

Gospel

Jn 18:33-37

At that time, Pilate entered into the judgment hall again,
... Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice.

Proper of Saints

Nov 30

St. Andrew, Apostle

Red

Collect

We make our humble supplications to Your Majesty,
O Lord: that, like as the Apostle St. Andrew was set to
be both preacher and Bishop of Your Church, so he
may ever be our intercessor with You. Through Christ
our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle

Rom 10:10-18

Brethren, with the heart ... unto the ends of the world.

Gospel

Mt 4:18-22

At that time, Jesus, ... and followed Him.

Dec 20

St. Thomas, Apostle

Red

Collect

Grant unto us, we beseech You, O Lord, so to rejoice
in the feast of St. Thomas Your Apostle: that we may
both be ever aided by his protection, and follow his
faith with befitting devotion. Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Epistle Eph 2:19-22

Brethren, ye are no more strangers and foreigners, ...
habitation of God through the Spirit.

Gospel Jn 20:24-29

At that time, Thomas, ... and yet have believed.

Dec 26 **St. Stephen, Deacon and Martyr** Red

Collect

Grant, O Lord: that, in all our sufferings here on earth
for the testimony of Your truth, we may steadfastly
look up to heaven, and by faith behold the glory that
shall be revealed; and, being filled with the Holy Spirit,
may learn to love and bless our persecutors by the
example of Your first Martyr, St. Stephen, who prayed
for his murderers to You, O blessed Jesus, Who
stands at the right hand of God to succor all those
who suffer for You, our only Mediator and Advocate.
Amen.

For the Epistle Acts 7:55-60

Stephen, being full of the Holy Ghost, ... he fell asleep.

Gospel Mt 23:34-39

Behold, I send unto you prophets, ... Blessed is He that
cometh in the Name of the Lord.

Dec 27 **St. John, Apostle and Evangelist** White

Collect

Merciful Lord, we beseech You to cast Your bright beams of light upon Your Church: that it, being enlightened by the doctrine of Your blessed Apostle and Evangelist St. John, may so walk in the light of Your truth; that it may at length attain to the light of everlasting life. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle I Jn 1:1-10

That which was from the beginning, ... His word is not in us.

Gospel Jn 21:19-25

Jesus saith unto Peter, ... should be written.

Dec 28 **Holy Innocents** Red

Collect

O Almighty God, Who out of the mouths of babes and sucklings has ordained strength, and made infants glorify You by their deaths: Mortify and kill all vices in us, and so strengthen us by Your grace; that, by the innocency of our lives and constancy of our faith even unto death, we may glorify Your holy Name. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Epistle Rev 14:1-5

I Looked, and, lo, a Lamb ... before the Throne of God.

Gospel

Mt 2:13-18

The angel of the Lord ... because they are not.

Jan 25

Conversion of St. Paul

White

Collect

O God, Who, through the preaching of Your Apostle St. Paul, has instructed the whole world: Grant, we beseech You, that we this day, having his Conversion in remembrance, may by his example attain to You. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Epistle

Acts 9:1-22

In those days, Saul, ... that this is very Christ.

Gospel

Mt 19:27-29

At that time, Simon Peter said to Jesus, Behold, ... everlasting life.

Feb 2

Presentation of Christ
Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Blessing of the Candles

White

After Sext, the Priest turns to the east and says:
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray.

X Bless, O Lord Jesus Christ, this creature of wax for us who pray to You, and pour Your heavenly blessing

