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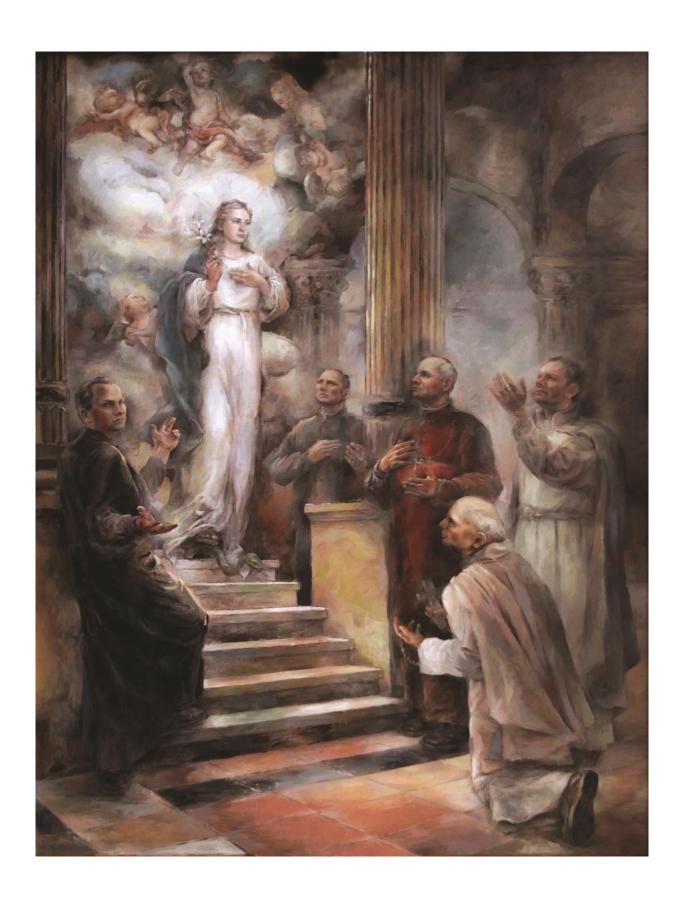
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A WORD FROM THE SUPERIOR GENERAL

In recent decades, an increasing number of communities have been formed in our Congregation that use English as the main language among confreres and the faithful entrusted to their pastoral care. This created an urgent need to prepare various liturgical texts in English, which would serve the fruitful experience of liturgical celebrations and pass on the spirituality and character of our Institute to new generations of Marians, especially in the United States, as well as in Africa and Asia.

It is worth recalling here the recommendation of our Directory, which in paragraph 3 says: "The commemorations of the Patrons of the entire Congregation, individual Province, Vicariate, house, or apostolate should be celebrated. In accordance with the Marian Calendar, the titular solemnity of the Congregation, as well as the feasts of our Founder and our Renovator, should be celebrated in a special way...."

Therefore, we appreciate and celebrate the initiative of the confreres from the Province of the B.V.M., Mother of Mercy, in the U.S.A., who undertook the effort of professionally developing and printing the third edition of the liturgical texts in English, together with the appropriate Mass readings, especially regarding the recently accepted new patrons of the Congregation, as well as those concerning their own Province.

The full title of the publication is: Collection of Masses of Patron Saints and Blesseds Proper to the English Speaking Communities of the Congregation of Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception of the Most B.V.M.

Hereby, I would like to express my gratitude for this undertaking and hope that the effort made will serve to deepen the awareness of the specificity of the Marian vocation among our confreres around the world who speak English.

May the Immaculately Conceived Blessed Virgin Mary and our Saints and Blesseds, especially our holy Father and Founder Stanislaus, intercede for us, imploring for us sanctity of life and numerous vocations.

Rome, Feast of the Presentation of the Lord – Day for Consecrated Life, February 2, 2023.



January 27

BLESSED GEORGE MATULAITIS-MATULEWICZ, BISHOP RENOVATOR OF THE CONGREGATION

Feast

Blessed George was born on April 13, 1871, in Lugine, Lithuania, then a part of the Russian Empire. As a child, he lost his parents. In his teens, he contracted tuberculosis of the bone that tormented him all his life. He studied in the Seminary of Kielce and of Warsaw, Poland. George was talented and possessed profundity of soul; thus, he was sent to the Ecclesiastical Academy in St. Petersburg, Russia, where he was ordained a priest in 1898. He obtained his doctorate at the University of Fribourg in Switzerland. He taught Catholic social doctrine to workers in Warsaw and sociology in St. Petersburg, established an orphanage, and helped the poor. Knowing that the Order of the Marians, founded in Poland in 1670, was dying out, and realizing the indispensable role of religious orders in the life of the Church, he secretly joined it in 1909, and began its adaptation to modern times. He also founded two female religious congregations: the Handmaids of Jesus in the Eucharist and the Sisters of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary of the Poor. Recognized as an exceptional priest, in 1918, Blessed George was named Bishop of Vilnius. This office brought him much suffering due to ethnic conflicts among the multinational population of the diocese. He resigned in 1925 and went to Rome. Pope Pius XI named George titular archbishop of Aduli and appointed him as Apostolic Visitator to Lithuania, where he restored confidence in the Holy See, organized a new ecclesial province, and prepared the Concordat. He died in Kaunas, Lithuania, on January 27, 1927, in the opinion of sanctity. On June 28, 1987, Pope St. John Paul II declared him Blessed.

JANUARY 27

BLESSED GEORGE MATULAITIS-MATULEWICZ, BISHOP RENOVATOR OF THE CONGREGATION FEAST

FIRST READING

Colossians 1:24-29 On behalf of his Body, which is the Church, of which I am a minister in accordance with God's stewardship given to me to bring to completion for you the word of God.

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Colossians

Brothers and sisters:

I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in the afflictions of Christ on behalf of his Body, which is the Church, of which I am a minister in accordance with God's stewardship given to me to bring to completion for you the word of God, the mystery hidden from ages and from generations past.

But now it has been manifested to his holy ones,

to whom God chose to make known the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles;

it is Christ in you, the hope for glory.

It is he whom we proclaim,

admonishing everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone perfect in Christ.

For this I labor and struggle,

in accord with the exercise of his power working within me.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 40:2 and 4, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10

R. (8a and 9a) Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.

I have waited, waited for the LORD, and he stooped toward me and heard my cry. And he put a new song into my mouth, a hymn to our God.

R. Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.

Sacrifice or offering you wished not, but ears open to obedience you gave me. Burnt offerings or sin-offerings you sought not; then said I, "Behold I come."

R. Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.

"In the written scroll it is prescribed for me, To do your will, O my God, is my delight, and your law is within my heart!"

R. Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.

I announced your justice in the vast assembly; I did not restrain my lips, as you, O LORD, know.

R. Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.

ALLELUIA

Luke 4:18-19

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor and to proclaim liberty to captives.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

Luke 10:1-9 The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few.

★ A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

The Lord Jesus appointed seventy-two disciples whom he sent ahead of him in pairs to every town and place he intended to visit.

He said to them,

"The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest.

Go on your way;

behold, I am sending you like lambs among wolves.

Carry no money bag, no sack, no sandals; and greet no one along the way.

Into whatever house you enter,

first say, 'Peace to this household.'

If a peaceful person lives there, your peace will rest on him;

but if not, it will return to you.

Stay in the same house and eat and drink what is offered to you, for the laborer deserves his payment.

Do not move about from one house to another.

Whatever town you enter and they welcome you, eat what is set before you, cure the sick in it and say to them, 'The Kingdom of God is at hand for you.'"

The Gospel of the Lord.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

PRIEST'S United with Blessed George,

INTRODUCTION who ardently strove to serve "Christ and the Church"

and who now intercedes for us,

let us lift up our prayers and petitions to God.

INTENTIONS

1. For the Pope, bishops, and priests, that they would be holy witnesses in the world and zealous heralds of the Word of truth, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

- 2. For the Congregation of Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception renovated by Blessed George, that it may be faithful to its charism, and grow in merit and number, let us pray to the Lord. R.
- For all our relatives, friends, benefactors, and Marian Helpers, who share in the life and charism of the Marian Congregation, that the Lord would graciously grant them an increase in faith, hope, and charity, let us pray to the Lord. R.
- 4. For all the faithful present here, that the life of Blessed George would inspire them to be faithful followers of Christ, let us pray to the Lord. R.
- 5. That Blessed George, who faithfully served the Church, may without delay be numbered among the Saints, let us pray to the Lord.

 R.
- For the faithful departed who await the fullness of joy in the presence of the Lord, that they may enter into the glory of the Beatific Vision, let us pray to the Lord. R.

PRIEST'S PRAYER

O God,

you invite us to be your ambassadors, daily living out your will in all things as did your servant Blessed George, who gave himself unselfishly and totally for you and the Church.

Mercifully hear the prayers of your people and grant that your Kingdom would grow in us, around us, and through us.

Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.



February 4

Saint Joan of France, Religious PATRONESS OF THE CONGREGATION

Memorial

Joan of France (de Valois) was born on April 23, 1464. She was a daughter of the King of France Louis XI and of Charlotte of Savoy. Joan, deformed from birth, was despised by her father because of her infirmity and especially because he expected a son. Being only two months old, she was betrothed according to the custom of that time to the twoyear-old Duke of Orleans. As a young girl, she had a vision of Our Lady in which it was revealed to her that, before dying, she would found a religious community dedicated to giving honor to Our Blessed Mother. When Joan's husband succeeded to the throne of France as Louis XII, she became a queen. However, soon after accession to the throne, the new king had their marriage annulled by the Holy See on the pretext that it was forced upon him and he then pensioned off his unwanted wife. Having lost the title of Queen of France in 1498, Joan received from her former spouse the title of the Duchess of Berry. Free at last, Joan devoted herself entirely to prayer and good works. With help from her spiritual director, Blessed Gilbert Nicholas (Gabriel-Maria), the Duchess of Berry proceeded, along with eleven other women, to establish a contemplative Order of the Virgin Mary, also known as the Order of the Annunciades. The Blessed Mother was to be the example for the nuns to follow, and Our Lady's virtues, of which the Holy Scriptures speak, were to represent the rule of their life. The text of the Rule of the Ten Virtues was written by Gilbert Nicholas under Joan's guidance in 1501. The Holy See approved the new Rule on February 12, 1502. Joan died on February 4, 1505, soon after making her religious profession. On June 18, 1742, Pope Benedict XIV declared her Blessed. She was officially canonized by Pope Pius XII in Rome in 1950. The great desire of St. Joan, which was unfulfilled during her lifetime, was to create a male branch of her Order. In a certain way, this desire was fulfilled 194 years after her death, when the Congregation of Marian Fathers officially received the Rule of the Ten Virtues adapted for a male community. For 210 years, the Marians professed their vows on that Rule until the renovation of the Congregation on November 28, 1910.

FEBRUARY 4

SAINT JOAN OF FRANCE, RELIGIOUS MEMORIAL

FIRST READING

Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31 The woman who fears the LORD is to be praised.

A reading from the Book of Proverbs

When one finds a worthy wife, her value is far beyond pearls. Her husband, entrusting his heart to her, has an unfailing prize. She brings him good, and not evil, all the days of her life. She obtains wool and flax and cloth with skillful hands. She puts her hands to the distaff, and her fingers ply the spindle. She reaches out her hands to the poor, and extends her arms to the needy. Charm is deceptive and beauty fleeting; the woman who fears the LORD is to be praised. Give her a reward of her labors, and let her works praise her at the city gates.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 131:1bcde, 2, 3

- R. In you, Lord, I have found my peace.
- O LORD, my heart is not proud, nor are my eyes haughty; I busy not myself with great things, nor with things too sublime for me.
- R. In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

Nay rather, I have stilled and quieted my soul like a weaned child. Like a weaned child on its mother's lap, so is my soul within me.

- R. In you, Lord, I have found my peace.
- O Israel, hope in the LORD, both now and forever.
- **R**. In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

ALLELUIA

Matthew 23:11, 12b

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

The greatest among you must be your servant. Whoever humbles himself will be exalted.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

Matthew 13:44-46 He sells all that he has and buys that field.

★ A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to the crowds:

"The Kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. Again, the Kingdom of heaven is like a merchant

searching for fine pearls.

When he finds a pearl of great price, he goes and sells all that he has and buys it."

The Gospel of the Lord.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

PRIEST'S INTRODUCTION

Today as we celebrate the memorial of Saint Joan of France, let us humbly pour forth our prayers to God the Father (who calls us to live according to

vho calls us to live according to the Marian Constitutions).

INTENTIONS

1.

That we may pray and labor for the salvation of souls and the glory of God with the same zeal of Saint Joan, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

- That we may, by following Saint Joan's example, always seek God's will in all things, let us pray to the Lord. R.
- That God may grant the sick courage and patience in their suffering, let us pray to the Lord. R.
- 4. That with the help of God's grace, we will be models for the world of Our Lady's virtues, let us pray to the Lord.

 R.

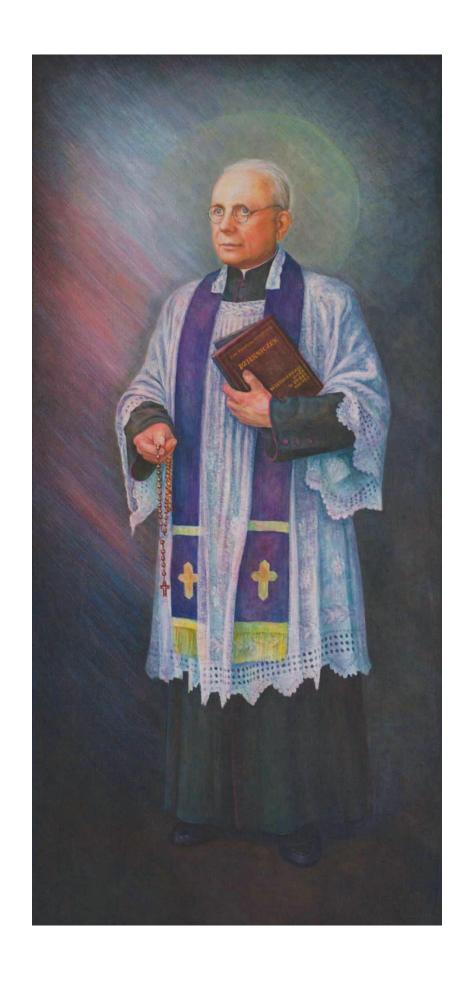
That the deceased suffering in Purgatory may soon be purified and made all holy and immaculate, let us pray to the Lord. R.

