VOTIVE MASSSES
If some serious pastoral benefit is to be gained, an appropriately corresponding Votive Mass may be used, at the direction of the Ordinary, or with his permission, except on Solemnities, on the Sundays of Advent, Lent, and Easter, on days within the Octave of Easter, on the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls’ Day), on Ash Wednesday, and on the weekdays of Holy Week.

Votive Masses are in principle forbidden on days on which there occurs an Obligatory Memorial, on a weekday of Advent up to and including 16 December, on a weekday of Christmas Time from 2 January, or on a weekday of Easter Time after the Octave of Easter. However, for pastoral reasons, as determined by the rector of the church or the Priest Celebrant himself, an appropriately corresponding Votive Mass may be used in celebration of Mass with the people.

On weekdays in Ordinary Time, even if an Optional Memorial occurs, a Votive Mass may be chosen by the Priest Celebrant for the sake of the devotion of the faithful.
1. THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

In this Mass, the color white is used.

Entrance Antiphon

Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.

Collect

God our Father, who, by sending into the world the Word of truth and the Spirit of sanctification, made known to the human race your wondrous mystery, grant us, we pray, that in professing the true faith we may acknowledge the Trinity of eternal glory and adore your Unity, powerful in majesty. 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

Sanctify by the invocation of your name, we pray, O Lord our God, this oblation of our service, and by it make of us an eternal offering to you. Through Christ our Lord.

Preface: The mystery of the Most Holy Trinity.

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 with your Only Begotten Son and the Holy Spirit you are one God, one Lord: not in the unity of a single person, but in a Trinity of one substance.
For what you have revealed to us of your glory we believe equally of your Son and of the Holy Spirit, so that, in the confessing of the true and eternal Godhead, you might be adored in what is proper to each Person, their unity in substance, and their equality in majesty. For this is praised by Angels and Archangels, Cherubim, too, and Seraphim, who never cease to cry out each day, as with one voice they acclaim: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts . . .

Text with music, pp. 986-988.

Communion Antiphon

Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.
Prayer after Communion

May receiving this Sacrament, O Lord our God, bring us health of body and soul, as we confess your eternal holy Trinity and undivided Unity. Through Christ our Lord.
In this Mass, the color white is used. This Mass may not be said on the Second Sunday of Easter.

Entrance Antiphon  
Cf. Jer 31: 3; 1 Jn 2: 2

God has loved us with an everlasting love; 
he sent his Only Begotten Son as an expiation for 
our sins 
and not for our sins alone, but for those of all the 
world.

Or: 
Ps 89 (88): 2

I will sing for ever of your mercies, O Lord; 
through all ages my mouth will proclaim your 
fidelity.

Collect

O God, whose mercies are without number 
and whose treasure of goodness is infinite, 
graciously increase the faith of the people 
consecrated to you, 
that all may grasp and rightly understand 
by whose love they have been created, 
through whose Blood they have been redeemed, 
and by whose Spirit they have been reborn.
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

Receive our oblations in your mercy, O Lord, and transform them into the Sacrament of redemption, the memorial of your Son’s Death and Resurrection, so that, by the power of this sacrifice and with constant trust in Christ, we may come to eternal life. Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon

Ps 103 (102): 17

The mercy of the Lord is everlasting upon those who hold him in fear.

Or: Jn 19: 34

One of the soldiers opened his side with a lance, and at once there came forth blood and water.
Prayer after Communion

Grant to us, O merciful God, that, nourished by the Body and Blood of your Son, we may draw confidently from the wellsprings of mercy and show ourselves ever more compassionate towards our brothers and sisters. Through Christ our Lord
3. OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, THE ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST

In this Mass, the color white is used.

Entrance Antiphon

Ps 110 (109): 4

The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change:
You are a priest for ever,
according to the order of Melchizedek.