upon it, by virtue of the Holy Cross: that, as You have permitted it to be used by men to dispel darkness, such may be the measure of power and benediction which it receives by the sign of Your Holy Cross; that wherever it shall be lighted or set up, the Devil may depart in fear and trembling, and flee away, with all his, out of those dwellings, nor presume any more to disquiet them who serve You; Who, with God the Father and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty and everlasting God, Who created all things out of nothing, and by the labor of bees at Your command has brought this fluid to the perfection of wax; and Who, on this day, fulfilled the desire of righteous Simeon: We humbly beseech You, that be the invocation of Your Holy Name, and at the intercession of Blessed Mary, Ever Virgin, whose festival we this day devoutly celebrate, and at the prayers of all Your Saints, You would vouchsafe to **X** bless and **X** sanctify these candles, fashioned for the service of men, and for the good of their souls and bodies, whether on land or water; and mercifully hear from Your holy Heaven, and from the seat of Your Majesty, the voice of this Your people, who desire reverently to bear them in their hands, and to praise and exalt You; and show mercy to all that cry to You, whom You have redeemed with the precious Blood of Your beloved Son, Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, Who on this day was pleased that Your Only-Begotten should be presented in the Temple, and be taken into the arms of holy Simeon: We humbly beseech Your mercy to **X** bless, **X** sanctify, and give the light of Your heavenly benediction to these candles, which we Your servants desire to take up and carry in honor of Your Name; so that, by offering them to You, our Lord God, and being inflamed by the fire of Your amiable brightness, we may be made worthy to be presented in the holy Temple of Your glory. Through the same Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to our Lord God.

It is fitting and right so to do.

It is very fitting, just, right, and our bounden duty that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks to You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God, Fount and Source of all Light, Who has enlightened the world with the beams of Your Brightness, by sending Your Only-Begotten Son to us, in the womb of a pure Virgin. Him Whom, long before You promised by the mouth of the Prophets, You sent in these last days a Light to the people who sat in darkness. We therefore pray, O Lord, vouchsafe to **X** bless with Your benediction these candles prepared for Your Name, Who has translated us from the power of darkness into the light and Kingdom of Your dear

Son, by Whom light has sprung up in darkness to the upright in heart, and the joys of eternal salvation; and Who has fulfilled the desire of just Simeon that he should not see death before he had beheld with his eyes the Incarnation of the same Christ Your Son, the Light and Salvation of the whole world; so fill us with the brightness of Your light, that all dark clouds of unbelief may be driven away; and, as on this day You let Your servant depart in peace, even so vouchsafe to guide us in the peace of Your holy Church, that we may be enabled to enter the haven of eternal rest; that so the true light may pour its beams upon us; and in the last day we, in company with hymning bands of angels, may attain with joy to the vision of the face of the Sun which never fails. Who with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

The candles are sprinkled with Holy Water and censed.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray.

O Lord, Holy Father Almighty, unfailing Light, Who are the Maker of all light: **X** bless this light to be borne by Your faithful in honor of Your Name, to the intent that we, being sanctified by You and blessed by the brightness of Your light, may be kindled and illuminated; and mercifully grant that, as of old time You caused the face of Your servant Moses to shine with the same fire, our hearts and senses may be so illuminated that we may be found fit to attain to the vision of eternal brightness. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, Who sent into the world Your Only-Begotten Son before the worlds, but in due time incarnate of the Virgin Mary, to be the true and unfailing Light to dispel the darkness of mankind, and to kindle the light of faith and truth: Mercifully grant that, like as we are outwardly enlightened by this natural light, so Your spiritual rays may inwardly shine upon us. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The candles are lighted and distributed.

Collect

Almighty and everliving God: We humbly beseech Your Majesty, that, as Your Only-Begotten Son was this day presented in the Temple in substance of our flesh, so we may be presented to You with pure hearts. Through the same Your Son Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Lesson

Mal 3:1-4

Thus says the Lord God: Behold, ... as in former years, says the Lord Almighty.

Gospel

Lk 2:22-32

At that time, when the days ... Thy people Israel.

Preface

Because, by the mystery of the Incarnate Word, the new light of Your Brightness shone upon the eyes of our mind; that, while we acknowledge Him to be God visibly, by Him we may be caught up into the love of invisible things.

Feb 24 **St. Matthias, Apostle** Red

Collect

O God, Who chose St. Matthias to be one of Your Apostles: Grant, we beseech You, that at his intercession we may ever perceive about us the yearnings of Your Compassion. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Epistle Acts 1:15-26

In those days Peter stood up ... with the eleven Apostles.

Gospel Mt 11:25-30

At that time Jesus answered ... My burden is light.

