# ST. FRANCIS DE SALES – EPIPHANY IV JANUARY 29, 2023 LOW MASS

**Priest & People:** Remember, \* O most gracious Virgin Mary, \* that never was it known, \* that anyone who fled to Thy protection, \* implored Thy help or sought Thine intercession \* was left unaided. \* Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto Thee, \* O Virgin of virgins, my Mother. \* To Thee do I come, \* before Thee I stand, \* sinful and sorrowful. \* O Mother of the Word Incarnate, \* despise not my petitions, \* but in Thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

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

## ST. FRANCIS DE SALES' PRAYER TO THE SACRED HEART

Priest & People: May Thy Heart dwell always in our hearts!

May Thy Blood

Ever flow in the veins of our souls!

O Sun of our hearts!

Thou givest life to all things

By the Rays of Thy Goodness:

I will not go

Until Thy Heart has strengthened me,

O Lord Jesus!

O may The Heart of Jesus

Be the King of mine!

Blessed be God! Amen.

**Priest & People:** O glorious St. Francis, / model of the interior life, / and full of zeal for the salvation of souls, / obtain for me the grace to employ all my faculties, / not for my own sanctification alone, / but for that of my neighbor also; / that continually spreading abroad / the sweet odor of Jesus Christ by my words and works, / I may attain with thee, / the blessedness promised to the merciful, / and that I may one day have a share in the glory / which thou dost enjoy in Paradise with the angels and saints for all eternity. / Amen.

V. St. Francis de Sales, Bishop, Confessor and Doctor of the Church,

R. Pray for us.

## PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL

**Priest & People:** St. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL, / defend us in battle; / be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. / May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, / and do thou, O prince of the heavenly host, / by the power of God, / cast into hell, Satan, and all the evil spirits, / who wander about the world, / seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

- V. Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, R. Have mercy on us.
- V. Holy Child Jesus, Doctor of the Sick, R. Have mercy on us.
- V. Mother of Good Counsel, R. Pray for us.
- V. Our Lady of Consolation, R. Pray for us.
- V. Immaculate Heart of Mary,
- R. Pray for us now and at the hour of our death.
- V. Pure Heart of St. Joseph, R. Pray for us.
- V. St. Francis de Sales, R. Pray for us.
- V. May the Divine assistance remain always with us.
- R. And may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

#### **CLOSING HYMN:**

### THE FIRST NOEL

1. The first Noel, the angel did say
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep,
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.

Refrain: Noel, noel, noel, Born is the King of Israel.

2. Then let us all with one accord Sing praises to our heavenly Lord; That hath made heav'n and earth of naught, And with His Blood mankind hath bought.