

## POSTCOMMUNION

FILLED with the divine gifts of Thy Heart, we beseech Thee, O Lord Jesus, that we may be made worthy ever to abide in Thy love and to grow therein unto the end: Who livest and reignest ...

DIVINIS donis Cordis tui satiáte, quæsumus, Dómine Jesu, ut in tui semper amóre permanére et usque in finem créscere mereámur: Qui vivis et regnas ...

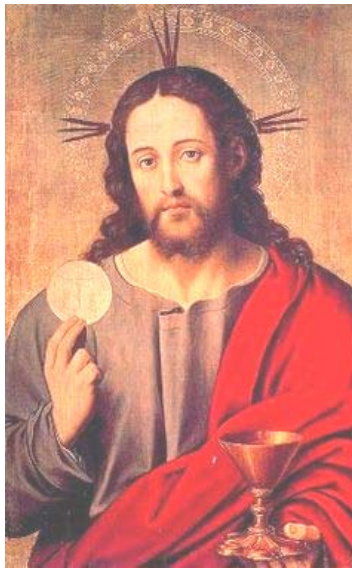
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### The Eucharistic Heart of Jesus

ON 9 NOVEMBER 1921, Pope Benedict XV instituted the feast of the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus to be celebrated on the Thursday within the Octave of the Sacred Heart with a Proper Mass and Office. The feast continues to be celebrated in some places and by some communities, notably by the Redemptorists who maintain it in their Proper Calendar. In instituting the feast, Pope Benedict XV wrote:

“The chief reason of this feast is to commemorate the love of Our Lord Jesus Christ in the mystery of the Eucharist. By this means the Church wishes more and more to excite the faithful to approach this sacred mystery with confidence, and to inflame their hearts with that divine charity which consumed the Sacred Heart of Jesus when in His infinite love He instituted the Most Holy Eucharist, wherein the Divine Heart guards and loves them by

living with them, as they live and abide in Him. For in the sacrament of the Holy Eucharist He offers and gives Himself to us as victim, companion, nourishment, viaticum, and pledge of our future glory.”



The adorable mystery of the Eucharist sums up, contains, and communicates to us the entire mystery of Christ: His incarnation, life, passion, death, resurrection, and ascension, and outpouring of the Holy Spirit. If you seek the open Side of the glorious ascended Christ, you will find it in the Eucharist. If you seek the pierced Heart of Christ, beating with love for the Father and with mercy for sinners, you will find it in the Eucharist. The Communion Antiphon of the Mass of the feast is meant to be repeated and treasured. It is, at once, a promise and an invitation: “Behold I am with you all days, even to the consummation of the world.” (*Mt. 28:20*).

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## Proper Prayers of the Mass in the Extraordinary Form Feast of the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus



### INTROIT (John 13. 1-2)

SCIENS Jesus quia venit hora ejus ut tránseat ex hoc mundo ad Patrem: cum dilexisset suos, qui errant in mundo, in finem diléxit eos, alleluia, alleluia. *Psal.* Cantáte Dómino cánticum novum: quia mirabilia fecit. *V.* Glória Patri, et Filio, et Spíritui Sancto. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in sácula sáculórum. *R.* Amen. — Sciens Jesus ...

JESUS knowing that His hour was come, that He should pass out of this world to the Father: having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them unto the end, alleluia, alleluia. *Ps. 97. 1.* Sing unto the Lord a new song, for He hath done wonderful things. *V.* 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. — Jesus knowing ...

### COLLECT

DÓMINE Jesu Christe, qui divítias amóris tui erga hómines effúdens Eucharistiæ Sacraméntum condidisti: da nobis, quæsumus; ut amantíssimum Cor tuum diligere, et tanto Sacraménto digne semper uti valeámus: Qui vivis et regnas cum Deo Patre in unitáte Spíritus Sancti Deus: per ómnia sácula sáculórum.

O LORD Jesus Christ, who has poured forth the riches of Thy love for men in instituting the Sacrament of the Eucharist: help us, we beseech Thee, to love Thy most loving Heart and ever make worthy use of so great a Sacrament: Who livest and reignest with God the Father, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. *R.* Amen.

### EPISTLE

From the Letter of Blessed Paul the Apostle to the Ephesians, 3. 8-12, 14-19.

FRATRES: Mihi ómnium sanctorum mínimo data est grátia hæc: in géntibus evangelizáre investigábiles divítias Christi

BRETHREN, To me, the least of all the Saints, is given this grace, to preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of

Christ: and to enlighten all men, that they may see what is the dispensation of the mystery which hath been hidden from eternity in God, who created all things: that the manifold wisdom of God may be made known to the principalities and powers in heavenly places through the Church, according to the eternal purpose which He made in Christ Jesus our Lord: in whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of Him. For this cause I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom all paternity in heaven and earth is named, that He would grant you according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened by His Spirit with might unto the inward man, that Christ may dwell by faith in your hearts: that, being rooted and grounded in charity, you may be able to comprehend with all the Saints, what is the breadth and length, and height and depth: to know also the charity of Christ which surpasseth all knowledge, that you may be filled unto all the fullness of God.

