

VOTIVE MASS OF SAINT JOHN-MARY VIANNEY, THE CURE OF ARS *- Patron of all the parish priests of the world -*

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON (GAL. 6, 14)

As for me I will boast only
about the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ,
through which the world is crucified to me, and I to the world.

OPENING PRAYER

Father of mercy, you made Saint John-Mary Vianney
outstanding in his priestly zeal and concern for your people.
By his example and prayers,
enable us to win our brothers and sisters to the love
of Christ and come with them to eternal glory.
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.
Amen.

FIRST READING (EZEKIEL 3,16-21)

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows :
Son of man, I have appointed you as sentry to the House of Israel. Whenever you hear a
word from me, warn them in my Name.
If I say to a wicked man : you are to die, and you do not warn him ;
if you do not speak and warn him to renounce his evil ways and so live,
then he shall die for his sin, but I will hold you responsible for his death. If, however,
you do warn a wicked man and he does not renounce his wickedness and his evil
ways, then he shall die for his sin, but you yourself will have saved your life.
When the upright man renounces his integrity to do evil and I set a trap for him,
he too shall die ; since you failed to warn him, he shall die for his sin
and the integrity he practised will no longer be remembered ;
but I will hold you responsible for his death.
If, however, you warn the upright man not to sin and he abstains from sinning,
he shall live, thanks to your warning, and you too will have saved your life. »

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 102)

R/ O bless the Lord, my soul.

My soul, give thanks to the Lord,
all my being, bless his holy name.
My soul, give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all his blessings. R/

It is he who forgives all your guilt,
who heals every one of your ills,
who redeems your life from the grave,
who crowns you with love and compassion. R/

The Lord is compassion and love,
slow to anger and rich in mercy.
He does not treat us according to our sins
nor repay us according to our faults. R/

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (LK 4,18)

Alleluia, alleluia !

The Lord has sent me to bring the Good News to the poor,
to proclaim liberty to captives.

Alleluia, alleluia !

GOSPEL (MATTHEW 9,35 - 10,1)

Jesus made a tour through all the towns and villages,
teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the Good News of the Kingdom and
curing all kinds of diseases and sickness.

And when he saw the crowds he felt sorry for them because they were harassed and
dejected, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples : "The harvest is
rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest".
He summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits with power
to cast them out and to cure all kinds of diseases and sickness.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Lord, accept the gifts we bring to your altar
in memory of Saint John-Mary Vianney.
As you led him to glory through these mysteries,
grant us also your pardon and love.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON (COL 1,24)

I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake ;
and in my flesh,
I complete what is lacking in Christ's affliction
for the sake of his body, the Church.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All powerful God, by the eucharist we share at your holy table on this feast of Saint John-
Mary Vianney increase our strength of character and love for you.
May we guard from every danger the faith you have given us and walk always in the way
that leads to salvation.
Grant this in the name of Jesus the Lord.
Amen.