PRIEST'S PRAYER Hear us we pray, O God,

that on this memorial of Saint Joan of France, you would deign to grant us these graces.

Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.



February 15

Blessed Michael Sopoćko, Priest PATRON OF THE AMERICAN PROVINCE

Memorial – For the American Province

Father Michael (Michael) Sopoćko was born November 1, 1888. He graduated from the Major Seminary in Vilnius, Lithuania, where he was ordained a priest in 1912. He fulfilled the duties of a vicar, military chaplain, spiritual director of seminarians, and university professor. In 1933, he met Sr. Faustina and became her confessor. Because he recognized the authenticity of the revelations granted to her, he promoted the Divine Mercy message and devotion until the end of his life. He told Sr. Faustina to write down her private revelations, and the book entitled "Diary" emerged out of these notes. He also made efforts for the Divine Mercy image to be painted. In 1941, Fr. Michael engaged the help of Fr. Joseph Jarzebowski, MIC, in bringing to the Western Hemisphere the Divine Mercy message and devotion. In 1942, Fr. Michael founded the Congregation of the Sisters of the Merciful Jesus. After settling in Bialystok, Poland, he continued to spread the Divine Mercy message by his preaching and his writing. He demonstrated profound faith, heroic patience, and love, especially for the poor. Under unfavorable circumstances, he was the example of a true priest, a confessor in difficult causes and a promoter of the Gospel to various peoples. Saint John Paul II crowned Fr. Sopoćko's work by establishing Divine Mercy Sunday on the Second Sunday of Easter, by placing Sr. Faustina among the saints, and by explaining in his encyclical "Dives in Misericordia" the Mercy of God and how it relates to the world. Next to St. John Paul II and St. Faustina, Bl. Fr. Sopoćko became a part of the triptych of persons who energized devotion to God, Who "so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life" (John 3:16). Father Sopoćko died on February 15, 1975, in Białystok and was beatified there on September 28, 2008.

FEBRUARY 15

BLESSED MICHAEL SOPOĆKO, PRIEST MEMORIAL

FIRST READING

Isaiah 61:1-3a The LORD has anointed me; he has sent me to bring glad tidings to the lowly.

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me;
He has sent me to bring glad tidings to the lowly, to heal the brokenhearted,
To proclaim liberty to the captives and release to the prisoners,
To announce a year of favor from the Lord and a day of vindication by our God, to comfort all who mourn;
To place on those who mourn in Zion a diadem instead of ashes,
To give them oil of gladness in place of mourning, a glorious mantle instead of a listless spirit.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 89:2-3, 4-5, 21-22, 25 and 27

R. (2) For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

The favors of the LORD I will sing forever; through all generations my mouth shall proclaim your faithfulness. For you have said, "My kindness is established forever"; in heaven you have confirmed your faithfulness.

- R. For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.
- "I have made a covenant with my chosen one, I have sworn to David my servant: Forever will I confirm your posterity and establish your throne for all generations."
- **R**. For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.
- "I have found David, my servant; with my holy oil I have anointed him, That my hand may be always with him, and that my arm may make him strong."
- **R**. For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.
- "My faithfulness and my mercy shall be with him, and through my name shall his horn be exalted. He shall say of me, 'You are my father, my God, the Rock, my savior.'"
- **R**. For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

ALLELUIA

Matthew 11:28

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

Matthew 9:35-38 The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few.

★ A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus went around to all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the Gospel of the Kingdom, and curing every disease and illness.

At the sight of the crowds, his heart was moved with pity for them because they were troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd.

Then he said to his disciples,

"The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest."

The Gospel of the Lord.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

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With deep humility and through the intercession of Blessed Michael, confessor, spiritual director, and champion of The Divine Mercy, we place our petitions before the Lord.

INTENTIONS

1. For the Church, that she may foster a greater devotion to Divine Mercy, which Blessed Michael helped to promote, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

- For all spiritual directors, confessors, and military chaplains, that they may sincerely and generously respond to the message of Divine Mercy, let us pray to the Lord. R.
- For all the faithful present here, that they may follow Christ faithfully and trust in The Divine Mercy in all circumstances, let us pray to the Lord. R.

- 4. For all religious educators, that they may faithfully promote the perennial teachings of the Catholic Church, let us pray to the Lord. R.
- For an increase in the number of priestly and religious vocations, that they may be inspired by Blessed Michael, founder of a religious Congregation, let us pray to the Lord. R.
- 6. For the suffering souls in Purgatory most in need of God's mercy, that they may soon enter into the Beatific Vision, let us pray to the Lord. R.

PRIEST'S PRAYER Heavenly Father,

you called Blessed Michael to champion the cause of The Divine Mercy; ignite within us that same trust in the Merciful Jesus. Hear these prayers according to your most holy will, which is love and mercy itself. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.



May 18

SAINT STANISLAUS OF JESUS AND MARY PAPCZYŃSKI, FATHER AND FOUNDER OF THE CONGREGATION

Solemnity

Saint Stanislaus of Jesus and Mary was born in 1631, in the village of Podegrodzie, Poland. After finishing his courses at Jesuit and Piarist Colleges in 1654, he entered the Piarist Institute, professed his religious vows, and was ordained a priest in 1661. He became famous as a gifted educator of youth, an illustrious preacher, a wise spiritual director, and also as an author of works on spirituality and rhetoric. Father Stanislaus worked with great zeal to encourage religious and laity to strive for greater holiness. He left the Piarists in 1670 and founded the Congregation of Marian Fathers under the patronage of the Immaculate Conception of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary to promote devotion to the mystery of the Immaculate Conception, as well as to offer intercession for the souls in Purgatory, and to conduct pastoral work, especially among the poor. He was the first to found in the Church a male Order dedicated to the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, nearly two centuries before the proclamation of this dogma. He died in the opinion of holiness on September 17, 1701, in Góra Kalwaria near Warsaw. His remains were laid to rest at the Church of the Cenacle of Our Lord. On June 13, 1992, Pope John Paul II confirmed the heroic virtue of Fr. Stanislaus Papczyński. By his Apostolic Letter of September 12, 2007, Pope Benedict XVI approved the beatification of Fr. Stanislaus, which was solemnly performed at the Marian Shrine in Lichen, Poland, by the papal legate, Cardinal Tarcisio Bertone, SDB, Secretary of State, acting on his behalf. Father Founder was subsequently canonized in Rome at St. Peter's on June 5, 2016, by Pope Francis during the extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy.

MAY 18

SAINT STANISLAUS OF JESUS AND MARY PAPCZYŃSKI, PRIEST AND FOUNDER SOLEMNITY

FIRST READING

Outside the Easter Season:

Isaiah 61:1-3a The LORD anointed me and sent me to bring glad tidings to the lowly, and to give them oil of gladness.

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me;
He has sent me to bring glad tidings to the lowly, to heal the brokenhearted,
To proclaim liberty to the captives and release to the prisoners,
To announce a year of favor from the Lord and a day of vindication by our God, to comfort all who mourn;
To place on those who mourn in Zion a diadem instead of ashes,
To give them oil of gladness in place of mourning, a glorious mantle instead of a listless spirit.

The word of the Lord.

During the Easter Season:

Acts 4:32-35 The community of believers was of one heart and mind.

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own, but they had everything in common.

With great power the Apostles bore witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great favor was accorded them all.

There was no needy person among them,

for those who owned property or houses would sell them, bring the proceeds of the sale, and put them at the feet of the Apostles, and they were distributed to each according to need.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 11

R. (cf. 5a) You are my inheritance, O Lord.

Keep me, O God, for in you I take refuge;I say to the LORD, "My Lord are you."O LORD, my allotted portion and my cup, you it is who hold fast my lot.

R. You are my inheritance, O Lord.

I bless the LORD who counsels me; even in the night my heart exhorts me. I set the LORD ever before me; with him at my right hand I shall not be disturbed.

R. You are my inheritance, O Lord.

You will show me the path to life, fullness of joys in your presence, the delights at your right hand forever.

R. You are my inheritance, O Lord.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12 He chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world.

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians

Brothers and sisters:

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavens, as he chose us in him, before the foundation of the world, to be holy and without blemish before him.

In love he destined us for adoption to himself through Jesus Christ, in accord with the favor of his will, for the praise of the glory of his grace that he granted us in the beloved.

In him we were also chosen, destined in accord with the purpose of the One who accomplishes all things according to the intention of his will, so that we might exist for the praise of his glory, we who first hoped in Christ.

The word of the Lord.

ALLELUIA

John 14:23

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

John 15:9-17 It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you.

★ A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to his disciples:

"As the Father loves me, so I also love you.

Remain in my love.

If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love."

"I have told you this so that my joy might be in you and your joy might be complete.

This is my commandment: love one another as I love you.

No one has greater love than this,

to lay down one's life for one's friends.

You are my friends if you do what I command you.

I no longer call you slaves,

because a slave does not know what his master is doing.

I have called you friends,

because I have told you everything I have heard from my Father.

It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you.

This I command you: love one another."

The Gospel of the Lord.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

PRIEST'S INTRODUCTION

United with Saint Stanislaus,

who intercedes for us before the throne of God,

let us confidently lift up our prayers to our almighty

Father.

INTENTIONS

1. For the Pope, bishops, and priests, that they would be

holy witnesses in the world and always zealously

proclaim the truth, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

2. For the Congregation of Marian Fathers of the

Immaculate Conception, that it be faithful to its

charism and grow in merit and number, let us pray to

the Lord. R.

3. For all our relatives, friends, benefactors, and Marian

Helpers, who share in the life and charism of the Marian Congregation, that the Lord would graciously

grant them an increase in faith, hope, and charity, let

us pray to the Lord. R.

4. For all the faithful present here, that the life of Saint

Stanislaus would inspire them to be faithful followers of Christ, with great trust in his Immaculate Mother,

let us pray to the Lord. R.

5. For the suffering souls in Purgatory, especially

soldiers and those who died of pestilence, that they may soon be completely purified and released from

the great pains they suffer, let us pray to the Lord. \mathbb{R} .

PRIEST'S PRAYER

Heavenly Father,

you called Saint Stanislaus

to found this little Congregation

dedicated to Mary's Immaculate Conception

and to praying for the deceased.

Grant the prayers

we humbly present to you

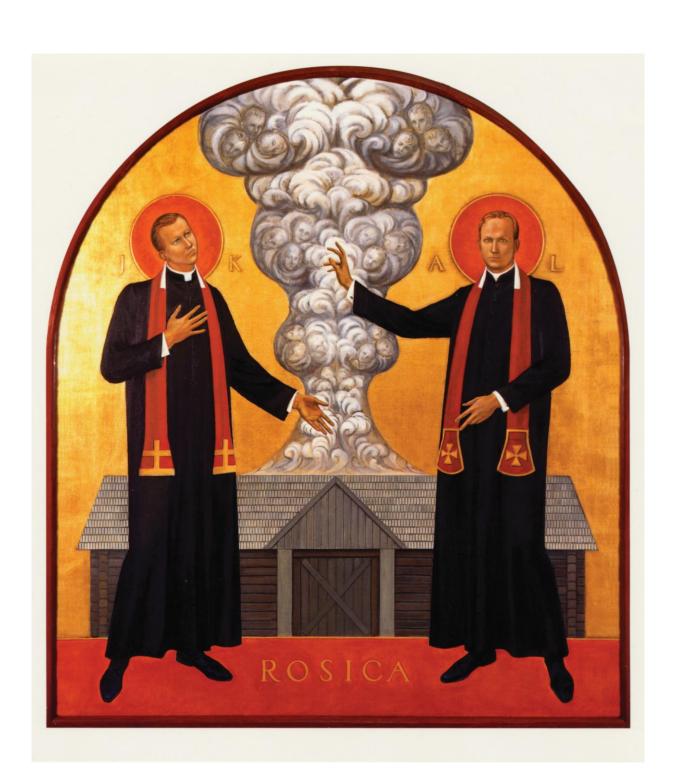
relying on your Divine Providence.

Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

The proper English texts (including proper readings for the Mass) were approved by the Dicastery for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments on June 7, 2022, for the Mass in honor of Saint Stanislaus of Jesus and Mary Papczyński (cf. Prot. n. 377/20).

According to a Decree of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments on May 3, 2017 (cf. Prot. n. 229/17), the proper Liturgical Calendar for the Congregation of Marian Fathers was amended to elevate the liturgical commemoration of our holy Founder to be celebrated at the rank of a Solemnity.



June 12

Blessed Anthony Leszczewicz and Blessed George Kaszyra, Priests and Martyrs Together with the 106 Martyrs of World War II

Memorial

Blessed Anthony Leszczewicz was born on September 30, 1890. He was ordained in 1914. In 1937, he entered the Congregation of Marian Fathers. In accordance with his desire, he was sent to the Marian house in Druya in the Vilnius province, where he dedicated himself to pastoral work, house management, and teaching in the school. After the Germans occupied Druya in 1941, he was made the superior of the Marian mission to Catholics in the former Soviet territories on the other side of the Dvina River. There he conducted evangelization, working together with a group of Marian priests and religious sisters (the Handmaids of Jesus in the Eucharist). During one of the retributive actions conducted by the Nazis against the partisan forces, Blessed Anthony chose to remain with the people of Rosica, and on February 17, 1943, he was burned in a barn along with them. He was a very zealous priest, always eager to serve others, much liked and respected by all.