Collect

O God, who for your glory
and the salvation of the human race
willed to establish Christ as the eternal High Priest,
grant that the people he has gained for you by his
Blood
may, through their participation in his memorial,
experience the power of his Cross and Resurrection.
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the
Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.
Prayer over the Offerings

Grant us, O Lord, we pray, that we may participate worthily in these mysteries, for, whenever the memorial of this sacrifice is celebrated, the work of our redemption is accomplished. Through Christ our Lord.

Preface of the Most Holy Eucharist, pp. 1113-1116.

Communion Antiphon 1 Cor 11: 24-25

This is the Body that will be given up for you; this is the Chalice of the new covenant in my Blood, says the Lord; do this, whenever you receive it in memory of me.

Prayer after Communion

We pray, O Lord, that through our partaking in this sacrifice, which your Son commanded to be offered in his memory, you may make us together with him an everlasting oblation to you. Through Christ our Lord.
In this Mass, the color red is used.

**Entrance Antiphon**

*Cf. Gal 6: 14*

We should glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection, through whom we are saved and delivered.

**Collect**

O God, who willed that your Only Begotten Son should undergo the Cross to save the human race, grant, we pray, that we, who have known his mystery on earth, may merit the grace of his redemption in heaven. 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 this oblation, O Lord, which on the altar of the Cross canceled the offense of the whole world, cleanse us, we pray, of all our sins. Through Christ our Lord.

Preface: The victory of the glorious Cross.

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 placed the salvation of the human race on the wood of the Cross, so that, where death arose, life might again spring forth and the evil one, who conquered on a tree, might likewise on a tree be conquered, through 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...

Text with music, pp. 1686-1687.

Preface I of the Passion of the Lord may also be used, p. 1070.

Communion Antiphon  Jn 12: 32

When I am lifted up from the earth, 
I will draw everyone to myself, says the Lord.

Prayer after Communion

Having been nourished by your holy banquet, 
we beseech you, Lord Jesus Christ, 
to bring those you have redeemed 
by the wood of your life-giving Cross 
to the glory of the resurrection. 
Who live and reign for ever and ever.
In this Mass, the color white is used.

**Entrance Antiphon**

Ps 78 (77): 23-25

The Lord opened the gates of heaven, and rained down manna upon them to eat, and gave them bread from heaven: man ate the bread of angels.

**Collect**

O God, who have accomplished the work of human redemption through the Paschal Mystery of your Only Begotten Son, graciously grant that we, who confidently proclaim, under sacramental signs, the Death and Resurrection of Christ, may experience continued increase of your saving grace. 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

Celebrating the memorial of our salvation, we humbly beseech your mercy, O Lord, that this Sacrament of your loving kindness may be for us the sign of unity and the bond of charity. Through Christ our Lord.

Preface of the Most Holy Eucharist, pp. 1113-1116.

Communion Antiphon Jn 6: 51-52

I am the living bread, that came down from heaven, says the Lord. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever, and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.

Prayer after Communion

May sharing at the heavenly table sanctify us, Lord, we pray, so that through the Body and Blood of Christ the whole family of believers may be bound together. Through Christ our Lord.
As a Votive Mass of the Most Holy Eucharist, the Votive Mass of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Eternal High Priest may also be used, p. 2382-2383; or the Mass of the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, p. 991-995.
6. THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS

In this Mass, the color white is used.

Entrance Antiphon

At the name of Jesus every knee should bend, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Collect

As we venerate the most holy Name of Jesus, mercifully grant us, Lord, that, savoring its sweetness in this life, we may be filled with everlasting joy in our heavenly homeland. 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

Be pleased, almighty Father, to accept our offerings in the Name of Jesus, for we are confident that we shall receive
whatever we ask in your Son’s Name,
as he himself, with such kindness, promises.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Communion Antiphon

Acts 4: 12

There is no other name under heaven given among
the human race
by which we must be saved.

