

ANNIVERSARY OF FUSION CELEBRATION

January 19, 2017



“Messiah” by Rassouli

Hospitaller Order of St. John of God
Province of the Good Shepherd in North America

O Lord, open our minds and hearts.

R. that we may give you thanks.

All caring and ever loving God, lead us and guide us as we continue our journey in your service. May we fully embrace the spirit of Saint John of God as did Mathias Barrett. Allow mercy, charity, and hospitality to permeate our being and be reflected in all our endeavors. "Give peace and tranquility to our souls so that we may know and do your holy will." (Saint John of God) We unite our yes with the yes of your Holy Mother and place our trust in you. Amen.

Ant. Your name is great in all the earth.

Psalm 8

How great is your name, O God. In all the earth!

You, whose glory above the heavens is chanted on the lips of babes, have found a defense against your foes, to silence the cries of the rebels.

When I look at the heavens, the work of your hands, the moon and the stars which you established; who are we that you should keep us in mind, mortal flesh that you care for us?

Yet you have made us little less than God, and crowned us with glory and honor. You entrust us with the works of your hands; to care for all your creation.

All sheep and oxen, and even the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the sea.

How great is your name, Creator God, in all the earth! Glory*...

Readings

Luke 10:25-37 “The Good Samaritan”

25 Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he said, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?” 26 He said to him, “What is written in the law? What do you read there?” 27 He answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.” 28 And he said to him, “You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.”

29 But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” 30 Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. 31 Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. 32 So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. 33 But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. 34 He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. 35 The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, ‘Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.’ 36 Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?” 37 He said, “The one who showed him mercy.” Jesus said to him, “Go and do likewise.”

Responsary

Show us, O God, your steadfast love

R. And grant us your salvation.

Restore us again that we may rejoice.

R. That with open minds and hearts, we may give you praise and thanks.

Intercessions

On this anniversary day we give thanks for the privilege of being part of the family of Saint John of God.

R. Lord hear our prayer

For the life and times of our holy founder, Saint John of God, we give thanks to the Lord.

R. Lord hear our prayer

For the health and wellbeing of the countless people we are privileged to serve, we pray to the Lord

R. Lord hear our prayer

For our coworkers, volunteers and benefactors, we pray to the Lord.

R. Lord hear our prayer

That others will choose to share in the life and ministry of the Brothers of Saint John of God, we pray to the Lord.

R. Lord hear our prayer

Prayer

O Holy Lord, when the Good Samaritan came upon the man who was beaten and near death he was “moved with compassion,” as was Saint John of God. Grant us the grace to be always men of compassion and bearers of mercy to your people. In Jesus name we pray. Amen