TRANSITUS

(October 4)

(The Community assembles in the sanctuary with lighted candies; the relic of our holy father, St. Francis, is incensed. Then all rise.)

Antiphon: O sanctissima anima, in cujus transitu coeli cives occurrunt, Angelorum chorus exsultat, et gloriosa Trinitas invitat, dicens: Mane nobiscum in aeternum.

Psalmus 141

Voce mea ad Dominum clamavi:—voce mea ad Dominum deprecatus sum.

Effundo in conspectu ejus orationem meam:—et tribulationem meam ante ipsum pronuntio.

In deficiendo ex me spiritum meum:—et tu cognovisti semitas meas.

In via hac, qua ambulabam:—absconderunt laqueum mihi.

Considerabam ad dexteram, et videbam:—et non erat qui cognosceret me.

Periit fuga a me:-et non est qui requirat animam meam.

Clamavi ad te, Domine,—dixi: Tu es spes mea, portio mea in terra viventium.

Intende ad deprecationem meam:—quia humillatus sum nimis.

Libera me a persequentibus me:—quia confortati sunt super me.

Educ de custodia animam meam ad confitendum nomini tuo:—me expectant justi, donec retribuas mihi.

Gloria Patri . . . Sicut erat . . .

(The Antiphon O Sanctissima is repeated; the candles are extinguished and all kneel. Then 5 Our Fathers, Hall Marys and Glorys are said in honor of the Stigmata.)

(All rise.)

Salve Sancte Pater, patriae lux, forma Minorum: Virtutis speculum, recti via, regula morum; Carnis ab exsilio duc nos ad regna polorum.

(All kneel.)

Franciscus pauper et humilis coelum dives ingreditur.

Hymnis coelestibus honoratur.

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Oremus: Deus qui hodierna die animae beati Patris nostri Francisci aeternae beatitudinis praemia contulisti: concede propitius; ut qui ejus migrationis memoriam piis affectibus celebramus, ad ejusdem beatitudinis praemia feliciter pervenire mereamur. Per Christum Dominum nostrum.

Amen.

Dominus vobiscum. Et cum spiritu tuo. Benedicamus Domino.

Deo gratias.

(The relic is incensed again after which the Celebrant blesses the congregation with the relic. The relic is then presented to the Community for private veneration. Then follows Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.)

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PRAYER TO SAINT JOSEPH

(For October)

To thee, O blessed Joseph, we have recourse in our affliction, and, having implored the help of thy thrice holy Spouse, we now, with hearts filled with confidence, earnestly beg thee also to take us under thy protection. By that charity wherewith thou wert united to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God, and by that fatherly love with which thou didst cherish the Child Jesus, we beseech thee and we humbly pray that thou wilt look down with gracious eye upon that inheritance which Jesus Christ purchased by His Blood, and wilt succor us in our need by thy power and strength.

Defend, O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family, the chosen offspring of Jesus Christ. Keep from us, O most loving Father, all blight of error and corruption. Aid us from on high, most valiant defender, in this conflict with the powers of darkness. And even as of old thou didst rescue the Child Jesus from the peril of His life, so now defend God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity. Shield us ever under thy patronage, that, following thine example and strengthened by thy help, we may live a holy life, die a happy death, and attain to everlasting bliss in heaven. Amen.

CONSECRATION TO CHRIST THE KING

(Last Sunday in October)

(The Community assembles in the sanctuary with lighted candles. The *Biessed Sacrament* is exposed. Then the *Veni Creator* and Orations, page 76, are chanted.)

DEDICATION OF THE HUMAN RACE TO THE SACRED HEART

(The Celebrant leads the recitation)

Most Sweet Jesus, Redeemer of the human race look down upon us humbly prostrate before Thy altar.—We are Thine, and Thine we wish to be but, to be more surely united with Thee—behold each one of us freely consecrates himself today to Thy most Sacred Heart.

Many indeed have never known Thee—many too, despising Thy precepts, have rejected Thee.—Have mercy on them all, most merciful Jesus—and draw them to Thy Sacred Heart.

Be Thou King, O Lord—not only of the faithful who have never forsaken Thee—but also of the prodigal children who have abandoned Thee—grant that they may quickly return to their Father's house—lest they die of wretchedness and hunger.

Be Thou King of those who are deceived by erroneous opinions—or whom discord keeps aloof and call them back to the harbor of truth and the unity of faith—so that soon there may be but one flock and one Shepherd.

Be Thou King of all those—who are still involved in the darkness of idolatry or of Islamism—and refuse not to draw them all—into the light and kingdom of God.—Turn Thy eyes of mercy towards the children of that race—once Thy chosen people.—Of old they called upon themselves the Blood of the Saviour—may it now descend upon them a layer of redemption and of life.

Grant, O Lord, to Thy Church—assurance of freedom and immunity from harm—give peace and order to all nations—and make the earth resound from pole to pole with one cry—Praise to the Divine Heart that wrought our salvation—to It be glory and honor forever. Amen.

(Litany of the SACRED HEART, page 31.)

(All stand.)

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Antiphon: Dabit illi Dominus Deus sedem David, patris ejus: et regnabit in domo Jacob in aeternum, et regni ejus non erit finis, Alleluia.

(Magnificat page 79.)

(After the Antiphon is repeated, all kneel)

Afferte Domino, familiae populorum.

Afferte Domino gioriam et imperium. Multiplicabitur ejus imperium.

Et pacis non erit finis.

Domine, exaudi orationem meam.

Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

Dominus vobiscum.

Et cum spiritu tuo.

Oremus: Omnipotens sempiterne Deus, qui in dilecto Filio tuo, universorum Rege, omnia instaurare voluisti: concede propitius; ut cunctae familiae Gentium, peccati vulnere disgregatae, ejus suavissimo subdantur imperio: Qui tecum vivit et regnat in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

(Tantum Ergo and Benediction)

NOVENA FOR THE FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

(Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.)