Prayer after Communion

Grant us in your mercy, O Lord, we pray,
that in these sacred mysteries
we may do worthy homage to the Lord Jesus,
for it is your will that at his Name
every knee should bend
and in him all people find salvation.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.
7. THE MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

In this Mass, the color red is used.

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Rev 5: 9-10

You have redeemed us, Lord, by your Blood, from every tribe and tongue and people and nation, and have made us into a kingdom for our God.

Collect

O God, who by the Precious Blood of your Only Begotten Son have redeemed the whole world, preserve in us the work of your mercy, so that, ever honoring the mystery of our salvation, we may merit to obtain its fruits. 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 our oblation to your majesty, O Lord, may we draw near in these mysteries to Jesus, the Mediator of the New Covenant, and celebrate anew the sprinkling of his Blood, in which lies all our salvation. Through Christ our Lord.

Preface I of the Passion of the Lord, p. 1070.

Communion Antiphon

Cf. 1 Cor 10: 16

The chalice of blessing that we bless is a communion in the Blood of Christ; and the bread that we break is a sharing in the Body of the Lord.

Prayer after Communion

Refreshed, O Lord, by this saving food and drink, we pray that we may always be bathed in the Blood of our Savior, so that it may become for us a spring of water welling up to eternal life. Through Christ our Lord.

Or:
Restored with heavenly food and drink, we beseech you, almighty God, to protect from fear of their enemies those you have redeemed by the Precious Blood of your Son. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.
In this Mass, the color white is used.

Entrance Antiphon

Ps 33 (32): 11,19

The designs of his Heart are from age to age, to rescue their souls from death and to keep them alive in famine.

Collect

Clothe us, Lord God, with the virtues of the Heart of your Son and set us aflame with his love, that, conformed to his image, we may merit a share in eternal redemption. 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

O God, Father of mercies, who, because of the great love with which you loved us, with untold goodness gave us your Only Begotten Son, grant, we pray, that, being perfectly united with him, we may offer you worthy homage. Through Christ our Lord.

Preface: The boundless charity of Christ.

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, through Christ our Lord.
For raised up high on the Cross, he gave himself up for us with a wonderful love and poured out Blood and water from his pierced side, the wellspring of the Church’s Sacraments, so that, won over to the open Heart of the Savior, all might draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation.

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

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

Text with music, pp. 998-999.

Communion Antiphon

Thus says the Lord:
Let whoever is thirsty come to me and drink.
Streams of living water will flow from within the one who believes in me.

Or:

One of the soldiers opened his side with a lance, and at once there came forth blood and water.

Cf. Jn 7: 37-38
Jn 19: 34
Prayer after Communion

Made partakers in your Sacrament of charity, we humbly implore your mercy, Lord, that we may be conformed to Christ on earth and merit to be coheirs of his glory in heaven. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

As a Votive Mass, the Mass of the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus may also be used, p. 996.
In this Mass, the color red is used.

**Entrance Antiphon**

Rom 5: 5; cf. 8: 11

The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Spirit of God dwelling within us.

**Collect**

O God, who have taught the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant that in the same Spirit we may be truly wise and ever rejoice in his consolation. 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**

Sanctify, we pray, O Lord, the offerings made here, and cleanse our hearts by the light of the Holy Spirit. Through Christ our Lord.

Preface I of the Holy Spirit: The sending of the Spirit by the Lord upon the Church.
VOTIVE MASSES

V. The Lord be with you. R. And with your spir-it.

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 sal-va-tion, al-ways and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and e-

-ter-nal God, through Christ our Lord. As-cending above all the heavens and sitting at your right hand, he poured out the promised Ho-ly Spir-it on your a-dopt-ed chi-l-der. There-fore, now and for ages unending, with all the host of An-gels, we sing to you with all our hearts, crying out as we ac-claim:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts...
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, through Christ our Lord.

Ascending above all the heavens and sitting at your right hand, he poured out the promised Holy Spirit on your adopted children.

Therefore, now and for ages unending, with all the host of Angels, we sing to you with all our hearts, crying out as we acclaim:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts...
Communion Antiphon  
Cf. Ps 68 (67): 29-30

Confirm, O God, what you have brought about in us,  
from your holy temple, which is in Jerusalem.

Prayer after Communion

May the outpouring of the Holy Spirit  
cleanse our hearts, O Lord,  
and make them fruitful by the inner sprinkling of his dew.  
Through Christ our Lord.
Entrance Antiphon

When the Spirit of truth comes, he will teach you all truth, says the Lord.

Collect

May the Paraclete who proceeds from you, we pray, O Lord, enlighten our minds and lead us into all truth, just as your Son has promised.

Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Or:

O God, to whom every heart lies open, every desire speaks plainly and from whom no secret is hidden, cleanse, we pray, the thoughts of our heart by the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, that we may merit to love you perfectly and offer you worthy praise.
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

Look, we pray, O Lord, on the spiritual sacrifice placed on your altar with loving devotion and give your servants a right spirit, so that their faith may make these gifts pleasing to you and their humility commend them. Through Christ our Lord.

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 bestow gifts suited to every season and guide the governing of your Church in wonderful ways. By the power of the Holy Spirit you come unfailingly to her aid, so
Text without music:

**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 bestow gifts suited to every season and guide the governing of your Church in wonderful ways.
By the power of the Holy Spirit you come unfailingly to her aid, so that with a heart always subject to you she may never fail to seek your help in time of trouble nor cease to give you thanks in time of joy, through Christ our Lord. And so, in company with the choirs of Angels, we praise you, and with joy we proclaim: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts...

Communion Antiphon

The Spirit, whom I will send you from the Father, will glorify me, says the Lord.

Prayer after Communion

Lord our God, who have been pleased to nourish us with heavenly food, pour, we pray, the delights of your Spirit into the recesses of our heart, that what we have devoutly received in time we may possess as a gift for eternity. Through Christ our Lord.
Entrance Antiphon

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, he has sent me to preach the good news to the poor, says the Lord.

Collect

O God, who sanctify your universal Church in every people and nation, pour out, we pray, the gifts of your Spirit across the face of the earth, so that your divine grace, which was at work when the Gospel was first proclaimed, may now spread through the hearts of those who believe in you. 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.

Or:
O God, by whose Spirit we are governed and by whose protection we are kept safe, extend over us your mercy and give ear to our supplications, that the faith of those who believe in you may always be sustained by your gifts. 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 fire of the Spirit, O Lord, sanctify the sacrificial gifts offered in your sight, just as it enkindled the hearts of the disciples of your Son. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.


Communion Antiphon

Cf. Ps 104 (103): 30

Send forth your Spirit, and they shall be created, and you shall renew the face of the earth.
Prayer after Communion

May these gifts we have consumed benefit us, O Lord, that we may always be aflame with the same Spirit whom you wondrously poured out on your Apostles.
Through Christ our Lord.
10. THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

In these Masses, the color white is used.

A

Any Mass from the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary (pp. 1843-1867) is used, in accordance with the various times of the year.

B

Our Lady, Mother of the Church

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Acts 1: 14

The disciples devoted themselves with one accord to prayer with Mary, the Mother of Jesus.
Collect

O God, Father of mercies, whose Only Begotten Son, as he hung upon the Cross, chose the Blessed Virgin Mary, his Mother, to be our Mother also, grant, we pray, that with her loving help your Church may be more fruitful day by day and, exulting in the holiness of her children, may draw to her embrace all the families of the peoples.

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

Receive our offerings, O Lord, and transform them into the mystery of salvation, so that by its power we may be set aflame with the charity of the Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, and with her may be united more closely to the work of redemption.

Through Christ our Lord.