Blessed George Kaszyra was born on April 4, 1904. His family was Belarussian Orthodox. In 1907, George's mother converted to Catholicism, and in 1922, he also became a Catholic. He entered the Marians, and was ordained in 1935. For a year he was in charge of the Marian seminarians in Vilnius. The next two years he worked in Druya as a school prefect and educator of young religious order men. In 1942, Fr. Anthony Leszczewicz summoned him to the Marian mission to Catholics in Belarus. Responding to his summons, Fr. George went to Rosica, where together they ran the mission. Blessed George volunteered to stay with the detainees in Rosica during the Nazi retributions, providing them pastoral ministry and saving them from despair. He died on February 18, 1943, burned in a house with some of the faithful. He was a model of peaceful coexistence and unity between Catholics and Orthodox.

On June 13, 1999, Pope St. John Paul II beatified Fr. Anthony Leszczewicz and Fr. George Kaszyra as part of a group of 108 World War II martyrs.

JUNE 12

BLESSED ANTHONY LESZCZEWICZ AND BLESSED GEORGE KASZYRA, PRIESTS AND MARTYRS Together with the 106 Martyrs of World War II MEMORIAL

FIRST READING

Sirach 51:1-12 You redeemed me, true to the greatness of your mercy and of your name.

A reading from the Book of Sirach

I give you thanks, O Lord and King;

I praise you, O God my savior!

I will make known your name,

for you have been a helper and a protector to me.

You have kept back my body from the pit,

and from the scourge of a slanderous tongue,

from lips that went over to falsehood.

And in the sight of those who stood by,

you have delivered me,

According to the multitude of the mercy of your name, and from them that did roar, prepared to devour me,

And from the power of those who sought my life;

from many a danger you have saved me,

from flames that hemmed me in on every side;

From the midst of unremitting fire when I was not burnt

from the deep belly of the nether world;

From deceiving lips and painters of lies,

from the arrows of dishonest tongues.

My soul was at the point of death,

my life was nearing the depths of the nether world;

They encompassed me on every side, but there was no one to help me,

I looked for one to sustain me, but could find no one.

But then I remembered the mercies of the LORD,

his kindness through ages past;

For he saves those who take refuge in him, and rescues them from every evil.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17

R. (6) Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

Be my rock of refuge, a stronghold to give me safety. You are my rock and my fortress; for your name's sake you will lead and guide me.

R. Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

Into your hands I commend my spirit; you will redeem me, O LORD, O faithful God. I will rejoice and be glad because of your mercy.

R. Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

Rescue me from the clutches of my enemies and my persecutors, Let your face shine upon your servant; save me in your kindness.

R. Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

ALLELUIA

2 Corinthians 1:3b-4a

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed be the Father of compassion and God of all encouragement, who encourages us in our every affliction.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

John 12:24-26 If a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it produces much fruit.

★ A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to his disciples:

"Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit.

Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life.

Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me."

The Gospel of the Lord.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

PRIEST'S INTRODUCTION

Reflecting on the heroic witness of the Marian martyrs, Blesseds Anthony and George, we lift our hearts to heaven, presenting our needs and petitions to God the Father.

INTENTIONS

1.

For all religious, that they may have the courage and fortitude to overcome all tribulations and continually give their lives for Christ and his Church, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

- 2. For the Orthodox churches, that they may return to full union with the Catholic Church, let us pray to the Lord. R.
- For our community, that we may look to the martyrs as models of holiness, and persevere in our faith, so as to attain the crown of everlasting glory, let us pray to the Lord. R.

- 4. For the dying, that the Lord would bring them hope and the consolation of the sacraments to strengthen them on their journey, let us pray to the Lord. R.
- For all the members of the Association of Marian Helpers and the Confraternity of the Immaculate Conception, both living and deceased, and for all the intentions they have entrusted to the Marians, may the Lord favorably hear their prayers, and strengthen them in faith, hope, and charity, let us pray to the Lord. R.

PRIEST'S PRAYER

God,

our Heavenly Father,

through the intercession of Blesseds Anthony and George,

we ask you to graciously hear these prayers we present to you.

Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.



July 10 Our Lady of Virtues

Memorial – For the American Province

This Mass is in celebration of God the Father, who in his "infinite goodness" (Pref) has given the Church the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of Christ, as a "model of every virtue" (Ent Ant, Com Ant, cf. LG, n. 65). "Although in the Blessed Virgin the Church already attains that perfection by which she exists without spot or wrinkle (cf. Ephesians 5:27), the faithful are still striving to conquer sin and grow in holiness. They therefore raise their eyes to Mary, who shines brightly as the exemplar of virtues for the whole company of the elect" (LG, n. 65):

- the model of sublime love, so that the faithful pray: that the Church "may stand before all peoples as the sacrament of [God's] love" (Col);
- the model of faith and hope, so that the faithful ask that the Church "may look always to the Blessed Virgin and so grow in fervor of faith," and be "strengthened by the hope of future glory" (PC);
- the model of profound humility: "... [God has] shown us in the Blessed Virgin Mary the model of ... profound humility" (Col);
- the model of persevering prayer in oneness of mind and heart, for the Apostles and the first disciples "devoted themselves with one accord to prayer, together with ... Mary, the Mother of Jesus" (Acts 1:12-14); Mary "prays with the Apostles in oneness of mind and heart" (Pref);
- the model of worship in spirit: Mary is "the shining model of true worship for [God's] Church and of our duty to offer ourselves as a holy victim, pleasing in [God's] eyes" (PO, cf. Romans 12:1);
- the model of liturgical worship: the Mother of Jesus, as Pope Paul VI reminds us, is the "exemplar of that sense of reverent devotion with which the Church celebrates the divine mysteries and expresses them in its life" (MC, n. 16); for Mary is "the Virgin who listens, … the Virgin of prayer, … the Virgin Mother, … the Virgin who offers" (Pref; cf. MC, nn. 16-21); she is the Virgin who keeps vigil, awaiting the Resurrection of her Son (cf. Pref). In brief, Mary is "the model of the Church as a whole in its worship of God" (MC, n. 21).

JULY 10

OUR LADY OF VIRTUES MEMORIAL

FIRST READING

Acts 1:12-14 They were continually in prayer with Mary, the mother of Jesus.

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

After Jesus had been taken up to heaven, the Apostles returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away.

When they entered the city
they went to the upper room where they were staying,
Peter and John and James and Andrew,
Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew,
James son of Alphaeus, Simon the Zealot,

All these devoted themselves with one accord to prayer, together with some women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

The word of the Lord.

and Judas son of James.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7

R. (3) Glorious things are said of you, O city of God!

His foundation upon the holy mountains the LORD loves:
The gates of Zion,
more than any dwelling of Jacob.

R. Glorious things are said of you, O city of God!

Glorious things are said of you,
O city of God!
And of Zion they shall say:
"One and all were born in her;
And he who has established her
is the Most High LORD."

R. Glorious things are said of you, O city of God!

They shall note, when the peoples are enrolled:
"This man was born there."
And all shall sing, in their festive dance:
"My home is within you."

R. Glorious things are said of you, O city of God!

ALLELUIA

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

O joyful Virgin, who gave birth to the Lord; O blessed Mother of the Church, who nurture in us the Spirit of your Son Jesus Christ!

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

John 2:1-11 The mother of Jesus was there.

★ A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

There was a wedding in Cana at Galilee,

and the mother of Jesus was there.

Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding.

When the wine ran short,

the mother of Jesus said to him,

"They have no wine."

And Jesus said to her,

"Woman, how does your concern affect me?

My hour has not yet come."

His mother said to the servers,

"Do whatever he tells you."

Now there were six stone water jars there for Jewish ceremonial washings, each holding twenty to thirty gallons.

Jesus told them,

"Fill the jars with water."

So they filled them to the brim.

Then he told them,

"Draw some out now and take it to the headwaiter."

So they took it.

And when the headwaiter tasted the water that had become wine,

without knowing where it came from

although the servers who had drawn the water knew,

the headwaiter called the bridegroom and said to him,

"Everyone serves good wine first,

and then when people have drunk freely, an inferior one;

but you have kept the good wine until now."

Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs in Cana in Galilee

and so revealed his glory,

and his disciples began to believe in him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

PRIEST'S INTRODUCTION

Inspired by the radiant beauty of the heavenly virtues practiced by the ever Blessed Virgin Mary, we offer to God our prayers and petitions.

INTENTIONS

1.

For all the faithful, that they may imitate all the virtues of the Blessed Virgin Mary, especially her ten evangelical virtues of purity, prudence, humility, faith, devotion, obedience, poverty, patience, mercy, and sorrow, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

- 2. For all religious, that the Mother of God may be their source of inspiration and joy in following Christ along the way of holiness, let us pray to the Lord. R.
- For all Marians, that they may look to the Blessed Virgin Mary as the sign, source, and strength of their vocation and that their lives be full of grace, charity, and purity, let us pray to the Lord. R.
- 4. For all the members of the Association of Marian Helpers and the Confraternity of the Immaculate Conception, both living and deceased, and for all the intentions they have entrusted to the Marians, may the Lord favorably hear their prayers, and strengthen them in faith, hope, and charity, let us pray to the Lord. R.
- For the faithful departed subjected to the expiatory pains of Purgatory, that they may be relieved through the intercession of Our Lady of Virtues, let us pray to the Lord. R.

PRIEST'S PRAYER

God, our Heavenly Father, we ask through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, our model of holiness, that you will hear these prayers and imbue us with Mary's virtues, sentiments, and affections.

Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.



October 5

Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska, Virgin Patroness of the Congregation

Memorial

Faustina (Helena) Kowalska was born in 1905, in Glogowiec, near Lodz, Poland, to a large peasant family. After some years of domestic service in wealthy houses, she joined the Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy. In the convent, she zealously carried out the duties of cook, gardener, and porter. She led an unusually rich interior life, endowed with many spiritual gifts. Her mission consisted of reminding the whole world about the truth of God's merciful love, communicating a new form of The Divine Mercy devotion, and inspiring religious renewal in the spirit of this devotion. She died in 1938 in Krakow. She left behind a spiritual diary, which is one of the outstanding works of mystical literature.

OCTOBER 5

SAINT FAUSTINA KOWALSKA, VIRGIN MEMORIAL

FIRST READING

Ephesians 3:14-19 To know the love of Christ which surpasses knowledge.

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians

Brothers and sisters:

I kneel before the Father,

from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that he may grant you in accord with the riches of his glory to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in the inner self, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the holy ones what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 103:1bc-2, 3-4, 8-9, 13-14, 17-18a

R. (1) O bless the Lord, my soul!

Bless the LORD, O my soul; and all my being, bless his holy name. Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.

R. O bless the Lord, my soul!

He pardons all your iniquities, he heals all your ills. He redeems your life from destruction, he crowns you with kindness and compassion.

R. O bless the Lord, my soul!

Merciful and gracious is the LORD, slow to anger and abounding in kindness. He will not always chide, nor does he keep his wrath forever.

R. O bless the Lord, my soul!

As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him, For he knows how we are formed; he remembers that we are dust.

R. O bless the Lord, my soul!

But the kindness of the LORD is from eternity to eternity toward those who fear him, And his justice toward his children's children among those who keep his covenant.

R. O bless the Lord, my soul!

ALLELUIA

Matthew 11:28

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

Matthew 11:25-30 Although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned, you have revealed them to the childlike.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

At that time Jesus exclaimed:

"I give praise to you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned you have revealed them to the childlike. Yes, Father, such has been your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son wishes to reveal him."

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light."

The Gospel of the Lord.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

PRIEST'S INTRODUCTION

Through the intercession of Saint Faustina, the secretary and apostle of The Divine Mercy, we offer our petitions to Almighty God with trust.

INTENTIONS

1. For the Church, that she may fully embrace the message of The Divine Mercy given to us through the writings of Saint Faustina, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

- 2. For priests and religious, that they may grow in holiness and proclaim the message of Divine Mercy to the whole world, let us pray to the Lord. R.
- For the sick and the suffering, that God may console and strengthen them through the intercession of Saint Faustina, let us pray to the Lord. R.
- 4. For the dying, that they may embrace the mercy of the Lord as their hope of salvation, let us pray to the Lord. R.
- 5. For the faithful departed most in need of God's mercy, that they may enjoy the Beatific Vision without delay, let us pray to the Lord. R.

PRIEST'S PRAYER

God,
our Heavenly Father,
Saint Faustina loved you with her
whole life and being.
Through her joyful sacrifice of love and
through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy,
we trust that you will hear and answer all our prayers
offered through the merciful heart of Jesus.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.
R. Amen.

***Note: The above set of readings are the options recommended by the Holy See for the Optional Memorial of St. Faustina as of May 18, 2020 (Prot. n. 229/20), which are all taken from the Common of Holy Men and Women. However, the following pages contain some alternative options for readings that are Proper to the "feast" of St. Faustina. These alternative options are English equivalents of the Proper Readings that were approved in Latin, Italian, and Polish by the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Sacraments on March 1, 1993 (cf. Prot. CD 2175/92). (The English versions were taken from various different sections of the English Lectionary for Mass: For Use in the Dioceses of the United States of America – 2nd Typical Edition). (Note: The New Testament options for the "First Reading" (i.e., Ephesians 3 and 2 Corinthians 5) were listed as possible "Second Reading" options; however, since we are celebrating St. Faustina only as a Memorial they are here listed as options only for the First Reading.)

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS FOR THE READINGS FOR SAINT FAUSTINA

FIRST READING

Hosea 2:16bc, 17cd, 21-22 A covenant with God in mercy and fidelity.

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Hosea

Thus says the LORD:
I will lead her into the desert
and speak to her heart.
She shall respond there as in the days of her youth,
when she came up from the land of Egypt.
I will espouse you to me forever:
I will espouse you in right and in justice,
in love and in mercy;
I will espouse you in fidelity,
and you shall know the LORD.

The word of the Lord.

