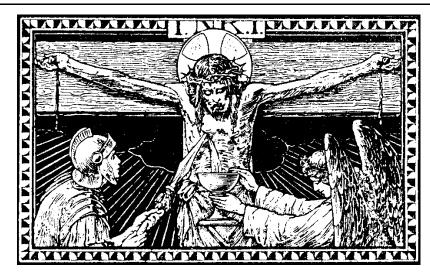
EUCHARISTIC PRAYER I - Roman Canon - see Mass book page 13 Acclamation after the consecration - see Mass book page 17 or 18 The Lord's Prayer - see Mass book page 20 or 21. The Agnus Dei is from the Mass by Byrd



COMMUNION ANTIPHON affertis munera: terribili, et ei qui aufert reges terrae.

Pay your vows and give thanks to the Lord Vovete, et reddite Domino Deo your God, all you here present who are vestro, omnes qui in circuitu eius bringing your offerings. Give thanks to Him who inspires awe, who humbles the spirit of spiritum principum: terribili apud omnes the mighty, who is to be feared by all the kings of the earth

Communion Motet "O Sacrum convivium" by Luca Marenzio (1550-1599)

O Sacred Banquet in which Christ is received, the memory of His Passion is renewed; the mind is filled with grace, and the pledge of future glory is given to us. Alleluia.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Da fidelibus tuis, Domine, quos et verbi tui et Thou nourishest and quickenest by this caelesti sacramenti pabulo nutris et vivificas, sacramental food, so to advance by ita dilecti Filii tui tantis muneribus proficere, ut eius receiving Thy beloved Son's wonderful vitae semper consortes effici mereamur. Per gifts, that we may be worthy to be made Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

Grant to Thy faithful, O Lord, whom sharers of his life for ever.

VESPERS AND BENEDICTION

WILL BE SUNG HERE TONIGHT AT 7.30 P.M. YOU ARE WELCOME TO TAKE THIS SHEET HOME PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE THE MASS BOOK

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

The Liturgy today presents us with the challenge of the cost of discipleship. Our Lord says that we must not put any human ties, either of affection, or even of duty, before Almighty God. This means that we may sometimes have difficult dedsions to make.

Our Lord warns us that we need to be ready for this eventuality, like a man who plans to build himself a tower, or a king who is going to war. Both need to plan and prepare a strategy. Can they complete what they begin?

So for us, we cannot expect that being a follower of Christ will always be easy, and must be prepared to count the cost of being a Christian.

INTROIT

in via: qui ambulant in lege Domini.

Thou art just, O Lord, and Thy judgement is A Justus es Domine, et rectum judicium righteous: Treat Thy servant according to tuum: fac cum servo tuo secundum Thy mercy. Psalm. Blessed are those who are misericordiam tuam. Psalm Beati immaculati sinless in the way: who walk in the Lord's law.

Introductory rite—see Mass book page 3.

Kyrie & Gloria from "Mass for five voices" by William Byrd (1543-1623)

COLLECT

Deus, per quem nobis et redemptio venit O God, through whom our redemption and tuae benignus intende, ut in Christo creden- upon Thy children whom Thou lovest, so tibus et vera tribuatur libertas, et hereditas that all who believe in Christ may be aeterna. Per Dominum nostrum Jesum Chris- granted true freedom and an eternal inheritum.....Per omnia saecula saeculorum. Amen. tance.

et praestatur adoptio, filios dilectionis adoption come to us, in Thy kindness look

→ First Reading is taken from the Book of Wisdom.

What man can know the intentions of God? Who can divine the will of the Lord? The reasonings of mortals are unsure and our intentions unstable; for a perishable body presses down the soul, and this tent of clay weighs down the teeming mind. It is hard enough for us to work out what is on earth, laborious to know what lies within our reach; who, then, can discover what is in the heavens? As for your intention, who could have learnt it, had you not granted Wisdom and sent your Holy Spirit from above? Thus have the paths of those on earth been straightened and men been taught what pleases you, and saved, by Wisdom. Verbum Domini. R. Deo gratias.

