

PENTECOST VIII

JULY 23, 2023

LOW MASS

Priest & People: We fly / to thy patronage, / O holy Mother of God! / Despise not our petitions in our necessities / but deliver us from all dangers, / O ever glorious and Blessed Virgin!

PRAYER FOR MOTORISTS

Priest: Let us pray: O God, the Father Almighty, Thou hast created man in Thine own image, infusing into his body an immortal soul which sighs for Thee, and in its journeys over the highways of faith seeks its rest in union with Thee. Grant to all motorists, who have to travel over the roads of this world in the service of our brethren, a sense of grave responsibility and point out to us the way of charity and prudence. **R. Amen.**

INVOCATION TO ST. CHRISTOPHER

Priest & People: Bearer of Jesus Christ! / Pray for us, / that by sanctifying grace / and the virtuous example of our daily lives, / we may, like thee, / carry Christ through the ways of this world / and into the hearts of all / with whom we come into contact. Amen.

PRAYER TO ST. MARY MAGDALEN

Priest & People: O glorious St. Magdalen, / model of penitents, / obtain for me the grace of perseverance / in the practices of self-denial / according to the spirit of my state of life. / Pray to God for me / that I may appear before Jesus, Our Lord / and Master, / at the moment of my death, / with my lamp filled with the oil of faith and hope, / and burning with the pure flame of charity, / and thus merit to be received with thee / into His eternal kingdom. / Amen.

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. Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart of Mary,

R. Pray for us who have recourse to thee.

V. Pure Heart of St. Joseph, **R. Pray for us.**

V. Ss. Apollinaris & Liborius, **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:

COME, LABOR ON

1. Come, labor on.

**Who dares stand idle on the harvest plain,
While all around him waves the golden grain?
And to each servant does the Master say,
“Go work today.”**

2. Come, labor on.

**The enemy is watching night and day,
To sow the tares, to snatch the seed away;
While we in sleep our duty have forgot,
He slumber'd not.**

3. Come, labor on.

**Away with gloomy doubts and faithless fear!
No arm so weak but may do service here:
By feeblest agents may our God fulfill
His righteous will.**