

14 November

Saint Joseph Pignatelli, Priest

Memorial

Joseph Pignatelli (1737-1811) was the link between the Society of Jesus suppressed in 1773, and restored in 1814. He led some 600 former Jesuits from Spain living in exile in Italy, for almost four decades during the Suppression. Through his various interventions, Jesuits were permitted to rejoin the surviving Society of Jesus in White Russia, and the Society was restored in some parts of Italy in 1793, and in 1803, he was appointed Provincial Superior. In 1807, Pignatelli settled in Rome and continued the administration of the Society of Jesus. He died three years before the Society of Jesus was restored.

Entrance Antiphon

Ps 27 (26): 4

There is one thing I ask of the Lord,
only this do I seek:
to live in the house of the Lord
all the days of my life.

Collect

**O God, who strengthened Saint Joseph Pignatelli
with steadfast courage to keep his companions united,
grant by his intercession
that, helping one another in the midst of every change,
we may remain faithful to our calling
and arrive safely at the haven of eternal happiness.
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 offer you this pure victim, Lord God,
we humbly pray that,
just as you prepared Saint Joseph
to be a sacrificial offering acceptable to you,
so too you make of us a sacrifice acceptable in your sight.
Through Christ our Lord.**

Communion Antiphon

Ps 73 (72): 1, 28

How good is God to the upright,
to those who are pure of heart.
To be near God is my happiness;
I have my hope in the Lord God.

Prayer after Communion

**Renewed at this heavenly table,
we beg you, O Lord,
to enable us to imitate the charity
that Saint Joseph continually drew
from the depths of the heart of your Son
and generously lavished on all.
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 . . .

PREFACE I OF RELIGIOUS (JESUIT PROPER)

Contemplating the joy of those already in the holy city

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 among the members of our Society,
of whatever grade or position, age or ministry,
you have raised up many Saints and Blessed,
allowing us the joy in this life
of contemplating even now the holy city,
the new Jerusalem, which is our mother.**

**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 ...

PREFACE II OF RELIGIOUS (RM)

The sign of a life consecrated to God

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 Saints who consecrated themselves to Christ
for the sake of the Kingdom of Heaven,
it is right to celebrate the wonders of your providence,
by which you call human nature back to its original holiness
and bring it to experience on this earth
the gifts you promise in the new world to come.**

**And so, with all the Angels and Saints,
we praise you, as without end we acclaim:**

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