Let us all rejoice in the Lord, celebrating the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary;

—in whose honor the angelic choirs exult—and with canticles of joy pour forth their praises to the Son of God.

Thou art all fair, O Mary;

And there is in thee no stain of original sin.

Glory be to the Father . . .

As it was in the beginning . . .

Holy Mary, Queen of heaven,—mother of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,—Mistress of the world,—who forsakest and despisest no one,—look upon us, gracious Lady, with thine eyes of pity—and obtain for us of thy beloved Son the pardon of all our sins,—that we, who now celebrate devoutly thy holy and Immaculate Conception,—may hereafter be rewarded with the prize of everlasting blessedness,—through the mercy of that selfsame Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,—whom thou, pure Virgin, brought forth into the world,—and who, together with the Fa—57—

ther and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth in perfect unity, one God forever and ever. Amen. Amen.

O Mary, conceived without sin;

Pray for us who have recourse to thee.

Let us pray: O God, who, by the Immaculate Conception, didst wondrously preserve the Mother of Thine only-begotten Son from the stain of original sin, grant, we beseech Thee, that strengthened by her intercession, we may with stainless hearts ever celebrate her memory. Through the same Christ our Lord.

Amen.

(Litany of the BLESSED VIRGIN, Page 15.)

CHRISTMAS NOVENA

God so loved the world, as to give His only-begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him, may not perish, but may have life everlasting.—John 3:16.

The Word was made flesh;
And dwelt among us.
Glory be to the Father . . .

As it was in the beginning . . . O Jesus. Son of the Eternal Fa

O Jesus, Son of the Eternal Father,—who for love of us didst assume our lowly nature—and dwell among us as the least of the children of men:—graciously grant, that we—aided by Thy grace and inspired by Thine example—may become truly poor in spirit and humble of heart—and renouncing the vanities of the world—strive ever more earnestly for the things that are above,—where Thou art sitting at the right hand of God—always living to make intercession for us. Amen.

He emptied Himself, taking the form of a servant; Being made in the likeness of men.

Let us pray: O God, who dost rejoice us year by year with the expectation of our Redemption, grant, that we, who joyfully hail Thine only-begotten Son as our Redeemer, may look with confident assurance on that same Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, when He shall come to be our Judge: Who liveth and reigneth, world without end.

Amen.

Amen.

ANNUAL RETREAT

(After the Blessed Sacrament is exposed, the following Antiphon and Psalm are sung.)

Antiphon. Parce, Domine, parce populo tuo quem redemisti pretioso Sanguine tuo.

Psalm 50

Miserere mei, Deus: * secundum magnam misericordiam tuam.

Et secundum multitudinem miserationum tuarum:

* dele iniquitatem meam.

Amplius lava me ab iniquitate mea: " et a peccato meo munda me.

Quoniam iniquitatem meam ego cognosco: * et peccatum meum contra me est semper.

Tibi soli peccavi, et malum coram te feci: * ut justificeris in sermonibus tuis, et vincas cum judicaris.

Ecce enim in iniquitatibus conceptus sum: * et in peccatis concepit me mater mea.

Ecce enim veritatem dilexisti: * incerta et occulta sapientiae tuae manifestasti mihi.

Asperges me hyssopo, et mundabor: * lavabis me, et super nivem dealbabor.

Auditul meo dabis gaudium et laetitiam: * et exsultabunt ossa humiliata.

Averte faciem tuam a peccatis meis: * et omnes iniquitates meas dele.

Cor mundum crea in me, Deus: * et spiritum rectum innova in visceribus meis.

Ne projicias me a facie tua: * et spiritum sanctum tuum ne auferas a me.

Redde mihi laetitiam salutaris tui: * et spiritu principali confirma me.

Docebo iniquos vias tuas: * et impii ad te convertentur.

Libera me de sanguinibus, Deus, Deus salutis meae: * et exsultabit lingua mea justitiam tuam.

Domine, labia mea aperies: * et os meum annuntiabit laudem tuam.

Quoniam si voluisses sacrificium dedissem utique: * holocaustis non delectaberis.

Sacrificium Deo spiritus contribulatus: * cor contritum et humiliatum, Deus, non despicies.

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Benigne fac, Domine, in bona voluntate tua Sion: * ut aedificentur muri Jerusalem.

Tunc acceptabis sacrificium justitiae, oblationes, et holocausta: * tunc imponent super altare tuum vitulos.

Gloria Patri et Filio, * et Spiritul Sancto.

Sicut erat in principio et nunc et semper, * et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

(The Antiphon is repeated.)

Domine, non secundum peccata nostra facias nobis. Neque secundum iniquitates nostras retribuas nobis.

Converte nos, Deus, salutaris noster.

Et averte iram tuam a nobis.

Ostende nobis, Domine, misericordiam tuam. Et salutare tuum da nobis.

Domine, exaudi orationem meam. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

Dominus vobiscum.

Et cum spiritu tuo.

Oremus: Exaudi, quaesumus, Domine, supplicum preces et confitentium tibi parce peccatis: ut pariter nobis indulgentiam tribuas benignus et pacem.

Ineffabilem nobis, Domine, misericordiam tuam clementer ostende: ut simul nos et a peccatis omnibus exuas, et a poenis, quas pro his meremur, eripias.

Omnipotens et misericors Deus, qui humano generi et salutis remedia, et vitae aeternae munera contulisti: respice propitius nos famulos tuos, et animas refove, quas creasti, ut in hora exitus nostri, absque peccati macula tibi Creatori nostro per manus sanctorum Angelorum representari mereamur: Per Christum Dominum nostrum.

(Tantum Ergo and Benediction)

(On the last night the following Antiphon and Psalm are sung in place of the foregoing.)

Antiphon. Suavis Dominus universis, et miserationes ejus super omnia opera ejus.

Psalm 102

Benedic, anima mea, Domino: * et omnia, quae intra me sunt, nomini sancto ejus.

Benedic, anima mea, Domino: et noli oblivisci omnes retributiones ejus.

