

COMMON OF PASTORS

III. For Pastors B. For One Pastor

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Entrance Antiphon

Your priests, O Lord, shall be clothed with justice;
Your holy ones shall ring out their joy.

Cf. Ps 132(131):9

COLLECT

God of eternal mercy,
who set your priest Blessed Michael in the Church
to comfort the suffering and the weary, the lonely and the oppressed
with works of charity and a gentle heart,
grant that, through his intercession,
we too may become vessels of mercy in our day
and so enter into our heavenly inheritance.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Receive, O Lord, we pray,
the offerings placed on your altar
in commemoration of blessed Michael,
so that, as you brought him glory,
you may, through these sacred mysteries,
grant to us your pardon.
Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon

Blessed is the servant whom the Lord finds watching
when he comes. Amen, I say to you:
He will put him in charge of all his property.

Cf. Mt 24: 46-47

Or:

This is the steward, faithful and prudent
whom the Lord set over his household,
to give them their allowance of food at the proper time.

Lk 12: 42

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May partaking at the heavenly table, almighty God,
confirm and increase strength from on high
in all who celebrate the feast day of blessed Michael,
that we may preserve in integrity the gift of faith
and walk in the path of salvation you trace for us.
Through Christ our Lord.

Entrance Antiphon

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
for he has anointed me
and sent me to preach the good news to the poor,
to heal the broken-hearted.

Cf. Lk 4: 18

Or:

The Lord chose him as a priest for himself,
to offer him a sacrifice of praise.

Cf. Sir 45: 20

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**PRAYER OVER
THE OFFERINGS**

We humbly implore your majesty, almighty God,
that, just as the offerings made in honor of blessed Michael
bear witness to the glory of divine power,
so they may impart to us the effects of your salvation.
Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon

Behold, I am with you always,
even to the end of the age, says the Lord.

Cf. Mt 29: 20

**PRAYER AFTER
COMMUNION**

May the mysteries we have received, O Lord,
prepare us, we pray, for the eternal joys
that, as a faithful steward, blessed Michael came to deserve.
Through Christ our Lord.

Or:

Make us, who have been nourished
by this sacred meal, almighty God,
always follow the example of blessed Michael
in serving you with constant devotion
and assisting all with untiring charity.
Through Christ our Lord.