

SEPTEMBER 18, ST. JOSEPH OF CUPERTINO, CONFESSOR

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St. Joseph of Cupertino, a Franciscan friar in Italy, was born June 17, 1603. The feast of this glorious Son of the Seraph of Assisi was made universal throughout the Church by a Pope of the same Order, Clement XIV. He is famous for his evangelical simplicity and for his ecstasies. The whole of the Mass assigned to him brings out the mystical side of his sanctity. He worked many miracles, and died a happy death at Orsino on September 18, 1663.

INTROIT Ecclesiasticus 1: 14-15

Dilēctio Dei honorābilis sapiēntia: quibus autem apparūerit in visu, dīligunt eam in visiōne et in agnitōne magnālium suōrum. (Ps. 83: 2) Quam dilēctā tabernācula tua, Dōmine virtūta! concupiscit, et dōmine anima mea in ātria Dōmini. V. Glōria Patri et Filio et Spīritui Sancto, sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in sēcūla sēcūlōrum. Amen. Dilēctio Dei honorābilis sapiēntia: quibus autem apparūerit in visu, dīligunt eam in visiōne magnālium suōrum.

COLLECT

Deus, qui ad unigēnitum Fīlium tuum exaltātum a terra ōmnia trāhere disposuisti: pērfice propītius; ut, mēritis et exēmplo serāphici Confessōris tui Josēphi, supra terrēnas omnes cupiditātes elevāti, ad eum pervenire mereāmur: Qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitāte Spīritus Sancti, Deus, per ōmnia sēcūla sēcūlōrum.

EPISTLE 1 Corinthians 13: 1-8

Fratres: Si linguis hōminum loquar et Angelorum, caritātem autem non hābeam, factus sum velut aēs sonans aut cymbalum tōnnieris. Et si habūero prophetiam, et nōverim mystēria ōmnia et omnem sciēntiam: et si habūero omnem fidem, ita ut montes trānsferam, caritātem autem non habūero, nihil sum. Et si distribūere in cibos pāuperum omnes facultātes meas, et si tradīdero corpus meum, ita ut ardeam, caritātem autem non habūero, nihil mihi prodest. Cāritas pātiens est, benīgna est: cāritas non aemulātur, non agit pērperam, non inflātur, non est ambiōsā, non quærit quæ sua sunt, non irritātur, non cōgitat malum, non gaudet super iniquitāte, congāudet autem veritāti: ōmnia suffert, ōmnia credit, ōmnia sperat, ōmnia sūstinet. Cāritas numquam excidit: sive prophētīæ evacuabūntur, sive linguæ cessabūnt, sive sciēntia destruētur.

GRADUAL Psalms 20: 4-5

Dōmine, prævenisti eum in benedictiōnibus dulcēdinis: posuisti in cāpite ejus corōnam de lapide pretiōso. Vitam petiit a te, et tribuisti ei longitudinem dierum in sēcūlum, et in sēcūlum sēcūli.

LESSER ALLELUIA Ecclesiasticus

11: 13

Allelūja, allelūja. Oculus Dei respexit illum in bono, et erexit eum ab humilitate ipsius, et exaltavit caput ejus. Allelūja.

GOSPEL Matthew 22: 1-14

In illo tēmpore: Loquebātur Jesus principibus sacerdotum et pharisæis in parābolis, dicens: Sīmīle factum est regnum coelōrum hōmini regi, qui fecit nūptias filio suo. Et misit servos suos vocāre invitātos ad nūptias, et nolēbant venīre. Iterum misit alios servos, dicens: Dīcite invitātis: Ecce, prāndium meum paravi, tauri mei et altīlia occīsa sunt, et ōmnia parāta: venīte ad nūptias. Illi autem neglexērunt: et abiērunt, alius in villam suam, alius vero ad negotiatiōnem suam: rēliqui vero tenuērunt servos ejus, et contumēliis affēctos occidērunt. Rex autem cum audisset, irātus est: et, missis exercitibus suis, pērdidit homicīdas illos et civitātem illōrum succēndit. Tunc ait servis suis: Nūptiæ quidem parātæ sunt, sed, qui invitāti erant, non fuērunt digni. Ite ergo ad exitus viarum et, quoscūmque invenērītis, vocāte ad nūptias. Et egressi servi ejus in vias, congregavērunt omnes, quos invenērunt, malos et bonos: et implētæ sunt nūptiæ discumbēntium. Intrāvit autem rex, ut vidēret discumbēntes, et vidit ibi hōminem non vestītum veste nuptiāli. Et ait illi: Amice, quōmodo huc intrāsti non habens vestem nuptiālem? At ille obmūtuit. Tunc dixit rex ministris: Ligātis mānibus et pedibus ejus, mittite eum in tēnebras exteriōres: ibi erit fletus et stridor dēntium. Multi enim sunt vocati, pauci vero elēcti.

