

VERE DIGNUM et justum est, æquum et salutäre, nos tibi semper, et ubique grätias agere: Dómine sancte, Pater omnipotens, ætérne Deus: Quia per incarnáti Verbi mystérium, nova mentis nostræ óculis lux tuæ claritátis infúlsit: ut dum visibíliter Deum cognóscimus, per hunc in invisibílium amórem rapíamur. Et ídeo cum Ángelis et Archángelis, cum Thronis et Dominatióibus, cumque omni milítia cœléstis exércitus, hymnum glóriæ tuæ cánimus sine fine dicéntes: — *Sanctus* ...

Psalm 44: 8

DILEXISTI justitiam, et odisti iniquitatem: propterea unxit te Deus, Deus tuus, oleo lætitiæ præ consortibus tuis.

SACRI Córporis et pretiósí Sanguinis renováti libámine, quæsumus, Dómine, cleméntiam tuam; et eódem mensæ cœléstis desidério inflammémur, quo beáta Elisabeth Anna veheménter æstuávit. Per Dominum.

PREFACE OF THE NATIVITY

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: for through the Mystery of the Word made flesh, new radiance from Thy glory hath so shone on the eye of the soul that the recognition of our God made visible draweth us to love what is invisible. And therefore with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominations, and with all the host of the heavenly army we sing a hymn to Thy glory, evermore saying: — *Sanctus*...

COMMUNION

Thou hast loved justice and hated iniquity: therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.

POSTCOMMUNION

Refreshed by the libation of Thy sacred Body and precious Blood, we seek Thy mercy, O Lord: that we might be inflamed by that same desire for the heavenly banquet, with which blessed Elizabeth Ann was ardently consumed. Through our Lord.

PROPER of the MASS

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON, Widow

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Psalm 118: 75, 120 INTROIT

COGNOVI, Domine, quia æquitas judicia tua, et in veritate tua humiliasti me: confige timore tuo carnes meas, a mandatis tuis timui. Ps. Beati immaculati in via: qui ambulant in lege Domini. Gloria Patri.

I know, O Lord, that Thy judgments are equity, and in Thy truth Thou hast humbled me: pierce Thou my flesh with Thy fear, I am afraid of Thy judgments. Ps. Blessed are the undefiled in the way who walk in the law of the Lord. Glory be to the Father.

COLLECT

CORDA nostra, quæsumus, Dómine, supérnis desidériis ad te semper adspírent; quem beáta Elísabeth Anna sédula caritáte quæsívit et sincéra fide invénit. Per Dóminum.

May our hearts ever seek Thee with heavenly desires, we beseech Thee, O Lord: Whom blessed Elizabeth Ann sought with constant charity and found with sincere faith. Through our Lord.

I Timothy 5: 3-10

CARISSIME: Víduas honóra quæ vere vidum sunt. Si qua autem vídua filios, aut nepótes habet, discat primum domum suam régere, et mútuam vicem réddere paréntibus: hoc enim accéptum est coram Deo. Quæ autem vere vidua est, et desoláta, speret in Deum, et instet obsecratióibus, et oratióibus nocte, ac die. Nam quæ in deliciis est, vivens mórtua est. Et hoc præcipe, ut irreprehensibiles sint. Si quis autem suórum, et máxime domesticórum curam non habet,

EPISTLE

Dearly beloved: Honour widows, that are widows indeed. But if any widow have children, or grandchildren, let her learn first to govern her own house, and to make a return of duty to her parents: for this is acceptable before God. But she that is a widow indeed and desolate, let her trust in God, and continue in prayers and supplications night and day. For she that liveth in pleasures, is dead while she is living. And this give in charge, that they may be blameless. But if any man have not care of his own,

fidem negavit, et est infideli deterior. Vidua eligatur non minus sexaginta annorum, quae fuerit unius viri uxor, in operibus bonis testimonium habens, si filios educavit, si hospitio recepit, si sanctorum pedes lavit, si tribulationem patientibus subministravit, si omne opus bonum subsecuta est.