Mar 25 **Annunciation of Blessed Mary** White

Collect

We beseech You, O Lord: Pour Your grace into our hearts; that, as we have known the incarnation of Your Son Jesus Christ by the message of an Angel, so by His Cross and Passion we may be brought to the glory of His Resurrection. Through the same Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Lesson Isa 7:10-15

Moreover the Lord spake ... and choose the good.

Gospel Lk 1:26-38

In the sixth month ... departed from her.

Preface

And You on the Annunciation of the Blessed and glorious Ever-Virgin Mary ought we with exulting souls to praise, to bless, and to proclaim. Who by the overshadowing of the Holy Spirit both conceived Your Only-Begotten and in glory of perpetual Virginity poured upon this world the Eternal Light, Jesus Christ our Lord, by Whom:

April 25 **St. Mark, Evangelist** Red

Collect

Grant, we beseech You, O God, Who has exalted St. Mark, Your Evangelist by the grace of preaching the Gospel: that, as the preaching of the Gospel has made him glorious, so his intercession may make us acceptable to You both in word and deed. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle Eph 4:7-13

Brethren, unto every one of us ... the fullness of Christ.

Gospel Jn 15:1-11

I am the true vine, ... that your joy might be full.

May 1 **Ss. Philip and James, Apostles** Red

Collect

O God, Who makes us glad in the annual feast of Your Apostles Philip and James: Grant, we beseech You, that we may be instructed by the example of those in whose deeds we rejoice. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Lesson Wis 5:1-5

The righteous man ... among the saints!

Gospel Jn 14:1-13

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples, Let not your heart ... whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in My Name, that will I do.

June 11 **St. Barnabas, Apostle** Red

Collect

We beseech You, O Lord: Let the prayers of Your Apostle, St. Barnabas, commend Your Church to You and let him continue to intercede for her whom, by his doctrine and death, he glorifies. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Epistle Acts 11:22-30

Tidings of these things ... hands of Barnabas and Saul.

Gospel

Jn 15:12-16

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples, This is My commandment, ... He may give it you.

June 24 **Nativity of St. John the Baptist** White

Collect

O God, Who has made this day honorable to us in the Nativity of St. John: Grant to Your people the grace of spiritual joy, and dispose the minds of all the faithful to the way of everlasting salvation. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Lesson

Isa 49:1-7

Listen, O isles, ... to be His servant. I will also give Thee for a light to the Gentiles, that Thou mayest be My salvation unto the end of the earth ... Kings shall see and arise, princes also shall worship *the Lord Thy God*, and the Holy One of Israel, and He shall choose Thee.

Gospel

Lk 1:57-68

At that time, Elizabeth's full time came ... redeemed His people.

June 29 **Ss. Peter and Paul, Apostles** Red

Collect

O God, Who has hallowed this day by the martyrdom of Your Apostles Peter and Paul: Grant to Your Church in all things to follow the precepts of those from whom she received the beginning of her faith. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Epistle Acts 12:1-11

In those days, Herod the king ... the people of the Jews.

Gospel Mt 16:13-19

When Jesus came into the coasts ... loosed in heaven.

July 2 **Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary** White

Collect

O God, Who for the consolation of both moved the most Holy Virgin Mary, Mother of Your Only-Begotten Son, to visit St. Elizabeth: Mercifully grant that we Your servants may ever draw comfort from her Visitation, and be defended from all adversities by Your protection. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Lesson Song Solomon 2:1-14

I am the rose of Sharon, ... thy countenance is comely.

Gospel

Lk 1:38-47

At that time, Mary said, Behold ... God my Savior.

Preface

And You on the Visitation of the Blessed and glorious Ever-Virgin Mary ought we with exulting souls to praise, to bless, and to proclaim. Who by the overshadowing of the Holy Spirit both conceived Your Only-Begotten and in glory of perpetual Virginity poured upon this world the Eternal Light, Jesus Christ our Lord, by Whom:

July 25

St. James, Apostle

Red

Collect

Be the sanctifier and guardian of Your people, O Lord: that under the protection of Your Apostle, James, they may please You in all their conversation, and serve You in all quietness. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

For the Epistle Acts 11:27–12:3

In *those* days came ... to take Peter also.