Or:

Hosea 11:1, 3-4, 8e-9 I drew them with human cords, with bands of love.

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Hosea

The LORD says:
When Israel was a child I loved him,
out of Egypt I called my son.
Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk,
who took them in my arms;
I drew them with human cords,
with bands of love;
I fostered them like one
who raises an infant to his cheeks;
Yet, though I stooped to feed my child,
they did not know that I was their healer.

My heart is overwhelmed,
my pity is stirred.

I will not give vent to my blazing anger,
I will not destroy Ephraim again;
For I am God and not man,
the Holy One present among you;
I will not let the flames consume you.

The word of the Lord.

Or:

Ephesians 3:8-12, 14-19 To know the love of Christ which surpasses knowledge.

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians

Brothers and sisters:

To me, the very least of all the holy ones, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the inscrutable riches of Christ, and to bring to light for all what is the plan of the mystery hidden from ages past in God who created all things, so that the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known through the Church to the principalities and authorities in the heavens.

This was according to the eternal purpose

This was according to the eternal purpose that he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have boldness of speech and confidence of access through faith in him.

I kneel before the Father,

from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that he may grant you in accord with the riches of his glory to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in the inner self, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the holy ones what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

The word of the Lord.

Or:

2 Corinthians 5:14-21 For our sake, he made him to be sin who did not know sin.

A reading from the second Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians

Brothers and sisters:

The love of Christ impels us,

once we have come to the conviction that one died for all; therefore, all have died.

He indeed died for all,

so that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised.

Consequently, from now on we regard no one according to the flesh; even if we once knew Christ according to the flesh, yet now we know him so no longer.

So whoever is in Christ is a new creation:

the old things have passed away;

behold, new things have come.

And all this is from God,

who has reconciled us to himself through Christ and given us the ministry of reconciliation, namely, God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting their trespasses against them and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.

So we are ambassadors for Christ,

as if God were appealing through us.

We implore you on behalf of Christ,

be reconciled to God.

For our sake he made him to be sin who did not know sin, so that we might become the righteousness of God in him.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 8-9, 11-12

R. (8a) The Lord is kind and merciful.

Bless the LORD, O my soul; and all my being, bless his holy name. Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

He pardons all your iniquities, he heals all your ills. He redeems your life from destruction, he crowns you with kindness and compassion.

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

Merciful and gracious is the LORD, slow to anger and abounding in kindness. He will not always chide, nor does he keep his wrath forever.

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

For as the heavens are high above the earth, so surpassing is his kindness toward those who fear him. As far as the east is from the west, so far has he put our transgressions from us.

R. The Lord is kind and merciful.

ALLELUIA

Matthew 11:29ab

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Or:

ALLELUIA

1 John 4:10b

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

God loved us and sent his Son as expiation for our sins.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

John 19:31-37 One soldier thrust his lance into his side and immediately Blood and water flowed out.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Since it was preparation day,

in order that the bodies might not remain on the cross on the sabbath, for the sabbath day of that week was a solemn one, the Jews asked Pilate that their legs be broken and they be taken down.

So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and then of the other one who was crucified with Jesus.

But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead,

they did not break his legs,

but one soldier thrust his lance into his side,

and immediately Blood and water flowed out.

An eyewitness has testified, and his testimony is true;

he knows that he is speaking the truth,

so that you also may come to believe.

For this happened so that the Scripture passage might be fulfilled:

Not a bone of it will be broken.

And again another passage says:

They will look on him whom they have pierced.

The Gospel of the Lord.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

PRIEST'S **INTRODUCTION**

Through the intercession of Saint Faustina, the secretary and apostle of The Divine Mercy, we offer our petitions to Almighty God with trust.

INTENTIONS

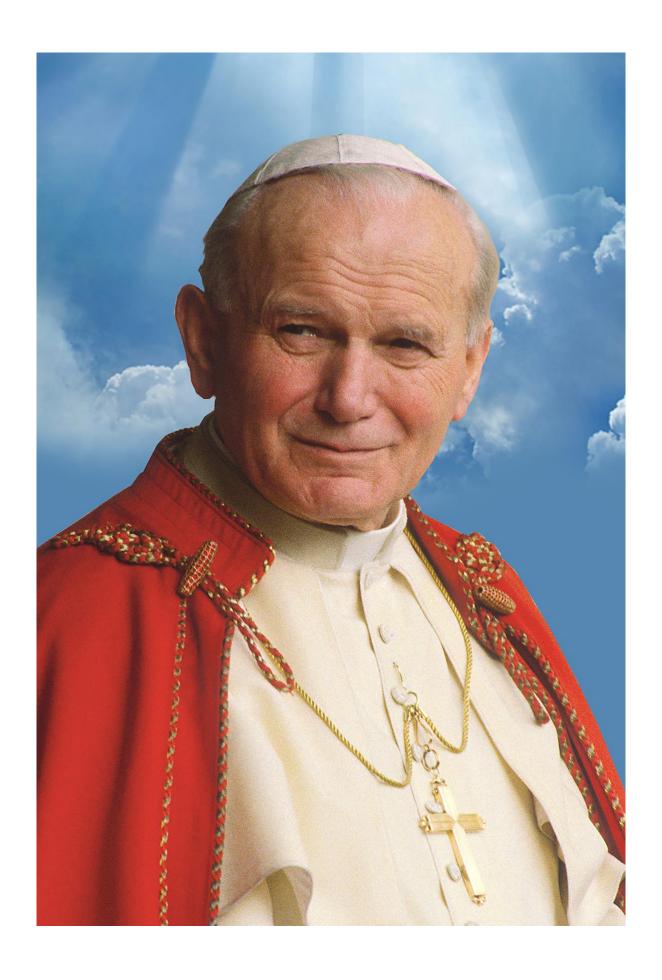
For the Church, that she may fully embrace the 1. message of The Divine Mercy given to us through the writings of Saint Faustina, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

- 2. For priests and religious, that they may grow in holiness and proclaim the message of Divine Mercy to the whole world, let us pray to the Lord. R.
- 3. For the sick and the suffering, that God may console and strengthen them through the intercession of Saint Faustina, let us pray to the Lord. R.
- For the dying, that they may embrace the mercy of 4. the Lord as their hope of salvation, let us pray to the Lord. N.
- 5. For the faithful departed most in need of God's mercy, that they may enjoy the Beatific Vision without delay, let us pray to the Lord. R.

PRIEST'S PRAYER

God, our Heavenly Father, Saint Faustina loved you with her whole life and being. Through her joyful sacrifice of love and through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy, we trust that you will hear and answer all our prayers offered through the merciful heart of Jesus. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. R. Amen.



October 22

Saint John Paul II, Pope Patron of the Congregation

Memorial

Karol Józef Wojtyła, the third child of Karol and Emilia, was born in 1920 in Wadowice, Poland. By the age of twelve, Karol had lost all of his family except his father, who was a very loving and devout man. His university studies were interrupted in 1939 by the German authorities and to avoid deportation, Karol took up work in a stone quarry and water purification plant. On February 18, 1941, he walked home from work to find his father dead from a heart attack.

In 1942, Karol made his decision to enter the Krakow seminary, which was being run secretly and which he attended while still working as a laborer at the quarry. Karol was ordained a priest in Krakow on November 1, 1946, the Feast of All Saints, and was then sent to Rome to further his studies at the Angelicum. After completing his doctorate in 1948, Karol returned to Poland and took up various pastoral and academic tasks. In 1958, Fr. Wojtyła was consecrated Auxiliary Bishop of Krakow—the youngest bishop in Poland's history. He participated in the Second Vatican Council and in 1964, Pope Paul VI appointed him Archbishop of Krakow. Three years later, Pope Paul VI made him a cardinal. On October 16, 1978, Cardinal Wojtyła was elected Supreme Pontiff and took the name John Paul II.

His exceptional apostolic zeal, particularly for families, young people, and the sick, led him to make numerous pastoral visits throughout the world. Above all the many fruits, which he has left as a heritage to the Church, are his rich body of teachings along with his promulgation of the Catechism of the Catholic Church and of the Codes of Canon Law for the Latin Church and for the Eastern Churches. In Rome on April 2, 2005, the eve of the Second Sunday of Easter (also known as Divine Mercy Sunday), he died peacefully in the Lord. Pope Benedict XVI beatified John Paul II on May 1, 2011, and Pope Francis canonized him, along with John XXIII, on April 27, 2014.

OCTOBER 22

SAINT JOHN PAUL II, POPE MEMORIAL

FIRST READING

Isaiah 52:7-10 All the ends of the earth will behold the salvation of our God.

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings glad tidings, Announcing peace, bearing good news, announcing salvation, and saying to Zion, "Your God is King!" Hark! Your sentinels raise a cry, together they shout for joy, For they see directly, before their eyes, the LORD restoring Zion. Break out together in song, O ruins of Jerusalem! For the LORD comforts his people, he redeems Jerusalem. The LORD has bared his holy arm in the sight of all the nations; All the ends of the earth will behold the salvation of our God.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10

R. (3) Proclaim God's marvelous deeds to all the nations.

Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all you lands. Sing to the LORD; bless his name.

R. Proclaim God's marvelous deeds to all the nations.

Announce his salvation, day after day. Tell his glory among the nations; among all peoples, his wondrous deeds.

R. Proclaim God's marvelous deeds to all the nations.

Give to the LORD, you families of nations, give to the LORD glory and praise; give to the LORD the glory due his name!

R. Proclaim God's marvelous deeds to all the nations.

Say among the nations: The LORD is king. He has made the world firm, not to be moved; he governs the peoples with equity.

R. Proclaim God's marvelous deeds to all the nations.

ALLELUIA

John 10:14

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

John 21:15-17 Feed my lambs, feed my sheep.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

After Jesus had revealed himself to his disciples and eaten breakfast with them, he said to Simon Peter,

"Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?"

Simon Peter answered him, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you."

Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs."

He then said to Simon Peter a second time,

"Simon, son of John, do you love me?"

Simon Peter answered him, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you."

He said to him, "Tend my sheep."

He said to him the third time,

"Simon, son of John, do you love me?"

Peter was distressed that he had said to him a third time,

"Do you love me?" and he said to him,

"Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you."

Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep."

The Gospel of the Lord.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

PRIEST'S INTRODUCTION

O God, who knows the hunger of our hearts

and the thirst of our souls,

be pleased to accept the prayers we now humbly place before you.

INTENTIONS

1. For N. our Pope, and N. our Bishop and all the clergy,

that they may lead holy lives and preach the Gospel in season and out of season, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

2. For leaders of nations, that they may guide and

protect the people under their care according to the

laws of God, let us pray to the Lord. R.

- For peace throughout the world, including an end to hatred and division among peoples and nations, let us pray to the Lord. R.
- 4. For all those who are suffering in body, mind, or spirit, or who are struggling to overcome temptation and persecution, that they may cooperate with God's grace to persevere and grow in holiness, let us pray to the Lord. R.
- For the faithful departed, that they may soon enjoy the Marriage Banquet of the Lamb, let us pray to the Lord. R.

PRIEST'S PRAYER

O God,

whose Son suffered and died so that we might live, hear the prayers we have laid before you.

Grant us what we need and lead us to faithfulness and peace, to serve as your Son served, and to love as He loved. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

R. Amen.



November 5

All the Deceased Marians

Memorial

The union of the living on earth with those who have fallen asleep in the peace of Christ is not interrupted. It is strengthened through the exchange of spiritual goods, which has always been the teaching of the Church. Thus, our Congregation, following the abiding faith of the Church in the Communion of Saints in the Mystical Body of Christ and faithful to its mission, from its very beginning, greatly honors the memory of the dead and offers suffrages for them with great devotion. Therefore, the confreres should remember to aid the souls of the faithful departed suffering in Purgatory, especially by the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, by offering their indulgences and mortifications, by prayers and intercession, and by offering up for them their zealous deeds and other good works, for "It is therefore a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be loosed from sins" (2 Macc 12:46, DRB). Likewise, they shall not neglect to assist the dying, who face the most critical moment of their lives, through prayers, the holy sacraments and every form of pastoral care, bringing hope in the Divine Mercy.

Constitutions of the Congregation of Marian Fathers, § 8

NOVEMBER 5

ALL THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE CONGREGATION MEMORIAL

FIRST READING

2 Corinthians 4:14–5:1 What is seen is transitory, but what is unseen is eternal.

A reading from the second Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians

Brothers and sisters:

Knowing that the One who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus

and place us with you in his presence.

Everything indeed is for you,

so that the grace bestowed in abundance on more and more people may cause the thanksgiving to overflow for the glory of God.

Therefore, we are not discouraged;

rather, although our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day.

For this momentary light affliction

is producing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, as we look not to what is seen but to what is unseen; for what is seen is transitory, but what is unseen is eternal.

For we know that if our earthly dwelling, a tent, should be destroyed, we have a building from God, a dwelling not made with hands, eternal in heaven.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 27:1, 4, 7 and 8b and 9a, 13-14

R. (1a) The Lord is my light and my salvation.

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom should I fear?
The LORD is my life's refuge; of whom should I be afraid?

R. The Lord is my light and my salvation.

One thing I ask of the LORD;
this I seek:
To dwell in the house of the LORD
all the days of my life,
That I may gaze on the loveliness of the LORD
and contemplate his temple.

R. The Lord is my light and my salvation.

Hear, O LORD, the sound of my call; have pity on me, and answer me. Your presence, O LORD, I seek. Hide not your face from me.

R. The Lord is my light and my salvation.

I believe that I shall see the bounty of the LORD in the land of the living.
Wait for the LORD with courage; be stouthearted, and wait for the LORD.

R. The Lord is my light and my salvation.

ALLELUIA

Matthew 25:34

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Come, you who are blessed by my Father, says the Lord; inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

John 6:37-40 Everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life and I shall raise him on the last day.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to the crowds:

"Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and I will not reject anyone who comes to me, because I came down from heaven not to do my own will but the will of the one who sent me.