Preface: Mary, Model and Mother of the Church.
THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

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, and to proclaim your greatness with due praise, as we honor the Blessed Virgin Mary. Receiving your Word in her Immaculate Heart, she was found worthy to conceive him in her virgin’s womb and, giving birth to the Creator, she nurtured the beginnings of the Church. Standing beside the Cross, she received the testament of divine love and took to herself as
sons and daughters all those who by the Death of Christ
are born to heavenly life. As the Apostles awaited the Spirit you
had promised, she joined her supplication to the prayers of the
disciples and so became the pattern of the Church at prayer.

Raised to the glory of heaven, she accompanies your pilgrim Church
with a mother's love and watches in kindness over the Church's
home-ward steps, until the Lord's Day shall come in glorious
splendor. And so, with all the Angels and Saints, we praise you,
as without end we acclaim:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts...
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, and to proclaim your greatness with due praise, as we honor the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Receiving your Word in her Immaculate Heart, she was found worthy to conceive him in her virgin’s womb and, giving birth to the Creator, she nurtured the beginnings of the Church. Standing beside the Cross, she received the testament of divine love and took to herself as sons and daughters all those who by the Death of Christ are born to heavenly life.
As the Apostles awaited the Spirit you had promised, she joined her supplication to the prayers of the disciples and so became the pattern of the Church at prayer. Raised to the glory of heaven, she accompanies your pilgrim Church with a mother’s love and watches in kindness over the Church’s homeward steps, until the Lord’s Day shall come in glorious splendor.

And so, with all the Angels and Saints, we praise you, as without end we acclaim: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts...

Communion Antiphon

A wedding was held in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there; then Jesus performed the first of his signs and manifested his glory, and his disciples believed in him.

Cf. Jn 2: 1, 11
As he hung upon the cross, Jesus said to the disciple whom he loved: Behold your mother.

**Prayer after Communion**

Having received the pledge of redemption and of life, we humbly pray, O Lord, that, with the Blessed Virgin’s motherly help, your Church may teach all nations by proclaiming the Gospel and, through the grace of the outpouring of the Spirit, fill the whole earth. Through Christ our Lord.
The Most Holy Name of Mary

Entrance Antiphon  
Cf. Jdt 13: 18-19

Blessed are you, O Virgin Mary, by the Lord God Most High, above all women on the earth; for he has so exalted your Name that your praise shall be undying on our lips.

Collect

O God, who chose the Blessed Virgin Mary, full of your grace, from among women to become the Mother of your Son, our Redeemer, mercifully grant that, venerating her holy name, we may escape the dangers of this present age and obtain with her life eternal. 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.
Or:

O God, whose Son, dying on the altar of the Cross, willed that the most Blessed Virgin Mary, whom he had chosen as his Mother, should be our Mother also, graciously grant, we pray, that we, who fly to her protection, may find comfort by invoking our Mother’s name. 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

Look favorably on the offerings made here, O Lord, that through the intercession of Blessed Mary ever-Virgin our hearts, filled with the light of the Holy Spirit, may constantly strive to cling to Christ, your Son. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Preface of the Blessed Virgin Mary, pp. 1117-1122.
The angel Gabriel was sent from God to a virgin, and the virgin’s Name was Mary.

Prayer after Communion

Grant us, we pray, O Lord, whom you have strengthened at the table of word and Sacrament, that, with Blessed Mary as our patron and guide, we may reject whatever is contrary to the name of Christian and follow whatever accords with it. Through Christ our Lord.
Our Lady, Queen of Apostles

Entrance Antiphon
Cf. Acts 1: 14

The disciples devoted themselves with one accord to prayer with Mary, the Mother of Jesus.

Collect

O God, who gave the Holy Spirit to your Apostles as they prayed with Mary the Mother of Jesus, grant that through her intercession we may faithfully serve your majesty and extend, by word and example, the glory of your name.

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

By your favor, O Lord, and through the intercession of Blessed Mary ever-Virgin, may our offering obtain for your Church this grace, that she may grow in the number of the faithful and be ever radiant with an abundance of virtues. Through Christ our Lord.

