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## Mass Schedule <u>Sunday:</u> Novus Ordo 4:00 P. M. (Saturday Vigil), 7:30 & 9:00 A. M. Traditional Latin

11:00 A.M. & 5:30 P.M.

<u>Weekdays:</u> Novus Ordo Mon-Tue-Thu-Fri 7:30 A. M. *Traditional Latin* Mon-Wed-Fri 12:30 PM; Thu 5:30 P. M. Sat 9:00 A. M.

Holy Days Ascension Thursday (40 days after Easter); Assumption of Our Lady (August 15th); All Saints Day (November 1st); December 8th (Immaculate Conception of Our Lady) If falling on Mon-Fri— Novus Ordo, 7:30 A. M. & 5:30 P. M. Traditional Latin, 12:30 & 7:30 P. M. If falling on Saturday— Novus Ordo, 7:30 A.M. Traditional Latin, 9:00 & 11:00 A. M.

(Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, and January 1st, as announced)

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# **ABOUT OUR PARISH**

Welcome, New Parishioners and Sunday Visitors:

Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Parish is a canonically open parish of the Archdiocese of Boston, which has a Traditional Latin Mass Apostolate as a major part its parish mission, under the auspices of the Archbishop of Boston. We encourage new parishioners to please register in the parish and to introduce yourselves to the Pastor. We are always glad to welcome Sunday visitors here to our beautiful, historic church. We look forward to your coming again.

PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO FILL OUT A PARISH REGISTRATION FORM, EITHER ON-LINE OR BY USING THE PAPER REGISTRATION FORM IN THE PAMPHLET RACK IN THE FRONT VESTIBULE OF THE MAIN CHURCH.



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#### Parish Mission Statement

"What then is a parish? It is the smallest section of the one universal flock which has been entrusted to Peter by the Lord. Under the authority of a responsible

priest who has received the care of souls from his bishop, the parish is, within the Church of Jesus Christ, the first community of Christian life; it is a community cut to human dimensions, in which the shepherd can know his flock and the flock can know their shepherd ... At the heart of this area, we find the parish church with its bell-tower, its baptistery, its confessional, its altar and tabernacle, a symbol of unity and the centre of community life."

> (Pope Saint Paul VI, reigned 1963-1978) Raised to the Altars October 14th, 2018 Feast Day: May 29th

Mary Immaculate of Lourdes (Formerly St. Mary's Parish, 1870-1910) Newton/Needham, Massachusetts Newton & Needham's Oldest Roman Catholic Parish

Immaculate Conception Chaldean-Rite Mission at Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Church: Mass offered according to the Chaldean-Rite on designated Sundays at 1:30 P.M. Deacon Sermed Ashkouri

### SACRAMENTS

**BAPTISM:** The Sacrament of Baptism for infants and children under 7 years of age is scheduled upon request. Please contact the Parish Office (617-244-0558) to request a date.

PENANCE: Confessions regularly heard – SUNDAY, 10:00-11:00 A.M., 5:00-5:30 P. M. MONDAY-WEDNESDAY-FRIDAY, before and after the 12:30 P. M. Mass. THURSDAY, before and after the 5:30 P.M. Mass. SATURDAY, 8:00-9:00 A. M./ 3:30-4:00 P. M.

**MATRIMONY:** Engaged couples should make arrangements with the parish church so as to allow for adequate sacramental preparation (six months), including a Pre-Cana program.

### Pastoral Care of the Sick <u>SACRAMENT OF THE SICK</u>, also known as <u>EXTREME UNCTION</u>

### Communion of the Sick for the Homebound

Please contact Father Higgins at the Parish Office (617-244-0558)

### + APRIL IS THE MONTH OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT+



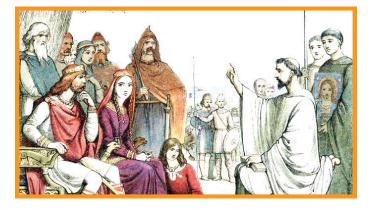
A new sign for Mary Immaculate of Lourdes! (Francesca & Thomas Burke, Fr. Higgins, Tom Burke (father). PHOTO by Patti Strom.

