

TODAY'S INTROIT is taken from Psalm 85 verses 1, 2, 3, & 4. We first identify them scripturally then understand them in relation to today's feast.

Psalm 83 is paraphrased: "A prayer for God's grace to assist us to the end." The liturgical Introit omits the verses in parenthesis.

1. *Incline thy ear, O Lord, and hear me: (for I am needy and poor.)*
2. *(Preserve my soul, for I am holy;) save thy servant, O my God, that trusts in thee.*
3. *Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I have cried to thee all the day.*

St. Robert Bellarmine notes the excellent way this prayerful psalm begins, which, by acknowledging God's greatness and our own poverty, prepares the heart to receive much for "the prayer of him the humbles himself shall pierce the clouds (Eccli. 35). ***Incline thy ear...*** "Thou art so high my God, bend down to me, and hear me for I am needy and poor as a beggar at the gates of a rich man." By *poor and needy*, the Psalmist means a person who, though he may be very wealthy, yet puts no trust in his material possessions, is not proud about them, nor despises others who are not as himself but rather despises the riches. St. Augustine says of Lazarus that he was not taken up by reason of his poverty but in virtue of his humility; nor was the rich man taken down on account of his riches but for his pride. Similarly, St. Robert observes that both Abraham and David abounded in riches but, since they took no pride in them, obtained the richer reward of heaven.

Next, another reason of being heard is posited: *I am holy*, "I have been baptized; I am a member of your mystical Body, Thou has a responsibility to save me." And note the boldness of address: *Preserve my soul...*; ***Save thy servant, O my God, that trusts in Thee*** (who is telling Who what to do?); but such is the cry of a poor child and a desperate soul who knows from whence true goods come.

Finally, ***Have mercy on me...*** pleads a hearing on reason of God's compassion; moreover, the case is made not once but many times ***I have cried to thee all day.***

4. *Give joy to the soul of thy servant, for to thee, O Lord, I have lifted up my soul.*

Earlier salvation was asked for, now reads ***Give joy to the soul...*** which St. Roberts understands as the interior joy of being at peace with God, of being in the state of heaven, of having sanctifying grace, 'the interior joy which strengthens a man against temptations and dangers during his exile, until the soul arrives in safety where there will be no temptations or dangers;' and the reason follows ***for to thee, O Lord, I have lifted up my soul,*** " as I have not sought true happiness elsewhere, O Lord, but in love transported my soul to thee, obtain for me this joy.

The Feast of the 15th Sunday after Pentecost speaks of true life. The Epistle: by our deeds life or death works in the soul; the Gospel: life comes through Christ. Let us ask, with a certain boldness, that God save us and grant us, even now, a taste of His eternal joy; and, on our part, "...while there is time, let us work good to all men, but especially to those who are of the household of the faith."

St. Michael's Latin Mass Community

Apostolate of the Priestly Fraternity of Saint Peter under the Roman Catholic Diocese of Rapid City

at Immaculate Conception Chapel (922 Fifth St., Rapid City, SD)

15th Sunday after

Pentecost

September 25, 2011

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Sunday Mass Schedule

9:10 – 9:55 am	Confessions
10:00 am	High Mass (low Mass with Benediction on 1 st Sundays)
11:20 am	Confessions (after Mass, as needed)

Monday – Saturday Mass Schedule

7:30 – 7:55 am	Confessions (and after Mass, as needed)
8:00 am	Low Mass
(5:30 pm	Low Mass on 1 st Fridays and Fridays of Lent)

At St. Michael's LMC

Every day ~ the Holy Rosary before daily mass.

Monday Latin Class ~ 6:30 to 7:30 pm at ICC.

Wednesday Holy Hour ~ 7:00 to 7:55 am

Choir Practice ~ 1st & 3rd Wednesday from 2:30 to 4:00 pm at ICC; if interested, call Stefanie at 718-0128

Wednesday Class ~ 6:30 to 7:30 pm at St. Thomas Moore H.S.; Room 106
Bring [The Catechism of the Catholic Church](#)

Sunday Class ~ 2:00 to 3:00 pm; if interested, call Jean 391-8307. Current topic: Church History.