Qui propitiatur omnibus iniquitatibus tuis: * qui sanat omnes infirmitates tuas.

Qui redimit de interitu vitam tuam: * qui coronat te in misericordia et miserationibus.

Qui replet in bonis desiderium tuum: * renovabitur ut aquilae juventus tua.

Faciens misericordias Dominus, * et judicum omnibus injuriam patientibus.

Notas fecit vias suas Moysi, * filiis Israel voluntates suas.

Miserator et misericors Dominus: * longanimis, et multum misericors.

Non in perpetuum irascetur: * neque in aeternum comminabitur.

Non secundum peccata nostra fecit nobis: * neque secundum iniquitates nostras retribuit nobis.

Quoniam secundum altitudinem coell a terra: * corroboravit misericordiam suam super timentes se.

Quantum distat ortus ab occidente: * longe fecit a nobis iniquitates nostras

Quomodo miseretur pater filiorum, misertus est Dominus timentibus se: * quoniam ipse cognovit figmentum nostrum.

Recordatus est quoniam pulvis sumus: * homo sicut foenum dies ejus, tamquam flos agri sic efflorebit.

Quoniam spiritus pertransibit in illo, et non subsistet: * et non cognoscet amplius locum suum.

Misericordia autem Domini ab aeterno. * et usque in aeternum super timentes eum.

Et justitia illius in filios filiorum, * his, qui servant testamentum ejus.

Et memores sunt mandatorum ipsius, * ad faciendum ea.

Dominus in coelo paravit sedem suam: * et regnum ipsius omnibus dominabitur.

Benedicite Domino, omnes angeli ejus:* potentes

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CHURCH UNITY OCTAVE

(January 18-25)

(Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.)

In the Name-I-

Of the Father,—and of the Son,—and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Thou, O Lord, will open our lips;

And our tongues shall announce Thy praise.

Incline unto our aid, O God;

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning,—is now, and ever shall be,—world without end. Amen.

Let us pray for the return of all separated Christians to the unity of the One Fold under One Shepherd, for the conversion of the Gentiles, and today especially—

First Day, Jan. 18.

—for the return of all the "Other Sheep" to the One Fold of Peter, the One Shepherd.

Second Day, Jan. 19.

—for the return of all Oriental Separatists to Communion with the Apostolic See.

Third Day, Jan. 20.

—for the submission of all Anglicans to the authority of the Vicar of Christ.

Fourth Day, Jan. 21.

—that the Lutherans and all other Protestants of Continental Europe may find their way "back to Holy Church."

Fifth Day, Jan. 22

-that all Christians in America may become one in communion with the Chair of Peter.

Sixth Day, Jan. 23.

-for the return to the Sacraments of all lapsed Catholics.

Seventh Day, Jan. 24.

-for the Conversion of the Jews.

Eighth Day, Jan. 25.

—for the Missionary conquest of the entire world for Christ.

May our evening prayer ascend to Thee, O Lord. And on us all descend Thy mercy.

We beseech Thee, O God, of Thy clemency to shower down upon all Christian people the grace of unity in Thee, so that rejecting all division and submitting to the lawful Shepherd of Thy Church, they may be qualified to render Thee a worthy service: Through Christ Our Lord.

Amen.

Almighty and eternal God, Whose Will it is that all be saved and none should perish, look down in mercy on the souls deceived and led away by Satan's wiles, so that renouncing all blameworthy errors and all malice, the erring ones may turn their hearts to Thee and find their rest upon the bosom of Thine only true and sanctifying Church: Through Christ Our Lord.

Amen.

Let us pray that all nations may be taught and may observe all things whatsover Christ has commanded.

(Our Father & Hall Mary)

The Gentiles shall walk in Thy light.

And kings in the brightness of Thy rising.

Tell forth the glory of the Lord among the Gentiles;

His wonders among all people.

Bring unto the Lord, O ye kindred of the Gentiles;

Bring to the Lord glory and honor.

Bring up sacrifices and come into His holy courts; Adore ye the Lord in His holy court.

In Him shall all the tribes of the earth be blessed; All nations shall magnify Him.

All the rulers of earth shall adore Him;

All nations shall serve Him.

Show us, O Lord, Thy mercy;

And grant us Thy salvation.

Our Protector Thou, behold, O God, and look upon the face of Thine Anointed. Who gave Himself a ransom for us all, and bring to pass, that from the rising of the sun even to the going down thereof, Thy Name be great among the Gentiles, and in every place a clean oblation may be sacrificed and offered to Thy Name: Through Christ Our Lord.

Amen.

Let us pray that the Lord may send laborers into His harvest, and that the Church may ever be provided with a worthy and efficient missionary force.

(Our Father & Hail Mary)

To the King of ages, the Immortal and Invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forevermore. Amen.

You shall receive the power of the Holy Ghost coming upon you,

And you shall be witnesses unto Me-even to the uttermost bounds of the earth.

Come Holy Ghost, replenish the hearts of Thy faithful;

And enkindle in them the fire of Thy Love. Send forth Thy Spirit, and life shall be created; And Thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning,—is now, and ever shall be,—world without end. Amen.

O God, Whose Will it is that all be saved, and that all should come to know Thy truth, send forth, we beseech Thee, workmen for Thy harvest; and grant them grace to speak Thy word with utmost confidence, so that Thy teachings may be spread and glorified, and all the nations may acknowledge Thee, and Him Whom Thou hast sent, Thy Son, Our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ: Who liveth and reigneth, world without end.

O God of the nations, to Whom all men should bow in loving adoration, grant that from the heart of America apostles may rise speedily and in great numbers, to carry the glad tidings of Thy revealed word to those who know Thee not.

Amen.

Amen.

Bless, O Lord, we beseech Thee, the labors of our missionaries, both at home and abroad, that, with the aid of Thy grace, they may, by the preaching of Thy word and the holiness of their lives, lead many into the one true Fold and unto life everlasting.

