

# Mass Texts from the Jesuit Missal and Lectionary for the Feast of St John Ogilvie SJ March 10<sup>th</sup>

The feast of St John Ogilvie is celebrated on the date of his martyrdom, 10<sup>th</sup> March, in the Jesuit calendar of the British province and in the dioceses of Scotland, but on 14<sup>th</sup> October in the rest of the universal Church.

### Collect Lord God,

you revealed the power of your Holy Spirit in the life and death of your martyr, Saint John. Through his example and prayers give us strength to serve the Church under the banner of the Cross. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

#### Alternative Collect (from the Scottish Proper of the Roman Missal):

Almighty, everlasting God, who made your martyr, Saint John Ogilvie, an invincible defender of the Catholic faith, grant, through his intercession, that each day we may increase in faith, hope and charity. 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.

**Readings** Reading: Romans 5:1-5 (We rejoice in our sufferings . . . knowing that hope does not disappoint us)

Psalm 30:3b-4, 6, 8, 16, 17 (Response: Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.) Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia! Alleluia! It is a blessing for you when they insult you for bearing the name of Christ; because it means that you have the Spirit of God. Alleluia! Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12 (Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven)

#### Prayer Lord,

#### over the gifts

you fill our hearts with love as we recall the suffering and death of Saint John, your martyr. Grant that there may be in us the mind that was in Christ Jesus, so that in this sacrifice we may worthily proclaim the death of your only Son, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Preface** The Lord be with you. And with your spirit. Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right and just. Holy Father, almighty and eternal God, it is indeed right and the way to salvation to thank you at all times and in every place. From the followers of Saint Ignatius you have chosen a great company to set the final seal on their love for you by laying down their lives. Their blood is the seed of the Church, their example our encouragement as we follow in the footsteps of Christ our Lord. Through Christ the angels sing in praise of your glory as they rejoice in your presence for ever. May our voices cry out in joy: Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts . . .

## Postcommunion Lord,

prayer

you have renewed our strength through these sacramental gifts. May the power of the Holy Spirit be active among us, so that there may be one flock and one Shepherd, our Lord, Jesus Christ, who laid down his life for his sheep and now lives and reigns for ever and ever.