Vespers & Compline ~ Sunday & Wednesday from 4:00 to 5:00 pm at ICC.

Liturgical Calendar for the Upcoming Week

DATE	FEAST	CLASS	COLOR	COMMEMORATION
Sun 09-25	15 th Sunday after Pentecost	2	G	
Mon 09-26	Ss. Isaac, Jogues & Comp.	3	R	Ss. Cyprian & Justina
Tues 09-27	Ss. Cosmas & Damian	3	R	
Wed 09-28	St. Wenceslaus	3	R	
Thu 09-29	Ded. of St. Michael the Arch.	1	W	
Fri 09-30	St. Jerome	3	W	
Sat 10-01	Immaculate Heart of Mary	3	W	St. Remigius
Sun 10-02	Ex. Sol. Our Lady of the Rosary	2	W	Comm. 16 th Sunday

Mass Intentions for the Upcoming Week

Sun 09-25	April Espericueta
Mon 09-26	Carol Shatraw
Tues 09-27	Tiffany Brett
Wed 09-28	FSSP
Thurs 09-29	Isaac Hausman
Fri 09-30	Forest Hausman
Sat 10-01	David Cox & Katie Westgard
Sun 10-02	Peter Brett (Rapid) Special Intention (Spearfish)

ON THE SUNDAY GOSPEL

Cum autem appropinquaret portae civitatis, ecce defunctus efferebatur...

The gate of the city through which the dead man was carried out is, I think, anyone of the bodily senses. For he who *sows discord among brethren* (Prov. 6:19) and who has *spoken iniquity on high* (Ps. 72:8), is carried out from the gate of his mouth. And he who looks on a woman, *to lust after her* (Mt 5:28) bears the tokens of his death through his eyes. He who listens to evil tales, to licentious songs, to calumny or detraction, freely opens his ears and makes them the gate of death of his soul. And whoever will not guard his senses, leaves open a way for death to enter. “Lord Jesus, I beseech Thee, make all the gates of my city, gates of justice, that in going in to them, I may give praise to Thy name (Ps. 117:19).”

~ The Venerable St. Bede, Priest & Confessor; 672-735 †

Announcements

Today's Mass:

Entrance-- NSB 197 My God How Wonderful Thou Art

Communion-- NSB 101 Sanctify Me Wholly

[NSB 114 Adoremus In Aeternum, Mode 6 along with 115](#)

Closing-- NSB 133 Hail, Queen of Heaven, the Ocean Star

Father Hathaway has returned from God's country. The normal schedule resumes today with class at 2:00 pm and Vespers at 4:00 pm.

Thank you to Fr. Terrence Gordon, FSSP who filled in during Fr. Hathaway's absence... it was like he was here, but shorter.

On Sunday, Oct., 2, the External Solemnity of Our Lady of the Rosary may be celebrated instead of the 16th Sunday after Pentecost. The Mass of the feast (Oct. 7) is used and there is a commemoration of the 16th Sunday after Pentecost. Knowing the importance of the Rosary for many of us, we will offer this Mass next Sunday.

LAST CALL: The FSSP 2012 Calendar and Liturgical Ordo and FSSP Directory will soon be available. Should you like one or more of either items, please indicate so on the sheet at the back of church. The cost for either item is \$10.00 each.

Altar server practice Sat., Oct 8th from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon; we will meet following Mass and a short breakfast downstairs.

The man who cannot believe his senses, and the man who cannot believe anything else, are both insane, but their insanity is not proved by any error in their argument, but by the manifest mistake of their whole lives. They have both locked themselves up in two boxes, painted inside with the sun and the stars; they are both unable to get out, the one into the health and happiness of heaven, the other even into the health and happiness of the earth. ~ G. K Chesterton

Offertory 9-18-11

Envelope Collection	656.00
Plate Collection	250.80
TOTAL	906.80

Offertory 9-11-11

Envelope Coll.	658.00
Plate Coll.	236.06
TOTAL	894.06

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