## **Pastor's Note**



## Fr. Híggíns

PARISH LENTEN MISSION, 2025 (Stations of the Cross, Friday nights during Lent, 7:30-8:30 PM)



**CONFERENCE IV: PRIESTS AND PEOPLE** (Conference given on March 28th) Our sermon series on "Themes in English Catholicism" covers an arc of time between the conversion of the Anglo-Saxon Kingdoms in the 7th Century A.D. and the re-establishment of Protestantism as the official Christian religion of the realm by Queen Elizabeth I in 1564. It is an epoch of nearly a thousand years.

The first period of this English Catholic Millenium is the Anglo-Saxon period. Then, in the 10th Century, Viking invasions devastated the British Isles. In 1066 A.D. we have the watershed event of the Norman Conquest of Anglo-Saxon England by Duke William of Normandy, appropriately dubbed "William the Conqueror." Out of the Norman

Conquest we have the development of the England of the so-called "High" Middle Ages of the 13th Century and the "Late" Middle Ages of the 14th-15th Centuries, leading us to the threshold of the "Modern" period after 1500 and another watershed event of King Henry VIII's "Rupture with Rome" in 1534.

For our Conference here tonight we shall try to re-create some sense of what it was to be an English Catholic in the later Middle Ages. We shall consider first the life of the clergy, particularly the parish priests. Then we shall consider the life of the laity.

From our last Conference we shall recall the importance of the establishment of exactly defined parish territories centered around a parish church, to which the people living in that parish territory belonged. These parishes had been brought into existence by their wealthy patrons: kings, nobles, or bishops (who had been endowed by royal favor). The survival of the parish depended upon the income which



Weekly Holy Hours: Fridays, 6:30-7:30 AM 11:30 AM-12:30 PM Saturdays, 8:00-9:00 AM

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which could be drawn from its endowment. This is the so-called "benefice", which was common practice throughout Catholic Europe. It was not until after the Second Vatican Council in the 1960s that the benefice system was definitively ended.

What this meant in practice was that a priest who was appointed as a parish's incumbent priest was given an annual living. Out of that living he was to support himself, to pay for the upkeep of the church, to offer hospitality to travelers, and to give alms to the poor. He also received his share of the tithes and the stole fees for performing sacramental duties such as weddings and funerals. If her need help with the parish duties he had to hire an assistant priest (a chaplain) out of this same living.

We should not be deceived by the modern-day negative stereotypes a fabulously wealthy pre-Reformation Catholic clergy living of the backs of the down-trodden peasants. The reality was that economic status for a clergyman pretty much reflected his social origins. A priest from a wealthy noble family lived better (and most likely procured a more lucrative parish living) than a clergyman of humble origins. Yes, there were social climbers among the clergy who made their way up the ladder to attain status, wealth and royal favor beyond their humble origins, but they were as much of a scandal to the people of their time as they are to us in retrospect.

In truth, the parish livings/benefices for most of the English parish priests were very low. By the 14th-15th Centuries they had become quite inadequate for covering the costs the priests were responsible for. The parish priests may have been addressed by the honorific "Sir", but that did not translate into high social status. If a priest became too old or sick to carry our his duties then he would likely become destitute, so priests did everything they could not to lose their living.

Here is one example from the existing records. In 1314, at St. Neot in Cornwall, the parish priest had become a leper which meant he could not interact with people and was supposed to be outside of society. The leper priest hired an an assistant priest to do all of his duties. He divided the parish house in two so that he was socially isolated from his chaplain, and the chaplain in turn promised to provide for the leper priest's basic needs.

The generally low income of parish livings was a source of conflict between the priest and the lay parishioners as the priests tried to shift more responsibility for paying for the upkeep of the parish church to the lay people on top of what they were already paying. So, as we can see, the practical difficulties of church maintenance and support were as real to the people of the Catholic Middle Ages as they are to us.

Let us now try to get a glimpse of the Catholic lay faithful of Medieval England. A common mis-impression we moderns have is that in the Middle Ages the churches were packed for Mass. After all, it was the "Age of Faith", wasn't it?