Gospel

Mt 20:20-23

At that time, came to *Jesus* the mother ... prepared of my Father.

Aug 6

Transfiguration of Our Lord

White

Blessing of the Grapes

Bless, O Lord, this fruit of the new grape which You have vouchsafed to ripen by the dew of heaven, the watering of rain, and calm and quiet season, and has given it to us to be used with thanksgiving. In the Name of our Lord **X** Jesus Christ, by Whom You ever create all good things, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Collect

O God, Who on this day revealed from heaven Your Only-Begotten Son, transfigured in a wonderful manner, to the fathers of both Testaments: Grant to us, we beseech You, that by actions acceptable to You we may attain to the perpetual contemplation of His glory in Whom You have testified that You, the Father, are well pleased. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle

II Pet 1:16-19

Brethren, we have not followed ... arise in your hearts.

Gospel

Mt 17:1-9

At that time, Jesus taketh Peter ... from the dead.

Aug 15 **Dormition of the Blessed Virgin Mary** White

Collect

Let us be continually aided, we beseech You, O Lord, by the sacred feast of this day, when the Holy Mother of God underwent death in this world, and yet could not be held by the chains of death: who brought forth Your Son our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Lesson Eccclus 24:7-15

With all these I sought rest, and in *the* inheritance of *the Lord* I shall abide ... like the best myrrh.

Gospel Lk 10:38-42

At that time, Jesus entered ... which shall not be taken away from her.

Preface

And You on the Dormition of the Blessed and glorious Ever-Virgin Mary ought we with exulting souls to praise, to bless, and to proclaim. Who by the overshadowing of the Holy Spirit both conceived Your Only-Begotten and in glory of perpetual Virginity poured upon this world the Eternal Light, Jesus Christ our Lord, by Whom:

Aug 24 **St. Bartholomew, Apostle** Red

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, Who has made this day joyous by the feast of St. Bartholomew, Your Apostle: Grant, we beseech You, to Your Church to love that which he believed, and to preach that which he taught. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Epistle Acts 5:12-16

By the hands of the Apostles ... and they were healed every one.

Gospel Lk 22:24-30

There was also a strife among them, ... the twelve tribes of Israel.

Aug 29 **Beheading of St. John the Baptist** Red

Collect

O Lord, we beseech You: Let the hallowed feast of St. John, Your Baptist and Martyr, bestow on us aid for the furtherance of our salvation. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Lesson Prov 10:28-32;11:3,8-11

The hope of the righteous ... the city is exalted.

Gospel

Mk 6:17-29

At that time, Herod the king sent ... in a tomb.

Sep 8

Nativity of Blessed Mary

Green

Collect

O God, mercifully hear the supplication of Your servants: that we who are assembled together on the Nativity of the Virgin Mother of God may at her intercession be delivered by You from the dangers which beset us. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Lesson

Ecclus 24:17-22

As the vine brought forth ... do amiss.

Gospel

Mt 1:1-16

The book of the generation ... is called Christ.

Preface

And You on the Nativity of the Blessed and glorious Ever-Virgin Mary ought we with exulting souls to praise, to bless, and to proclaim. Who by the overshadowing of the Holy Spirit both conceived Your Only-Begotten and in glory of perpetual Virginitly poured upon this world the Eternal Light, Jesus Christ our Lord, by Whom:

Sep 21 **St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist** Red

Collect

Assist us, O Lord, at the prayers of St. Matthew, Your Apostle and Evangelist: that what of ourselves we cannot attain may be bestowed upon us at his intercession. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle II Cor 4:1-6

Seeing we have this ministry, ... face of Jesus Christ.

Gospel Mt 9:9-13

At that time, as Jesus passed forth ... sinners to repentance.

