

4 May

## **Saint José María Rubio, Priest**

**José María Rubio** (1864-1929) was born in Dalias, Spain. He joined the Society as a diocesan priest in 1906, at the age of forty-two. In 1911, he was appointed to the Professed House in Madrid, where he remained for the rest of his life. Rubio was fully engaged in preaching, spiritual direction and hearing confessions. He chose to work primarily among the poor. He built up teams of Catholic laity, founded on a strong Eucharistic spirituality, who collaborated in his numerous initiatives in the city's slums and suburbs. He is acclaimed as the "Apostle of Madrid" and "Father of the Poor".

From the Common of Pastors.

### Collect

**O God, Father of mercies,  
who made your Priest, Saint José María Rubio,  
a minister of reconciliation and a father of the poor,  
grant that, following his example,  
we may learn to reach out to the abandoned  
and show your charity to all.  
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 PASTORS

### Entrance Antiphon

Phil 2: 5, 8

Have among yourselves the same attitude  
that is also yours in Christ Jesus.  
He humbled himself, becoming obedient to death,  
even death on a cross.

### Prayer over the Offerings

**As we bring this oblation to your altar, O Lord,  
and following the example of blessed N. (and N.) your Priest(s),  
we offer your divine majesty with deep affection  
all we possess and ourselves with it,  
for your greater service  
and for the salvation of our brothers and sisters.  
Through Christ our Lord.**

### Communion Antiphon (RM)

Jn 12: 26

Whoever serves me must follow me  
and where I am there also will my servant be, says the Lord.

### Prayer after Communion

**Through the power of the sacrament we have received, Lord Jesus,  
lavish upon us the spirit of kindness  
with which you filled blessed N. (and N.) your Priest(s),  
that people may sense that,  
to the least of your brothers and sisters,  
you are also near.  
Who live and reign for ever and ever.**

**PREFACE I OF HOLY PASTORS (JESUIT PROPER)**

The example of the Saints,  
that we may more eagerly be spent because of the Gospel

**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 in the least Society of your Son, Jesus,  
you have raised up many holy and blessed companions  
that your glory might shine more brightly  
and that we, too,  
encouraged by their prayers and example,  
may take up our cross  
and may more eagerly spend ourselves and be spent  
for the salvation of the human race  
in union with Christ our Lord.**

**Through him the Angels praise your majesty,  
Dominions adore and Powers tremble before you.  
Heaven and the Virtues of heaven and the blessed Seraphim  
worship together with exultation.  
May our voices, we pray, join with theirs  
in humble praise, as we acclaim:  
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts ...**

## **PREFACE II OF HOLY PASTORS (RM)**

### **The presence of holy Pastors in the Church**

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**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,  
through Christ our Lord.**

**For, as on the festival of Saint **N.** you bid your Church rejoice,  
so, too, you strengthen her by the example of his holy life,  
teach her by his words of preaching,  
and keep her safe in answer to his prayers.**

**And so, with the company of Angels and Saints,  
we sing the hymn of your praise,  
as without end we acclaim:**

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