Amen.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, Thy kingdom come!

(Tantum Ergo and Benediction)



Hymns

Ut Omnes Unum Sint.

"Ut omnes unum sint," O Lord, we pray—That all be drawn within Thy one true fold,—Back to Thy Church, from which the wand'rers stray—And the true Faith she keeps like saints of old.—O bring them back, Good Shepherd of the sheep,—And rouse the heathen nations from their sleep.

Long Live The Pope!

Long live the Pope, his praises sound again and yet again;—His rule is over space and time; his throne the hearts of men:—All hail, the Shepherd King of Rome, the theme of loving song:—Let all the earth his glory sing, and heav'n the strains prolong;—Let all the earth his glory sing, and heav'n the strains prolong.

Faith Of Our Fathers.

Faith of our fathers, living still,—In spite of dungeon, fire and sword!—Oh, how our hearts beat high with joy—Whene'er we hear that glorious word:—::Faith of our fathers, holy faith,— We will be true to thee till death!::

Holy God.

 Holy God, we praise Thy name!—Lord of all, we bow before Thee!—All on earth Thy scepter claim,—All in heav'n above adore Thee:—::Infinite Thy vast domain,—Everlasting is Thy reign.::

2. Hark the loud celestial hymn—Angel choirs above are raising!—Cherubim and Seraphim—In unceasing chorus praising,—::Fill the heav'ns with sweet accord:—Holy! Holy! Holy Lord!::

NOVENA TO SAINT JOSEPH

(Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.)

Behold the servant, faithful and wise, whom the Lord hath placed over His family.—Matt 24:45. Help us, Joseph, in our earthly strife; Always to lead a pure and blameless life.

Glory be to the Father . . . As it was in the beginning . . .

Litany of Saint Joseph

Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, hear us. Christ, graciously hear us. God, the Father of heaven, Have mercy on us. God, the Son, Redeemer of the world, God, the Holy Ghost. Holy Trinity, one God, Holy Mary, pray for us. Saint Joseph. Illustrious descendant of David. Light of patriarchs. Spouse of the Mother of God. Chaste guardian of the Virgin, Foster father of the Son of God. Zealous defender of Christ, Head of the Holy Family. Joseph most, just, Joseph most pure, Joseph most prudent. Joseph most valiant, Joseph most obedient. Joseph most faithful, Mirror of patience, Lover of poverty, Model of workmen. Glory of domestic life. Guardian of virgins, Pillar of families. Solace of the afflicted. Hope of the sick. Patron of the dying. Terror of demons, Protector of Holy Church.

Lamb of God, Who takest away the sins of the world, Spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, Who takest away the sins of the world, Graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, Who takest away the sins of the world, Have mercy on us.

He hath made him the master of His house, And the ruler of all His possessions.

Let us pray. O God, Who by Thine unspeakable providence didst deign to choose blessed Joseph to be the spouse of Thy most Holy Mother, grant that as we venerate him for our protector on earth, we may deserve to have him as our intercessor in heaven: Who livest and reignest forever and ever. Amen.

(Tantum Ergo and Benediction)



RENEWAL OF VOWS

(April 16)

(The Community assembles in the sanctuary with lighted candles. (The Blessed Sacrament is exposed and)the Veni Creator and Orations, page 76, are chanted.)

Psalm 115

Credidi propter quod locutus sum: * Ego autem humiliatus sum nimis.

Ego dixi in excessu meo: " omnis homo mendax. Quid retribuam Domini, " pro omnibus, quae retribuit mihi?

Calicem salutaris accipiam: * et nomen Domini invocabo.

Vota mea Domino reddam coram omni populo Ejus: * pretiosa in conspectu Domini mors sanctorum Ejus.

O Domine, quia ego servus tuus: * ego servus tuus, et filius ancillae tuae.

Dirupisti vincula mea: * tibi sacrificabo hostiam laudis, et nomen Domini invocabo.

Vota mea Domino reddam in conspectu omnis populi Ejus: * in atriis domus Domini, in medio tul Jerusalem.

Gloria Patri, et Filio, * et Spiritui Sancto.

Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, * et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

(Thereupon the Celebrant renews his religious profession aloud; the rest of the Community does so mentally.)

Benewal of Profession

O Lord, our God, in my own name and in the name of all my brethren here present, I render thanks to Thy infinite Majesty for that singular favor by which, in Thy most tender mercy, Thou didst lead me, most abject sinner, out of this wicked world and admit me to holy profession.

I grieve from the depths of my heart that I have. not sufficiently corresponded with this grace and have proved ungrateful for so great a benefit. I detest all transgressions and sins of negligence of which I have been guilty in this holy state.

To ensure a sincere renewal of the religious spirit, I (Fr. N. N.) do now again vow and promise to Almighty God, to Blessed Mary ever Virgin, to our holy Father Francis and to all the Saints, to observe all the days of my life the Rule of the Friars Minor, by living in obedience, without property and in chastity.

I desire that this renewed profession of my vows may be graciously accepted by the Most Holy Trinity, and that it may never cease. May it be repeated with every breath I draw so that I may continue to renew it as long as I live and keep it faithfully unto the end.

Realizing that of myself I am too weak and frail to fulfil these promises, I beseech Thee, good Jesus, Who hast given me the will to take my vows, to grant me the strength also to keep them. Deign to direct me with Thy grace that I may no longer live unto myself, but unto Thee alone. Assist me, so that with utmost zeal I may embrace the observances of our holy Order, and whatever else may tend to the perfection of my soul, and to the greater glory of Thy Holy Name: O Thou Who art our God blessed forever and ever. Amen.

Confirma hoc, Deus, quod operatus es in nobis: A templo sancto tuo, quod est in Jerusalem. Fiat misericordia tua, Domine, super nos:

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Quemadmodum speravimus in te.

Memento Congregationis tuae:

Quam possedisti ab initio.

