

# Tridentine Community News

April 20, 2014 – Easter Sunday

## *The Blessing of Pilgrims and Those Beginning a Journey*

Around major holidays, it is appropriate to recall that Holy Mother Church provides a blessing in the *Rituale Romanum* – the Roman Ritual for the Extraordinary Form – for Pilgrims and Those Beginning a Journey. Anyone who is about to set forth on travels is invited to ask for this blessing from the celebrant after Mass. The English text from the 1961 *Colléctio Rituum* – the currently-in-force subset of the Ritual adapted for North America – is provided below:

*Prayers (may be prayed in Latin or English)*

*Antiphon.* Along ways of peace and prosperity may the almighty and merciful Lord lead you, and may the Angel Raphael accompany you on the journey. So may you in peace, health, and joy return unto your own.

*Canticle.* Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, \* because He has visited and wrought redemption for His people,

And has raised up a horn of salvation for us \* in the house of David, His servant,

As He promised through the mouth of His holy ones, \* the prophets from of old:

Salvation from our enemies \* and from the hands of all who hate us,

To show mercy to our forefathers, \* and to be mindful of His holy covenant:

Of the oath that He swore to Abraham our father, \* that He would grant us,

That, delivered from the hand of our enemies, \* we should serve Him without fear,

In holiness and justice before Him \* all our days.

And thou, child, shalt be called \* the prophet of the Most High;

For thou shalt go before the face of the Lord \* to prepare His ways,

To give to His people knowledge of salvation \* through forgiveness of their sins.

Because of the loving-kindness of our God \* wherewith the Orient from on high has visited us.

To shine on those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, \* to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Glory be to the Father.

*Antiphon* (above, repeated)

Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us.

Our Father, etc.

✠ And lead us not into temptation.

✠ But deliver us from evil.

✠ Preserve your servants.

✠ Who trust in You, my God.

✠ Send them aid, Lord, from on high.

✠ And from Sion watch over them.

✠ Be for them a mighty fortress.

✠ In the face of the Enemy.

✠ Let the Enemy be powerless against them.

✠ And let the son of iniquity do nothing to harm them.

✠ May the Lord be praised at all times.

✠ May God, our Helper, grant us a successful journey.

✠ Show us Your ways, O Lord.

✠ And conduct us along Your paths.

✠ Oh, that our ways might be directed.

✠ To the keeping of Your precepts!

✠ For the crooked ways will be made straight.

✠ And rough ways smooth.

✠ God has given His Angels charge over you.

✠ To guard you in all your undertakings.

✠ O Lord, hear my prayer.

✠ And let my cry come to You.

✠ The Lord be with you.

✠ And with your spirit.

Let us pray.

O God, You led the sons of Israel through the sea over a dry path and revealed the way to the three Magi by the guidance of a star. Be pleased to grant these pilgrims a happy journey and a peaceful time, that, accompanied by Your Angel, they may safely reach their destination, and come finally to the haven of eternal salvation.

O God, You led Your servant Abraham out of Ur of the Chaldeans, safeguarding him in all his wanderings. Guide these Your servants, we implore You. Be for them support in battle, refuge in journeying, shade in the heat, covering in the rain, a carriage in tiredness, protection in adversity, a staff in insecurity, a harbor in shipwreck; so that under Your leadership they may successfully reach their destination, and finally return safe to their homes.

Give ear, we pray You, Lord, to our entreaties; direct the steps of Your servants on the paths of righteousness, that, in all the happenings of the journey and of life, they may have You as their constant Protector.

Grant, we ask You, almighty God, that Your pilgrims may march forth on the way of security; heeding the exhortations of blessed John, the Precursor, let them come safely to Him whom John foretold, Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

Hear, Lord, our prayers, and graciously accompany Your servants on the journey. As You are everywhere present, dispense Your mercy to them in all places, so that, protected by Your help from all dangers, they will be able to offer thanks to You. Through Christ our Lord.

✠ Amen.

*Blessing (must be prayed in Latin)*

May the peace and blessing of almighty God, Father, Son, ✠ and Holy Spirit come upon you and remain with you for all time.

✠ Amen.

## *Tridentine Masses This Coming Week*

**Mon. 04/21 7:00 PM:** Low Mass at *St. Joseph* (Easter Monday)

**Tue. 04/22 7:00 PM:** High Mass at *St. Benedict/Assumption-Windsor* (Easter Tuesday)

**Fri. 04/25 7:00 PM:** High Mass at *St. Michael, Flint* (Easter Friday) – Dinner for young adults age 18-35 follows Mass, organized by Juventútem Michigan

**Sun. 04/27 12:00 Noon:** High Mass at *St. Albertus* (Low Sunday) – Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be prayed before Mass

**Sun. 04/27 3:00 PM:** High Mass at *St. Benedict/Assumption-Windsor* (Low Sunday) – Confessions begin at 2:00 PM; Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be prayed before Mass

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