through that prayer grant that we may be cleansed and defended. Through our Lord Jesus Christ ...

quam nos expiári tríbuas et deféndi. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum ...

PREFACE OF THE APOSTLES

IT is truly meet and just, right and for our salvation, humbly to entreat Thee, Lord, that Thou wilt not desert Thy flock, eternal Shepherd: but through Thy blessed Apostles wilt keep it under Thy protection: that it may be governed by those same vicars of Thy work whom Thou didst put in charge as its pastors. 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*.

VERE dignum et justum est, æguum et salutáre, Te, Dómine, supplíciter exoráre, ut gregem tuum pastor ætérne non déseras: sed per beátos Apóstolos tuos, contínua protectióne custódias. Ut iísdem rectóribus gubernétur, quos óperis tui vicários eídem contulísti præésse pastóres. Et ídeo cum Ángelis et Archángelis, cum Thronis et Dominatiónibus, cumque omni milítia cœléstis exércitus, hymnum glóriæ tuæ cánimus, sine fine dicéntes: — Sanctus.

COMMUNION (Matth. 16. 18)

THOU art Peter: and upon this rock I will build My Church.

TU es Petrus, et super hanc petram ædificábo Ecclésiam meam.

POSTCOMMUNION

THROUGH the intercession of the Apostles, do Thou, O Lord, guard from all adversity those whom Thou hast filled with heavenly food. Through our Lord ...

QUOS cœlésti, Dómine, aliménto satiásti: apostólicis intercessiónibus ab omni adversitáte custódi. Per Dóminum nostrum ...

The Apostles Peter and Paul are the two Princes of the Apostles, the foundations of the Church, on which she is firmly established as on a rock. This Feast is almost entirely devoted to St. Peter, the Bishop of Rome, the great Apostle of the Gentiles being more specially honored on June 30. The lessons and prayers of this Mass describe how his Lord and Master Jesus Christ prepared the fervent Apostle, St. Peter, for the supreme office of the Papacy.

After the Descent of the Holy Ghost St. Peter preached the Gospel in Judea and was cast into prison by Herod Agrippa. He was miraculously delivered by an Angel and established his see first at Antioch, and then finally at Rome, where the first Pope exercised for twenty-five years the Supreme Authority vested in him by Christ Himself. Then he was arrested, and like St. Paul suffered martyrdom, A.D. 65. This Feast marks the day of the translation of their relics.

Commentary by Fr. Sylvester Juergens S.M. (1894-1969) from Daily Missal and Liturgical Manual (Laverty 1936).

Proper Prayers of the Mass in the Extraordinary Form Feast of Saints Peter and Paul



Thou shalt make them princes over all the earth.

INTROIT (Acts 12. 11)

NUNC scio vere quia misit Dóminus Angelum suum: et erípuit me de manu Heródis, et de omni exspectatióne plebis Judæórum. *Psalm*. Dómine, probásti me et cognovísti me: tu cognovísti sessiónem meam et resurrectiónem meam. \tilde{V} . Glória Patri, et Fílio, et Spirítui Sancto. Sicut erat in princípio, et nunc, et semper, et in sæcula sæculórum. \tilde{R} . Amen. — Nunc scio ...

DEUS, qui hodiérnam diem Apostolórum tuórum Petri et Pauli, martýrio consecrásti: da Ecclésiæ tuæ eórum in ómnibus sequi præcéptum, per quos religiónis sumpsit exórdium. Per Dóminum nostrum Jesum Christum Fílium tuum, qui tecum vivit et regnat in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per ómnia sæcula sæculórum.

Now I know in very deed, that the Lord hath sent His Angel, and hath delivered me out of the hand of Herod, and from all the expectation of the people of the Jews. *Ps.* 138. 1, 2. Lord, Thou has proved me, and known me: Thou hast known my sitting down, and my rising up. \tilde{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. — Now I know ...

COLLECT

O GOD, who hast made this day holy by the martyrdom of Thine Apostles Peter and Paul: grant that Thy Church may in all things follow the precepts of those through whom she received the beginnings of the Faith. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end.

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LESSON From the Acts of the Apostles, 12. 1-11.

IN THOSE DAYS, Herod the king stretched forth his hands to afflict some of the Church: and he killed James, the brother of John. with the sword; and seeing that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to take up Peter also. Now it was in the days of the azymes: and when he had apprehended him, he cast him into prison, delivering him to four files of soldiers to be kept, intending after the pasch to bring him forth to the people. Peter therefore was kept in prison; but prayer was made without ceasing by the Church unto God for him. And when Herod would have brought him forth, the same night Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains; and the keepers before the door kept the prison: and behold, an Angel of the Lord stood by him, and a light shined in the room; and he striking Peter on the side, raised him up, saying: Arise quickly; and the chains fell off from his hands; and the Angel said to him: Gird thyself, and put on thy sandals; and he did so; and he said to him, cast thy garment about thee, and follow me; and going out, he followed him: and he knew not that it was true which was done by the Angel; but he thought he saw a vision. And passing through the first and the second ward, they came to the iron gate that leadeth to the city, which of itself opened to them; and going out, they passed on through one street, and immediately the Angel departed from him. And Peter coming to himself, said: Now I know in very deed that the Lord hath sent His Angel, and hath delivered me out of the hand of Herod, and from all the expectation of the people of the Jews.