Domine, exaudi orationem meam. Et-clamor meus ad te veniat. Dominus vobiseum. Et cum spiritu tuo. Oremus: Deus, qui diligentibus te bona invisibilia praeparasti: infunde cordibus nostris tui amoris affectum; ut te in omnibus et super omnia diligentes, promissiones tuas, quae omne desiderium, superant, consequamur. Familiam tuam, quaesumus, Domine, continua pietate custodi; ut, quae in sola spe gratiae caelestis innititur, tua semper protectione muniatur. Per Christum Dominum Nostrum. Amen. (All rise and sing the To Deum, page 118.) Benedicamus Patrem, et Filium, eum Sanctà Spiritu. Laudemus et superexaltemus eum in saccula. In Conceptione tua, Virgo, immaculata fuisti. Ora pro nobis Patrem, cujus Filium peperisti. Signasti, Domine, servum tuum Franciscum; Signis Redemptionis nostrae. Orate pro nobis, omnes Sancti Ordinis Minorum. Alt digal officiamur promissionibus Christi) Salvum fae populum tuum. Domine, et benedic haereditati tuae. Et rege cos, et extelle illes usque in acternum. Domine, exaudi orationem meam. Et clamor meus ad te veniat. Dominus vobiscum. Et cum spiritu tuo.

Oromus: Deus: cujus misoricordiae non est numerus, et bonitatis infinitus est thesaurus; piisimae majestati tuae pro collatis donis gratias agimus; tuam semper elementiam exorantes; ut qui petentibus postulata concedis, eosdem non doserens, ad praemia futura disponas.

Defende, quaesumus Domine, beata Maria semper Virgine intercedente, istam ab omni adversitate familiam: et toto corde tibi prostratam, ab hostium propitius tuere elementer insidiis.

Domine Jesu Christe, qui frigescente mundo, adinflammandum corda nostra tui amoris igne, in carne beatissimi Patris nostri Francisci, Passionis

tuae sacra Stigmata renovasti: concede propitius, ut ejus meritis et precibus crucem jugiter feramus, et dignos fructus poenitentiae faciamus.

Concede, quaesumus, emnipotens Deus, ut ad meliorem vitam Sanctorum tuorum Ordinum nostrorum beati Patris nostri Francisci exempla nosprovecent: quatenus quorum memoriam agimus, etiam actus imitemur.

Omnipotens sempiterne Deus, cujus spiritu totum eorpus Ecclesiae sanctificatur et regitur: exaudi nos pro universis ordinibus supplicantes; ut gratiae tuae munere, ab omnibus tibi gradibus fideliter serviatur. Per Dominum nostrum Jesum Christum Filium tuum: qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitate Spiritus Sancti Deus, per omnia saecula saeculorum. Amen.

(All kneel again; the Tantum Ergo and Benediction follow.)

HYMNS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

'Tis The Month Of Our Mother.

 "Tis the month of our Mother,—The blessed and beautiful days,—When our lips and our spirits—Are glowing with love and with praise.
—: :All hail! to dear Mary,—The guardian of our way,—To the fairest of Queens,—Be the fairest of seasons, sweet May.

Oh! what peace to her children,—'Mid sorsow and trials to know,—That the love of their Mother—Hath ever a solace for woe.: :All hail!

On This Day.

On this day, O beautiful Mother!—On this day we give thee our love;—Near thee Madonna, fondly we hover,—Trusting thy gentle care to prove.

—: :On this day we ask to share,—Dearest Mother, they sweet care;—Ald us ere our feet astray,—Wander from thy guiding way.—: :On this day,

Daily, Daily Sing to Mary

Dally, dally sing to Mary,—Sing, my soul her praises due:—All her feasts, her actions worship,—With the heart's devotion true.—Lost in wond'ring contemplation,—Be her majesty confessed;—Call her Mother, call her Virgin,—Happy Mother, Virgin blest.

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MAY DEVOTIONS

(Hymn)

In the name 4 Of the Father, etc.

Praised be Jesus Christ Now, and forevermore. Amen.

Open our lips, O Lord,

To bless Thy holy Name—whilst we celebrate the memory of the Blessed Virgin Mary;—drive from our hearts all wayward, vain and wandering thoughts;—enlighten our minds,—enkindle our affections,—that, with attention and devotion,—we may worship Thee and honor her in worthy manner,—and may deserve a hearing—in the presence of Thy Majesty divine:—through Christ our Lord. Amen.

O Lord.

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In humble imitation of Thine own divine example,—and of the honor Thou hast ever shown to Mary as Thy Mother,—we offer up this tribute of our love for her—whom Thou didst give to us to be our Mother also.

Glory be, etc. As it was, etc.

(Reading)

We fly to thy patronage,

O holy Mother of God;—despise not our petitions in our necessities;—but deliver us always from all dangers,—O thou ever glorious and blessed Virgin.

Remember,

O most gracious Virgin Mary,—that never was it known—that anyone who fled to thy protection,—implored thy help or sought thine intercession,—was left unaided.—Inspired with this confidence, we fly unto thee,—O Virgin of Virgins, our Mother;—to thee we come;—before thee we stand, sinful and sorrowful.—O Mother of the Word Incarnate,—despise not our petitions,—but, in thy mercy, hear and answer us. Amen.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, we assemble here, today,—(and every day of this month) to show our love and veneration for thee.—We rejoice at the dignity and glory—which the Lord hath bestowed upon thee.—We praise and bless Him for having given us a Mother—adorned with such a pure, tender heart.

(To thee, O holy Virgin, we consecrate this entire month, and especially this day.)

We choose thee as our Mother, our Patroness and our Advocate—with Jesus, Thy beloved Son, now and forever.—To thee we consecrate our Souls and our bodies.—To thee we recommend all our hopes and desires,—our joys and sorrows, our whole life—and especially the end thereof—show thyself a Mother to us.—

To thee we commend the whole Catholic Church of God,—our Sovereign Pontiff, our bishops, priests and religious,—our parents and relatives, our friends and enemies,—all sinners, especially the dying,—and the souls of the faithful departed.