#### GRADUAL (Isa. 12. 6)

EXULT and praise, O habitation of Sion, for great is the Holy One of Israel in the midst of thee. Make his works known among the people.

Alleluia, alleluia. (*Zach. 9. 17.*) What is his good and what his beautiful thing, but the corn of the elect, and wine springing forth virgins? Alleluia.

#### GOSPEL

Continuation of the holy Gospel according to St. Luke, 22. 15-20.

AT THAT TIME Jesus said to His disciples: With desire I have desired to eat this pasch with you, before I suffer. For I say to you that from this time I will not eat it, till it be fulfilled in the kingdom of God. And having taken the chalice, He gave thanks and said: Take and divide among you. For I say to you

et illuminare omnes, quae sit dispensation sacramenti absconditi a saeculis in Deo qui omnia creavit: ut innotescat principatibus et potestatibus in caelestibus per Ecclesiam multiformis sapientia Dei: secundum praefinitionem saeculorum, quam fecit in Christo Jesu Domino nostro, in quo habemus fiduciam et accessum in confidentia per fidem ejus. Hujus rei gratia flecto genua mea ad Patrem, Domino nostri Jesu Christi, ex quo omnis paternitas in caelis et in terra nominatur: ut det vobis secundum divitias gloriae suae virtute corroborari per Spiritum ejus in interiorum hominem, Christum habitare per fidem in cordibus vestris, in caritate radicati et fundati, ut possitis comprehendere cum omnibus sanctis quae sit latitudo, et longitudo et sublimitas et profundum: scire etiam supereminentem scientiae caritatem Christi, ut impleamini in omnem plenitudinem Dei.

EXSULTA et lauda, habitatio Sion, quia magnus in medio tui Sanctus Israel. Notas facite in populis adinventioem ejus.

Alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* Quid bonum ejus est, et quid pulchrum ejus, nisi frumentum electorum et vinum germinans virgines? Alleluia.

IN ILLO TEMPORE: dixit Jesus discipulis suis: Desideravi hoc Pascha manducare vobiscum, antequam patiar. Dico enim vobis, quia ex hoc non manducabo illud, donec impleatur in regno Dei. Et accepto calice, gratias egit, et dixit: Accipite, et dividite

inter vos. Dico enim vobis quod non bibam de generatione vitis, donec regnum Dei veniat. Et accepto pane, gratias egit, et fregit, et dedit eis, dicens: Hoc est Corpus meum, quod pro vobis datur: hoc facite in meam commemorationem. Similiter et calicem, postquam cenavit, dicens: Hic est calix novum testamentum in Sanguine meo, qui pro vobis fundetur.

that I will not drink of the fruit of the vine, till the kingdom of God come. And taking bread, He gave thanks and brake and gave to them, saying: This is My Body, which is given for you. Do this for a commemoration of Me. In like manner, the chalice also, after He had supped, saying: This is the chalice the new testament in My Blood, which shall be shed for you.

#### OFFERTORY (Ps. 30. 20)

QUAM magna multitudo dulcedinis tuae, Domine, quam abscondisti timentibus te, alleluia.

O HOW great is the multitude of Thy sweetness, O Lord, which Thou has hidden for them that fear Thee, alleluia.

#### SECRET

TUERE nos, Domine, tua tibi holocausta offerentes: ad quae ut ferventius corda nostra preparentur, flammis adure tuae divinae caritatis: Qui vivis et regnas ...

GUARD us, O Lord, who offer Thine own burnt-offering to Thee: and that our hearts may be prepared more fervently for it, kindle them with the fire of Thy divine love: Who livest and reignest ...

#### PREFACE OF THE EUCHARISTIC HEART OF JESUS

VERE dignum et justum est, aequum et salutare, nos tibi semper, et ubique gratias agere: Domine sancte, Pater omnipotens, aeternae Deus, per Christum Dominum nostrum. Qui pridie quam pro nobis immolareretur in ara crucis, dilectionis suae in homines divitias velut effundens, de Cordis sui thesauro Eucharistiae promissit mysterium. In quo credentium fides alitur, spes provohitur, caritas roboratur, et futurae gloriae pignus accipitur. Et ideo cum Angelis et Archangelis, cum Thronis et Dominationibus, cumque omni militia caelestis exercitus, hymnum gloriae tuae canimus, sine fine dicentes: — Sanctus.

IT is truly meet and just, right and for our salvation, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to Thee, holy Lord, Father almighty, eternal God: through Christ our Lord, who the day before He was sacrificed on the altar of the cross, desiring to pour out upon men the riches of His love, brought forth from the treasury of His Heart the mystery of the Eucharist. In this mystery the faith of believers is fed, their hope increased, their charity strengthened, and they receive the pledge of future glory. And therefore with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominations, and with all the hosts of the heavenly army, we sing a hymn to Thy glory, evermore saying: — Sanctus.

#### COMMUNION (Matth. 28. 20)

ECCE ego vobiscum sum omnibus diebus usque ad consummationem saeculi: dicit Dominus, alleluia.

BEHOLD I am with you all days even to the consummation of the world: saith the Lord, alleluia.