And this is the will of the one who sent me, that I should not lose anything of what he gave me, but that I should raise it on the last day.

For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life,

and I shall raise him on the last day."

The Gospel of the Lord.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

PRIEST'S INTRODUCTION

Today, in memory of all the deceased beloved brothers throughout the ages of the Marians of the Immaculate Conception, let us call upon God the almighty Father, that in his mercy he may hear our prayers.

INTENTIONS

1. That every Marian would live out his vows according to the Marian Constitutions, so as to ultimately experience the Beatific Vision, let us pray to the Lord. Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

- That Marian religious houses may be places of prayer, peace, charity, humility, and empathy, so as to help lead each other to holiness, let us pray to the Lord. R.
- For those Marians who are sick and dying, that the Lord would grant them hope, strength, and perseverance on their journey, let us pray to the Lord. R.
- 4. For all those Marians who died suddenly through war, pestilence, or famine, let us pray to the Lord. R.
- For all deceased Marians who await the fullness of joy in the presence of the Lord, may Our Lady assist them in their purification, so that they may be promptly made holy and immaculate, let us pray to the Lord. R.

PRIEST'S PRAYER

Heavenly Father,

we thank you for the precious gift of each man that you gave to the Congregation of the Marians of the Immaculate Conception, and we beseech you to hear our prayers, especially for the deceased confreres who are most in need of your mercy. Through Christ our Lord. R. Amen.



November 16

BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER OF MERCY PATRONESS OF THE AMERICAN PROVINCE

Feast – For the American Province

The title of this formulary comprises two titles frequently attributed to the Blessed Virgin, both of which speak of her graciousness and are much loved by the faithful: "Queen of mercy" and "Mother of mercy."

The title "Queen of mercy" (Ent Ant, Col, B, All) celebrates the kindness, the generosity, the dignity of the Blessed Virgin, who from her place in heaven fulfills the role of Queen Esther (cf. Esther 4:17), "never ceasing to pray" to her Son (Pref) for the salvation of her people as they confidently fly to her for refuge in their trials and dangers. The Blessed Virgin is thus the "gracious" and "compassionate" queen (Pref, PC) "who has herself uniquely known [God's] loving kindness and stretches out her arms to embrace all who take refuge in her" (Pref; cf. PC); hence, she is rightly addressed as "solace of the repentant, hope of the distressed" (Ent Ant).

The title "Mother of mercy" (Col, A, Pref, PO) is thought to have been first given to the Blessed Virgin by St. Odo (d. 942), Abbot of Cluny (cf. Vita Odonis I:9: PL 133:47). It is a fitting title of Our Lady both because she brought forth for us Jesus Christ, the visible manifestation of the mercy of the invisible God, and because she is the spiritual mother of the faithful, full of grace and mercy; in the words of St. Lawrence of Brindisi, "the Blessed Virgin is called 'mother of mercy,' that is, the most merciful, the most compassionate mother, the most tender mother, the most loving mother" (Mariale, Second sermon on the "Salve Regina," III: Opera omnia, I, Seminary Press, Padua, 1928, p. 391). The Mother of Jesus from her place in heaven points out the needs of the faithful to her Son, with whom she interceded on earth on behalf of the bridegroom and bride of Cana (cf. John 2:1-11).

In this formulary the Blessed Virgin is celebrated as:

- a prophet extolling the mercy of God (cf. Luke 1:39-55): for in her Magnificat she twice praises God's mercy: "He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation"; "He has come to the help of his servant Israel, for he has remembered his promise of mercy" (Luke 1:50, 54; cf. Com Ant, B). The faithful therefore pray that they "may always praise [God's] mercy in company with the Blessed Virgin" (PC);
- a woman who has uniquely experienced God's mercy: "She is the gracious queen who has herself uniquely known [God's] loving kindness and stretches out her arms to embrace all who ... call upon her help in their distress" (Pref). These words of the Preface echo those of Pope John Paul II: "Mary is ... the one who obtained mercy in a particular and exceptional way, as no other person has ..." (Encyclical Letter Dives in misericordia, n. 9: AAS 72 [1980], pp. 1208-1209).

NOVEMBER 16

OUR LADY OF MERCY FEAST

FIRST READING

Ephesians 2:4-10 God is rich in mercy.

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians

Brothers and sisters:

God, who is rich in mercy,

because of the great love he had for us,

even when we were dead in our transgressions,

brought us to life with Christ (by grace you have been saved), raised us up with him,

and seated us with him in the heavens in Christ Jesus,

that in the ages to come

he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace

in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus.

For by grace you have been saved through faith,

and this is not from you; it is the gift of God;

it is not from works, so no one may boast.

For we are his handiwork, created in Christ Jesus for good works that God has prepared in advance,

that we should live in them.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 103:1bc-2, 3-4, 6 and 8, 13 and 17

R. (cf. 17a) The Lord's kindness is everlasting.

Bless the LORD, O my soul;

and all my being, bless his holy name.

Bless the LORD, O my soul,

and forget not all his benefits.

R. The Lord's kindness is everlasting.

He pardons all your iniquities, he heals all your ills. He redeems your life from destruction, he crowns you with kindness and compassion.

R. The Lord's kindness is everlasting.

The LORD secures justice and the rights of all the oppressed. Merciful and gracious is the LORD, slow to anger and abounding in kindness.

R. The Lord's kindness is everlasting.

As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him. But the kindness of the LORD is from eternity to eternity toward those who fear him.

R. The Lord's kindness is everlasting.

ALLELUIA

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Hail, Mother of the Lord, queen of mercy, you are comfort for the world and hope for the downcast.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

Luke 1:39-55 The Lord has mercy on those who fear him in every generation.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting,
the infant leaped in her womb,
and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit,
cried out in a loud voice and said,
"Blessed are you among women,
and blessed is the fruit of your womb.
And how does this happen to me,
that the mother of my Lord should come to me?
For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears,
the infant in my womb leaped for joy.
Blessed are you who believed

And Mary said:

would be fulfilled."

"My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my savior, for he has looked upon his lowly servant.

that what was spoken to you by the Lord

From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name.

He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation.

He has shown the strength of his arm, and has scattered the proud in their conceit.

He has cast down the mighty from their thrones and has lifted up the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty.

He has come to the help of his servant Israel for he remembered his promise of mercy, the promise he made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children for ever."

The Gospel of the Lord.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

PRIEST'S INTRODUCTION

God, our Heavenly Father, we implore your Divine Mercy upon all mankind and ask you to hear the petitions we now present to you through the Blessed Virgin Mary, our Queen and Mother of mercy.

INTENTIONS

1.

For all the members of the Mother of Mercy Province, that Mary, who received the fullness of Divine Mercy, may lavish upon her humble servants the grace of God's mercy, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

- 2.
- For all the works, ministries, and apostolates in this Province, that they will bear abundant fruit for God and souls, let us pray to the Lord. R.

- 3.
- For all men in formation, that the Mother of mercy may embrace, guide, and lead them under her tender motherly care, let us pray to the Lord. R.

4.

For an increase in vocations to the Mother of Mercy Province, that it may grow in merit and number before God and Our Lady, let us pray to the Lord. R.

5.

For all the members of the Association of Marian Helpers and the Confraternity of the Immaculate Conception, both living and deceased, and for all the intentions they have entrusted to the Marians, may the Lord favorably hear their prayers, and strengthen them in faith, hope, and charity, let us pray to the Lord. R.

6.

For all deceased of the Mother of Mercy Province, that they may rest in peace, let us pray to the Lord. R.

PRIEST'S PRAYER

O God, our Heavenly Father, we give thanks for the immeasurable love and mercy bestowed upon the Mother of Mercy Province through the maternal intercession of Mary Immaculate. Grant, we pray, that what we ask in faith we may truly obtain. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.



December 8

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, THE TITULAR PATRONESS OF THE CONGREGATION

Solemnity

The titular Patroness of the Congregation is the Immaculately Conceived Most Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God and Mother of the Church. To her, as their Queen and Lady, very powerful Helper and most loving Mother, let them show special veneration, filial love, and devotion. Let them go to Jesus through her. Let them invoke her frequently in suppliant entreaties and run to her with the greatest confidence in all their needs. Let them contemplate her Holy and Immaculate Conception and imitate her virtues with all their strength. The titular and patronal feast of the Congregation is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Constitutions of the Congregation of Marian Fathers, § 18

The Proper Readings for the Solemnity of The Immaculate Conception of the B.V.M. are found in the *Lectionary for Mass* on December 8th.

The liturgical commemoration of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is celebrated at the rank of a Solemnity for the entire Congregation, as she is the titular Patroness of the Marian Fathers (cf. Decree of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, Prot. n. 297/14, June 16, 2014, approving the Liturgical Calendar for the Congregation of Marian Fathers).

APPENDIX

READINGS IN LATIN FOR THE SAINTS AND BLESSEDS

DIE 27 IANUARII

BEATI GEORGII MATULAITIS-MATULEWICZ, EPISCOPI ET RENOVATORIS CONGREGATIONIS FESTUM

LECTIO PRIMA

Col 1, 24-29 Factus sum minister Ecclesiæ secundum dispensationem Dei.

Léctio Epístolæ beáti Pauli apóstoli ad Colossénses

Fratres:

Nunc gáudeo in passiónibus pro vobis et adímpleo ea quæ desunt passiónum Christi in carne mea, pro córpore eius, quod est Ecclésia; cuius factus sum ego miníster secúndum dispensatiónem Dei, quæ data est mihi in vos, ut ímpleam verbum Dei.

Mystérium, quod abscónditum fuit a sæculis et generatiónibus, nunc autem manifestátum est sanctis eius, quibus vóluit Deus notas fácere divítias glóriæ mystérii huius in géntibus, quod est Christus in vobis, spes glóriæ.

Quem nos annuntiámus commonéntes omnem hóminem et docéntes omnem hóminem in omni sapiéntia, ut exhibeámus omnem hóminem perféctum in Christo: ad quod et labóro certándo secúndum operatiónem eius, quæ operátur in me in virtúte.

Ps 39, 2 et 4ab. 7-8a. 8b-9. 10

R. (8a et 9a) Ecce vénio, Dómine, ut fáciam voluntátem tuam.

Exspéctans exspectávi Dóminum, et inténdit mihi. Et immísit in os meum cánticum novum, carmen Deo nostro.

R. Ecce vénio, Dómine, ut fáciam voluntátem tuam.

Sacrifícium et oblatiónem noluísti, aures autem fodísti mihi. Holocáustum et pro peccáto non postulásti, tunc dixi: « Ecce vénio.

R. Ecce vénio, Dómine, ut fáciam voluntátem tuam.

In volúmine libri scriptum est de me fácere voluntátem tuam. Deus meus, vólui, et lex tua in præcórdiis meis ».

R. Ecce vénio, Dómine, ut fáciam voluntátem tuam.

Annuntiávit iustítiam tuam in ecclésia magna; ecce lábia mea non prohibébo, Dómine, tu scisti.

R. Ecce vénio, Dómine, ut fáciam voluntátem tuam.

ALLELUIA

Lc 4, 18-19

R. Allelúia, allelúia.

Evangelizáre paupéribus misit me Dóminus, prædicáre captívis remissiónem.

R. Allelúia, allelúia.

EVANGELIUM

Lc 10, 1-9 Messis quidem multa, operarii autem pauci.

★ Léctio sancti Evangélii secúndum Lucam

In illo témpore:

Designávit Dóminus álios septuagínta duos, et misit illos binos ante fáciem suam in omnem civitátem et locum, quo erat ipse ventúrus.

Et dicébat illis:

« Messis quidem multa, operárii autem pauci.

Rogáte ergo Dóminum messis, ut mittat operários in messem suam.

Ite: ecce ego mitto vos sicut agnos inter lupos.

Nolíte portáre sácculum neque peram neque calceaménta et néminem per viam salutavéritis.

In quamcúmque domum intravéritis primum dícite:

"Pax huic dómui"; et, si ibi fúerit fílius pacis,

requiéscet super illam pax vestra; sin autem, ad vos revertétur.

In eádem autem domo manéte, edéntes et bibéntes quæ apud illos sunt; dignus est enim operárius mercéde sua.

Nolite transire de domo in domum,

et, in quamcúmque civitátem intravéritis et suscéperint vos, manducáte quæ apponúntur vobis,

et curáte infírmos, qui in illa sunt, et dícite illis:

"Appropinquávit in vos Regnum Dei" ».

DIE 4 FEBRUARII

SANCTÆ IOANNÆ VALESIÆ, RELIGIOSÆ MEMORIA

LECTIO PRIMA

Prov 31, 10-13. 19-20. 30-31 Mulier timens Dominum ipsa laudabitur.

Léctio libri Proverbiórum

Mulíerem fortem quis invéniet? Procul et de últimis fínibus prétium eius. Confídit in ea cor viri sui, et spóliis non indigébit; reddet ei bonum et non malum ómnibus diébus vitæ suæ; quæsívit lanam et linum et operáta est consílio mánuum suárum. Manum suam misit ad fórtia, et dígiti eius apprehendérunt fusum; manum suam apéruit ínopi, et palmas suas exténdit ad páuperem. Fallax grátia et vana est pulchritúdo, múlier timens Dóminum ipsa laudábitur. Date ei de fructu mánuum suárum, et laudent eam in portis ópera eius.

Ps 130, 1. 2. 3

R. Custódi ánimam meam in pace apud te, Dómine.

Dómine, non est exaltátum cor meum, neque eláti sunt óculi mei; neque ambulávi in magnis, neque in mirabílibus super me.

R. Custódi ánimam meam in pace apud te, Dómine.

Vere pacátam et quiétam feci ánimam meam; sicut ablactátus in sinu matris suæ, sicut ablactátus, ita in me est ánima mea.

R. Custódi ánimam meam in pace apud te, Dómine.

Speret Israel in Dómino, ex hoc nunc et usque in sæculum.