O Blessed Virgin Mary,—graciously hear our prayers and receive our petitions,—which we unite with those of the faithful on earth—and of the angels and the saints in heaven.—Intercede for us, O blessed Lady,—and obtain for us the greatest of all graces—to be faithful to thee and to thy beloved Son until death,—and, after death, to obtain the happiness in heaven—of praising, blessing and thanking thee with all the angels and the saints,—and with them, of loving and honoring thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ,—and the Blessed Trinity, through all eternity. Amen.

Holy Mary,

Befriend the wretched,—uphold the fainthearted,—comfort the sorrowful,—pray for the people,—plead for the clergy,—intercede for all mankind;—may all experience thine assistance—who celebrate thy sacred memory.

May our (evening) prayer ascend to Thee, O Lord: And on us all descend Thy mercy.

Grant, we beseech Thee, Lord God, that we, Thy servants, may rejoice in perpetual health of soul

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and body; and, through the glorious intercession of the Blessed Mary ever Virgin, be freed from present sorrow, and enjoy eternal happiness: through Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, page 19.)

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NOVENA FOR PENTECOST

The charity of God is poured forth in our hearts through the Holy Spirit who hath been given us.-

Send forth Thy Spirit, and all shall be restored.
And Thou shalt renew the face of the earth.
Glory be to the Father . . .
As it was in the beginning . . .

O Holy Spirit, Divine Spirit of light and of love,—to Thee I consecrate my mind, my heart, my will,—my whole being, for time and for eternity.—May my mind be ever docile to Thy heavenly inspirations—and to the teachings of the holy Catholic Church,—of which Thou art the infallible Guide.—May my heart be ever aflame with love of God and fellow-man.—May my will be ever in agreement with the holy will of God.—And may my whole life be a faithful imitation—of the life and virtues of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,—to whom, with the Father and with Thee,—be honor and glory forever. Amen.

Come, Holy Spirit, replenish the hearts of Thy faithful;
And enkindle in them the fire of Thy love.

Let us pray: O God, who hast deigned to regenerate us by water and the Holy Ghost, preserve in us, we pray, Thy sevenfold Spirit,—the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding, the Spirit of counsel and of fortitude, the Spirit of knowledge and of goodness, together with the Spirit of the fear of the Lord;—and grant that we, who have been anointed with holy chrism and signed with the sign of the holy Cross, may—through the abiding presence of that Holy Spirit—be ever worthy temples of His glory: Who livest and reignest, world without end. Amen.

ANNUAL RENEWAL OF EXPIATION AND REPARATION TO THE SACRED HEART

(Feast of the Sacred Heart)

(The Community assembles in the sanctuary with lighted candles. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed.)

Veni Creator

Veni, Creator Spiritus,—Mentes tuorum visita,—Imple superna gratia,—Quae tu creasti pectora. Qui diceris Paraclitus,—Altissimi donum Dei,—Fons vivus, ignis, caritas,—Et spiritalis unctio. Tu septiformis munere,—Digitus Paternae dexterae,—Tu rite promissum Patris,—Sermone ditans guttura.

Accende lumen sensibus;—Infunde amorem cordibus;—Infirma nostri corporis—Virtute firmans perpeti.

Hostem repellas longius,—Pacemque dones protinus,—Ductore sic te praevio—Vitemus omne noxium.

Per te sciamus da Patrem,—Noscamus atque Filium,—Teque utriusque Spiritum—Credamus omni tempore.

Deo Patri sit gloria,—Et Fllio, qui a mortuis— Surrexit, ac Paraclito,—In saeculorum saecula. Amen.

Emitte Spiritum tuum et creabuntur.

Et renovabis faciem terrae.

Oremus: Actiones nostras, quaesumus, Domine, aspirando praeveni, et adjuvando prosequere: ut cuncta nostra oratio et operatio a te semper incipiat, et per te coepta finiatur. Per Christum Dominium nostrum.

Amen.

(The Celebrant then recites the Consecration of the Order.)

Consecration of the Seraphic Order

O Divine Heart, O Heart most worthy of infinite adoration and unbounded love, O Heart of Jesus wounded and freely shedding its Precious Blood, behold, to Thee I commend, to Thee I obligate, to Thee I entrust myself and all the members of my Order (Province, Community) and of the whole Seraphic Family enrolled beneath the banner of our holy Father Francis.

With Thy Precious Blood do Thou cleanse it ever more and more from every stain of sin; inflame it ever more ardently with the fire of Thy Love. Engrave indelibly upon it the sign of Thy holy Cross that at all times, in all places and in all things it may prove worthy of its holy vocation, worthy of its holy Father who bore Thy sacred wounds, worthy of its Seraphic Doctor, St. Bonaventure, worthy of Thy wounded Heart to which I have consecrated it, my Crucified Jesus.

All this I beg most earnestly through the merits of the Heart, transfixed with pain, of the Blessed Virgin Mary, our Mother as well as Thine, and through the intercession of all the Saints who while on earth were most devoted to Thy adorable Heart. Amen.

Act of Reparation

(Recited by all)

O Sweet Jesus,-whose overflowing charity for men-is requited by so much forgetfulness,negligence and contempt,-behold us prostrate before Thy altar-eager to repair by a special act of homage-the cruel indifference and injuries-to which Thy loving Heart-is everywhere subject. Mindful alas!-that we ourselves have had a share -in such great indignities,-which we now deplore-from the depths of our hearts,-we humbly ask thy pardon-and declare our readinessto atone by voluntary expiation-not only for our own personal offences,-but also for the sins of those,-who, straying far from the path of salvation,-refuse in their obstinate infidelity-to follow Thee-their Shepherd and Leader,-or, renouncing the vows of their baptism,-have cast off-the sweet voke of Thy law.

