

The Director or other authorized Priest, in surplice and stole of white, without assistance of acolytes, shall go to the altar, and, kneeling, shall say :

P. Adjutorium nostrum in nomine Domini.

R. Qui fecit coelum et terram.

P. Salvum fac populum tuum, Domine.

R. Et benedic haereditati tuae.

P. Dominus vobiscum.

R. Et cum, etc.

OREMUS.

Omnipotens et misericors Deus, da nobis auxilium de sancto, et vota populi hujus in humilitate cordis veniam peccatorum poscentis tuamque benedictionem praestolantis et gratiam, clementer exaudi ; dexteram tuam super eum benignus extende ac plenitudinem divinae benedictionis effunde : qua bonis omnibus cumulatus felicitatem et vitam consequatur aeternam. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

Then, going to the Epsile side and standing there on his feet, he shall give benediction with a single sign of the Cross, pronouncing in a clear voice these words :

Benedicat vos omnipotens Deus, * Pater, et Filius, et Spiritus Sanctus. R. Amen.

MODE OF CONDUCTING THE MEETINGS.

The Priest, putting on surplice and stole, shall begin :

Aperi, Domine, os nostrum ad benedendum nomen sanctum tuum munda quoque cor nostrum ab omnibus vanis, perversis et alienis cogitationibus ; intellectum illumina, affectum inflamma ; ut digne, attente ac devote hoc sanctum exercitium peragere valeamus, et exaudiri mereamur ante conspectum divinae Majestatis tuae. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

Then he shall intone the hymn, "Veni, Creator Spiritus," as on page 76, having finished which he shall say :

P. Emitte Spiritum tuum et creabuntur.

R. Et renovabis faciem terrae.

OREMUS.

Deus, qui corda fidelium Sancti Spiritus illustratione docuisti ; da nobis in eodem Spiritu recta sapere et de Ejus semper consolatione gaudere. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. R. Amen.

Kneeling again, the Father Director shall say the following prayers:

In nomine Patris, et Filii, et Spiritus Sancti. Amen.

1. Rejoice, O Spouse of the Holy Ghost, and we will rejoice with Thee, in the bliss thou dost enjoy in Paradise ; since, through thy virgin purity, thou art now exalted, high above all the Angel Choirs. Pater, Ave et Gloria.

2. Rejoice, thou true Mother of God, and we will rejoice with thee, because thou alone hast merited a seat at the right hand of thy Blessed Son, nearest the Throne of the most Holy Trinity. Pater, Ave and Gloria.

3. Rejoice, O Daughter of God, and we will also rejoice, because the Hierarchy of the Angels, with all the Spirits of the Blessed, own and reverence thee, as the Mother of their Creator, and obey thy least commands. Pater, Ave and Gloria.

4. Rejoice, O Handmaid of the Blessed Trinity, and we will likewise rejoice, because, as the sun here below lights the earth and the dwellers thereon, so dost thou illumine Paradise itself with thy resplendent presence, the source of deepest bliss to all its Blessed citizens. Pater, Ave and Gloria.

5. Rejoice, O Princess most serene, and we will rejoice with thee, because thou dost enjoy the Jubilee of having thy will united and conformed to the will of the Divine Majesty. Pater, Ave and Gloria.

6. Rejoice, O Hope of Sinners and Refuge of the Afflicted, and we will also rejoice, because all the graces which thou dost ask of thy Divine Son are surely granted ; since here