R. Custódi ánimam meam in pace apud te, Dómine.

ALLELUIA

Mt 23, 11. 12b

R. Allelúia, allelúia.

Qui maior est vestrum, erit miníster vester, dicit Dóminus; qui autem se humiliáverit, exaltábitur.

R. Allelúia, allelúia.

EVANGELIUM

Mt 13, 44-46 Vendit universa quæ habet, et emit agrum illum.

★ Léctio sancti Evangélii secúndum Matthæum

In illo témpore:

Dixit Iesus turbis:

« Símile est Regnum cælórum thesáuro abscóndito in agro; quem qui invénit homo, abscóndit, et præ gáudio illíus vadit, et vendit univérsa quæ habet, et emit agrum illum.

Iterum símile est Regnum cælórum hómini negotiatóri quærénti bonas margarítas;

quærénti bonas margarítas; invénta autem una pretiósa margaríta, ábiit, et véndidit ómnia quæ hábuit, et emit eam ».

DIE 15 FEBRUARII

BEATI MICHAELIS SOPOĆKO, PRESBYTERI MEMORIA

LECTIO PRIMA

Is 61, 1-3a Unxit me Dominus et evangelizare pauperibus misit me.

Léctio libri Isaíæ prophétæ

Spíritus Dómini super me,
eo quod únxerit Dóminus me;
ad annuntiándum mansuétis misit me,
ut medérer contrítis corde
et prædicárem captívis indulgéntiam
et clausis apertiónem;
ut prædicárem annum placábilem Dómino
et diem ultiónis Deo nostro.
Ut consolárer omnes lugéntes,
ut pónerem lugéntibus Sion,
et darem eis corónam pro cínere,
óleum gáudii pro luctu,
pállium laudis pro spíritu mæróris:
et vocabúntur in ea fortes iustítiæ
plantátio Dómini ad glorificándum.

Ps 88, 2-3. 4-5. 21-22. 25 et 27

R. (cf. 2a) Misericórdias tuas, Dómine, in ætérnum cantábo.

Misericórdias Dómini in ætérnum cantábo, in generatiónem et generatiónem annuntiábo veritátem tuam in ore meo.

Ouóniam dixísti:

« In ætérnum misericórdia ædificábitur », in cælis firmábitur véritas tua.

- R. Misericórdias tuas, Dómine, in ætérnum cantábo.
- « Dispósui testaméntum elécto meo, iurávi David servo meo:
 Usque in ætérnum confirmábo semen tuum, et ædificábo in generatiónem et generatiónem sedem tuam ».
- R. Misericórdias tuas, Dómine, in ætérnum cantábo.
- « Invéni David servum meum; óleo sancto meo unxi eum. Manus enim mea firma erit cum eo, et brácchium meum confortábit eum.
- R. Misericórdias tuas, Dómine, in ætérnum cantábo.

Et véritas mea et misericórdia mea cum ipso et in nómine meo exaltábitur cornu eius. Ipse invocábit me: Pater meus es tu, Deus meus et refúgium salútis meæ ».

R. Misericórdias tuas, Dómine, in ætérnum cantábo.

ALLELUIA

Mt 11, 28

(R. Allelúia, allelúia.)

Veníte ad me, omnes qui laborátis et oneráti estis, et ego refíciam vos, dicit Dóminus.

(R. Allelúia, allelúia.)

EVANGELIUM

Mt 9, 35-38 Messis quidem multa, operarii autem pauci.

★ Léctio sancti Evangélii secúndum Matthæum

In illo témpore:

Circumíbat Iesus civitátes omnes et castélla, docens in synagógis eórum, et prædicans Evangélium Regni, et curans omnem languórem et omnem infirmitátem.

Videns autem turbas,

misértus est eis quia erant vexáti et iacéntes sicut oves non habéntes pastórem.

Tunc dicit discípulis suis:

« Messis quidem multa, operárii autem pauci; rogáte ergo Dóminum messis, ut mittat operários in messem suam ».

DIE 18 MAII

SANCTI STANISLAI A IESU ET MARIA PAPCZYŃSKI, PRESBYTERI ET FUNDATORIS SOLLEMNITAS

LECTIO PRIMA

Extra Tempus Paschale:

Is 61, 1-3a Unxit me Dominus et evangelizare pauperibus misit me.

Léctio libri Isaíæ prophétæ

Spíritus Dómini super me,
eo quod únxerit Dóminus me;
ad annuntiándum mansuétis misit me,
ut medérer contrítis corde
et prædicárem captívis indulgéntiam
et clausis apertiónem;
ut prædicárem annum placábilem Dómino
et diem ultiónis Deo nostro.
Ut consolárer omnes lugéntes,
ut pónerem lugéntibus Sion,
et darem eis corónam pro cínere,
óleum gáudii pro luctu,
pállium laudis pro spíritu mæróris:
et vocabúntur in ea fortes iustítiæ
plantátio Dómini ad glorificándum.

Verbum Dómini.

Tempore Paschali:

Act 4, 32-35 Cor unum et anima una.

Léctio Actuum Apostolórum

In diébus illis:

Multitúdinis credéntium erat cor unum et ánima una; nec quísquam eórum, quæ possidébat, áliquid suum esse dicébat; sed erant illis ómnia commúnia.

Et virtúte magna reddébant Apóstoli testimónium resurrectiónis Iesu Christi Dómini nostri,

et grátia magna erat in ómnibus illis.
Neque enim quisquam egens erat inter illos;
quotquot enim possessóres agrórum aut domórum erant,
vendéntes afferébant prétia eórum quæ vendébant,
et ponébant ante pedes Apostolórum;
dividebatur autem síngulis, prout cuíque opus erat.

Verbum Dómini.

PSALMUS RESPONSORIUS

Ps 15, 1-2a et 5. 7-8. 11

R. (cf. 5a) Tu es, Dómine, pars hereditátis meæ. Vel: R. Allelúia.

Consérva me, Deus, quóniam sperávi in te. Dixi Dómino: « Dóminus meus es tu. Dóminus pars hereditátis meæ et cálicis mei: tu es qui détines sortem meam ».

R. Tu es, Dómine, pars hereditátis meæ. Vel: R. Allelúia.

Benedícam Dóminum qui tríbuit mihi intelléctum; ínsuper et in nóctibus erudiérunt me renes mei. Proponébam Dóminum in conspéctu meo semper, quóniam a dextris est mihi, non commovébor.

R. Tu es, Dómine, pars hereditátis meæ.Vel: R. Allelúia.

Notas mihi fácies vias vitæ, plenitúdinem lætítiæ cum vultu tuo, delectatiónes in déxtera tua usque in finem.

R. Tu es, Dómine, pars hereditátis meæ.Vel: R. Allelúia.

LECTIO SECUNDA

Eph 1, 3-6. 11-12 Elegit nos Deus in Christo ante mundi constitutionem.

Léctio Epístolæ beati Pauli apóstoli ad Ephésios

Benedíctus Deus et Pater Dómini nostri Iesu Christi,
qui benedíxit nos in omni benedictióne spiritáli in cæléstibus in Christo;
sicut elégit nos in ipso ante mundi constitutiónem,
ut essémus sancti et immaculáti in conspéctu eius in caritáte;
qui prædestinávit nos in adoptiónem filiórum
per Iesum Christum in ipsum,
secúndum propósitum voluntátis suæ,
in laudem glóriæ grátiæ suæ,
in qua gratificávit nos in dilécto Fílio suo.

In quo étiam et nos sorte vocáti sumus, prædestináti secúndum propósitum eius, qui operátur ómnia secúndum consílium voluntátis suæ, ut simus in laudem glóriæ eius nos, qui ante sperávimus in Christo.

Verbum Dómini.

ALLELUIA

Io 14, 23

R. Allelúia, allelúia.

Si quis díligit me, sermónem meum servábit, et Pater meus díliget eum, et ad eum veniémus.

R. Allelúia, allelúia.

EVANGELIUM

Io 15, 9-17 Vos amici mei estis, si feceritis quæ ego præcipio vobis.

¥ Léctio sancti Evangélii secúndum Ioánnem

In illo témpore:

Dixit Iesus discípulis suis:

« Sicut diléxit me Pater, et ego diléxi vos.

Manéte in dilectióne mea.

Si præcépta mea servavéritis, manébitis in dilectióne mea; sicut et ego Patris mei præcépta servávi, et máneo in eius dilectióne.

Hæc locútus sum vobis, ut gáudium meum in vobis sit et gáudium vestrum impleátur.

Hoc est præcéptum meum, ut diligátis ínvicem, sicut diléxi vos.

Maiórem hac dilectiónem nemo habet,

ut ánimam suam ponat quis pro amícis suis.

Vos amíci mei estis, si fecéritis quæ ego præcípio vobis.

Iam non dicam vos servos,

quia servus nescit quid fáciat dóminus eius:

vos autem dixi amícos,

quia ómnia, quæcúmque audívi a Patre meo, nota feci vobis.

Non vos me elegístis; sed ego elégi vos et pósui vos,

ut eátis et fructum afferátis, et fructus vester máneat,

ut, quodcúmque petiéritis Patrem in nómine meo, det vobis.

Hæc mando vobis, ut diligátis ínvicem ».

DIE 12 IUNII

BEATORUM ANTONII LESZCZEWICZ ET GEORGII KASZYRA, PRESBYTERORUM, ET SOCIORUM, **MARTYRUM MEMORIA**

LECTIO PRIMA

Sir 51, 1-12 Liberasti me secundum multitudinem misericordiæ nominis tui.

Léctio libri Sirácidæ

Confitébor tibi, Dómine rex, et collaudábo te Deum salvatórem meum. Confitébor nómini tuo, quóniam adiútor et protéctor factus es mihi et liberásti corpus meum a perditióne, a láqueo linguæ iníquæ, et a lábiis operántium mendácium,

et in conspéctu astántium factus es mihi adiútor. Et liberásti me, secúndum multitúdinem misericórdiæ nóminis tui, a rugiéntibus præparátis ad escam, de mánibus quæréntium ánimam meam, et de portis tribulatiónum, quæ circumdedérunt me, a pressúra flammæ, quæ circúmdedit me, et in médio ignis non sum æstuátus; de altitúdine ventris ínferi. et a lingua coinquináta et a verbo mendácii, a rege iníquo et a lingua iniústa. Laudábit usque ad mortem ánima mea Dóminum,

et vita mea appropinguans erat in inférno deórsum.

Circumdedérunt me úndique,

et non erat qui adiuváret;

respíciens eram ad adiutórium hóminum, et non erat.

Memorátus sum misericórdiæ tuæ, Dómine, et operatiónis tuæ quæ a sæculo sunt, quóniam éruis sustinéntes te, Dómine, et líberas eos de mánibus géntium.

Ps 30, 3cd-4. 6 et 8ab. 16bc-17

R. (6a) In manus tuas, Dómine, comméndo spíritum meum.

Esto mihi in rupem præsídii et in domum munítam, ut salvum me fácias.

Quóniam fortitúdo mea et refúgium meum es tu, et propter nomen tuum dedúces me et pasces me.

R. In manus tuas, Dómine, comméndo spíritum meum.

In manus tuas comméndo spíritum meum; redemísti me, Dómine, Deus veritátis. Exsultábo et lætábor in misericórdia tua, quóniam respexísti humilitátem meam.

R. In manus tuas, Dómine, comméndo spíritum meum.

Eripe me de mánu inimicórum meórum et a persequéntibus me; illústra fáciem tuam super servum tuum, salvum me fac in misericórdia tua.

R. In manus tuas, Dómine, comméndo spíritum meum.

ALLELUIA

2 Cor 1, 3b-4a

R. Allelúia, allelúia.

Pro eis sanctífico meípsum, dicit Dóminus, ut sint et ipsi sanctificáti in veritáte.

R. Allelúia, allelúia.

EVANGELIUM

Io 12, 24-26 Si granum frumenti mortuum fuerit, multum fructum affert.

★ Léctio sancti Evangélii secúndum Ioánnem

In illo témpore:

Dixit Iesus discípulis suis:

« Amen, amen dico vobis:

Nisi granum fruménti cadens in terram
mórtuum fúerit,
ipsum solum manet;
si autem mórtuum fúerit,
multum fructum affert.

Qui amat ánimam suam perdit eam, et qui odit ánimam suam in hoc mundo in vitam ætérnam custódiet eam.

Si quis mihi minístrat, me sequátur; et ubi sum ego, illic et miníster meus erit.

Si quis mihi ministráverit, honorificábit eum Pater ».

DIE 10 IULII

BEATÆ MARIÆ VIRGINIS DE VIRTUTIBUS MEMORIA

LECTIO PRIMA

Act 1, 12-14 Erant perseverantes in oratione cum Maria, matre Iesu.

Léctio Actuum Apostolórum

Postquam assúmptus est Iesus in cælum,
revérsi sunt apóstoli in Ierúsalem a monte,
qui vocátur Olivéti,
qui est iuxta Ierúsalem sábbati habens iter.
Et cum introíssent,
in cenáculum ascendérunt,
ubi manébant et Petrus et Ioánnes et Iacóbus et Andréas,
Philíppus et Thomas, Bartholomæus et Matthæus,
Iacóbus Alphæi et Simon Zelótes
et Iudas Iacóbi.

Hi omnes erant perseverántes unanímiter in oratióne cum muliéribus et María matre Iesu et frátribus eius.

Ps 86, 1-2. 3 et 5. 6-7

R. (3) Gloriósa dicta sunt de te, cívitas Dei!

Fundaménta eius in móntibus sanctis; díligit Dóminus portas Sion super ómnia tabernácula Iacob.

R. Gloriósa dicta sunt de te, cívitas Dei!

Gloriósa dicta sunt de te, cívitas Dei! Et de Sion dicétur: « Hic et ille natus est in ea; et ipse firmávit eam Altíssimus ».

R. Gloriósa dicta sunt de te, cívitas Dei!

Dóminus réferet in librum populórum:
« Hi nati sunt illic ».
Et cantant sicut choros ducéntes:
« Omnes fontes mei in te ».