We are now resolved to expiate—each and every deplorable outrage—committed against Thee;—we are determined to make amends—for the manifold offences—against Christian modesty—in unbecoming dress and behavior,—for all the foul seductions—laid to ensnare the feet of the innocent,—for the frequent violation of Sundays and

holy days,—and the shocking blasphemies—uttered against Thee and Thy Saints.

We wish also to make amends—for the insults—to which Thy Vicar on earth—and Thy priests are subjected;—for the profanation,—by conscious neglect—or terrible acts of sacrilege,—of the very Sacrament of Thy divine love;—and lastly for the public crimes of nations—who resist the rights—and the teaching authority—of the Church which Thou hast founded.

Would, O Divine Jesus,—we were able to wash away—such abominations—with our blood.—We now offer,—in reparation for these violations—of Thy divine honor,—the satisfaction Thou didst once make—to Thy eternal Father on the Cross—and which Thou dost continue—to renew daily on our altars;—we offer it—in union with acts of atonement—of Thy Virgin Mother—and all the Saints—and of the pious faithful on earth;—and we sincerely promise—to make recompense,—as far as we can—with the help of Thy grace,—for all neglect of Thy great love—and for the sins—we and others—have committed in the past.—

Henceforth we will live a life of unwavering faith,
—of purity of conduct,—of perfect observance—
of the precepts of the Gospel,—and especially that
of charity.—We promise to the best of our power
—to prevent others from offending Thee—and to
bring as many as possible—to follow Thee.

O loving Jesus,—through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary,—our model in reparation,—deign to receive the voluntary offering we make —of this act of expiation;—and by the crowning gift of perseverance—keep us faithful unto death —in our duty—and the allegiance we owe to Thee, —so that we may all one day—come to that happy home,—where Thou with the Father and the Holy Ghost—livest and reignest,—God,—world without end. Amen.

(All rise)

Antiphon: Suscepit nos Dominus in sinum et cor suum, recordatur misericordiae suae, Alleluia.

Magnificat

Magnificat " anima mea Dominum.

Et exsultavit spiritus meus * in Deo salutari meo, Quia respexit humilitatem ancillae suae: * ecce enim ex hoc beatam me dicent omnes generationes.

Quia fecit mihi magna qui potens est: * et sanctum nomen eius.

Et misericordia ejus a progenie in progenies: * timentibus eum.

Fecit potentiam in brachlo suo: * dispersit superbos mente cordis sui.

Deposuit potentes de sede, * et exaltavit humiles. Esurientes implevit bonis: * et divites dimisit inanes.

Suscepit Israel, puerum suum, * recordatus misericordiae suae.

Sicut locutus est ad patres nostros, * Abraham, et semini ejus in saecula.

Gloria Patri . . . Sicut erat . . .

(The Antiphon is repeated; all kneel.)

Confirma hoc, Deus, quod operatus es in nobis:

A templo sancto tuo, quod est in Jerusalem.

Memento Congregationis tuae:

Quam possedisti ab initio.

Cor Jesu, flagrans amore nostri:

Inflamma cor nostrum amore tul.

Domine, exaudi orationem meam. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.

Dominus vobiscus.

Et cum spiritu tuo.

Oremus: Deus qui nobis, in Corde Filli tui, nostris vulnerato peccatis, infinitos dilectionis thesauros misericorditer largiri dignaris; concede, quaesumus, ut illi devotum pietatis nostrae praestantes obsequium, dignae quoque satisfactionis exhibeamus officium.

Fac nos, Domine Jesu, sanctissimi Cordis tui virtutibus indui, et affectibus inflammari: ut et imagini bonitatis tuae conformes, et tuae Redemptionis mereamur esse participes. Qui vivis et regnas Deus per omnia saecula saeculorum.

Amen.

(Tantum Ergo and Benediction)

FRANCISCAN CROWN OF THE ROSARY OF THE SEVEN JOYS OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN

Method of Saying the Franciscan Crown

Begin at once with the first decade, saying one Our Father and ten Hail Marys. Then continue in the same manner with the remaining six decades, reciting each one in honor of the mystery commemorated, viz: 1. The Annunciation; 2. The Visitation: 3. The Birth of our Lord: 4. The Adoration of the Magi; 5. The Finding of Jesus in the Temple: 6. The Resurrection of our Lord: 7. The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin. On finishing the seventh decade, say two Hail Marys (on the two beads near the link), in honor of the seventytwo years Our Lady is supposed to have lived on earth. Finally, say one Our Father and one Hail Mary (on the two beads nearest the cross) for the intention of the Pope, to gain the indulgences. There is no Creed nor any other prayer on the Cross.

To gain the indulgences, it is not necessary to meditate on the various mysteries, but merely to recite the decades in honor of them. Moreover, the crown may be interrupted at will, as long as the entire rosary of seven decades is recited on one and the same day.

(Pius X, July 22, 1908)

The Franciscan Crown is the most richly indulgenced of all rosaries.

INDULGENCES GRANTED BY PIUS X

A. PLENARY INDULGENCES. The faithful gain:

1. A PLENARY INDULGENCE for taking part in the public recital of the CROWN in any church of the Three

recital of the CROWN in any church of the Three Orders of St. Francis.

2. A PLENARY INDUCENCE if after Confession and Communion (no other conditions), they recite the FRANCISCAN CROWN on the following feasts: (Christimas (Dec. 25); Epiphany (Jan. 6); Sunday during the Octave of Epiphany: Easter; Immaculate Conception Dec. 8); Annunciation (Mar. 25); Purification (Feb. 2); Visitation (July 2); Assumption (Aug. 15); Feast of the Seven Joys of the Blessed Virgin (Aug. 22); Nativity of the Blessed Virgin (Sept. 8).

3. A PLENARY INDULENCE once a month on any date after Confession and Communion, if they say the FEANCASCAN CROWN every Saturday.

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4. A PLENARY INDULGENCE in the hour of death on the usual conditions, if one has the rosary in his possession and has prayed it frequently.