Sep 29 **St. Michael and all Angels** White

Collect

O God, Who has ordained the services of Angels and men in a wonderful order: Mercifully grant that, as Your holy Angels always do You service in heaven, so our life may be defended by them on earth. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Epistle Rev 1:1-5

In those days, Jesus signified by His angel to His servant John things which must shortly come to pass ... *Who* loved us, and washed us from our sins in His own Blood.

Gospel

Mt 18:1-10

At that time, came the Disciples ... which is in heaven.

Oct 18

St. Luke, Evangelist

Red

Collect

O God, Who called St. Luke the Physician, whose praise is in the Gospel, to an Evangelist and Physician of the soul: By the wholesome medicines of the doctrine delivered by him, may all the diseases of our souls be healed. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle

II Tim 4:5-15

Watch thou in all things, ... greatly withstood our words.

Gospel

Lk 10:1-7

The Lord appointed other seventy also, ... worthy of his hire.

Oct 28

Ss. Simon and Jude, Apostles

Red

Collect

O God, Who, by Your Apostles, Ss. Simon and Jude, has allowed us to come to the knowledge of Your Name: Grant us both to celebrate their everlasting glory by our growth in grace and, by our Celebration, to make progress in the same. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle Rom 8:28-36

Brethren, we know ... Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gospel Jn 15:17-27

These things I command you, ... from the beginning.

Nov 1 **All Saints** White

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, Who has granted to us, under one feast, to reverence the good deeds of All Saints: We beseech You to give largely to these manifold intercessors the abundant reconciliation of us to Yourself, after which we long. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Epistle Rev 7:2-12

Lo, St. John saw another angel ... for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Mt 5:1-12

Jesus seeing the multitudes, ... the prophets which were before you.

Common of Saints

Common of an Apostle

Red

Collect

Hear Your people, O Lord, who entreat You under the guardianship of Your Apostle, St. *N*: that they being ever defended by Your help, may serve You in all godly quietness. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

I. Epistle Eph 2:19-22

Brethren, ye are no more strangers and foreigners ... an habitation of God through the Spirit.

II. Lesson Acts 5:12-16

In those days, by the hands of the Apostles ... and they were healed every one.

Gospels

I. Jn 15:17-25

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples: These things I command you ... they hated Me without a cause.

II. Mt 10:16-22

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples: Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves ... but he that endureth to the end shall be saved.

III. Mt 19:27-29

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples: Behold, we have left all ... inherit everlasting life.

IV. Mt 16:13-19

At that time, Jesus came into the coast ... shall be loosed in heaven.

V. Lk 22:24-30

At that time, there was also a strife ... twelve tribes of Israel.

Common of an Evangelist White

Collect

We beseech You, O Lord: Let Your Evangelist, St. *N*, intercede for us, who continually bore about in his body the mortification of the Cross for the honor of Your Name. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Lesson Ezek 1:10-14

As for the likeness of *the faces of the four living creatures* ... a flash of lightening.

Gospel Lk 10:1-7

After these things the Lord appointed other seventy also ... the laborer is worthy of his hire.

Common of a Martyr

Red

Collects

I.

Be present with us in our prayers, O Lord, and at the intercession of St. *N*, Your Martyr, graciously bestow upon us Your everlasting mercy. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

II.

Grant, we beseech You, Almighty God: that we who keep the feast of St. *N*, Your Martyr, may at his intercession be strengthened in the love of Your Name. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

I. Lesson Ecclus 14:20-21;15:3-6

Blessed is the man ... *The Lord our God shall inherit an everlasting name.*

II. Epistle

Eph 1:3-8

Brethren, blessed be the God and Father ... hath abounded towards us, *through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

III. Lesson

Ecclus 31:8-11

Blessed is the rich ... the congregation *of saints* shall declare his alms.

IV. Epistle

II Tim 4:1-8

Dearlly beloved, I charge *thee* before God and the Lord Jesus Christ ... unto all them also that love His appearing.

V. Epistle

II Tim 2:4-10

Dearlly beloved, no man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life ... salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.

VI. Epistle Gal 5:10-12;6:12-14

Brethren, I have confidence ... I unto the world.

Gospels

I.

