

1962 Roman Missal

The External Solemnity of Ss Peter & Paul

INTROIT *Acts 12. 11.* 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 expectations of the people of the Jews. – (*Ps. 138. 1, 2.*) Lord, Thou hast proved me, and know me: Thou hast known my sitting down and my rising up. V. Glory be ... – 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 ...

EPISTLE *Acts 12. 1-11.* In those days, Herod the kings stretched forth his hand 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, and 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.

GRADUAL *Psalm 44. 17, 18.* Thou shalt make them princes over all the earth: they shall remember Thy name, O Lord. V. Instead of thy fathers, sons are born to thee; therefore shall people praise Thee.

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

GOSPEL *Matthew 16. 13-19.* At that time, Jesus came into the quarters of Caesarea Philippi, and He asked His disciples saying: 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 in heaven; and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth, it shall be loosed also in heaven.

OFFERTORY *Psalm 44. 17, 18.* Thou shalt make them princes over all the earth; they shall remember Thy name, O Lord, throughout all generations.

SECRET May the prayer of the Apostles accompany the sacrifices which we bring to Thee, O Lord, to be consecrated to Thy Name: and by the same prayer, grant that we may be cleansed and defended. Through our Lord ...

Preface of the Apostles

COMMUNION *Matthew 16. 18.* Thou art Peter: and upon this rock I will build My Church.

POSTCOMMUNION Through the intercession of the Apostles, do Thou, O Lord, guard from all adversity those whom Thou hast fed with heavenly Food. Through our Lord ...