GRADUAL

Domine, refugium factus es nobis, a Lord, Thou hast been our refuge, from gengeneratione et progenie. V. Priusquam eration to generation. V. Before the mounmontes fierent, aut formaretur terra et orbis: a tains were made or the earth was formed, saeculo et in saeculum tu es Deus. Thou art God for ever and ever.

Second Reading is from St. Paul's letter to Philemon.

This is Paul writing, an old man now and, what is more, still a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for a child of mine, whose father I became while wearing these chains: I mean Onesimus. I am sending him back to you, and with him - I could say - a part of my own self. I should have liked to keep him with me; he could have been a substitute for you, to help me while I am in the chains that the Good News has brought me. However, I did not want to do anything without your consent; it would have been forcing your act of kindness, which should be spontaneous. I know you have been deprived of Onesimus for a time, but it was only so that you could have him back for ever, not as a slave any more, but something much better than a slave, a dear brother; especially dear to me, but how much more to you, as a blood-brother as well as a brother in the Lord. So if all that we have in common means anything to you, welcome him as you would me. Verbum Domini. R. Deo gratias.

GOSPEL ALLELUIA

Domine, exaudi orationem meam, et Lord, hear my prayer, and let my cry come clamor meus ad te veniat. unto Thee

GOSPEL—A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke

At that time: Great multitudes accompanied Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "If any one comes to me and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me, cannot be my disciple. For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation, and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, saying, 'This man began to build, and was not able to finish. 'Or what king, going to encounter another king in war, will not sit down first and take counsel whether he is able with ten thousand to meet him who comes against him with twenty thousand? And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends an embassy and asks terms of peace. So therefore, whoever of you does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple.

Verbum Domini. R. Laus tibi, Christe.

CREDO IV—see Mass book page 29 or 30 At the end of the **Bidding Prayers we** sing this ancient prayer to Our Lady.

We fly to thy protection, O holy Mother of God.

Despise not our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us from all dangers, O glorious and blessed Virgin.



Offertory Motet: "O Bone Jesus" by Richard Dering (1580-1630)

O good Jesus! Have mercy on us, for Thou hast created us, and hast redeemed us with Thy most Precious Blood. O good Jesus! Have mercy on us. Thou hast created us Lord for Thee and our hearts are restless until they rest in Thee.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

tuam convenienter hoc munere veneremur, et may fittingly revere Thy majesty by this ofsacri participatione mysterii fideliter sensibus fering, and that we may be faithfully joined uniamur. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. to Thee by our sharing in this sacred mys-Amen.

Deus, auctor sincerae devotionis et O God, the source of sincere devotion and pacis, da, quaesumus, ut et maiestatem peace, grant, we beseech Thee, both that we tery.

PREFACE

et salutare, nos tibi semper et ubique gratias agere: Domine, sancte Pater, omnipotens aeterne Deus.

Quia sic mundum misericorditer dilexisti, For so mercifully didst Thou love the world, ut ipsum nobis mitteres Redemptorem, quem absque peccato in nostra voluisti quod diligebas in Filio, cuius obedientia sumus ad tua dona reparati, quae per inobedientiam amiseramus peccando.

Unde et nos, Domine, cum Angelis et Sanctis universis tibi confitemur, in exsultatione dicentes:

Vere dignum et justum est, aequum It is truly meet and right and incumbent upon us for our salvation that we should always and everywhere give thanks unto Thee, OLord, holy Father, almighty everlasting God.

that Thou didst send as Redeemer Him who took upon Himself our likeness in all things but similitudine conversari, ut amares in nobis sin; so that Thou mightest love in us that which delightest Thee in thy Son. For by His obedience we are once more made fit to receive Thy gifts, who by disobedience had lost them.

> Wherefore we also, Lord, together with all the Angels and Saints give praise unto Thee, singing in exultation:



