

VOTIVE MASS FOR PEACE

TRIDENTINE MASS READINGS

A Reading from the Book of Maccabees (2 Maccabees 1. 1-5)

To the brethren the Jews that are throughout Egypt, the brethren the Jews that are in Jerusalem, and in the land of Judea, send health, and good peace. May God be gracious to you, and remember His covenant that He made with Abraham and Isaac and Jacob, His faithful servants; and give you all a heart to worship Him, and to do His will with a great heart and a willing mind. May He open your heart in His law, and in His commandments, and send you peace. May the Lord our God hear your prayers and be reconciled unto you, and never forsake you in the evil time.

A Reading From the Holy Gospel According to St. John (St. John 20. 19-23)

At that time, when it was late that same day, the first of the week, and the doors were shut, where the disciples were gathered together for fear of the Jews, Jesus came, and stood in the midst and said to them: Peace be to you. And when He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. The disciples therefore were glad, when they saw the Lord. He said therefore to them again: Peace be to you. As the Father hath sent Me, I also send you. When He had said this, He breathed on them, and He said to them: Receive ye the Holy Ghost: whose sins you shall forgive, they are forgiven them; and whose sins you shall retain, they are retained.