

MAY 30

**BLESSED JAMES PHILIP BERTONI
FRIAR SERVANT OF MARY – PRIEST**

Memorial

Entrance Antiphon

Psalm 15 (16), 5-6

O Lord, my allotted portion and my cup. It is you who hold fast my lot.
For me the measuring lines have fallen on pleasant sites.
Fair to me indeed is my inheritance.

Prayer of the Assembly

Lord God,
you endowed Blessed James Philip
with exceptional understanding of your truth
and filled him with a spirit of devotion
when he celebrated the sacred mysteries.
Grant that we, too, may have
an unquenchable thirst for you,
the only source of wisdom and love.
(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.

First reading

2 Timothy 3, 14-17

A reading from the Second Letter of Paul to Timothy

All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching.

Beloved,
remain faithful to what you have learned and believed,
because you know from whom you learned it,
and that from infancy
you have known the sacred scriptures,
which are capable of giving you wisdom
for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.
All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching,
for refutation, for correction,
and for training in righteousness,
so that one who belongs to God may be competent,
equipped for every good work.

This is the Word of the Lord

Responsorial psalm

Psalm 18 (19), 8-9, 10-11, 12 & 15

R/. The command of the Lord is clear, it enlightens the eyes

The law of the Lord is perfect,
it revives the soul.
The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,
it gives wisdom to the simple.

The precepts of the Lord are right,
they gladden the heart.
The command of the Lord is clear,
it gives light to the eyes.

R/. The command of the Lord is clear, it enlightens the eyes

The fear of the Lord is holy,
abiding for ever.
The decrees of the Lord are truth
and all of them just.
They are more to be desired than gold,
than the purest of gold
and sweeter are they than honey,
than honey from the comb.

R/. The command of the Lord is clear, it enlightens the eyes

So in them your servant finds instruction;
great reward is in their keeping.
May the spoken words of my mouth,
the thoughts of my heart, win favour in your sight,
O Lord, my rescuer, my rock!

R/. The command of the Lord is clear, it enlightens the eyes

Gospel acclamation

James 1, 21

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Humbly welcome the word planted within you, it is able to save your soul.
Alleluia!

Gospel reading

John 15, 9-17

+ A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love

Jesus said to his disciples:

“As the Father loves me, so I also love you.

Remain in my love.

If you keep my commandments,
you will remain in my love,
just as I have kept my Father’s commandments
and remain in his love.

I have told you this so that my joy may be in you
and your joy may be complete.

This is my commandment: love one another as I love you.

No one has greater love than this,
to lay down one’s life for one’s friends.

You are my friends if you do what I command you.

I no longer call you slaves,
because a slave does not know what his master is doing.
I have called you friends,

because I have told you everything
I have heard from my Father.
It was not you who chose me,
but I who chose you and appointed you
to go and bear fruit that will remain,
so that whatever you ask the Father in my name
he may give you.
This I command you: love one another.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Prayer over the Offerings

Lord, we offer these gifts
in memory of Blessed James Philip
and we pray that,
through the power of your Spirit,
they may be transformed
into the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ,
the eternal high priest,
who lives and reigns with you forever and ever.

Preface II for Holy Men

The activity of the saints

Father, all-powerful and ever-living God,
we do well always and everywhere to give you thanks.
You renew the Church in every age
by raising up men and women
outstanding in holiness,
living witnesses of your unchanging love.
They inspire us by their heroic lives,
and help us by their constant prayers
to be the living sign of your saving power.
We praise you, Lord, with all the angels and saints,
and join their song of joy: Holy, Holy...

Communion Antiphon

Matthew 19, 27-29

I give you my solemn word that you who have left all things and have followed me, shall receive a hundred-fold and shall inherit everlasting life.

Prayer after Communion

Lord,
through the intercession of Blessed James Philip
grant that we continue to grow
in our understanding and worship
of this mystery of our salvation.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Note: Some biblical texts are taken from: The New American Bible <http://www.vatican.va/archives/>