Jn 12:24-26

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples: Verily, verily, I say unto you ... him will My Father honor *Who is in heaven*.

II.

Lk 10:16-20

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples: He that heareth you heareth Me ... because your names are written in heaven.

III.

Mt 16:24-28

Then said Jesus unto His Disciples, If any man will come after Me ... Son of Man coming in His kingdom.

IV. Lk 14:26-33

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples: If any man come to Me ... he cannot be My Disciple.

V. Mt 10:26-32

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples: There is nothing covered ... My Father which is in Heaven.

Common of a Martyr and Bishop Red

Collect

O God, Who has sanctified the joy of this day for the commemoration of Your Martyr and Bishop, St. *N*: be present at the prayers of Your family, and grant that we may be succored for his sake and intercession whose feast we this day celebrate. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistles

I. Heb 5:1-6

Brethren, every high priest taken from among men ... a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.

II. Heb 13:9-16

Brethren, be not carried about with divers and strange doctrines ... with such sacrifices is well pleased.

Gospels

I. Mt 9:35-38; 10:7-8,16

At that time, Jesus went about ... and harmless as doves.

II. Lk 19:12-28

At that time, Jesus spoke to His Disciples this parable: A certain nobleman went into a far country ... ascending up to Jerusalem.

Common of Many Martyrs Red

Collect of Many Martyrs not Bishops

Almighty and everlasting God: Grant to us so to reverence the excellence of Your Martyrs, Ss. *N, N, ...* that we may both be set free from present dangers and made fit for everlasting joys. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Collect of Many Martyrs Bishops

Almighty and everlasting God, Who kindled in the hearts of Your Martyr Bishops, Ss. *N, N, ...* the flame of your love: Give to our souls the same power of faith and charity, that so we may profit by their examples in whose triumphs we rejoice. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

I. Epistle Heb 11:33-39

The Saints through faith subdued kingdoms ... and these all *were found to have* obtained a good report through faith *in Jesus Christ our Lord*.

II. Lesson Wisdom 3:1-8

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God ... and their Lord shall reign for ever.

III. Lesson Wisdom 5:15-20

But the righteous shall live forevermore ... His severe wrath shall He sharpen for a sword. *Then shall the promises have an end, and the Lord our God shall lead them to the appointed place.*

IV. Epistle Heb 10:32-38

Brethren, call to remembrance the former days ... Now the just shall live by faith.

V. Epistle I Cor 4:9-14

Brethren, we are made a spectacle unto the world, and to angels, and to men ... but as my beloved sons I warn you in Christ Jesus our Lord.

VI. Lesson Prov 15:2-4, 6-9

The tongue of the wise useth knowledge aright ... but he loveth him that followeth after righteousness.

VII. Lesson Wisdom 10:17-20

God shall render to the righteous ... magnified with one accord Thy Name, O Lord our God.

VIII. Lesson Ecclus 44:10-15

These were merciful men ... show forth their praise.

Gospels

I. Lk 6:20-23

At that time, Jesus lifted up His eyes on His Disciples, and said ... your reward is great in heaven.

II. Mt 5:1-12

At that time Jesus, seeing the multitudes, went up into a mountain ... for great is your reward in heaven.

III. Mt 10:23-26

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples: But when they persecute you in this city, flee ye into another ... fear them not therefore.

IV. Lk 21:14-19

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples: Settle it therefore in your hearts ... in your patience possess ye your souls.

V. Lk 6:17-23

At that time, Jesus came down with them ... your reward is great in heaven.

VI. Lk 21:9-19

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples: When ye shall hear of wars ... in your patience possess ye your souls.

VII. Lk 12:1-8

At that time, Jesus said unto His Disciples: Beware ye of the leaven of the Pharisees ... confess before the angels of God.

VIII. Mt 24:3-13

At that time, as Jesus sat upon the Mount of Olives, ... the same shall be saved.

IX. Lk 11:47-54

At that time, Jesus said to the multitude of the Jews and the chief of the Pharisees, Woe unto you ... that they might accuse Him.