Preface of the Blessed Virgin Mary, pp. 1117-1122.

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Lk 11: 27-28

Blessed is the womb that bore Christ the Lord; blessed, rather, are those who hear the word of God and keep it.

Prayer after Communion

Having partaken, O Lord, of these helps to our salvation in our commemoration of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Apostles, we humbly beseech you, that, persevering in your will and in service of the human family, your people may draw ever closer to salvation. Through Christ our Lord.
11. THE HOLY ANGELS

In this Mass, the color white is used.

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 103 (102): 20

Bless the Lord, all you his angels, mighty in power, fulfilling his word and heeding his voice.

Collect

O God, who dispose in marvelous order ministries both angelic and human, graciously grant that our life on earth may be defended by those who watch over us as they minister perpetually to you in heaven. 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

We offer you a sacrifice of praise, O Lord, humbly entreat ing
that, as these gifts are borne by the ministry of
Angels
into the presence of your majesty,
so you may receive them favorably
and make them profitable for our salvation.
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface of the Angels: God glorified through the
Angels.

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,
and to praise you without end
in your Archangels and Angels.
For the honor we pay the angelic creatures in whom you delight redounds to your own surpassing glory, and by their great dignity and splendor you show how infinitely great you are, to be exalted above all things, through Christ our Lord. Through him the multitude of Angels extols your majesty, and we are united with them in exultant adoration, as with one voice of praise we acclaim: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts...

Text with music, pp. 1710-1711.

Communion Antiphon Ps 138 (137): 1

In the presence of the Angels I will praise you, my God.
Prayer after Communion

Having been nourished with heavenly bread, we beseech you humbly, O Lord, that, drawing from it new strength, under the faithful protection of your Angels, we may advance boldly along the way of salvation. Through Christ our Lord.

As a Votive Mass, the Mass of the Holy Guardian Angels may also be used, as on 2 October (pp. 1719-1721).
In this Mass, the color white is used.

Entrance Antiphon

He will be great in the sight of the Lord and will be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother’s womb; and many will rejoice at his birth.

Collect

Grant, we pray, almighty God, that your family may walk in the way of salvation, and, attentive to what Saint John the Precursor urged, may come safely to the One he foretold, our Lord Jesus Christ. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Prayer over the Offerings

Look with favor, O Lord,
upon the offerings made by your people
in commemoration of Saint John the Baptist,
and grant that what we celebrate in mystery
we may pursue with deeds of devoted service.
Through Christ our Lord.

Preface: The mission of the Precursor.

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, through Christ our Lord.

In his Precursor, Saint John the Baptist, we praise your great glory, for you consecrated him for a singular honor among those born of women. His birth brought great rejoicing; even in the womb he leapt for joy at the coming of human salvation.

He alone of all the prophets pointed out the Lamb of redemption. And to make holy the flowing waters, he baptized the very author of Baptism and was privileged to bear him supreme witness by the shedding of his blood. And so, with the Powers of heaven, we worship you constantly on earth, and before your majesty without end we acclaim:

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

Text with music, pp. 1562-1564.
Communion Antiphon

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel! He has visited his people and redeemed them.

Prayer after Communion

May the marvelous prayer of Saint John the Baptist accompany us who have eaten our fill at this sacrificial feast, O Lord, and, since Saint John proclaimed your Son to be the Lamb who would take away our sins, may he now implore for us your favor. Through Christ our Lord.
In this Mass, the color white is used.

Entrance Antiphon

Behold a faithful and prudent steward, whom the Lord set over his household.

