

St. Peter was a Dominican priest of unspotted life, who labored earnestly for the conversion of heretics. In the end he was cruelly killed near Como, in Italy, April 6, 1252. He was the object of widespread veneration in Italy during the Fifteenth Century. In his day heresy was a crime against the state and punished by civil authority. St. Peter, as inquisitor, was thus able to protect the Faith and to save the state from revolution.

**INTROIT Psalms 63: 3**

Protexísti me, Deus, a convéntu malignántium, allelúja: a multítudine operántium iniquitátem, allelúja, allelúja. (Ps. 63: 2) Exáudi, Deus, oratiónem meam cum déprecor: a tímóre inimíci éripe ánimam meam. Glória Patri et Fílio et Spíritui Sancto, sicut erat in princípío, et nunc, et semper, et in sæcula sæculórum. Amen. Protexísti me, Deus, a convéntu malignántium, allelúja: a multítudine operántium iniquitátem, allelúja, allelúja.

**COLLECT**

Præsta, quæsumus, omnípotens Deus: ut beáti Petri Mártiris tui fidem cógrua devotióne sectémur; qui, pro ejúsdem fidei dílatatióne, mártirii palmam méruit obtinére. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

**EPISTLE 2 Timothy 2: 8-10; 3: 10-12**

Caríssime: Memor esto, Dóminum Iesum Christum resurrexisse a mórtuis ex sémine David, secúndum Evangélium meum, in quo labóro usque ad víncula, quasi male óperans: sed verbum Dei non est alligátum. Ideo ómnia sustíneo propter eléctos, ut et ipsi salútem consequántur, quæ est in Christo Iesu, cum glória coelésti. Tu autem assecútus es meam doctrínam, institutiónem, propósitum, fidem, longanimitátem, dilectiõem, patiéntiam, persecutiónes, passiónes: quália mihi facta sunt Antiochiæ, Iconii et Lystris: quales persecutiónes sustínui, et ex ómnibus erípuit me Dóminus. Et omnes, qui pie volunt vivere in Christo Iesu, persecutiónem patiéntur.

**GREATER ALLELUIA**

Allelúja, allelúja. (Ps. 88: 6) Confitebúntur cæli mirabilia tua, Dómine: étenim veritátem tuam in ecclésia sanctórum. Allelúja. (Ps. 20: 4) Posuísti, Dómine, super caput ejus coronam de lápide pretióso. Allelúja.

**GOSPEL John 15: 1-7**

In illo témpore: Dixit Iesus discipulis suis: Ego sum vitis vera: et Pater meus agrícola est. Omnem pálmitem in me non feréntem fructum, tollet eum: et omnem, qui fert fructum, purgábit eum, ut fructum plus afferat. Iam vos mundi estis propter sermónem, quem locútus sum vobis. Mane te in me: et ego in vobis. Sicut palmes non potest ferre fructum a semetípso, nisi mánserit in vite: sic nec vos, nisi in me manséritis. Ego sum vitis, vos pálmites: qui manet in me, et ego in eo, hic fert fructum multum: quia sine me nihil potéstis fácere. Si quis in me non mánserit, mittétur foras sicut palmes, et aréscet, et cólligent eum, et in ignem mittent, et ardet. Si manséritis in me, et verba mea in vobis mánserint: quodcúmque voluérítis, petétis, et fiet vobis.

**OFFERTORY Psalms 88: 6**

Confitebúntur cæli mirabilia tua, Dómine, et veritátem tuam in ecclésia sanctórum, allelúja, allelúja.