B. PARTIAL INDULGENCES. The faithful can gain a Dartial Induler of the second s

Partial Indulgence of:

SEVENTY YEARS AND SEVENTY QUARANTINES every time they say the FRANCISCAN CROWN on any day of the week except Saturday.

ONE HUNDRED YEARS every time they say it on any Saturday of the year.

Two HUNDRED YEARS when they say it on the holy-

days of obligation.
THERE HUNDRED YEARS when they say it on any feast
of the Blessed Virgin not mentioned above for the Plenary Indulgences.

TEN YEARS for every good work they perform for the honor of God or for the love of their neighbor, pro-

nonor or God or for the love of their neighbor, pro-vided they carry the rosary about on their person and often recite it. TEN YEARS every time they say seven Hall Marys in honor of the Seven Joys of the Blessed Virgin, pro-vided they carry the rosary about on their person and often recite it.

Note: All these indulgences, except the one for the hour of death, can be applied to the poor souls.

INDULGENCE BLESSING

(Third Order)

Intret oratio mea in conspectu tuo, Domine; inclina aurem tuam ad preces nostras. Parce, Domine, parce populo tuo, quem redemisti sanguine tuo pretioso, ne in aeternum irascaris nobis.

Kyrie eleison Christe eleison

Kyrie eleison (Pater noster: secreto)

Et ne nos inducas in tentationem Sed libera nos a malo Salvos fac servos tuos Deus meus, sperantes in te Mitte eis, Domine, auxilium de sancto

Et de Sion tuere eos

Esto eis, Domine, turris fortitudinis

A facie inimici Nihil proficiat inimicus in nobis

Et filius iniquitatis non apponat nocere nobis Domine, exaudi orationem meam

Et clamor meus ad te veniat

Dominus vobiscum Et cum spiritu tuo

Oremus:

Deus, cui proprium est miserere semper et parcere, suscipe deprecationem nostram, ut nos et omnes famulos tuos, quos delictorum catena constringit, miseratio tuae pietatis clementer absolvat.

Exaudi quaesumus, Domine, supplicum preces, et confitentium tibi parce peccatis: ut pariter nobis indulgentiam tribuas benignus et pacem.

Ineffabilem nobis, Domine, misericordiam tuam clementer ostende: ut simul nos et a peccatis omnibus exuas, et a poenis quas pro his meremur eripias.

Deus, qui culpa offenderis et poenitentia placaris: preces populi tui supplicantis propitius respice, et flagella tuae iracundiae, quae pro peccatis nostris meremur, averte. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

Confiteor Deo omnipotenti—beatae Mariae semper Virgini,—beato Michaeli Archangelo,—beato Joanni Baptistae,—sanctis Apostolis Petro et Paulo, beato Patri nostro Francisco,—omnibus Sanctis, et tibi, pater,—quia peccavi nimis, cogitatione, verbo et opere,—

mea culpa, mea culpa, mea maxima culpa.—
Ideo precor beatam Mariam semper Virginem,—
beatum Michaelem Archangelum,—beatum Joannem Baptistam,—sanctos Apostolos Petrum et
Paulum,—beatum Patrem nostrum Franciscum,—
omnes sanctos, et te, pater,—orare pro me ad
Dominum Deum nostrum.

Misereatur vestri Omnipotens Deus, et dimissis peccatis vestris, perducat vos ad vitam aeternam. Amen.

Indulgentiam, 44 absolutionem et remissionem peccatorum vestrorum tribuat vobis omnipotens et misericors Dominus. Amen.

Dominus noster Jesus Christus qui beato Petro Apostolo dedit potestatem ligandi atque solvendi ille vos absolvat ab omni vinculo delictorum ut habeatis vitam aeternam, et vivatis in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

Per sacratissimam passionem et mortem Domini nostri Jesu Christi, precibus et meritis beatissimae semper Virginis Mariae, beatorum Apostolorum Petri et Pauli, beati Patris nostri Francisci et omnium Sanctorum, auctoritate a Summis Pontificibus mihi concessa, plenariam indulgentiam omnium peccatorum vestrorum vobis impetior. In nomine Patris, et Filii, et Spiritus Sancti.

Amen. (Pater, Ave, to gain indulgence)

N.B. The Indulgenced Blessing may be imparted to Tertiaries on the following feasts: Circumcision of our Lord; Epiphany; Purilication of the B.V.M.; First Friday in March; St. Joseph (March 19); Annunciation (March 25); All days of Holy Week; Easter Sunday; Ascension; Pentecost Sunday; Trinity Sunday; Corpus Christi; Sacred Heart; SS. Peter and Paul (June 29); Visitation (July 2); St. Clare (Aug. 12); Assumption; Seven Joys (Aug. 22); St. Louis (Aug. 25); Nativity of B.V.M. (Sept. 8); Stigmata of St. Francis (Sept. 17); St. Francis (Oct. 4); All Saints; St. Elizabeth (Nov. 19); Presentation of B.V.M. (Nov. 21); St. Catharine (Nov. 25); Immaculate Conception; Christmas, and at the time of the visitation.

THIRD ORDER OF SAINT FRANCIS

Hymn

O Saint Francis, thy poor children's Father!—O Saint Francis, pray for us!—O Saint Francis, among saints the Seraph,—Holy Father, pray for us!—Eyes full of pity and heart ever tender,—To our petitions incline and surrender.—O Saint Francis, pray for us;—Holy Father, succor us!

Prelude

Come, Holy Spirit, replenish the hearts of Thy faithful, and kindle in them the fire of Thy love. We fly to thy patronage, O Holy Mother of God: despise not our petitions in our necessities; but deliver us always from all dangers, O Virgin glorious and blessed.

Look down, blessed Father Francis, from the high court of heaven, and pray for thy people, the people whom thou hast selected, that in thy presence they may at all times be faithful in the service of the Lord.

Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us. Our Father (in secret).

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And lead us not into temptation:

But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Be mindful of Thy congregation,

Which Thou hast possessed from the beginning.

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