Collect

O God, who in your inexpressible providence were pleased to choose Saint Joseph as spouse of the most holy Mother of your Son, grant, we pray, that we, who revere him as our protector on earth, may be worthy of his heavenly intercession. 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 prepare to offer the sacrifice of praise, O holy Father, we humbly ask to be sustained in our service by the prayers of Saint Joseph, whom you called to watch like a father on earth over your Only Begotten Son. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, and in honoring Saint Joseph to give you fitting praise, to glorify you and bless you. For this just man was given by you as spouse to the Virgin Mother of God and set as a wise and faithful servant in charge of your household to watch like a father over your Only Begotten Son, who was conceived by the overshadowing of the Holy Spirit, our Lord Jesus Christ.
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts...

Text without music:

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, and in honoring Saint Joseph to give you fitting praise, to glorify you and bless you.

For this just man was given by you as spouse to the Virgin Mother of God and set as a wise and faithful servant in charge of your household to watch like a father over your Only Begotten Son, who was conceived by the overshadowing of the Holy Spirit, our Lord Jesus Christ.

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...
Communion Antiphon

Well done, good and faithful servant; come, share your master’s joy.

Prayer after Communion

Restored by these life-giving Sacraments, Lord, may we live for you always in justice and holiness, helped by the example and intercession of Saint Joseph, who in carrying out your great mysteries served you as a man just and obedient. Through Christ our Lord.

If appropriate, the Mass of the Solemnity, as on 19 March (p. 1477), or of Saint Joseph the Worker, as on 1 May (p. 1509), may also be said.
In this Mass, the color red is used.

Entrance Antiphon  

It was not you who chose me, says the Lord, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last (E.T. alleluia).

Collect  

May your Church always exult, O Lord, in the honor given through the ages to the blessed Apostles, that she may be guided by these protectors, in whose teaching and merits she finds joy. 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

Pour out on us, Lord, your Holy Spirit, whom you poured in abundance upon the Apostles, that we may recognize what you have given us through them and duly offer the sacrifice of praise to your glory. Through Christ our Lord.


Communion Antiphon

You who have followed me will sit on thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel, says the Lord.

Prayer after Communion

Grant that we may persevere, O God, with rejoicing and simplicity of heart in the teaching of the Apostles, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers. Through Christ our Lord.
15. SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

In this Mass, the color red is used.

Entrance Antiphon

Peter the Apostle, and Paul the teacher of the Gentiles: these have taught us your law, O Lord.

Collect

Grant, we pray, O Lord our God, that we may be sustained by the intercession of the blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, that, as through them you gave your Church the foundations of her heavenly office, so through them you may help her to eternal salvation.

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

We bring offerings to your altar, O Lord, as we glory in the commemoration of the blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, so that the more we doubt our own merits, the more we may rejoice that we are to be saved by your loving kindness. Through Christ our Lord.

Preface: The twofold mission of Peter and Paul in the Church.

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.
SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

For by your providence
the blessed Apostles Peter and Paul bring us joy:
Peter, foremost in confessing the faith,
Paul, its outstanding preacher,
Peter, who established the early Church from the remnant of Israel,
Paul, master and teacher of the Gentiles that you call.

And so, each in a different way
gathered together the one family of Christ:
and revered together throughout the world,
they share one Martyr’s crown.

And therefore, with all the Angels and Saints,
we praise you, as without end we acclaim:
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts...

Text with music, pp. 1574-1576.

Communion Antiphon

Simon, Son of John, do you love me more than these?
Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.

Cf. Jn 21: 15, 17
Prayer after Communion

By this heavenly Sacrament, O Lord, we pray, strengthen your faithful, whom you have enlightened with the teaching of the Apostles. Through Christ our Lord.
16. SAINT PETER, APOSTLE

In this Mass, the color red is used.

Entrance Antiphon

Lk 22: 32

The Lord says to Simon Peter:
I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail,
and once you have turned back, strengthen your brothers.

