

Propers from the Missale Carmelitarum
The Octave Day of Christmas or The Circumcision
“His name was called JESUS . . .”

INTROIT *Isaias 9. 9, 6.* A child is born to us, and Son is given to us, whose government is upon His shoulder: and His name shall be called the Angel of great counsel. —(*Psalm 97. 1*). Sing ye to the Lord a new canticle: because He hath done wonderful things. V. Glory to the Father... A child is born to us ...

COLLECT O God, who through the fruitful virginity of Blessed Mary didst secure for mankind the reward of eternal salvation; grant, we beseech Thee, that we may experience her intercession for us, through whom we have been made worthy to receive the Author of Life, Jesus Christ Thy Son, our Lord: Who with Thee livest and reignest in the unity...

EPISTLE *Titus 2. 11-15.* Dearly beloved: The grace of God our Savior hath appeared to all men, instructing us, that, denying ungodliness and worldly desires, we should live soberly and justly and godly in this world, looking for the blessed hope and coming of the great God and Savior Jesus Christ: Who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from all iniquity, and might cleanse to Himself a people acceptable, a pursuer of good works. These things speak and exhort: in Christ Jesus our Lord.

GRADUAL *Psalm 97. 3, 4, 2.* All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God: sing joyfully to God all the earth. V. The Lord hath made known His salvation: He hath revealed His justice in the sight of the nations.

Alleluia, alleluia. V. (*Hebrews 1. 1, 2*). God, who in divers manners spoke in times past to the fathers by the prophets, last of all in these days hath spoken to us by His Son. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Luke 2. 21.* At that time, after eight days were accomplished, that the Child should be circumcised: His Name was called Jesus, which was called by the angel before He was conceived in the womb.

OFFERTORY *Psalm 88. 12, 15.* Thine are the heavens, and Thine is the earth, the world and the fulness thereof Thou hast founded: justice and judgment are the preparation of Thy throne.

SECRET Receive our gifts and prayers, we beseech Thee, O Lord; cleanse us by these heavenly Mysteries, and mercifully hear us. Through our Lord...

Preface of Christmas

COMMUNION *Psalm 97. 3.* All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

POSTCOMMUNION May this communion, O Lord, cleanse us from guilt: and by the intercession of the blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, make us sharers of the heavenly remedy. Through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, who liveth and reigneth ...