Memorial of Rose Philippine Duchesne (November 18)

Introductory Rites

How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news.

(Isaiah 52:7)

Opening Prayer

Gracious God, you filled the heart of Philippine Duchesne with charity and missionary zeal, and gave her the desire to make you known among all peoples. Fill us, who honor her memory today, with that same love and zeal to extend your kingdom to the ends of the earth.

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.

Alternative Opening Prayer

Lord God, Master of our lives, you led Rose Philippine Duchesne from the silence of the cloister to an intense apostolic life. Through her intercession enable us to respond to your call with the same generosity which she drew from the Heart of Jesus, your Son, our Lord, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Readings may be chosen from the Common of Virgins or the Common of Holy Men and Women.

Preferred readings in the Society of the Sacred Heart:

Isaiah 52:7-10 2 Cor. 5: 14-17 John 12:20-26

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Prayer over the Gifts

Lord,

receive the gifts which we offer to you on this feast of Philippine Duchesne. As she held fast to you by prayer and by the sacrifice of herself, so draw us to yourself through this sacrifice of praise.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Alternative Prayer over the Gifts

As we bring our gifts to the altar, Lord, we beg of you: fire us with the same burning zeal which consumed Saint Philippine, that we might celebrate these mysteries with pure and undivided hearts.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Preface

Preface may be chosen from the Preface of Virgins and Religious or the Prefaces of Holy Men and Women.

Communion Rite

All I long for is to know Christ, and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of his sufferings.

(Phil. 3:10)

Prayer after Communion

Nourished by this banquet of life, we ask you, Lord: be as generous with us as you were with Philippine. Keep us faithful to your desires for us and zealous in establishing the reign of your Son who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

Alternative Prayer after Communion

Lord our God, through this communion revive in us the passion of charity and make us burn with the same fire which devoured your servant Philippine Duchesne so that, like her, we might labor for the coming of your kingdom.

We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.