**SECRET**

Preces, quas tibi, Dómine, offérimus, intercedénte beáto Petro Mártire tuo, cleménter inténde: et propugnátóres fidei sub tua protectiõe custódi. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

**PREFACE OF EASTER**

Vere dignum et justum est, æquum et salutáre, te quidem, Dómine, omni témpore, sed in hac potíssimum die, gloriósius prædicáre, cum Pascha nostrum immolátus est Christus. Ipse enim verus est Agnus, qui ábstulit peccáta mundi. Qui mortem nostram moriéndo destrúxit, et vitam resurgéndo reparávit. Et ídeo cum Ángelis et Archángelis, cum Thronis et Dóminatió nibus, cumque omni milítia cæléstis exércitus, hymnum glóriæ tuæ cánimus sine fine dicéntes:

**COMMUNION Psalms 63: 11**

Lætábitur justus in Dómino, et sperábit in eo: et laudabúntur omnes recti corde, allelúja, allelúja.

**POSTCOMMUNION**

Fidèles tuos, Dómine, custódiant sacraménta, quæ súmpsimus: et, intercedénte beáto Petro Mártire tuo, contra omnes advérsos tueántur incúrsus. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

Thou hast protected me, O God, from the assembly of the malignant, alleluia: from the multitude of the workers of iniquity, alleluia. alleluia. (Ps. 63: 2) Hear, O God, my prayers, when I make supplication to Thee: deliver my soul from the fear of the enemy. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Thou hast protected me, O God, from the assembly of the malignant, alleluia: from the multitude of the workers of iniquity, alleluia. alleluia.

Grant us grace, we beseech thee, O Almighty God, to follow with zeal conformable thereto after the pattern of that great example of faith, thy blessed Martyr Peter, who, for the spreading of the same faith, did so run as to obtain the palm of martyrdom. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

Beloved: Be mindful that the Lord Jesus Christ is risen again from the dead, of the seed of David, according to my gospel. Wherein I labor even unto bands, as an evildoer; but the word of God is not bound. Therefore I endure all things for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation, which is in Christ Jesus, with heavenly glory. But thou hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, long-suffering, love, patience, Persecutions, afflictions: such as came upon me at Antioch, at Iconium, and at Lystra: what persecutions I endured, and out of them all the Lord delivered me. And all that will live godly in Christ Jesus, shall suffer persecution..

Alleluia, alleluia. (Ps. 88: 6) The Heavens shall confess Thy wonders, O Lord; and Thy truth in the Church of the saints. Alleluia. (Ps. 20: 4) O Lord, Thou shalt set on his head a crown of precious stones. Alleluia.

At that time, Jesus said to His disciples: I am the true Vine; and My Father is the husbandman. Every branch in Me, that beareth not fruit, He will take away: and every one that beareth fruit, He will purge it, that it may bring forth more fruit. Now you are clean by reason of the word, which I have spoken to you. Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abide in the vine, so neither can you, unless you abide in Me. I am the Vine: you the branches: he that abideth in Me, and I in him, the same beareth much fruit: for without Me you can do nothing. If any one abide not in Me, he shall be cast forth as a branch, and shall wither, and they shall gather him up, and cast him into the fire, and he burneth. If you abide in Me, and my words abide in you, you shall ask whatever you will, and it shall be done unto you.

The Heavens shall confess Thy wonders, O Lord, and Thy truth in the church of the saints, alleluia, alleluia.

Graciously regard, O Lord, the prayers, we offer thee, through the intercession of blessed Peter, thy Martyr; and keep ever under thy protection the champions of the faith. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

It is truly meet and just, right and for our salvation, at all times to praise Thee, O Lord, but more gloriously especially at this time above others when Christ our Pasch was sacrificed. For He is the true Lamb Who hath taken away the sins of the world: Who by dying hath destroyed our death: and by rising again hath restored us to life. And therefore with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominations, and with all the hosts of the heavenly army, we sing the hymn of Thy glory, evermore saying:

The just shall rejoice in the Lord, and shall hope in Him: and all the upright in heart shall be praised, alleluia, alleluia.

May the Sacrament, O Lord, which we, the faithful people have received, hold us in safe keeping, and through the intercession of thy blessed Martyr Peter defend us from all assaults of the enemy. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever..