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THE OFFERING OF THE ELEMENTS AND THE CANON OF THE SACRIFICE.

(After the Creed)

Meet us pray."

Then is said the Offertory (i.e. a verse of scripture usually from the Psalms. e.g.,

"O praise the Lord, for the Lord is gracious: O sing praises unto his name, for it is lovely". Ps. cxv.

'After the Offertory, let the deacon give the priest the chalice and the paten and the Sacrifice, kissing his hand each time. Then receiving from the Deacon the chalice, let the Priest place it carefully in its proper place in the midst of the Altar, and, inclining, raise it a little with either hand, and offer the Sacrifice to the Lord, saying this prayer:'

"Receive, O Holy Trinity, this oblation which I, an unworthy sinner, offer in Thy honour, Blessed Mary's, and all Thy Saints, for my sins and offences: for the salvation of the living and the repose of all the faithful departed. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, let this new Sacrifice be acceptable to Almighty God."

(Then follow sundry prayers and preparations, including censings and crossings and the 'secrets', which lead up to "Lift up your hearts" etc, and the Preface, Sanctus, 'Blessed is he that cometh Sees, HO Saimain the Highest')

The Canon. /

Te igitur Thee, therefore, O most merciful Father, through Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord, we most humbly pray and intreat to accept and bless these gifts, these presents, this holy immaculate sacrifice, which we offer to Thee in the first place in behalf of Thy Holy Catholic Church, to which do thou deign to give peace, to guard, to unite, to govern it, throughout the world: together with Thy servant our Pope N., our Bishop N., all the orthodox and maintainers of the Catholic and Apostolic faith.

Memento Domine Remember, O Lord, Thy servants and handmaidens N. and N., and all here present, whose faith and devotion are known to Thee; in whose behalf we offer unto Thee, or who are engaged in offering unto Thee; this sacrifice of praise, for themselves and all pertaining unto them, for the redemption of their souls, for the hope of their salvation and security; and are paying their vows unto Thee, the eternal, living and true God.

Communicantes In communion with, and reverencing the memory, in the first place, of the glorious and ever-Virgin Mary, Mother of our God and Lord Jesus Christ, and also of thy blessed apostles and martyrs, Peter and Paul, Andrew, etc. etc. and all Thy saints; for whose sake and prayers grant that in all things we may be strengthened by the aid of thy protections; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hanc igitur This oblation, therefore, of our service and that of Thy whole family, we beseech Thee, O Lord, graciously to accept, and to dispose our days in thy peace, delivering us from eternal damnation, and causing us to be numbered among the flock of thine elect. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Quam oblationem Which oblation, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that thou wouldest vouchsafe in all respects to bless, approve, ratify, and make reasonable and acceptable, that it may become (or, be made) to us the Body and the Blood of thy most dearly beloved Son our Lord Jesus Christ.



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Qui pridie Who on the day before he suffered took bread into his holy and adorable hands, and lifting his eyes to heaven unto Thee, His Father, God Almighty, gave thanks to Thee, blessed, brake, and gave to his disciples, saying, Take and eat ye all of this,

FOR THIS IS MY BODY;

Similimodo Likewise after Supper, taking also this most excellent chalice into his holy and adorable hands, and giving thanks to Thee, He blessed, and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take and drink ye all of it,

FOR THIS IS THE CUP OF MY BLOOD OF THE NEW AND EVERLASTING TESTAMENT, THE MYSTERY OF FAITH, WHICH SHALL BE SHED FOR YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS:

As oft as ye shall do this, ye shall do it in remembrance of me.

Unde et memores Wherefore also, O Lord, we thy servants together with thy holy people, calling to mind the most blessed passion of the same Christ thy Son our Lord God, together with His resurrection from the dead, and his glorious ascension into heaven, offer to Thy most excellent majesty of thy gifts and bounties, a pure a holy a spotless sacrifice, the holy bread of eternal life, and the cup of everlasting salvation. 6-7

Supra Quae Upon which things do thou vouchsafe to look with favourable and gracious countenance, and accept them as thou didst accept the gifts of thy righteous servant Abel, the sacrifice of our patriarch Abraham, and most holy sacrifice, the pure oblation, which thy high priest Melchizedek offered to thee.

Supplices te We humbly entreat thee, Almighty God, command these things to be carried by the hands of thy holy angel to thy altar on high before the sight of thy divine majesty, that as many of us, as shall be partaking of this altar receive the most sacred body and blood of thy Son, may be fulfilled with all grace and heavenly benediction, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Memento etiam Remember also, O Lord, the souls of thy servants and handmaidens, and N., who have gone before us with the sign of faith, and sleep the sleep of peace; to them O Lord and to all who rest in Christ, we pray thee grant a place of refreshment, light and peace. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

To us also, thy sinful servants, who hope in the multitudes of thy mercies, vouchsafe to grant some part and fellowship with thy holy apostles and martyrs with John, Stephen, Matthias, etc., into whose company, not weighing our merits but pardoning our offences, we beseech thee to admit us. Through Christ our Lord, by whom, O Lord, thou ever createst, sanctifiest, quickenest, bleasest, and bestowest upon us all these good things. By him, and with him and in him, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory is unto thee, O God the Father Almighty, world without end, Amen.

Admonished by saving precepts, and following divine institution on me are DOU to say,

Our Father, which art in heaven, etc.