# PROPER of the MASS **ST GREGORY I**

## March 12

John 21: 15-17 INTROIT

SI DÍLIGIS me, Simon Petre, pasce agnos meos, pasce oves meas. *Ps.* Exaltábo te, Dómine, quóniam suscepísti me, nec delectásti inimícos meos super me. Gloria Patri.

DEUS, qui animæ famuli tui Gregorii æternæ beatitudinis præmia contulisti: concede propitius: ut, qui peccatorum nostrorum pondere premimur, ejus apud te precibus sublevemur. Per Dominum.

I Peter 5: 1-4, 10-11

CARISSIMI: Seniores, qui in vobis sunt, obsecro consenior et testis Christi passionum, qui et ejus, quæ in futuro revelanda est, gloriæ communicator: pascite qui in vobis est gregem Dei, providentes non coacte, sed spontanee secundum Deum, neque turpis lucri gratia, sed voluntarie; neque ut dominantes in cleris, sed forma facti gregis ex animo. Et, cum apparuerit princeps pastorum, percipietis immarcescibilem gloriæ coronam. Deus autem omnis gratiæ, qui vocavit nos in æternam suam gloriam in Christo Jesu, modicum passos ipse perficiet, confirmabit solidabitque. Ipsi gloria et imperium in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

If thou lovest Me, Simon Peter, feed My lambs; feed My sheep. *Ps.* I will extol Thee, O Lord, for Thou hast upheld me: and hast not made my enemies to rejoice over me. Glory be to the Father.

#### COLLECT

O God, Who didst give to the soul of Thy servant Gregory the reward of everlasting bliss: mercifully grant, that we who are oppressed by the burden of our sins, may be raised up by his intercession with Thee. Through our Lord.

#### **EPISTLE**

Dearly beloved: the ancients therefore that are among you, I beseech, who am myself also an ancient, and a witness of the sufferings of Christ: as also a partaker of that glory which is to be revealed in time to come: feed the flock of God which is among you, taking care of it, not by constraint, but willingly, according to God: not for filthy lucre's sake, but voluntarily: neither as lording it over the clergy, but being made a pattern of the flock from the heart. And when the prince of pastors shall appear, you shall receive a never-fading crown of glory. But the God of all grace, Who hath called us unto His eternal glory in Christ Jesus, after you have suffered a little, will himself perfect you, and confirm you, and establish you. To Him be glory and empire for ever and ever. Amen.

Psalm 106, 30-31

EXALTENT eum in Ecclesia plebis: et in cathedra seniorum laudent eum. Confiteantur Domino misericordiæ ejus: et mirabilia ejus filiis hominum.

Psalm 39: 10-11

ANNUNTIAVI justitiam tuam in Ecclesia magna, ecce labia mea non prohibebo: Domine tu scisti. Justitiam tuam non abscondi in corde meo: vertitatem tuam et salutare tuum dixi. Non abscondi misericordiam tuam, et veritatem tuam a concilio multo.

Matthew 16, 13-19

IN illo témpore: Venit Jesus in partes Cæsaréæ Philíppi, et interrogábat discípulos suos, dicens: Quem dicunt hómines esse Fílium hóminis? At illi dixérunt: Álii Joánnem Baptístam, álii autem Elíam, álii vero Jeremíam, aut unum ex prophétis. Dicit illis Jesus: Vos autem quem me esse dícitis? Respóndens Simon Petrus, dixit: Tu es Christus, Fílius Dei vivi. Respóndens autem Jesus, dixit ei: Beátus es, Simon Bar Jona: quia caro et sanguis non revelávit tibi, sed Pater meus, qui in Cœlis est. Et ego dico tibí, quia tu es Petrus, et super hanc petram ædificábo Ecclésiam meam, et portæ ínferi non prævalébunt advérsus eam. Et tibi dabo claves regni cælórum. Et quodcúmque ligáveris super terram, erit ligátum et in cœlis: et quodcúmque sólveris super terram, erit solútum et in Cœlis.

Ieremiah 1. 9-10

ECCE dedi verba mea in ore tuo: ecce constítui te super gentes et super regna, ut evéllas et déstruas, et ædífices et plantes.

#### GRADUAL

Let them exalt him in the church of the people: and praise him in the chair of the ancients. Let the mercies of the Lord give glory to him: and his wonderful works to the children of men.

#### TRACT

I have declared Thy justice in a great church, lo, I will not restrain my lips: O Lord, Thou knowest it. I have not hid Thy justice within my heart: I have declared Thy truth and Thy salvation. I have not concealed Thy mercy and Thy truth from a great council.

#### **GOSPEL**

At that time, Jesus came into the quarters of Cæsarea Philippi, and He asked His disciples, saying: Whom do men say that the Son of man is? But they said: Some, John the Baptist, and other some, Elias, and others, Jeremias, or one of the prophets. Jesus saith to them: But whom do you say that I am? Simon Peter answered: Thou art Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus answering, said to him: Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-Jona, because flesh and blood hath not revealed it to thee, but My Father Who is in Heaven: and I say to thee, that thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build My Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it; and to thee I will give the keys of the kingdom of Heaven; and whatsoever thou shalt bind upon earth, it shall be bound also in Heaven; and whatsoever thou shall loose on earth, it shall be loosed also in Heaven.

#### OFFERTORY

Behold I have given My words in thy mouth: lo, I have set thee this day over the nations, and over the kingdoms, to waste and to destroy, and to build and to plant.

ANNUE nobis, quæsumus, Domine: ut intercessione beati Gregorii hæc nobis prosit oblatio, quam immolando totius mundi tribuisti relaxari

delicta. Per Dominum.

VERE dignum et justum est, æquum et salutare. Te Domine supplicitur exorare, ut gregem tuum, pastor æterne, non deseras: sed per beatos Apostolos tuos continua protectione custodias. Ut iisdem rectoribus gubernetur, quos operis tui vicarios eidem contulisti præesse pastores. Et ideo cum Angelis et Archangelis, cum Thronis et Dominationibus, cumque omni militia cælestis exercitus, hymnum gloriæ tuæ canimus, sine fine dicentes:

Matthew 16: 18

TU es Petrus, et super hanc petram ædificábo Ecclésiam Meam.

DEUS, qui beatum Gregorium Pontificem Sanctorum tuorum meritis coæquasti: concede propitius; ut, qui percolimus, vitae quoque imitemur exempla. Per Dominum.

#### SECRET

Vouchsafe, O Lord, we beseech Thee, that through the intercession of blessed Gregory, we may profit by this oblation of the Sacrifice which wrought for the whole world remission of sin. Through our Lord.

### PREFACE OF THE APOSTLES

It is truly meet and just, right and for our salvation, to entreat Thee humbly, O Lord, that Thou wouldst not desert Thy flock, O everlasting Shepherd; but through Thy blessed Apostles, wouldst keep it under Thy constant protection; that it may be governed by those same rulers, whom as vicars of Thy work, Thou didst set over it to be its pastors. And therefore with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominations, and with all the hosts of the heavenly army, we sing the hymn of Thy glory, evermore saving:

#### COMMUNION

Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build My Church.

#### POSTCOMMUNION

O God, Who didst make the blessed Pontiff Gregory rank in merit with Thy Saints: mercifully grant that we who celebrate this festival in his memory, may also follow the example of his life. Through our Lord.