This was not the case—at all. In England, the Bishops had to go to great lengths, including calling upon the aid of the civil authorities, in order to get the people to attend Mass on Sundays and feasts of obligation in sufficient numbers, as well as to refrain from servile work. Alexander Barclay, in a work entitled *Ship of Fools*, 1508, wrote that Sundays and feast-days saw "the stalls of the taverns stuffed [with drinkers], near each once/ when in the church stalls [you] shall see few or none."

Nor was the experience of being in church for Sunday Mass necessarily a decorous one. Often it was not. One common problem was the cacophony of infants and small children inside the church, who could not be safely left at home. A Bishop's Visitation in the diocese of Lincoln in 1519 recorded the following complaints" *"The children there make a noise indecently, so it is hard to hear the divine service"; "infants laugh, cry, and clamor"*. In some instances adults were accused of deliberately setting off children crying in order to disrupt the Mass: *"impeding the service with an infant."* 

Other problems recorded in Bishops' Visitation reports included people walking about the church and talking with each other during Mass ...

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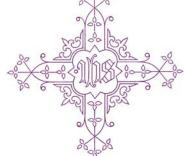
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Calendar of Masses (Intention of the Mass—Special Remarks—Requested by)						
SUNDAY APRIL 6th PASSION SUNDAY	<b>4:00 PM</b> (Anticipated Sunday Mass)	+Anzivino Family Memorial	Memorial	Rich Anzivino/Anzivino Family		
Commemoration: Against the Persecutors of the Church	7:30 AM	Pro Populo				
	9:00 AM	+Patricia Flaherty	Month's Mind	Botsolis Family		
	11:00 AM	For the Preservation of the Free Exercise of the Latin Mass in the Life of the Church				
		All Seminarians Pope/Priests/Bishops Divine Will/Peace on	Special Intention Special Intention	Donor MPA		
		Earth	Special Intention	MPA		
		+Alex. M. Barboza (3/12)	Memorial	Susanna Barboza		
		Paul/Leslie Regan	Special Intention	Bernadette McKinley		
		+All Souls (3/4) Gina & Baby (6/10)	Memorial	Susanna Barboza		
	932	Alex & Arwen Dorna	Special Intention	Donor		
		(6/10) Pope Francis & His	Special Intention	Donor		
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		5/(10) Blake & Wakefield	Special Intention	Kathy Blake		
		Families (2/10)	Special Intention	Donor		
		Bro. Thomas Banacki	Special Intention	Horan Family		
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		+Suze Jean Pierre	Special Intention Memorial	Bernadette McKinley Coroldino Ioan Diorro		
		+Ann Ssonko	Month's Mind	Geraldine Jean Pierre Geraldine Jean Pierre		
	V.S	+William & Mary Grant	Memorial	Proia Family		
		Josh Fisher & Mia Lee	Betrothal	Clancy Family		
	NOV 🖉 🔢	Todd Powell	Health of the Sick	Clancy Family		
	O``\W	The Ryans +Barbara Mannion	Special Intention Memorial	Clancy Family		
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"Each Mass has an infinite, immense value that we can never fully understand."
—St. John Marie Baptiste Vianney, Curé d'Ars

