

INTROIT: APOC. 12. 1

SIGNUM magnum apparuit in caelo: mulier amicta sole, et luna sub pedibus ejus, et in capite ejus corona stellarum duodecim. *Ps. 97. 1.* Cantate Domino canticum novum: quia mirabilia fecit. *Ps.* Gloria Patri.

A great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. *Ps.* Sing ye to the Lord a new canticle: because He hath done wonderful things. *Ps.* Glory be to the Father.

COLLECT

Omnipotens sempiternus Deus, qui Immaculatam Virginem Mariam, Filii tui Genitricem, corpore et anima ad caelestem gloriam assumpsisti: concede, quaesumus; ut ad superna semper intenti, ipsius gloriae mereamur esse consortes. Per eundem Dominum nostrum.

Almighty and everlasting God, who hast taken up the Immaculate Virgin Mary, the Mother of Thy Son, with body and soul into heavenly glory: grant, we beseech Thee, that we may always, intent on higher things, deserve to be partakers of her glory. Through the same our Lord.

EPISTLE: JUDITH 13. 22-25; 15. 10

Benedixit te Dominus in virtute sua, quia per te ad nihilum redegit inimicos nostros. Benedicta es tu, filia, a Domino Deo excelsio, praee omnibus mulieribus super terram. Benedictus Dominus, qui creavit caelum et terram, qui te direxit in vulnera capitis principis inimicorum nostrorum; quia hodie nomen tuum ita magnificavit, ut non recedat laus tua de ore hominum, qui memores fuerint virtutis Domini in aeternum, pro quibus non pepercisti animae tuae propter angustias et tribulationem generis tui, sed subvenisti ruinae ante conspectum Dei nostri. Tu gloriae Jerusalem, tu laetitia Israel, tu honorificentia populi nostri.

The Lord hath blessed thee by His power, because by thee He hath brought our enemies to nought. Blessed art thou, O daughter, by the Lord the most high God, above all women upon the earth. Blessed be the Lord, who made heaven and earth, who hath directed thee to the cutting off the head of the prince of our enemies; because He hath so magnified thy name this day, that thy praise shall not depart out of the mouth of men who shall be mindful of the power of the Lord, for ever: for that thou hast not spared thy life, by reason of the distress and tribulation of thy people; but hast prevented our ruin in the presence of our God. Thou art the glory of Jerusalem, thou art the joy of Israel, thou art the honour of our people.

GRADUAL: PS. 44. 11-12, 14

Audi, filia, et vide, et inclina aurem tuam, et concupiscet rex pulchritudinem tuam. *Ps.* Tota decora ingreditur filia regis, texturae aureae sunt amictus ejus.

Hearken, O daughter, and see, and incline thy ear: and the King shall greatly desire thy beauty. *Ps.* The daughter of the King comes in, all beautiful: her robes are of golden cloth.

ALLELUIA

Alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* Assumpta est Maria in caelum: gaudet exercitus Angelorum. Alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* Mary has been taken up into heaven: the choirs of angels rejoice. Alleluia.

GOSPEL: LUKE 1. 41-50

In illo tempore: Repleta est Spiritu Sancto Elisabeth et exclamavit voce magna, et dixit: Benedicta tu inter mulieres, et benedictus fructus ventris tui. Et unde hoc mihi ut veniat mater Domini mei ad me? Ecce enim ut facta est vox salutationis tuae in auribus meis, exultavit in gaudio infans in utero meo. Et beata quae credidisti, quoniam perficiuntur ea, quae dicta sunt tibi a Domino. Et ait Maria: Magnificat anima mea Dominum: et exultavit 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 ejus, et misericordia ejus a progenie in progenies timentibus eum. Credo.

At that time, Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Ghost: and she cried out with a loud voice, and said: Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb. And whence is this to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For behold as soon as the voice of thy salutation sounded in my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed art thou that hast believed, because those things shall be accomplished that were spoken to thee by the Lord. And Mary said: My soul doth magnify the Lord; and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour; because He hath regarded the humility of His handmaid: for behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed. Because He that is mighty hath done great things to me, and holy is His name, and His mercy is from generation unto generations, to them that fear Him. CREED

OFFERTORY: GEN. 3. 15

Inimicitias ponam inter te et Mulierem et semen tuum et Semen illius.

I will put enmities between thee and the Woman, and between thy seed and her Seed.