IN DIÉBUS ILLIS: Misit Heródes rex manus ut affligeret quosdam de Ecclésia. Occídit autem Jacóbum fratrem Joánnis gládio. Videns autem quia placéret Judæis, appósuit ut apprehénderet et Petrum. Erant autem dies azymórum. Quem cum apprehendísset, misit in cárcerem, tradens quátuor quaterniónibus mílitum custodiéndum, volens post Pascha prodúcere eum pópulo. Et Petrus quidem servabátur in cárcere. Orátio autem fiébat sine intermissióne ab Ecclésia ad Deum pro eo. Cum autem productúrus eum esset Heródes, in ipsa nocte erat Petrus dórmiens inter duos mílites, vinctus caténis duábus: et custódes ante óstium custodiébant cárcerem. Et ecce Angelus Dómini ástitit: et lumen refúlsit in habitáculo: percussóque latére Petri, excitávit eum, dicens: Surge velóciter. Et cecidérunt caténæ de mánibus ejus. Dixit autem Angelus ad eum: Præcingere, et cálcea te cáligas tuas. Et fecit sic. Et dixit illi: Circúmda tibi vestiméntum tuum, et séquere me. Et éxiens sequebátur eum, et nesciébat quia verum est quod fiébat per Angelum: existimábat autem se visum vidére. Transeúntes autem primam et secúndam custódiam, venérunt ad portam férream quæ ducit ad civitátem: quæ ultro apérta est eis. Et exeúntes processérunt vicum unum: et contínuo discéssit Angelus ab eo. Et Petrus ad se revérsus dixit: Nunc scio vere quia misit Dóminus Angelum suum, et erípuit me de manu Heródis, et de omni exspectatione

GRADUAL (Psalm 44, 17-18)

CONSTÍTUES eos príncipes super omnem terram: mémores erunt nóminis tui, Dómine. V. Pro pátribus tuis nati sunt tibi fílii: proptérea pópuli confitebúntur tibi.

Allelúia, allelúia.

Tu es
Petrus, et super hanc petram
ædificábo Ecclésiam meam.
Allelúia.

THOU shalt make them princes over all the earth: they shall remember Thy name, O Lord. Instead of thy fathers, sons are born to thee: therefore shall people praise Thee.

Alleluia, alleluia. (*Matt. 16. 18.*) Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build My Church. Alleluia.

GOSPEL

Continuation of the holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, 16. 13-19.

IN ILLO TÉMPORE: Venit Jesus in partes Cæsaréæ Philíppi, et interrogábat discípulos suos, dicens: Quem dicunt hómines esse Fílium hóminis? At illi dixérunt: Alii Joánnem Baptistam, álii autem Elíam, álii vero Jeremíam, aut unum ex prophétis. Dicit ills Jesus: Vos autem quem me esse dícitis? Respóndens Simon Petrus, dixit: Tu es Christus, Fílius Dei vivi. Respóndens autem Jesus, dixit ei: Beátus es, Simon Bar Jona: quia caro et sanguis non revelávit tibi, sed Pater meus, qui in cœlis est. Et ego dico tibi, quia tu es Petrus, et super hanc petram ædificábo Ecclésiam meam, et portæ ínferi non prævalébunt advérsus eam. Et tibi dabo claves regni cœlórum. Et quodcúmque ligáveris super terram, erit ligátum et in cœlis: et quodcúmque sólveris super terram, erit solútum et in cœlis. - Credo.

AT THAT TIME, Jesus came into the quarters of Cæsaréæ Philíppi, and He asked His disciples saving: Whom do men say that the Son of Man is? But they said: Some, John the Baptist, and other some, Elias, and others, Jeremias, or one of the prophets. Jesus saith to them: But whom do you say that I am? Simon Peter answered, and said: Thou art Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus answering, said to him: Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-Jona, because flesh and blood hath not revealed it to thee, but my Father who is in heaven: and I say to thee: That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it; and to thee I will give the keys of the kingdom of heaven; and whatsoever thou shalt bind upon earth, it shall be bound also in heaven; and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth, it shall be loosed also in heaven. — *Creed*.

OFFERTORY (Psalm 44. 17-18)

CONSTÍTUES eos príncipes super omnem terram: mémores erunt nóminis tui, Dómine, in omni progénie et generatióne.

THOU shalt make them princes over all the earth; they shall remember Thy name, O Lord, throughout all generations.

SECRET

HÓSTIAS, Dómine, quas nómini tuo sacrándas offérimus, apostólica prosequátur orátio: per MAY the prayer of the Apostles accompany the sacrifices which we bring to Thee, O Lord, to be consecrated to Thy name; and