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SUNDAY April 6th Passion Sunday	11:00 AM 5:30 PM	Bishops & Priests John & Elisa Schnur (8/9) Prayer Inten. of All (3/5) +Kathleen DaRosa	Courage/Fidelity/ Perseverance Special Intention Special Intention Memorial	Donor Donor Maria Pia Mike & Annie Procopio
MONDAY April 7th Passion Monday	7:30 AM 12:30 PM	+Purgatorial Society of Mary Immaculate of Lourdes Elizabeth Wadsworth	Memorial Special Intention	Laura Harvey
TUESDAY April 8th Passion Tuesday	7:30 AM	Col./Mrs. Thomas B. McGee, USMC	Silver Jubilee	Fr. Stephen LeBlanc
WEDNESDAY April 9th Passion Wednesday	12:30 PM	+Maria Tereza Djevalikian	Memorial	DiDuca Family
THURSDAY April 10th	7:30 AM 5:30 PM	+Deceased Priests of the Archdiocese of Boston +Gerard Leonard	Memorial Pirthday Memorial	Diane Leonard
Passion Thursday FRIDAY	7:30 AM	Intention of the Donor	Birthday Memorial	Brain & Luciana Prunier
April 11th SEVEN SORROWS OF OUR LADY	Health of the Sick 12:30 PM		Special Intention	Stephen E. Pollard
SATURDAY	9:00 AM	+All Souls (12/12)	Memorial	Maria
<b>April 5th</b> Passion Saturday		Eric Procopio & Sara Carden Pope/Priests/Bishops Divine Will/	Special Intention Special Intention	Mike & Annie Procopio MPA
		Peace on Earth Sona Saju (8/10) Sarikos/Wright Fam. (5/7)	Special Intention Special Intention Special Intention	MPA Saju Cyriac Donor



**4:00 PM** (Anticipated Sunday Mass) Intention of the Donor



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## Music Programs for this Sunday's Mass

#### Mass of Pope Paul VI (Novus Ordo) 4:00 PM (*Saturday*), 7:30 & 9:00 AM **Passion Sunday**

#### Prelude (9:00 AM)

O Domine Jesu Christe, Adoro te in Cruce Pendentem (Josequin des Prez, 1503 in Motetti de passione de cruce, no.2) O Lord Jesus Christ, I worship You, hanging on the Cross with a crown of thorns on Your head: I pray that this Cross may free me from the angel of repentance.

#### Introit: Psalm 42(43):1-2 Judica me

Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for You, O God, are my strength (TODAY's MISSAL, pg. 7)

#### (7:30 & 9:00 AM)

**Ordinary Prayers: Mass XVII** 

Kyrie, Sanctus-Benedictus, Agnus Dei: Parish Book of Chant, no. 107ff./pp. 107-108. Credo I (English)

#### Offertory Miserere Et Parce (Chant)

Have mercy, and spare Your people, O most merciful Lord: For we have sinned against You.

Mysterium Fidei (The Mystery of Faith): Mortem tuam annuntiamus, Domine, et tuam Resurrectionem confitemur, donec venias. ("We proclaim Your death, O Lord, and profess Your Resurrection until You come again.")

#### <u>Communion</u>: John 12:24-25 Amen, amen dico vobis

Amen, Amen, I say to you: Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains a single grain. But if it dies, it bears much fruit.

#### Communion Meditation (9:00 AM)

Domine, Quando Venris (Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, first published in 1587) O Lord, when Thou comest to judge the world, where shall I hide myself from the face of Thy wrath? For I have sinned exceedingly in my life. I dread my sins, I blush before Thee: When Thou comest to judge, do not condemn me.

#### Mass of St. Gregory the Great (Usus Antiquior) 11:00 AM (5:30 P.M.)

#### **Passion Sunday**

#### Prelude (11:00 AM)

O Domine Jesu Christe, Adoro te in Cruce Pendentem (Josequin des Prez, 1503 in Motetti de passione de cruce, no.2) Choir Hymn:(11:00 Mass) Salve Crux Sancta (chant)

 Hail, holy cross, hail the glory of the world, Our true hope, you bring true joys, Banner of salvation, salvation in perils, Life-giving wood that sustains everyone's life. 2. Worshipful to you, life-giving cross, n you redeemed, sweet honor of the world, We always praise you, we always sing to you, You serve because of a tree, and for you, a tree, free yourself. 3. Praise be to God the Father, in the cross of the Son, Identical praise be to the Holy Spirit; Joy for the citizens of heaven and for the angels, Honor for the world be the exaltation of the cross. Amen.