R. Gloriósa dicta sunt de te, cívitas Dei!

ALLELUIA

R. Allelúia, allelúia.

O felix Virgo, quæ Dóminum genuísti; O beáta Mater Ecclésiæ, quæ in nobis foves Spíritum Fílii tui Iesu Christi!

R. Allelúia, allelúia.

EVANGELIUM

Io 2, 1-11 Erat Mater Iesu ibi. Et crediderunt in eum discipuli eius.

★ Léctio sancti Evangélii secúndum Ioánnem

In illo témpore:

Núptiæ factæ sunt in Cana Galilææ,

et erat mater Iesu ibi;

vocátus est autem et Iesus et discípuli eius ad núptias.

Et deficiénte vino,

dicit mater Iesu ad eum:

« Vinum non habent ».

Et dicit ei Iesus:

« Quid mihi et tibi, múlier?

Nondum venit hora mea ».

Dicit mater eius minístris:

« Quodcúmque díxerit vobis, fácite ».

Erant autem ibi lapídeæ hýdriæ sex pósitæ secúndum purificatiónem Iudæórum,

capiéntes síngulæ metrétas binas vel ternas.

Dicit eis Iesus:

« Impléte hýdrias aqua ».

Et implevérunt eas usque ad summum.

Et dicit eis:

« Haurite nunc et ferte architriclino ».

Illi autem tulérunt.

Ut autem gustávit architriclínus aquam vinum factam et non sciébat unde esset,

minístri autem sciébant, qui hauríerant aquam, vocat sponsum architriclínus et dicit ei:

« Omnis homo primum bonum vinum ponit et, cum inebriáti fúerint, id quod detérius est; tu servásti bonum vinum usque adhuc ».

Hoc fecit inítium signórum Iesus in Cana Galilææ et manifestávit glóriam suam, et credidérunt in eum discípuli eius.

DIE 5 OCTOBRIS

SANCTÆ FAUSTINÆ KOWALSKA, VIRGINIS MEMORIA

LECTIO PRIMA

Eph 3, 14-19 Scire supereminentem scientiæ caritatem Christi.

Léctio Epístolæ beáti Pauli apóstoli ad Ephésios

Fratres:

Flecto génua mea ad Patrem,
ex quo omnis patérnitas in cælis et in terra nominátur;
ut det vobis secúndum divítias glóriæ suæ virtúte corroborári
per Spíritum eius in interiórem hóminem;
habitáre Christum per fidem in córdibus vestris,
in caritáte radicáti et fundáti,
ut valeátis comprehéndere cum ómnibus sanctis quæ sit latitúdo,
et longitúdo, et sublímitas, et profúndum;
scire étiam supereminéntem sciéntiæ caritátem Christi,
ut impleámini in omnem plenitúdinem Dei.

Ps 102, 1-2. 3-4. 8-9. 13-14. 17-18a

R. (1a) Bénedic, ánima mea, Dómino.

Bénedic, ánima mea, Dómino; et ómnia quæ intra me sunt, nómini sancto eius. Bénedic, ánima mea, Dómino, et noli oblivísci omnes retributiónes eius.

R. Bénedic, ánima mea, Dómino.

Qui propitiátur ómnibus iniquitátibus tuis, qui sanat omnes infirmitátes tuas; qui rédimit de intéritu vitam tuam, qui corónat te in misericórdia et miseratiónibus.

R. Bénedic, ánima mea, Dómino.

Miserátor et miséricors Dóminus, longánimis et multæ misericórdiæ. Non in perpétuum conténdet, neque in ætérnum irascétur.

R. Bénedic, ánima mea, Dómino.

Quómodo miserétur pater filiórum, misértus est Dóminus timéntibus se. Quóniam ipse cognóvit figméntum nostrum, recordátus est quóniam pulvis sumus.

R. Bénedic, ánima mea, Dómino.

Misericórdia autem Dómini ab ætérno et usque in ætérnum super timéntes eum, et iustítia illíus in fílios filiórum; in eos qui servant testaméntum eius.

R. Bénedic, ánima mea, Dómino.

ALLELUIA

Mt 11, 28

R. Allelúia, allelúia.

Veníte ad me, omnes qui laborátis et oneráti estis, et ego refíciam vos, dicit Dóminus.

R. Allelúia, allelúia.

EVANGELIUM

Mt 11, 25-30 Iesu Christi mitis et humilis corde revelatio.

★ Léctio sancti Evangélii secúndum Matthæum

In illo témpore Iesus dixit:
Confíteor tibi, Pater, Dómine cæli et terræ,
quia abscondísti hæc a sapiéntibus et prudéntibus,
et revelásti ea párvulis.
Ita Pater: quóniam sic fuit plácitum ante te.
Omnia mihi trádita sunt a Patre meo.
Et nemo novit Fílium, nisi Pater:
neque Patrem quis novit,
nisi Fílius et cui volúerit Fílius reveláre.

Veníte ad me omnes qui laborátis et oneráti estis, et ego refíciam vos.

Tóllite iugum meum super vos, et díscite a me, quia mitis sum, et húmilis corde; et inveniétis réquiem animábus vestris.

Iugum enim meum suáve est, et onus meum leve.

Verbum Dómini.

***Note: The above set of readings are the options recommended by the Holy See for the Optional Memorial of St. Faustina as of May 18, 2020 (Prot. n. 229/20), which are all taken from the Common of Holy Men and Women. However, the following pages contain some alternative options for readings that are Proper to the "Feast" of St. Faustina. These alternative options are the Proper Readings that were approved in Latin by the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Sacraments on March 1, 1993 (cf. Prot. CD 2175/92). (Note: The New Testament options for the "First Reading" (i.e., Ephesians 3 and 2 Corinthians 5) were listed as possible "Second Reading" options; however, since we are celebrating St. Faustina only as a Memorial they are here listed as options only for the First Reading.)

ALTERNATIVÆ LECTURÆ PRO MISSA SANCTÆ FAUSTINÆ

LECTIO PRIMA

Os 2, 16b. 17. 21-22 Fœdus cum Deo in misericordia et felicitate initum.

Léctio libri Osée prophétæ

Hæc dicit Dóminus Deus:

« Ecce ego lactábo eam,

et ducam eam in solitúdinem,

et loquar ad cor eius.

Et dabo ei vinitóres eius ex eódem loco,

et vallem Achor, ad aperiéndam spem;

et canet ibi iuxta dies iuventútis suæ,

et iuxta dies ascensiónis suæ de terra Ægýpti.

Et sponsábo te mihi in sempitérnum;

et sponsábo te mihi in iustítia,

et iudício et in misericórdia, et in miseratiónibus.

Et sponsábo te mihi in fide;

et scies quia ego Dóminus ».

Verbum Dómini.

Vel:

Os 11, 1. 3-4. 8c-9 Misericordia Dei erga homines.

Léctio libri Osée prophétæ

Hæc dicit Dóminus Deus:

« Quia puer Israel, et diléxi eum;

et ex Ægýpto vocávi fílium meum.

Et ego quasi nutrítius Ephraim;

portábam eos in bráchiis meis,

et nesciérunt quod curárem eos.

In funículis Adam traham eos,

in vínculis caritátis;

et ero eis quasi exáltans iugum super maxíllas eórum,

et declinávi ad eum ut vescerétur.

Convérsum est in me cor meum; páriter conturbáta est pœnitúdo mea. Non fáciam furórem iræ meæ; non convértar ut dispérdam Ephraim, quóniam Deus ego, et non homo; in médio tui sanctus, et non ingrédiar civitátem ».

Verbum Dómini.

Vel:

Eph 3, 8-12. 14-19 Amoris misericordiosi Christi infinita dimensio.

Léctio Epístolæ beáti Pauli apóstoli ad Ephésios

Fratres:

Mihi ómnium sanctórum mínimo data est grátia hæc, in géntibus evangelizáre investigábiles divítias Christi, et illumináre omnes, quæ sit dispensátio sacraménti abscónditi a sæculis in Deo qui ómnia creávit, ut innotéscat principátibus et potestátibus in cæléstibus per ecclésiam multifórmis sapiéntia Dei; secúndum præfinitiónem sæculórum, quam fecit in Christo Iesu Dómino nostro, in quo habémus fidúciam, et accéssum in confidéntia per fidem eius.

Huius rei grátia flecto génua mea ad Patrem Dómini nostri Iesu Christi, ex quo omnis patérnitas in cælis et in terra nominátur; ut det vobis secúndum divítias glóriæ suæ virtúte corroborári per Spíritum eius in interiórem hóminem; Christum habitáre per fidem in córdibus vestris, in caritáte radicáti et fundáti, ut póssitis comprehéndere cum ómnibus sanctis quæ sit latitúdo, et longitúdo, et sublímitas, et profúndum; scire étiam supereminéntem sciéntiæ caritátem Christi, ut impleámini in omnem plenitúdinem Dei.

Vel:

2 Cor 5, 14-21 Reconciliatio cum Deo in Christo.

Léctio Epístolæ secúndæ beáti Pauli apóstoli ad Corínthios

Fratres:

Cáritas Christi urget nos;

æstimántes hoc, quóniam si unus pro ómnibus mórtuus est, ergo omnes mórtui sunt;

et pro ómnibus mórtuus est Christus,

ut et qui vivunt, iam non sibi vivant, sed ei qui pro ipsis mórtuus est et resurréxit.

Itaque nos ex hoc néminem nóvimus secúndum carnem.

Et si cognóvimus secúndum carnem Christum, sed nunc iam non nóvimus.

Si qua ergo in Christo nova creatúra,

vétera transiérunt:

ecce facta sunt ómnia nova.

Omnia autem ex Deo qui nos reconciliávit sibi per Christum, et dedit nobis ministérium reconciliatiónis.

Quóniam quidem Deus erat in Christo mundum reconcílians sibi, non réputans illis delícta ipsórum;

et pósuit in nobis verbum reconciliatiónis.

Pro Christo ergo legatióne fúngimur, tanquam Deo exhortánte per nos.

Obsecrámus pro Christo,

reconciliámini Deo.

Eum qui non nóverat peccátum, pro nobis peccátum fecit, ut nos efficerémur iustítia Dei in ipso.

Ps 102, 1-2. 3-4. 8-9. 11-12

R. (cf. 8a) Dóminus bonus est et plenus misericórdiæ.

Bénedic, ánima mea, Dómino, et ómnia quæ intra me sunt nómini sancto eius. Bénedic, ánima mea, Dómino, et noli oblivísci omnes retributiónes eius.

R. Dóminus bonus est et plenus misericórdiæ.

Qui propitiátur ómnibus iniquitátibus tuis, et sanat omnes infirmitátes tuas; qui rédimit de intéritu vitam tuam, qui corónat te in misericórdia et miseratiónibus.

R. Dóminus bonus est et plenus misericórdiæ.

Miserátor et miséricors Dóminus; longánimis, et multum miséricors. Non in perpétuum irascétur, neque in ætérnum comminábitur.

R. Dóminus bonus est et plenus misericórdiæ.

Quóniam secúndum altitúdinem cæli a terra, corroborávit misericórdiam suam super timéntes se; quantum distat ortus ab occidénte, longe fecit a nobis iniquitátes nostras.

R. Dóminus bonus est et plenus misericórdiæ.

ALLELUIA

Mt 11, 29ab

R. Allelúia, allelúia.

Tóllite iugum meum super vos, et díscite a me, quia mitis sum, et húmilis corde.

R. Allelúia, allelúia.

Vel:

ALLELUIA

1 Io 4, 10b

R. Allelúia, allelúia.

Deus prior diléxit nos, et misit Fílium suum propitiatiónem pro peccátis nostris.

R. Allelúia, allelúia.

EVANGELIUM

Io 19, 31-37 Videbunt in quem transfixerunt.

¥ Léctio sancti Evangélii secúndum Ioánnem

Iudéi ergo (quóniam parascéve erat), ut non remanérent in cruce córpora sábbato (erat enim magnus dies ille sábbati), rogavérunt Pilátum ut frangeréntur eórum crura, et tolleréntur.

Venérunt ergo mílites,

et primi quidem fregérunt crura, et alteríus, qui crucifíxus est cum eo.

Ad Iesum autem cum veníssent,

ut vidérunt eum iam mórtuum,

non fregérunt eius crura;

sed unus mílitum láncea latus eius apéruit,

et contínuo exívit sanguis et aqua.

Et qui vidit, testimónium perhíbuit,

et verum est testimónium eius.

Et ille scit quia vera dicit, ut et vos credátis.

Facta sunt enim hæc ut Scriptúra implerétur:

Os non comminuétis ex eo.

Et íterum ália Scriptúra dicit:

Vidébunt in quem transfixérunt.

DIE 22 OCTOBRIS

SANCTI IOANNIS PAULI II, PAPÆ MEMORIA

LECTIO PRIMA

Is 52, 7-10 Videbunt omnes fines terræ salutare Dei nostri.

Léctio libri Isaíæ prophétæ

Quam pulchri super montes pedes annuntiántis et prædicántis pacem, annuntiántis bonum, prædicántis salútem, dicéntis Sion:

« Regnábit Deus tuus! »

Vox speculatórum tuórum:

levavérunt vocem, simul laudábunt, quia óculo ad óculum vidébunt cum convérterit Dóminus Sion.

Gaudéte et laudáte simul,

desérta Ierúsalem,

quia consolátus est Dóminus pópulum suum,

redémit Ierúsalem.

Parávit Dóminus brácchium sanctum suum in óculis ómnium géntium, et vidébunt omnes fines terræ salutáre Dei nostri.

Ps 95, 1-2a. 2b-3. 7-8a. 10

R. (3) Annuntiáte in ómnibus pópulis mirabília Dómini.

Cantáte Dómino cánticum novum, cantáte Dómino, omnis terra.
Cantáte Dómino, benedícite nómini eius.