X. Mk 13:1-13

At that time, as Jesus went out of the Temple, one ... the same shall be saved.

XI. Mk 13:5-13

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples: take heed that no man ... the same shall be saved.

XII. Mt 10:34-42

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples: Think not that I am come ... he shall in wise lose his reward.

XIII. Mt 10:16-22

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples: Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves ... but he that endureth to the end shall be saved.

XIV. Mt 24:1-13

At that time, Jesus went out ... the same shall be saved.

Common of a Confessor and Bishop White

Collects

I.

O Almighty and ever-living God, Who causes us to rejoice this day in the feast of Your Bishop and Confessor, Saint *N*: We humbly pray Your mercy; that, by the holy prayers of him whose feast we reverently keep, we may obtain the recompense of eternal life. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

II.

Grant, we beseech You, Almighty God: that the revered feast of Your Confessor and Bishop, Saint *N*, may increase our devotion and further our salvation. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Lessons

I. Ecclus 44:16-17,19-23;45:3,7,16

Behold a High Priest who in his day pleased the Lord, and was found righteous; in the time of wrath he was taken in exchange. In glory there was none like unto him; who kept the law of the most High; therefore He assured him by an oath that He would make him increase among his people. Therefore did He establish likewise the blessing of all men, and the covenant, and made it rest upon his head. He acknowledged him in His blessing, and He brought out of him a merciful man, which found favor in the sight of the Lord, and He made him glorious in the sight of kings, and gave him a crown of glory. An everlasting covenant He made with him, and gave him the priesthood among the people, and clothed him with a robe of glory, to execute the office of the priesthood, and to bless the people in His Name; to offer Him incense, and a sweet savor.

II. Ecclus 50:4,1,5,6-12,15,23

Behold a high priest who in his life cared for his people, and delivered them from destruction. He repaired the house again, and in his days fortified the temple: he enlarged the state and gained glory. How was he honored in the midst of the people ... He

stretched out his hands to the cup, and poured out a sweet-smelling savor unto the Most High King of all. And *he* bowed *himself* down to worship the second time, that *he* might receive a blessing from the Most High, *Who* dealth with us according to His mercy. He grant us joyfulness of heart, and that peace may be in our days in Israel for ever.

III. Wisdom 10:10-14

The Lord guided the just in right paths, shewed him the kingdom of God ... and *the Lord our God* gave him perpetual glory.

IV. Eccclus 45:1-5

He was beloved of God and men, and *his memorial* is blessed ... even the law of life and knowledge.

Gospels

I. Mt 25:1-23

At that time, Jesus spoke to His Disciples this parable: A certain man traveling into a far country ,, enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

II. Mk 13:33-37

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples, Take heed, watch and pray ... What I say unto you I say to all, Watch.

III. Mk 24:42-47

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples, Watch, therefore ...ruler over all his goods.

IV. Lk 19:12-28

At that time, Jesus spoke to His Disciples this parable: A certain nobleman went into a far country ... ascending up to Jerusalem.

Common of a Confessor and Doctor White

Collect

Hear, O Lord, we beseech You, the prayers we offer on the feast of St. N, Your Confessor and Doctor; and by his intercession, who worthily served You, deliver us from all our sins. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Lessons

I. Ecclus 47:7,8,9-11;24:1-3

In all his works he praised the Holy One ... In the midst of the people shall she be exalted, and she shall be admired in the fullness of holiness: in the multitude of the elect she shall have honor, and amongst the blessed she shall be blessed.

II. Wisdom 7:7-13

Wherefore I prayed, and understanding was given me ... I do not hide her riches.

Gospel

Mt 5:13-19

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples, Ye are the salt of the earth ... great in the kingdom of heaven.

Common of a Confessor and Abbot White

Collect

O God, Who endued St. *N*, Your Confessor and Abbot, with the grace of holiness: Make us, for his sake, to abound in good works; that so we may be counted worthy to obtain from You the Highest Good, all that is needful for us. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Lesson

Ecclus 39:5-9

The righteous will give his heart to resort early to the Lord ... shall live from generation to generation.