Asperges me, Parish Book of Chant, no. 22/pg. 34

**Introit:** (11:00 AM) Psalm 42:1~3 Judica me, Deus, et discerne causam meam de gente non sancta: ab homine iniquo et doloso eripe me: quia tu es Deus meus et fortitudo mea. Ps. ibid. 3. Emitte lucem tuam et veritatem tuam: ipsa me deduxerunt et adduxerunt in montem sanctum tuum et in tabernacula tua. — Judica me, Deus

#### Ordinary Prayers: Mass XVII

Kyrie, Sanctus-Benedictus, Agnus Dei: Parish Book of Chant, no. 107ff./pp. 107-108.

**Credo I**: Parish Book of Chant, no. 117/pg. 110 <u>Gradual</u>: 142. 9-10; 17. 48-49 Eripe me, Domine, de inimicis meis: doce me facere voluntatem tuam. V. Liberator meus, Domine, de gentibus iracundis: ab insurgentibus in me exaltabis me a viro iniquo eripies me. <u>Tract:</u> Psalm 128:1~4 Saepe expugnaverunt me a juventute mea. V. Dicat nunc Israel: saepe expugnaverunt me a juventute mea. V. Etenim non potuerunt mihi: supra dorsum meum fabricaverunt peccatores. V. Prolongaverunt iniquitates suas: Dominus justus concidit cervices peccatorum

Offertory: (11:00 AM) Psalm 118: 17, 107 Confitebor tibi, Domine, in toto corde meo: retribue servo tuo: vivam, et custodiam sermones tuos: vivifica me secundum verbum tuum Domine. Communion: I Corinthians 11. 24, 25 Hoc corpus, quod pro vobis tradetur: hic calix novi testament est in meo sanguine, dicit Dominus: hoc facite, quotiescumque sumitis, in meam commemorationem.

> <u>Communion Meditation</u> (11:00 AM) Accepit Jesus panes (Francisco Guerrero, composed in 1565)

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Mass of Pope Paul VI (Novus Ordo) 4:00 PM (*Saturday*), 7:30 & 9:00 AM **Passion Sunday** 

Recessional Hymn: "Vexilla Regis" The Royal Banners Forward Go (Extra Photocopy Sheet)

> <u>Postlude</u> Miserere Mei Deus (Chant)

Mass of St. Gregory the Great (Usus Antiquior) 11:00 AM (5:30 P.M.) Passion Sunday

Communion Meditation (11:00 AM)

**<u>Recessional Hymn</u>:** Vexilla Regis (Parish Book of Chant, pg. 272. No. 254)

Angelus

<u>Postlude</u> Miserere Mei Deus (Chant)

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... People getting into loud, physical fights with each other by bringing their outside everyday quarrels into the church space, interrupting the priest during his sermon to argue with him, physically attacking the priest, and so on. Where church pews were put in this did cut down somewhat on the milling about during Mass, but new problems developed. For example, one report mentions the incident where four men physically ejected some women from their pew in order to sear their wives instead.

In the late 14th Century, the influence of a certain radical, would-be church reformer John Wycliff came on the scene. Wycliff demanded changes in many church teachings he thought wrong, especially the doctrine of the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. His followers became known as *"Lollards"*. The Lollards could be identified in church among those men who refused to doff their caps or remove their hoods at the Elevation of the Host and Chalice. As one contemporary wittily observed: *"When Our Lord is consecrate in form of bread,/ Thereby walks a knave, his bonnet on his head."* 

# SCRIPTURE READINGS for the FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

Today's Missal, pages 87-89

Lesson (First Reading): Isaiah 43:16-21 Remember not the events of the past, the things of long ago consider not; see, I am doing something new! Now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?

Epistle (Second Reading): Philippians 3:8-14 Brethren: I consider everything as a loss because of the supreme good of knowing Jesus Christ my Lord. For His sake, I have accepted the loss of all things, and I consider them so much rubbish, that I may gain Christ and be found in Him ...

Gospel Lesson: The Woman Caught In Adultery John 8:1-11 "Has no one condemned you?" She replied, "No one, Lord" Then Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin anymore."