OFFERTORY Psalms 34: 13

Ego autem, cum mihi molēsti essent, induēbar cilīcio. Humiliābam in jejūnio animam meam: et orātiō mea in sinu meo convertētur.

SECRET

Laudis tibi, Dōmine, hōstias immolāmus in tuōrum commemoratiōne Sanctōrum: quibus nos et præsēntibus exui malis confidimus et futūris. Per Dōminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fīlium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitāte Spīritus Sancti, Deus, per ōmnia sēcūla sēcūlōrum.

COMMUNION Psalms 68: 30-31

Ego sum pauper et dolens: Thy salvation, O God, suscepit me. Laudābo nomen Dei cum cantico: et magnificābo eum in laude.

POSTCOMMUNION

Refēcti cibo potūque coelēsti, Deus noster, te sūpplices exorāmus: ut, in cujus hęc commemoratiōne percēpimus, ejus muniāmur et precibus. Per Dōminum nostrum Jesum Christum, Fīlium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitāte Spīritus Sancti, Deus, per ōmnia sēcūla sēcūlōrum.

The love of God is honorable wisdom: and they to whom she shall show herself, love her by the sight, and by the knowledge of her great works. (Ps. 83: 2) How lovely are Thy tabernacles, O Lord of hosts my soul longeth and fainteth for the courts of the Lord. 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. The love of God is honorable wisdom: and they to whom she shall show herself, love her by the sight, and by the knowledge of her great works.

O God, Who didst purpose to draw all things unto Thy only-begotten Son when He was lifted up from the earth, mercifully grant that we, by the merits and example of Thy seraphic confessor Joseph, being lifted above all earthly desires, may be worthy to come unto Him. Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

Brethren: If I speak with tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am becoming as sounding brass or a tinkling cymbal. And if I should have prophecy and know all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I should have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing. And if I should distribute all my goods to feed the poor, and if I should deliver my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing. Charity is patient, is kind: charity envieth not; dealeth not perversely; is not puffed up; is not ambitious; seeketh not her own; is not provoked to anger; thinketh no evil; rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth; beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. Charity never falleth away: whether prophecies shall be made void, or tongues shall cease, or knowledge shall be destroyed.

O Lord, Thou hast prevented him with blessings of sweetness: Thou hast set on his head a crown of precious stones. He asked life of Thee, and Thou hast given him length of days forever, and for ages of ages.

Alleluia, alleluia. The eye of God hath looked upon him for good, and hath lifted him up from his low estate, and hath exalted his head. Alleluia.

At that time, Jesus spoke to the chief priests and the Pharisees in parables, saying: The kingdom of Heaven is likened to a king, who made a marriage for his son; and he sent his servants, to call them that were invited to the marriage, and they would not come. Again he sent other servants, saying: "Tell them that were invited: Behold, I have prepared my dinner; my oxen and fatlings are killed, and all things are ready: come ye to the marriage." But they neglected and went their way, one to his farm, and another to his merchandise; and the rest laid their hands on his servants, and having treated them abusively, put them to death. But when the king heard of it, he was angry and sending his armies, he destroyed those murderers, and burnt their city. Then he saith to his servants: "The marriage indeed is ready, but they that were invited were not worthy, Go ye therefore into the highways, and as many as you shall find, call to the marriage." And his servants going forth into the ways, gathered together all that they found, both bad and good and the marriage was filled with guests. And the king went in to see the guests, and he saw there a man who had not on a wedding garment: and he saith to him: "Friend, how came thou in hither, not having on a wedding garment?" But he was silent. Then the king said to the waiters: "Bind his hands and feet, and cast him into the exterior darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. For many are called, but few are chosen."

But as for me, when they were troublesome to me, I was clothed with haircloth. I humbled my soul with fasting; and my prayer shall be turned into my bosom.

We offer Thee sacrifices of praise, O Lord, in commemoration of Thy saints, by whom we trust to be delivered both from present and from future evils. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.

I am poor and sorrowful: Thy salvation, O God, hath set me up. I will praise the name of God with a canticle: and I will magnify Him with praise.

Refreshed with celestial food and drink, O our God, we humbly beseech Thee that we may be defended by the prayers of the saint whose feast we commemorate, and of whom we have received these blessings. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.