

19 October

**Saints John de Brébeuf, Isaac Jogues, Priests,
and Companions, Martyrs**

Feast

Jesuits of the French Province did considerable missionary work among the indigenous tribes in North America, in Huronia (Quebec Province), between 1625 and 1649. They eventually constructed a Christian settlement. The martyrdom of the eight saints commemorated today occurred in the context of conflicts between the Huron and Iroquois tribes. They were killed by the Iroquois. The martyrs commemorated today are: **Fathers John de Brébeuf, Isaac Jogues, Anthony Daniel, Charles Garnier, Noël Chabanel, Gabriel Lalemant, Brother René Goupil** and lay volunteer **John de La Lande**.

Entrance Antiphon (RM)

Wis 3: 4a, 5b

Even if before men, indeed, they be punished.
God tried them and found them worthy of himself.

Collect (RM)

**O God, who chose to manifest
the blessed hope of your eternal Kingdom
by the toil of Saints John de Brébeuf,
Isaac Jogues and their companions
and by the shedding of their blood,
graciously grant that through their intercession
the faith of Christians may be strengthened day by day.
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

**May the offering of Christ, our High Priest, sacrificed for us,
cleanse us, we pray, O Lord,
that, imitating the example of your Martyrs,
we may be united with his offering of himself for all.
Through Christ our Lord.**

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Lk 12: 4

Do not be afraid of those who kill the body
but after that can do no more.

Prayer after Communion

**God, who consecrated the beginnings of a new Church
with the blood of Martyrs,
grant that, by the sacrifice of Christ,
the youth and vigour your people may be renewed
in every age and every place.
Through Christ our Lord.**

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 ...

PREFACE II OF HOLY MARTYRS (RM)

The wonders of God in the victory of the 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 are glorified when your Saints are praised;
their very sufferings are but wonders of your might:
in your mercy you give ardour to their faith,
to their endurance you grant firm resolve,
and in their struggle the victory is yours,
through Christ our Lord.**

**Therefore, all creatures of heaven and earth
sing a new song in adoration,
and we, with all the host of Angels,
cry out, and without end we acclaim:**

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