"I REJOICE TO BE LITTLE, BECAUSE ONLY CHILDREN AND THOSE WHO ARE LIKE THEM WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE HEAVENLY BANQUET"—ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX (+1897)

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## LATIN MASS PROPERS: PASSION SUNDAY

**INTROIT:** Psalm 42: 1-2 Judge me, O God, and distinguish my cause against an ungodly nation: O deliver me from the unjust and deceitful man: for Thou art my God and my strength. *Psalm* 42: 3 O send out Thy light and Thy truth: they have led me and brought me unto Thy holy hill, even unto Thy tabernacles.

**COLLECT** We beseech Thee, almighty God, mercifully look upon Thy family: that by Thy great goodness it may be governed in body and by Thy protection be preserved in mind. Through our Lord.

EPISTLE: Hebrews 9: II-15 Brethren: Christ being come, an High Priest of the good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is, not of this creation: neither by the blood of goats or of calves, but by His own blood, entered once into the Holies, having obtained eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and of oxen and the ashes of an heifer, being sprinkled, sanctify such as are defiled, to the cleansing of the flesh: how much more shall the blood of Christ, who, by the Holy Ghost, offered Himself unspotted unto God, cleanse our conscience from dead works, to serve the living God? And therefore He is the Mediator of the new testament: that by means of His death, for the redemption of those transgressions which were under the former testament, they that are called may receive the promise of eternal inheritance, in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**GRADUAL:** Psalm 142: 9, 10; 17: 48-49 Deliver me, O Lord, from my enemies: teach me to do Thy will. *Psalm 17: 48-49* My deliverer, O Lord, from the angry nations: Thou wilt lift me up above them that rise up against me: from the unjust man Thou wilt deliver me. **TRACT:** Psalm 128: 1-4 Often have they fought against me from my youth. *V*. Let Israel now say: often have they fought against me from my youth. *V*. Let Israel now say: often have they fought against me from my youth. *V*. But they could not prevail over me: the wicked have wrought upon my back. *V*. They have lengthened their iniquities: the Lord who is just will cut the necks of sinners.

GOSPEL: John 8: 46-59 At that time, Jesus said to the multitudes of the Jews: Which of you shall convince Me of sin? If I say the truth to you, why do you not believe Me? He that is of God heareth the words of God. Therefore you hear them not, because you are not of God. The Jews therefore answered, and said to Him: Do not we say well, that Thou art a Samaritan, and hast a devil? Jesus answered: I have not a devil: but I honour My Father, and you have dishonoured Me. But I seek not My own glory: there is One that seeketh and judgeth. Amen, amen, I say to you: If any man keep My word, he shall not see death for ever. The Jews therefore said: Now we know that Thou hast a devil. Abraham is dead, and the prophets: and Thou sayest: If any man keep My word he shall not taste death for ever. Art Thou greater than our father Abraham, who is dead? and the prophets are dead, whom dost Thou make Thyself? Jesus answered: If I glorify Myself, My glory is nothing: it is My Father that glorifieth Me, of whom you say that He is your God, and you have not known Him: but I know Him: And if I shall say that I know Him not, I shall be like to you, a liar. But I do know Him, and do keep His word. Abraham your father rejoiced that he might see My day: he saw it and was glad. The Jews therefore said to Him: Thou art not yet fifty years old: and hast Thou seen Abraham? Jesus said to them: Amen, amen, I say to you, before Abraham was made, I am. They took up stones therefore to cast at Him: but Jesus hid Himself, and went out of the temple.

**OFFERTORY: Psalm 118: 17, 107** I will confess to Thee, O Lord, with my whole heart: render to Thy servant: I shall live and keep Thy words: enliven me according to Thy word, O Lord.

SECRET May these offerings, we beseech Thee, O Lord, loosen the bonds of our wickedness, and procure for us the gifts of Thy mercy. Through our Lord.

## Preface of the Holy Cross

**COMMUNION: 1 Corinthians II: 24, 25** This is My Body which shall be delivered for you: this chalice is the new testament in My Blood, saith the Lord: do this, as often as you receive it, in commemoration of Me. **POSTCOMMUNION** Draw near to us, O Lord, our God, and by Thy unfailing help defend those whom Thy mysteries have refreshed. Through our Lord.



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