

Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite
December 13th 2009 & Gaudete Sunday
“I am the voice of one crying in the desert...”

INTROIT *Philippians 4. 4-6.* Rejoice in the Lord always: again I say, rejoice. Let your modesty be known to all men: for the Lord is nigh. Be nothing solicitous: but in every thing by prayer let your petitions be made known to God. – (*Psalm 84. 2*). Lord, Thou hast blessed Thy land: Thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob. *V.* Glory be . . . – Rejoice in the Lord always...

COLLECT Incline Thine ear, we beseech Thee, O Lord, to our petitions: and, by the grace of Thy visitation, enlighten the darkness of our minds. Who livest and reignest . . .

EPISTLE *Philippians 4. 4-7.* Brethren, Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I say, rejoice. Let your modesty be known to all men. The Lord is nigh. Be nothing solicitous: but in every thing, by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your petitions be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasseth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus our Lord.

GRADUAL *Psalm 79. 2, 3, 6.* Thou, O Lord, that sittest upon the Cherubim, stir up Thy might and come. *V.* Give ear, O Thou that rulest Israel: that leadest Joseph like a sheep.

Alleluia, alleluia. *V.* Stir up, O Lord, Thy might, and come to save us. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *John 1. 19-28.* At that time the Jews sent from Jerusalem priests and levites to John, to ask him: Who art thou? And he confessed, and did not deny: and he confessed: I am not the Christ. And they asked him: What then? Art thou Elias? And he said: I am not. Art thou the Prophet? And he answered: No. They said therefore unto him:

Who art thou, that we may give an answer to them that sent us? What sayest thou of thyself? He said: I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness. Make straight the way of the Lord, as said the Prophet Isaias. And they that were sent were of the Pharisees. And they asked him, and said to him: Why then dost thou baptize, if thou be not Christ, nor Elias, nor the Prophet? John answered them, saying: I baptize with water: but there hath stood one in the midst of you, whom you know not. The same is He that shall come after me, who is preferred before me: the latchet of whose shoe I am not worthy to loose. These things were done in Bethania, beyond the Jordan, where John was baptizing.

OFFERTORY *Psalm 84. 2, 3.* Lord, Thou hast blessed Thy land: Thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob: Thou hast forgiven the iniquity of Thy people.

SECRET May the Sacrifice of our devotion, we beseech Thee, O Lord, be continually offered up to Thee, may it both complete the institution of the holy Mysteries, and wondrously accomplish in us Thy salvation. Through our Lord . . .

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COMMUNION *Isaias 35. 4.* Say: Ye fainthearted, take courage and fear not: behold our God will come, and will save us.

POSTCOMMUNION We implore, O Lord, Thy mercy: that these divine helps may expiate our sins, and prepare us for the approaching feast. Through our Lord . . .