

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

WRITTEN BY ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

I give thanks to Thee, O Lord, Most Holy, Father almighty, eternal God, that Thou hast vouchsafed, for no merit of mine own, but out of Thy pure mercy, to appease the hunger of my soul with the precious Body and Blood of Thy Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ. Humbly I implore Thee, let not this Holy Communion be to me an increase of guilt unto my punishment, but an availing plea unto pardon and salvation. Let it be to me the armor of faith and the shield of good will. May it root out from my heart all vice; may it utterly subdue my evil passions and all my unruly desires. May it perfect me in charity and patience; in humility and obedience; and in all other virtues. May it be my sure defense against the snares laid for me by my enemies, visible and invisible. May it restrain and quiet all my evil impulses, and make me ever cleave to Thee Who art the one true God. May I owe to it a happy ending of my life. And do Thou, O heavenly Father, vouchsafe one day to call me, a sinner, to that ineffable banquet, where Thou, together with Thy Son and the Holy Ghost, art to Thy saints true light, complete fulfillment, eternal joy, consummate delight, and perfect happiness. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.



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**Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

### Introit

Behold, O God, our Protector, and look upon the face of Thy Anointed. Better is one day in Thy courts than a thousand elsewhere. How lovely is Thy dwelling place, O Lord of Hosts! My soul yearns and pines for the courts of the Lord. Glory be to the Father . . . Behold, O God, our Protector. . .

### Collect

Protect Thy Church by Thy abiding mercy, we beseech Thee, O Lord, and since all mortals fall without Thee, mayest Thou help keep them from danger and guide them to salvation. Through our Lord . . .

### Epistle

*Galatians 5:16-24*

Brethren: Walk in the Spirit, and you will not fulfill the lusts of the flesh. For the flesh lusts against the spirit, and the spirit against the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, so that you do not do what you would. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the Law. Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are immorality, uncleanness, licentiousness, idolatry, witchcrafts, enmities, contentions, jealousies, anger, quarrels, factions, parties, envies, murders, drunkenness, carousings, and suchlike. And concerning these I warn you, as I have warned you, that they who do such things will not attain the kingdom of God. But of the fruit of the Spirit is: charity, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, long-suffering, mildness, faith, modesty, continen-

cy, chastity. Against such things there is no law. And they who belong to Christ have crucified their flesh with its passions and desires.

### Gradual & Alleluia

It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in man. It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes. Alleluia, alleluia.

Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord; let us acclaim the God of our salvation. Alleluia.

### Gospel

*Matthew 6:24-33*

At that time, Jesus said to His disciples: No man serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will stand by the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon. Therefore I say to you, do not be anxious for your life, what you shall eat; nor yet for your body, what you shall put on. Is not the life a greater thing than the food, and the body than the clothing? Look at the birds of the air: they do not sow, or reap, or gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are not you of much more value than they? But which of you by being anxious about it can add to his stature a single cubit? And as for clothing, why are you anxious? Consider how the lilies of the field grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I say to you that not even Solomon in all his glory was arrayed like one of those. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which flourishes today but tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more you, O you of little faith! Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or, 'What shall we drink?' or, 'What are we to put on?' - for after all these things the Gentiles seek; - for your Father knows that you need all these things. But seek first the Kingdom of God and His justice, and all these things shall be given you besides.

### Offertory Verse

The Angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear Him, and delivers them. Taste and see how good the Lord is.

### Secret

Grant us, Lord, we beseech Thee, that this salutary sacrifice may be not only a cleansing from our sins but also a propitiation of Thy divine power. Through our Lord . . .

### Communion Verse

Seek first the Kingdom of God; and all things shall be given you besides, says the Lord.

### Postcommunion

May Thy sacrament, O God, ever cleanse and strengthen us, and bring us to everlasting salvation. Through our Lord . . .

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Friday, September 6<sup>th</sup>:** First Friday of the Month. Devotions to the Sacred Heart and Benediction at 6.30pm, followed by Sung Mass at 7pm, St. Joseph's Church, Dyer.

**Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup>:** Second Sunday of the Month. "Blessing Sunday." Blessings of religious articles after Holy Mass.

**Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>:** Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Holy Mass at 9:00am, followed by procession and benediction with a relic of the True Cross.

### GENERAL CHAPTER

**Please note that all of the Canons will be away at the Mother House of the Institute in Gricigliano, Italy, following Mass on August 25<sup>th</sup> through Saturday, August 31<sup>st</sup> for the General Chapter of the Institute. Please keep them in your prayers.**



### WISDOM FROM ST. FRANCIS DE SALES

*"The nightingale loves her melody no less when she makes her pauses than when she sings; the devout heart loves love no less when she turns to exterior necessities than when she prays."*

### BURSAR'S BOX

Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup>: \$ 5, 189.00

Sunday, August 11<sup>th</sup>: \$ 4, 106.00

Thursday, August 15<sup>th</sup>: \$ 1, 452.00

Sunday, August 18<sup>th</sup>: \$ 4, 645.00

**Total for the Month of August : \$15, 392.00**

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