unworthy, presume to receive, turn to my judgment and condemnation; but through Thy goodness may it be unto me a safeguard and a healing remedy both of soul and body; who livest and reignest with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. Amen.

*The priest genuflects, takes the Host, and says:*

I will take the bread of heaven and call upon the name of the Lord.

*The bell rings as the priest strikes his breast and says three times:*

Lord, I am not worthy that Thou shouldst come under my roof; but only say the word and my soul will be healed.

*The priest consumes the Host, saying:*

May the Body of our Lord Jesus Christ keep my soul unto life everlasting. Amen.

*After a short thanksgiving, the priest continues:*

What return shall I make to the Lord for all that He hath given me? I will take

the cup of salvation, and I will call upon the name of the Lord. Praising, I will call upon the Lord and I shall be saved from my enemies.

May the Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ keep my soul unto life everlasting. Amen.

*(If none of the laity are receiving, the prayers marked with the asterisks are omitted.)*

*The priest drains the chalice and then communicates the people. The servers say the Confiteor, after which the priest turns around for the absolution:*

\*May almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you your sins, and bring you to life everlasting. Amen.

\*May the almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, absolution, and remission of all your sins. Amen.

*Raising one of the Hosts, the priest says:*

\*Behold the Lamb of God, behold Him Who taketh away the sins of the world.

\*Lord, I am not worthy that Thou shouldst come under my roof; but only say the word and my soul will be healed.  
*(Three times)*

*As he communicates each person, the priest says:*

\*May the Body of our Lord Jesus Christ keep thy soul unto life everlasting. Amen.

## THANKSGIVING

*After closing the tabernacle, the priest receives wine into the chalice, saying:*



Grant, Lord, that what we have taken with our mouth, we may receive with a pure mind: and that from a temporal gift it may become for us an eternal remedy.

*After drinking this, he goes to the right side where wine and water are poured over his fingers as he says:*

May Thy Body, Lord, which I have received, and Thy Blood which I have drunk, cleave to my inmost parts, and grant that no stain of sin may remain in me, whom these pure and holy sacraments have refreshed. Who livest and reignest world without end. Amen.

*After the altar-boy changes the book to the right side, the priest goes to it and reads the Communion antiphon:*

Blessed is the womb of the Virgin Mary, which bore the Son of the Eternal Father.

*Returning to the middle, he faces the people and says:*

The Lord be with you. And with thy Spirit.

*He goes back to the right side for the Postcommunion prayer:*

Let us pray. Having received, Lord, these helps to our salvation, grant, we beseech Thee, that we may always be protected by the favor of blessed Mary ever virgin, in whose honor we have made these offerings to Thy Majesty. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, who livest and

reignest with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

*Returning to the middle, he turns around and says:*

The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit.

Go, the Mass is over. Thank God.

*(Or, if there has been no Gloria in the Mass:)*

Let us bless the Lord. Thank God.

*(Or, in Masses for the dead:)*

May they rest in peace. Amen.

*Facing the altar, the priest bows low and says:*

May the homage of my bounden duty be pleasing to Thee, holy Trinity, and grant that the sacrifice which I, all unworthy, have offered in the sight of Thy majesty, may be acceptable to Thee, and through Thy mercy obtain forgiveness for me and all for whom I have offered it, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The priest kisses the altar and turns to bless the people:*

May almighty God bless you: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. Amen.

### THE LAST GOSPEL

*The people stand as the priest goes to the left and reads the Last Gospel:*

The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit.

*The priest makes a small cross on the*

*altar, on his forehead, his lips, and on his heart:*

The beginning of the holy Gospel according to St. John. Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God; and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him was made nothing that has been made. In Him was life, and the light was the life of men. And the light shines in the darkness; and the darkness grasped it not.

There was a man, sent from God, whose name was John. This man came as a witness, to bear witness concerning the light, that all might believe through him. He was not himself the light, but was to bear witness to the light. It was the true light that enlightens every man who comes into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world knew Him not. He came unto His own, and His own received Him not.

But to as many as received Him He gave the power of becoming sons of God; to those who believe in His name: who were born not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

*(All genuflect.)* AND THE WORD WAS MADE FLESH, AND DWELT AMONG US. And we saw His glory—glory as of the only-

begotten of the Father—full of grace and truth. Thank God.

PRAYERS AFTER LOW MASS—  
FOR RUSSIA

“Hail Mary,” *three times, then:*

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy, our life, our sweetness, and our hope! To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve, to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn, then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us; and after this, our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet virgin Mary.

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let Us Pray

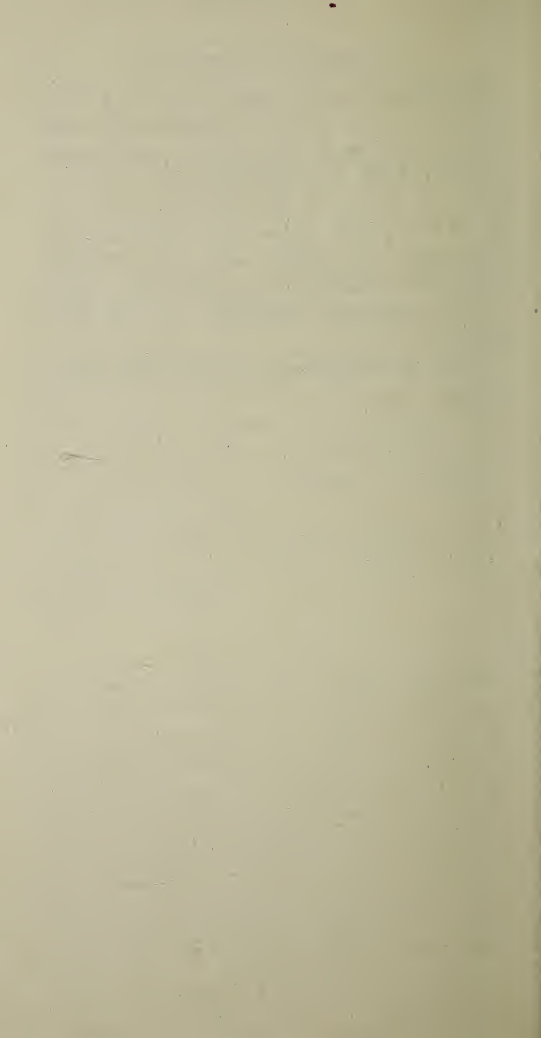
O God, our refuge and our strength, look down with favor upon Thy people who cry unto Thee; and through the intercession of the glorious and immaculate virgin Mary, Mother of God, of her spouse blessed Joseph, of Thy holy apostles Peter and Paul, and all the saints, mercifully and graciously hear the prayers which we pour forth to Thee for the conversion of sinners, and for the freedom and exaltation of holy mother Church. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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St. Michael, archangel, defend us in battle and be our protection against the malice and snares of the devil. We humbly beseech God to command him, and do thou, O prince of the heavenly host, by the divine power, thrust into hell Satan and the other evil spirits who roam through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

*The following invocation is said three times:*

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Have mercy on us.



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