Collect

O God, who gave the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven
to your blessed Apostle Peter
and handed over to him
the pontifical office of binding and loosing,
grant, we pray, that through the help of his intercession
we may be set free from the bonds of our sins.
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

Receive with favor your people’s oblation, O Lord, we pray, as we commemorate the blessed Apostle Peter, for you taught him by a hidden revelation to confess you, the living God, and the Christ your Son, and led him to bear witness to his Master by means of a glorious passion. Through Christ our Lord.

Preface I of the Apostles, p. 1123.

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Mt 16: 16, 18

Peter said to Jesus: You are the Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus replied: You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church.
Prayer after Communion

Having been admitted, O Lord, to the banquet of salvation as we venerate the memory of the blessed Apostle Peter, we ask with gladness that we may always hold fast to your Son, who alone has the words of life, so that, as faithful sheep of your flock, we may be happily led to eternal pastures. Through Christ our Lord.
17. SAINT PAUL, APOSTLE

In this Mass, the color red is used.

Entrance Antiphon

2 Tm 1: 12; 4: 8

I know the one in whom I have believed
and I am sure that he, the just judge, the mighty,
will keep safe what is my due until that day.

Collect

Lord God, who in a wondrous way
chose the blessed Apostle Paul to preach the
Gospel,
grant, we pray, that the whole world
may be imbued with that faith
which he brought before rulers and nations,
for the unceasing growth of your Church.
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 celebrate the divine mysteries, O Lord, we pray, may the Spirit fill us with that light of faith by which he constantly enlightened the blessed Apostle Paul for the spreading of your glory. Through Christ our Lord.

Preface I of the Apostles, p. 1123.

Communion Antiphon

Gal 2: 20

I live by faith in the Son of God, who has loved me and given himself up for me.

Prayer after Communion

Grant Lord, to those refreshed by communion in the Body and Blood of your Son, that Christ himself may be life to us, that nothing may separate us from his love, and that, attentive to the teaching of the blessed Apostle Paul, we may walk in charity with our neighbor. Through Christ our Lord.
18. ONE HOLY APOSTLE

In this Mass, the color red is used. The Mass of his Feast is said. But if he is honored together with another Apostle and the texts of the Mass are not appropriate for that Apostle, the following Mass is said with the color red.

Entrance Antiphon

Ps 96 (95): 2-3

Proclaim the salvation of God day by day; tell among the nations his glory.

Collect

Strengthen in us, O Lord, the faith, by which the blessed Apostle N. clung wholeheartedly to your Son, and grant that through the help of his prayers your Church may become for all the nations the sacrament of salvation. 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 bring you these offerings in commemoration of the blessed Apostle N., we pray, O Lord, that, living by his example in a manner worthy of the Gospel of Christ, we may work together for the faith it teaches. Through Christ our Lord.

Preface II of the Apostles, p. 1125.

Communion Antiphon

Lk 22: 29-30

I confer a kingdom on you, just as my Father has conferred one on me, that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, says the Lord.

Prayer after Communion

As we celebrate the memory of the blessed Apostle N., we have received the pledge of eternal salvation, O Lord, and we pray that it may be of help to us, both now and for the life to come. Through Christ our Lord.
19. ALL SAINTS

In this Mass, the color white is used.

Entrance Antiphon

The souls of the Saints are rejoicing in heaven, the Saints who followed the footsteps of Christ, and so now exult with Christ for ever.

Collect

O God, fount of all holiness, make us each walk worthily in our vocation, through the intercession of your Saints, on whom you bestowed a great variety of graces on earth and a single glorious reward in heaven. 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 these offerings we bring in honor of all the Saints be pleasing to you, O Lord, and grant that, just as we believe the Saints to be already assured of immortality, so we may experience their concern for our salvation. Through Christ our Lord.

Preface of the Saints, pp. 1127-1131.

Communion Antiphon

Mt 5: 8-10

Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God.
Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God.
Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.
Prayer after Communion

O God, who refresh us with the one Bread and sustain us with one hope, strengthen us likewise, we pray, by your grace, that, as we are one with your Saints, one body and one spirit in Christ, we may rise with him to glory. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.