Psalm 44: 3,5

DIFFUSA est gratia in labiis tuis: propterea benedixit te Deus in aeternum. Propter veritatem, et mansuetudinem, et justitiam: et deducet te mirabiliter dextera tua.

Psalm 44: 5

ALLELUIA, alleluia. Specie tua, et pulchritudine tua intende, prospere procede, et regna. Alleluia.

and especially of those of his house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel. Let a widow be chosen of no less than threescore years of age, who hath been the wife of one husband, having testimony for her good works, if she have brought up children, if she have received to harbor, if she have washed the saints' feet, if she have ministered to them that suffer tribulation, if she have diligently followed every good work.

GRADUAL

Grace is poured abroad in thy lips: therefore God hath blessed thee for ever and for ages of ages. Because of truth, and meekness, and justice: and thy right hand shall conduct thee wonderfully.

ALLELUIA

Alleluia, alleluia. With thy comeliness, and thy beauty set out, proceed prosperously, and reign. Alleluia.

Matthew 13: 44-52

IN illo tempore: Dixit Jesus discipulis suis parabolum hanc: Simile est regnum caelorum thesauro abscondito in agro: quem qui invenit homo, abscondit, et pro gaudio illius vadit, et vendit universa, quae habet, et emit agrum illum. Iterum simile est regnum caelorum homini negotiatori, quaerenti bonas margaritas. Inventa autem una pretiosa margarita, abiit, et vendidit omnia quae habuit, et emit eam. Iterum simile est regnum caelorum sagena missa in mare, et ex omni genere piscium congreganti. Quam, cum impleta esset, educentes, et secus littus sedentes, elegerunt bonos in vasa, malos autem foras miserunt. Sic erit in consummatione saeculi: exibunt Angeli, et separabunt malos de medio iustorum, et mittent eos in caminum ignis: ibi erit fletus, et stridor dentium. Intellexistis haec omnia? Dicunt ei: Etiam. Ait illis: Ideo omnis scribe doctus in regno caelorum similis est homini patrifamilias, qui profert de thesauro suo nova et vetera.

Psalm 44. 3

DIFFUSA est gratia in labiis tuis: propterea benedixit te Deus in aeternum, et in saeculum saeculi.

SUSCIPE, Domine, preces nostras; et huius oblationis obsequium, quod in beate Elisabeth Annæ commemoratione deferimus, ad placationem tui nominis copiosa fac provenire clementia, et ad gaudium nobis transeat sempiternum. Per Dominum nostrum Jesum Christum Filium tuum: Qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitate Spiritus Sancti, Deus, per omnia saecula saeculorum.

GOSPEL

At that time, Jesus spoke this parable to His disciples: The kingdom of Heaven is like unto a treasure hidden in a field; which a man having found, hid it, and for joy thereof goeth, and selleth all that he hath, and buyeth that field. Again, the kingdom of Heaven is like to a merchant seeking good pearls. Who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went his way and sold all that he had, and bought it. Again, the kingdom of Heaven is like to a net cast into the sea, and gathering together of all kinds of fishes; which, when it was filled, they drew out, and sitting by the shore, they chose out the good into vessels, but the bad they cast forth. So shall it be at the end of the world. The angels shall go out, and shall separate the wicked from among the just, and shall cast them into the furnace of fire; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Have ye understood all these things? They say to Him, Yes. He said unto them, Therefore, every scribe instructed in the kingdom of Heaven, is like to a man who is a householder, who bringeth forth out of his treasure new things and old.

OFFERTORY

Grace is poured abroad in thy lips: therefore God hath blessed thee for ever and for ages of ages.

SECRET

Receive, O Lord, our prayers, and may the sacrifice of this oblation, which present to Thee in memory of blessed Elizabeth Ann, make us grow in abundant compassion pleasing to Thee, and lead us to everlasting joy. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son: Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end.