R. Annuntiáte in ómnibus pópulis mirabília Dómini.

Annuntiáte de die in diem salutáre eius. Annuntiáte inter gentes glóriam eius, in ómnibus pópulis mirabília eius.

R. Annuntiáte in ómnibus pópulis mirabília Dómini.

Afférte Dómino, famíliæ populórum, afférte Dómino glóriam et poténtiam, afférte Dómino glóriam nóminis eius.

R. Annuntiáte in ómnibus pópulis mirabília Dómini.

Dícite in géntibus: « Dóminus regnávit ». Etenim corréxit orbem terræ qui non commovébitur; iudicábit pópulos in æquitáte.

R. Annuntiáte in ómnibus pópulis mirabília Dómini.

ALLELUIA

Io 10, 14

R. Allelúia, allelúia.

Ego sum pastor bonus, dicit Dóminus; et cognósco oves meas, et cognóscunt me meæ.

R. Allelúia, allelúia.

EVANGELIUM

Io 21, 15-17 Pasce agnos meos, pasce oves meas.

★ Léctio sancti Evangélii secúndum Ioánnem

Cum manifestásset se Iesus discípulis suis et prandísset cum eis, dicit Simóni Petro Iesus: « Simon Ioánnis, díligis me plus his? »

Dicit ei: « Etiam, Dómine, tu scis quia amo te ».

Dicit ei: « Pasce agnos meos ».

Dicit ei íterum secúndo: « Simon Ioánnis, díligis me? »

Ait illi: « Etiam, Dómine, tu scis quia amo te ».

Dicit ei: « Pasce agnos meos ».

Dicit ei tértio: « Simon Ioánnis, amas me? »

Contristátus est Petrus, quia dixit ei tértio: « Amas me? »,

et dixit ei: « Dómine, tu ómnia scis, tu scis quia amo te ».

Dixit ei: « Pasce oves meas ».

DIE 5 NOVEMBRIS

COMMEMORATIO OMNIUM DEFUNCTORUM CONGREGATIONIS MEMORIA

LECTIO PRIMA

2 Cor 4, 14 – 5, 1 Quæ videntur, temporalia sunt; quæ autem non videntur, æterna sunt.

Léctio Epístolæ secúndæ beáti Pauli apóstoli ad Corínthios

Fratres:

Scimus quóniam qui suscitávit Dóminum Iesum, et nos cum Iesu suscitábit, et constítuet vobíscum.

Omnia enim propter vos,

ut grátia,

abúndans per multos,

gratiárum actiónem abundáre fáciat in glóriam Dei.

Propter quod non defícimus;

sed, licet is qui foris est noster homo corrúmpitur, tamen is qui intus est noster renovátur de die in diem.

Id enim,

quod in præsénti est leve tribulatiónis nostræ, supra modum in sublimitátem ætérnum glóriæ pondus operátur nobis, non contemplántibus nobis quæ vidéntur, sed quæ non vidéntur:

quæ enim vidéntur temporália sunt quæ autem non vidéntur ætérna sunt. Scimus enim quóniam,

si terréstris domus nostra huius tabernáculi dissolvátur, ædificatiónem ex Deo habémus, domum non manufáctam, ætérnam in cælis.

Ps 26, 1. 4. 7 et 8b et 9a. 13-14

R. (13) Credo vidére bona Dómini in terra vivéntium.

Dóminus illuminátio mea et salus mea, quem timébo? Dóminus protéctor vitæ meæ, a quo trepidábo?

R. Credo vidére bona Dómini in terra vivéntium.

Unum pétii a Dómino, hoc requíram: ut inhábitem in domo Dómini, ómnibus diébus vitæ meæ, ut vídeam voluptátem Dómini et vísitem templum eius.

R. Credo vidére bona Dómini in terra vivéntium.

Exáudi, Dómine, vocem meam qua clamávi, miserére mei et exáudi me. Fáciem tuam, Dómine, requíram. Ne avértas fáciem tuam a me.

R. Credo vidére bona Dómini in terra vivéntium.

Credo vidére bona Dómini in terra vivéntium. Exspécta Dóminum, viríliter age, et confortétur cor tuum, et sústine Dóminum.

R. Credo vidére bona Dómini in terra vivéntium.

ALLELUIA

Mt 25, 34

R. Allelúia, allelúia.

Veníte, benedícti Patris mei, dicit Dóminus; possidéte parátum vobis Regnum a constitutióne mundi.

R. Allelúia, allelúia.

EVANGELIUM

Io 6, 37-40 Qui credit in Filium habet vitam æternam, et resuscitabo ego eum in novissimo die.

¥ Léctio sancti Evangélii secúndum Ioánnem

In illo témpore:

Dixit Iesus turbis:

« Omne, quod dat mihi Pater, ad me véniet; et eum, qui venit ad me, non eíciam foras.

Quia descéndi de cælo, non ut fáciam voluntátem meam, sed voluntátem eius qui misit me.

Hæc est autem volúntas eius,

qui misit me,

ut omne quod dedit mihi non perdam ex eo, sed resúscitem illud in novíssimo die.

Hæc est enim volúntas Patris mei, ut omnis qui videt Fílium et credit in eum, hábeat vitam ætérnam; et resuscitábo ego eum in novíssimo die ».

DIE 16 NOVEMBRIS

BEATÆ MARIÆ VIRGINIS DE MISERICORDIA FESTUM

LECTIO PRIMA

Eph 2, 4-10 Deus dives in misericordia.

Léctio Epístolæ beáti Pauli apóstoli ad Ephésios

Fratres:

Deus, qui dives est in misericórdia, propter nímiam caritátem suam, qua diléxit nos, et cum essémus mórtui peccátis, convivificávit nos Christo — grátia estis salváti — et conresuscitávit et consedére fecit in cæléstibus in Christo Iesu, ut osténderet in sæculis superveniéntibus abundántes divítias grátiæ suæ in bonitáte super nos in Christo Iesu.

Grátia enim estis salváti per fidem; et hoc non ex vobis.

Dei donum est:

non ex opéribus, ut ne quis gloriétur.

Ipsíus enim sumus factúra, creáti in Christo Iesu in ópera bona, quæ præparávit Deus, ut in illis ambulémus.

Ps 102, 1-2. 3-4. 6 et 8. 13 et 17

R. (cf. 17a) Misericórdia Dómini ab ætérno.

Bénedic, ánima mea, Dómino, et ómnia, quæ intra me sunt, nómini sancto eius. Bénedic, ánima mea, Dómino, et noli oblívisci omnes retributiónes eius.

R. Misericórdia Dómini ab ætérno.

Qui propitiátur ómnibus iniquitátibus tuis, qui sanat omnes infirmitátes tuas; qui rédimit de intéritu vitam tuam, qui corónat te in misericórdia et miseratiónibus.

R. Misericórdia Dómini ab ætérno.

Fáciens iustítias Dóminus et iudícium ómnibus iniúriam patiéntibus. Miserátor et miséricors Dóminus, longánimis et multæ misericórdiæ.

R. Misericórdia Dómini ab ætérno.

Quómodo miserétur pater filiórum, misértus est Dóminus timéntibus se. Misericórdia autem Dómini ab ætérno et usque in ætérnum super timéntes eum; et iustítia illíus in fílios filiórum.

R. Misericórdia Dómini ab ætérno.

ALLELUIA

R. Allelúia, allelúia.

Salve, mater Dómini, regína misericórdiæ, solámen mundi ac spes miserórum.

R. Allelúia, allelúia.

EVANGELIUM

Lc 1, 39-55 Misericordia eius in progenies et progenies timentibus eum.

★ Léctio sancti Evangélii secúndum Lucam

Exsúrgens María in diébus illis ábiit in montána cum festinatióne in civitátem Iudæ et intrávit in domum Zacharíæ, et salutávit Elísabeth.

Et factum est ut audívit salutatiónem Maríæ Elísabeth, exsultávit infans in útero eius, et repléta est Spíritu Sancto Elísabeth et exclamávit voce magna et dixit:

« Benedícta tu inter mulíeres, et benedíctus fructus ventris tui.
Et unde hoc mihi, ut véniat mater Dómini mei ad me?
Ecce enim ut facta est vox salutatiónis tuæ in áuribus meis, exsultávit in gáudio infans in útero meo.
Et beáta, quæ crédidit, quóniam perficiéntur ea, quæ dicta sunt ei a Dómino ».

Et ait María:

« Magníficat ánima mea Dóminum, et exsultávit spíritus meus in Deo salvatóre meo, quia respéxit humilitátem ancíllæ suæ. Ecce enim ex hoc beátam me dicent omnes generatiónes, quia fecit mihi magna, qui potens est, et sanctum nomen eius, et misericórdia eius in progénies et progénies timéntibus eum.

Fecit poténtiam in bráchio suo,
dispérsit supérbos mente cordis sui;
depósuit poténtes de sede
et exaltávit húmiles;
esuriéntes implévit bonis
et dívites dimísit inánes.
Suscépit Israel púerum suum,
recordátus misericórdiæ,
sicut locútus est ad patres nostros,
Abraham et sémini eius in sæcula ».

DIE 8 DECEMBRIS

IN CONCEPTIONE IMMACULATA BEATÆ MARIÆ VIRGINIS TITULI CONGREGATIONIS SOLLEMNITAS

LECTIO PRIMA

Gen 3, 9-15. 20 Inimicitias ponam inter semen tuum et semen mulieris.

Léctio libri Génesis

Postquam comédit Adam de ligno, vocávit eum Dóminus Deus et dixit ei: « Ubi es? » Qui ait: « Vocem tuam audívi in paradíso, et tímui eo quod nudus essem, et abscóndi me ». Cui dixit: « Quis enim indicávit tibi quod nudus esses, nisi quod ex ligno, de quo præcéperam tibi ne coméderes, comedísti? » Dixítque Adam: « Múlier, quam dedísti mihi sóciam, dedit mihi de ligno, et comédi ». Et dixit Dóminus Deus ad mulíerem: « Quare hoc fecísti? » Quæ respóndit: « Serpens decépit me, et comédi ». Et ait Dóminus Deus ad serpéntem: « Quia fecísti hoc, maledíctus es inter ómnia animántia et béstias terræ: super pectus tuum gradiéris, et terram cómedes cunctis diébus vitæ tuæ. Inimicítias ponam inter te et mulíerem, et semen tuum et semen illíus; ipsa cónteret caput tuum, et tu insidiáberis calcáneo eius ».

Ps 97, 1. 2-3ab. 3c-4

R. (1a) Cantáte Dómino cánticum novum, quia mirabília fecit.

Cantáte Dómino cánticum novum, quia mirabília fecit. Salvávit sibi déxtera eius, et brácchium sanctum eius.

R. Cantáte Dómino cánticum novum, quia mirabília fecit.

Notum fecit Dóminus salutáre suum, in conspéctu géntium revelávit iustítiam suam. Recordátus est misericórdiæ suæ et veritátis suæ dómui Israel.

R. Cantáte Dómino cánticum novum, quia mirabília fecit.

Vidérunt omnes términi terræ salutáre Dei nostri. Iubiláte Deo, omnis terra, erúmpite, exsultáte et psállite.

R. Cantáte Dómino cánticum novum, quia mirabília fecit.

LECTIO SECUNDA

Eph 1, 3-6. 11-12 Elegit nos Deus in Christo ante mundi constitutionem.

Léctio Epístolæ beati Pauli apóstoli ad Ephésios

Benedíctus Deus et Pater Dómini nostri Iesu Christi,
qui benedíxit nos in omni benedictióne spiritáli in cæléstibus in Christo;
sicut elégit nos in ipso ante mundi constitutiónem,
ut essémus sancti et immaculáti in conspéctu eius in caritáte;
qui prædestinávit nos in adoptiónem filiórum
per Iesum Christum in ipsum,
secúndum propósitum voluntátis suæ,
in laudem glóriæ grátiæ suæ,
in qua gratificávit nos in dilécto Fílio suo.

In quo étiam et nos sorte vocáti sumus, prædestináti secúndum propósitum eius, qui operátur ómnia secúndum consílium voluntátis suæ, ut simus in laudem glóriæ eius nos, qui ante sperávimus in Christo.

Verbum Dómini.

ALLELUIA

Lc 1, 28

R. Allelúia, allelúia.

Ave, María, grátia plena; Dóminus tecum; benedícta tu in muliéribus.

R. Allelúia, allelúia.

EVANGELIUM

Lc 1, 26-38 Ave, gratia plena, Dominus tecum.

¥ Léctio sancti Evangélii secúndum Lucam

In illo témpore:

Missus est Angelus Gábriel a Deo in civitátem Galiléæ,

cui nomen Názareth,

ad Vírginem desponsátam viro,

cui nomen erat Ioseph,

de domo David, et nomen Vírginis María.

Et ingréssus ad eam dixit: « Ave, grátia plena, Dóminus tecum ».

Ipsa autem turbáta est in sermóne eius,

et cogitábat qualis esset ista salutátio.

Et ait Angelus ei: « Ne tímeas, María;

invenísti enim grátiam apud Deum;

et ecce concípies in útero, et páries fílium,

et vocábis nomen eius Iesum.

Hic erit magnus, et Fílius Altíssimi vocábitur,

et dabit illi Dóminus Deus sedem David patris eius,

et regnábit super domum Iacob in ætérnum,

et Regni eius non erit finis ».

Dixit autem María ad Angelum: « Quómodo fiet istud,

quóniam virum non cognósco? »

Et respóndens Angelus dixit ei: « Spíritus Sanctus supervéniet in te, et virtus Altíssimi obumbrábit tibi.

Ideóque et quod nascétur Sanctum vocábitur, Fílius Dei.

Et ecce Elísabeth, cognáta tua, et ipsa concépit fílium in senécta sua;

et hic mensis est sextus illi, quæ vocátur stérilis;

quia non erit impossíbile apud Deum omne verbum ».

Dixit autem María: « Ecce ancílla Dómini;

fiat mihi secúndum verbum tuum ».

Et discéssit ab illa Angelus.

