

# VIGIL OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

## TRIDENTINE MASS READINGS

### *A Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans*

(Romans 1. 1-6)

Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an Apostle separated unto the Gospel of God, which He had promised before by His prophets in the holy Scriptures concerning His Son, who was made to Him of the seed of David according to the flesh: who was predestinated the Son of God in power according to the spirit of sanctification by the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead: by whom we have received grace, and apostleship for obedience to the faith in all nations for His name, among whom are you also the called of Jesus Christ Our Lord.

### *A Reading from the Holy Gospel According to St. Matthew*

(St. Matthew 1. 18-21)

When Mary the mother of Jesus was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost. Whereupon Joseph her husband, being a just man and not willing publicly to expose her, was minded to put her away privately. But while he thought on these things, behold the Angel of the Lord appeared to him in his sleep, saying: Joseph, son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost. And she shall bring forth a Son, and thou shalt call His Name Jesus: for He shall save His people from their sins.