

19 January

**Saints John Ogilvie, Priest; Stephen Pongrác, Melchior Grodziecki,
Priests, and Mark of Križevci, Canon of Esztergom;
Blessed Ignatius de Azevedo, Priest, and Companions; James Salès,
Priest, and William Saultemouche, Religious, Martyrs**

Martyrs killed for the Catholic Faith

Today we commemorate Jesuits who were killed for the Catholic Faith in the sixteenth century, after the Reformation. **John Ogilvie** ministered clandestinely to persecuted Catholics in Scotland. **Stephen Pongrác** from Hungary, **Melchior Grodziecki** from Poland, and **Mark Križevci**, a local diocesan priest, ministered to the abandoned Catholics in Košice (Slovakia). **Ignatius de Azevedo** and thirty-nine Jesuits he had recruited from Portugal for the Missions were massacred at sea by French Calvinist pirates en route to Brazil. **James Salès**, a French Jesuit ministered to straying Catholics in the Aubenas, with his companion **William Saultemouche**, a coadjutor Brother.

From the Common of Martyrs.

Collect

**O God, who patterned the death of our blessed brothers
after the death of Christ, your Son,
grant, through their intercession,
that all who believe in him may be gathered into perfect unity.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.**

COMMON OF MARTYRS

Entrance Antiphon

Sp. Ex. [95]

Whoever wishes to come with me
must labour with me, says the Lord,
that following me in suffering
he may also follow me in glory.

Prayer over the Offerings

**Grant, we pray, O Lord,
that, as we call to mind the sacrifice of the cross,
we too may take up our cross
and so be more fully united with Christ
to whom your glorious Martyrs gave witness by their death.
Through Christ our Lord.**

Communion Antiphon

No slave is greater than his master.
If they persecuted me, they will also persecute you, says the Lord.

Prayer after Communion

**May the Sacrament we have received, O Lord,
in commemoration of blessed N. (and N.)
so expand our minds and hearts
that we may set aside our own interests
and seek only those of Jesus Christ.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.**

Jn 15: 20

PREFACE I OF HOLY MARTYRS (JESUIT PROPER)

The fruitfulness of the blood of Martyrs

V/. The Lord be with you.

R/. And with your spirit.

V/. Lift up your hearts.

R/. We lift them up to the Lord.

V/. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R/. It is right and just.

**It is truly right and just,
our duty and our salvation,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.**

**For you have called many sons of Ignatius
to the supreme witness of love
so that, by the shedding of blood,
they may enrich with new fruitfulness
the saving work of the Church
and encourage us, by their example,
to follow the way of Christ our Lord.**

**Through him the host of Angels adores your majesty
and rejoices in your presence for ever.**

**May our voices, we pray, join with theirs
in one chorus of exultant praise, as we acclaim:**

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts ...