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Saint Peter Faber, Priest

Peter Faber (1506-1546) was born in Savoy, France. In 1525, he enrolled at the University of Paris. He was ordained a priest in May 1534. While in Paris, he was among the group of six students who under the leadership of Ignatius of Loyola would form the nucleus of the Society of Jesus, which was founded in 1540. Renowned as a religious scholar, spiritual guide, and talented mediator, Faber was tasked with missionary work and other important assignments throughout Europe. He was a pioneer of ecumenism. He died in Rome in August 1546. Pope Francis, by a decree of “equivalent canonization”, inscribed Faber in the Church’s universal calendar of saints on 17 December 2013.

Entrance Antiphon

Song 3: 1b-2

I sought him whom my heart loves –
I sought him but I did not find him.
I will rise then and go about the city;
in the streets and in the squares
I will seek Him whom my heart loves.

Collect

**Father, Lord of heaven and earth,
who revealed yourself to Saint Peter Faber, your humble servant,
in prayer and in the service of his neighbour,
grant that we may find you and love you in all things.
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.**

Prayer over the Offerings

**As we share in the passion of your Son,
who became obedient even to death,
enable us, O Lord,
to spend ourselves gladly for others.
Through Christ our Lord.**

Communion Antiphon (RM)

Ps 34 (33): 9

Taste and see that the Lord is good;
blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

Prayer after Communion

**Our Father, who have renewed us with the bread of heaven,
send your angels to go before those who preach your Gospel
and to protect them on their way.
Through Christ our Lord.**

PREFACE I OF SAINTS (RM)

The glory of the Saints

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 are praised in the company of your Saints
and, in crowning their merits, you crown your own gifts.
By their way of life you offer us an example,
by communion with them you give us companionship,
by their intercession, sure support,
so that, encouraged by so great a cloud of witnesses,
we may run as victors in the race before us
and win with them the imperishable crown of glory,
through Christ our Lord.**

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

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