

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation which comes from our God.

Prayer after Communion

PRÆSTA, miséricors Deus, ut natus hódie Salvátor mundi, sicut divínæ nobis generatiónis est auctor, ita et immortalitátis sit ipse largítor.

TATHER, the child born today Γ is the Saviour of the world. He made us your children. May he welcome us into your kingdom.

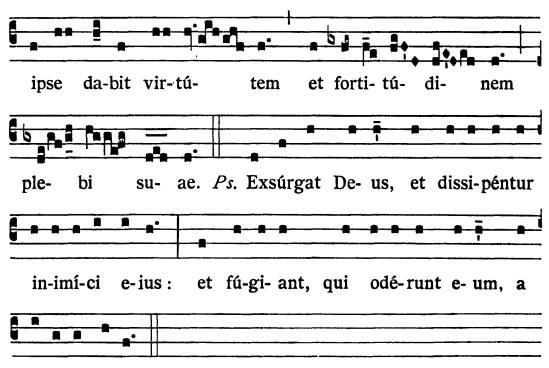
Sunday in the Octave of Christmas

HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

Feast

If there is no Sunday in the Octave, this feast is celebrated on December 30, with only one of the two readings before the Gospel.





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God is in his holy dwelling place; the God who causes us to dwell together, one at heart, in his house; he himself will give power and strength to his people. *Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered; and let those who hate him flee before his face.

Opening Prayer

DEUS, qui præclára nobis sanctæ Famíliæ dignátus es exémpla præbére, concéde propítius, ut, domésticis virtútibus caritatísque vínculis illam sectántes, in lætítia domus tuæ præmiis fruámur ætérnis.

FATHER, help us to live as the holy family, united in respect and love. Bring us to the joy and peace of your eternal home.

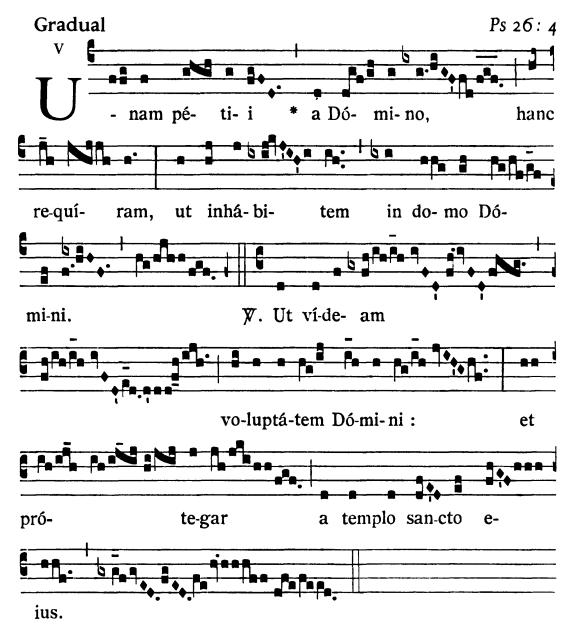
First reading

Sir 3: 2-6, 12-14: Authentic family ties.

Or:

B. Gen 15: 1-6; 21: 1-3: The posterity of Abraham.

C. 1 Sam 1: 20-22, 24-28: The young Samuel is offered by his mother.



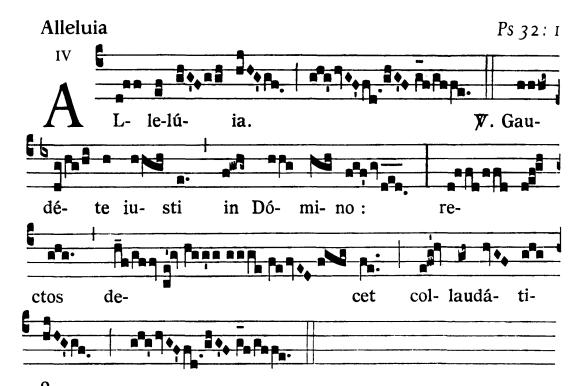
One thing have I asked of the Lord, this will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord. *. To gaze in delight upon the Lord's beauty and to be sheltered in his holy temple.

Second reading

Col 3: 12-21: Family life in the Lord.

Or:

B. Heb II: 8, II-12, 17-19: The faith of Abraham.
C. I Jn 3: 1-2, 21-24: We are the children of God.



Rejoice in the Lord, O you just. It is fitting that loyal hearts should praise him.

Gospel

Mt 2: 13-15, 19-23: The flight into Egypt.

Or:

B. Lk 2: 22-40 or 22, 39-40: The presentation in the Temple.
C. Lk 2: 41-52: Jesus in the midst of the teachers.



Holy Family

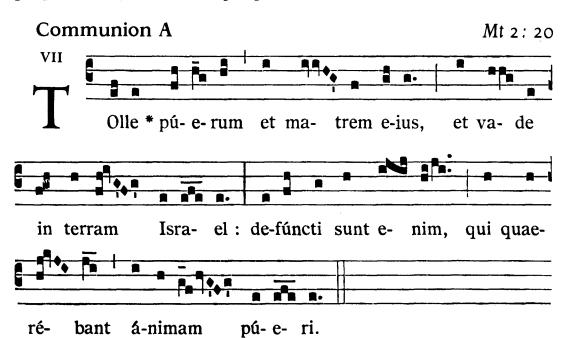
In you have I put my trust, O Lord; I said: "You are my God, my destiny is in your hands."

Prayer over the Gifts

Hostiam tibi placatiónis offérimus, Dómine, supplíciter deprecántes, ut, Deíparæ Virginis beatíque Ioseph interveniénte suffrágio, famílias nostras in tua grátia fírmiter et pace constítuas.

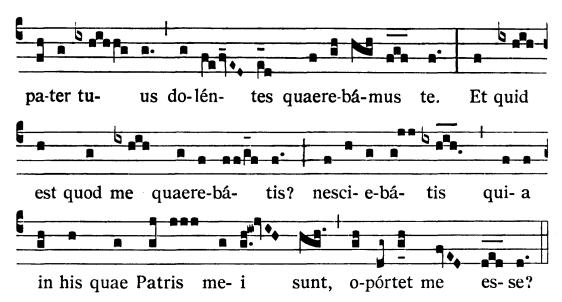
Lord, accept this sacrifice and through the prayers of Mary, the virgin Mother of God, and of her husband, Joseph, unite our families in peace and love.

Christmas Preface, p. 50 or 51. With the First Eucharistic Prayer, proper Communicantes, p. 23.



Take the child and his mother, and go into the land of Israel; for those who sought the child's life are dead.





My son, why have you treated us so? Your father and I have been anxiously looking for you. How is it that you were seeking me? Did you not know that I must be about my Father's business?

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Quos cæléstibus réficis sacraméntis, fac, clementíssime Pater, sanctæ Famíliæ exémpla iúgiter imitári, ut, post ærúmnas sæculi, eius consórtium consequámur ætérnum.

Eternal father, we want to live as Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, in peace with you and one another. May this communion strengthen us to face the troubles of life.

January 1. Octave of Christmas MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

Solemnity

