

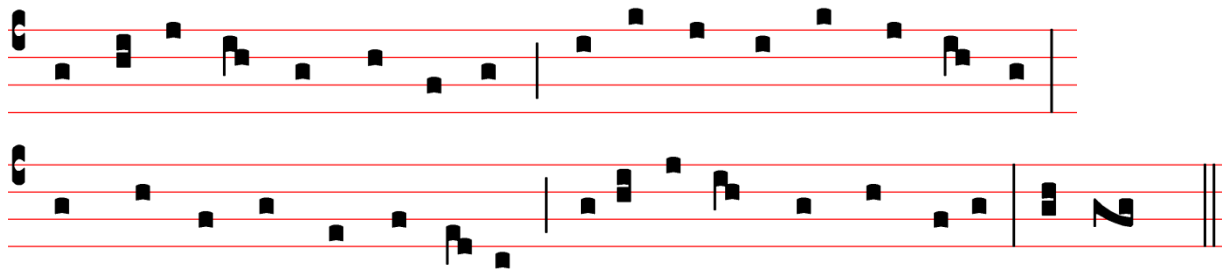
Office Propers – S Monica – 27th August

These are the proper texts for the Office on the feasts of Saints, which you should substitute for the seasonal texts provided in the booklet.

Venite Antiphon:

The Lord is glorious in His saints; O come, let us adore Him.

Office Hymn:



Amen.

O Jesu, Saviour of mankind,
In Whom the saints their glory find,
On this commemoration day
Hear Thou Thy people as they pray.

O grant that we, most gracious God,
May follow in the steps they trod,
And freed from every bond of sin,
As they have won, may also win.

Contending for Thy holy Name,
Thy servants won their saintly fame,
Which Christian hearts with praise recall,
And bless the Lord and God of all.

To Thee, O Christ, most loving King,
All glory, praise and thanks we bring,
Whom with the Father we adore,
And Holy Spirit, evermore.

Earth's fleeting pleasures counting nought,
For higher, truer joys they sought,
And now, with angels round Thy throne,
Unfading glories are their own.

Psalm:

(127) EXCEPT the Lord build the house : their labour is but lost that build it.
2 Except the Lord keep the city : the watchman waketh but in vain.
3 It is but lost labour that ye haste to rise up early, and so late take rest, and eat the bread of carefulness : for so he giveth his beloved sleep.
4 Lo, children and the fruit of the womb : are an heritage and gift that cometh of the Lord.
5 Like as the arrows in the hand of the giant : even so are the young children.
6 Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them : they shall not be ashamed when they speak with their enemies in the gate.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

(128) BLESSED are all they that fear the Lord : and walk in his ways.
2 For thou shalt eat the labours of thine hands : O well is thee, and happy shalt thou be.
3 Thy wife shall be as the fruitful vine : upon the walls of thine house.
4 Thy children like the olive-branches : round about thy table.
5 Lo, thus shall the man be blessed : that feareth the Lord.
6 The Lord from out of Sion shall so bless thee : that thou shalt see Jerusalem in prosperity all thy life long.
7 Yea, that thou shalt see thy children's children: and peace upon Israel.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Reading:

A Reading from the Gospel according to Saint Luke.

Jesus went to a city called Na'in, and his disciples and a great crowd went with him. As he drew near to the gate of the city, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and a large crowd from the city was with her. And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep." And he came and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." And the dead man sat up, and began to speak. And he gave him to his mother. Fear seized them all; and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has arisen among us!" and "God has visited his people!" And this report concerning him spread through the whole of Judea and all the surrounding country.

Responsory:

The righteous shall shine forth as the sun.
[The righteous shall shine forth as the sun.](#)
They will glory in the Presence of God.
[The righteous shall shine forth as the sun.](#)
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost:
The righteous shall shine forth as the sun. Alleluia, alleluia!

Benedictus Antiphon:

Father, I will that where I am, there shall my servant be also.

Magnificat Antiphon:

For theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven, who despised worldly living: who have won the rewards of the Kingdom; and have washed their robes in the Blood of the Lamb.

Collect:

Faithful God, Who didst strengthen Monica, the mother of Augustine, with wisdom, and through her patient endurance didst encourage her to seek after Thee: give us the will to persist in prayer that those who stray from Thee may be brought to faith in Thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.