QUINQUAGESIMA FEBRUARY 19, 2023 LOW MASS

COLLECT: OUINQUAGESIMA BESEECH rte E Thee, O Lord, mercifully hear our prayers, that being from loosed the bonds of our sins. we may be defended by Thee against adversity. all Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

COLLECT: OUR LADY & ALL THE SAINTS

EFEND us, we beseech Thee, O Lord, from all dangers of mind and body: and



Jesus said to him: Receive thy sight, thy faith hath made thee whole » BEFORE MASS READ THIS EXPLANATION As a prelude to Lent, Jesus announces, "We go up to Jerusalem," city of the Great Sacrifice. Yet, despite all His teaching that suffering is necessary as expiation for sin. His followers were blind, they "understood not" (GOSPEL). Hence, He proceeds to strengthen their weakening faith by giving sight to a blind man because of his strong faith. If faith is necessary to understand the meaning of Lenten penance, how much more necessary is charity, charity for God, charity for neighbor (EPISTLE), "For where there is love, there is no labor." The IN-TROIT, PRAYER and GRADUAL inspire confidence in God as we are about to "go up" with Him. The OFFERTORY expresses gratitude for faith and pleads for its increase. The COMMUNION reflects on the charity of God as our model. NOW BEGIN MASS

through the intercession of the blessed and glorious Mary, ever Virgin, mother of God, of St. Joseph, of Thy holy apostles Peter and Paul, of blessed Gertrude and of all the saints, in Thy lovingkindness grant us safety and peace; that, all adversities and errors being overcome, Thy Church may serve Thee in security and freedom. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

EPISTLE: 1 COR. 13 (1-13)

RETHREN, If I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass or a tinkling cymbal. And if I should have prophecy, and should know all mysteries and all knowledge; and if I should have all faith so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing. And if I should distribute all my goods to feed the poor, and if I should deliver my body to be burned and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing. Charity is patient, is kind; Charity envieth not, dealeth not perversely, is not puffed up, is not ambitious, seeketh not her own, is not provoked to anger, thinketh no evil, rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth with the truth; beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. Charity never falleth away; whether prophecies shall be made void, or tongues shall cease, or knowledge shall be destroyed. For we know in part, and we prophesy in part. But when that which is perfect is come, that which is in part shall be done away. When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child. But when I became a man, I put away the things of a child. We see now through a glass in a dark manner; but then face to face. Now I know in part; but then I shall know even as I am known. And now there remain faith, hope and charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity.

GOSPEL: LUKE 18 (31-43)

T THAT time, Jesus took unto Him the twelve and said to them: Behold, we go up to Jerusalem, and all things shall be accomplished which were written by the Prophets concerning the Son of Man. For He shall be delivered to the Gentiles, and shall be mocked and scourged and spit upon: and after they have scourged Him, they will put Him to death, and the third day He shall rise again. And they understood none of these things, and this word was hid from them, and they understood not the things that were said. Now it came to pass, when He drew nigh to Jericho, that a certain blind man sat by the wayside, begging. And when he heard the multitude passing by, he asked what this meant. And they told him that Jesus of Nazareth was passing by. And he cried out, saying: Jesus, son of David, have mercy on me. And they that went before rebuked him, that he should hold his peace. But he cried out much more: Son of David, have mercy on me. And Jesus standing, commanded him to be brought unto him. And when he was come near, He asked him, saying: What wilt thou that I do to thee? But he said: Lord, that I may see. And Jesus said to him: Receive thy sight, thy faith hath made thee whole. And immediately he saw and

followed Him glorifying God. And all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.

AFTER LAST GOSPEL: OUR FATHER

SALUTATION TO THE HOLY FACE

Priest & People: I SALUTE THEE, / I adore Thee, / and I love Thee, / O adorable Face of Jesus, / my Beloved, / noble Seal of the Divinity, / outraged anew by blasphemers. / I offer Thee, through the sorrowful heart of Thy blessed Mother, / the worship of all the angels and saints, / most humbly beseeching Thee / to repair and renew in me and in all men / Thy Image disfigured by sin. / Amen.

HAIL MARY

THE GOLDEN ARROW

Priest & People: MAY THE MOST HOLY, / most sacred, / most adorable, / most incomprehensible / and unutterable Name of God / be always praised, blessed, loved, adored and glorified, / in Heaven, / on earth, / and under the earth, / by all the creatures of God, / and by the Sacred Heart of Our Lord Jesus Christ / in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar. / Amen.

GLORY BE

V. O Divine Jesus, / through Thy Face and Name, / save us! *R*. Our trust is in the virtue of Thy Holy Name!

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. Our 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. 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:

O SACRED HEAD SURROUNDED

O Sacred Head surrounded, By crown of piercing thorn! O bleeding Head, so wounded, Reviled and put to scorn! Death's pallid hue comes o'er Thee, The glow of life decays, Yet angel hosts adore Thee, And tremble as they gaze.

O Holy Face ill-usèd, By reed and bramble scarred, That idle blows have bruisèd, And mocking lips have marred, How dimmed that eye so tender, How wan those cheeks appear, How overcast the splendor, That angels hosts revere!