

April 24

**CONVERSION OF SAINT AUGUSTINE,  
BISHOP AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH**  
*As a Votive Mass*

**Entrance Antiphon**

**Sir 15: 5**

In the midst of the Church he opened his mouth, and the Lord filled him with the spirit of wisdom and understanding and clothed him in a robe of glory.

**Collect**

O God, who with ineffable providence led Saint Augustine from the darkness of error to the light of gospel truth, grant, we pray, that we who rejoice in your mercy toward him may through his prayers to you reform our deeds for the better. Through our Lord, Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for and ever.

**Prayer Over the Offerings**

Celebrating the memorial of our salvation, we humbly beseech your mercy, O Lord, that this Sacrament of your loving kindness may be for us the sign of unity and the bond of charity. Through Christ our Lord.

## Preface: A witness to grace and author of fraternity.

✠ The Lord be with you.  
✠ And with your Spirit.  
✠ Lift up your hearts.  
✠ We lift them up to the Lord.  
✠ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
✠ It is right and just.

It is truly right to give you thanks;  
it is truly just to glorify your name, holy Father.

For, you made Saint Augustine,  
who had been wondrously converted to you,  
a witness and a devotee of your grace  
that he might flood your Church with the clear light of his teaching.

For you wounded his heart with your most sweet love  
and filled it with such a great desire for the glory prepared for him  
that he united his brothers by a common form of life;  
and, tirelessly proclaiming the message of eternal salvation by word and  
writing,  
he strengthened the bond of peace and the brotherhood of the Church.

And so, with the Angels we proclaim your glory,  
as with one voice we acclaim:

Holy, holy, holy ...

## Communion Antiphon

Lk 12: 42

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

## Prayer After Communion

May partaking of Christ's table  
sanctify us, we pray, O Lord,  
that, being made members of his Body,  
we may become what we have received.  
Through Christ our Lord.