Gospel

Lk 11:33-36

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples, No man, when he hat lighted a candle ... shining of a candle doth give thee light..

Common of Any Confessor White

Give ear, O Lord, to the prayers we present to You on the feast of St. *N*, Your Confessor: that we, who put not our trust in our own righteousness, may be helped for his sake and prayers, who was pleasing to You. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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Common of Many Confessors White

Collects

I.

Defend us, we beseech You, O Lord, by the protection of Ss. *N, N*, ... Confessors: that, at the intercession of those whose feast we celebrate yearly with worship, we may be delivered from all adversities. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

II.

O God, Who compasses and protects us by the glorious witness of Your Confessors, Ss. *N, N*, ... : Grant that we may both profit by their example and rejoice in their intercession. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Epistle Heb 7:23-27

Brethren, they truly were many priests ... for this our Lord Jesus Christ did once when He offered up Himself.

Gospels

I. Lk 12:35-40

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples, Let your loins be girded about ... the Son of Man cometh at an hour when ye think not.

II. Mt 10:5-8

At that time, Jesus sent forth His twelve Disciples ... freely ye have received, freely give.

Common of a Virgin and Martyr Red

Collect

Give ear to us, O God of our salvation: tat, as we celebrate with joy the feast of St. *N*, Your Virgin Martyr, so we may be perfected in love and devotion. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

I. Ecclus 51:9-12

Then lifted I up my supplication ... and bless Your Name, O Lord *my God*.

II. Ecclus 51:1-8

I will thank You, O Lord and King ... and savest them out of the hands of the enemies, *O Lord my God*.

III. Ecclus 24:1-3,15-16

Wisdom shall praise herself ... of honor and grace.

Gospel

Mt 13:44-52

At that time, Jesus spoke to His Disciples this parable:
The kingdom of heaven is like unto treasure ... things
new and old.

Common of a Virgin Not Martyr White

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, the source of virtue and
lover of virginity: Grant, we beseech You, that we may
be commended to You for the sake of St. N, Your Virgin,
whose life of chastity was well pleasing to You. Through
Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

I. Epistle II Cor 10:17–11:2

Brethren, he that glorifieth ... virgin to Christ.

II. Lesson Wisdom 7:36–8:4

Vice shall not prevail against wisdom ... and a lover of
His works.

III. Lesson Isa 61:10-11;62:5

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord ... so shall thy God
rejoice over thee, *saith the Lord Almighty.*

Gospel

Mt 25:1-13

At that time, Jesus spoke to His Disciples this parable:
The kingdom of heaven shall be likened unto ten
virgins ... ye know neither the day nor the hour.

Common of Many Virgins

Collect of Virgins Martyrs

Red

O God, Who, that You might provoke mankind to the confession of Your Name, has bestowed even on women the victory of martyrdom: Grant, we beseech You, that Your Church, being established by this example, may never fear to suffer for Your sake, and may long after the glory of the heavenly reward. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Collect of Virgins Not Martyrs

White

Almighty and everliving God, tried in Whose Majesty we are not fit to worship as is due: Let Your Virgins, Ss. *N, N*, ... intercede for our sins, and, for their sakes, grant us pardon. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

I. Epistle

I Cor 7:25-34

Brethren, concerning virgins ... in body and in spirit, *in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

II. Lesson

Wisdom 4:1-7

Better it is ... yet shall he be in rest.

Gospel

Mt 25:1-13

At that time, Jesus spoke to His Disciples this parable:
The kingdom of heaven shall be likened unto ten virgins ... ye know neither the day nor the hour.

Common of a Holy Woman

White

Collect

Hear us, we beseech You, O God of our salvation:
that, as we rejoice in the feast of St. *N*, so we may be
instructed by her love and prayers. Through Christ our
Lord. *Amen*.

Lesson

Prov 31:10-31

Who can find a virtuous woman? ... Her own works
praise her in the gates.

Gospel

Mt 13:44-52

At that time, Jesus spoke to His Disciples this parable:
The kingdom of heaven is like unto treasure ... things
new and old.