The Triumph of the Cross

September 14

INTROIT

Nos autem gloriari

Cf. Gal 6: 14

ET our glory be in the cross * of our Lord Jesus Christ; in him we have salvation, life and resurrection; through him we are rescued and set free.

Psalm 67 (66)

1. O God, be gracious and bless us *
   and let your face shed its light upon us.
   So will your ways be known upon earth *
   and all nations learn your salvation.

2. Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
   let all the peoples praise you.

3. Let the nations be glad and shout for joy, †
   with uprightness you rule the peoples; *
   you guide the nations on earth.

4. Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
   let all the peoples praise you.
5. The earth has yielded its fruit *
   for God, our God, has blessed us.

May God still give us his blessing *
   that all the ends of the earth may revere him.

Glory be to the Father ...

OFFERTORY

Protege, Domine

Protect your people, O Lord, * by the sign of the

holy cross, from the attacks of all enemies; so that our

service may be agreeable unto you and our sacrifice ac-

cetable, al-le-lu-ia.

1. We humbly beseech you, holy cross of God, *
   by your power defend our hearts, guard our minds,

   sanctify our thoughts, through Jesus Christ *
   Who hung upon you.

2. You, who for the salvation of the world †
   hung blameless on the wood of the cross: *
   have mercy on the people whom you redeemed:

   so that, marked with your holy sign, *
   they may be safe from all dangers.
3. O Savior of the world, save us all, *
   and kindly expend for us all things that aid:
   and drive all harmful things far from us. *
   Extend the right hand of your majesty to protect us.

COMMUNION

Per signum crucis

Psalm 18 (17)

1. I love you, LORD, my strength; *
   O LORD, my rock, my fortress, my savior;
   my God, my rock where I take refuge; *
   my shield, my saving strength, my stronghold.
   I cry out, “Praised be the LORD!” *
   and see, I am saved from my foes.

2. He saved me from my powerful foe, *
   from my enemies, whose strength I could not match.

   Glory be to the Father ...
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