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FEAST OF SAN PEDRO BAUTISTA
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INTRODUCTORY RITE

Commentary

Commentator — This Sunday, the Archdiocese of Caceres celebrates the Feast of San Pedro Bautista, the titular patron of our local Church. In today's liturgy, we hear of Christ's suffering, death, and resurrection for the salvation of all. As Christians, we are all called to partake in this act of salvation, just like San Pedro Bautista who lovingly offered his life for the greater glory of God and his kingdom. Thus, let us pray to San Pedro Bautista, that through his intercession, we may be guided in living a Christian life, and that we may be forever united as one Archdiocese.

Entrance Antiphon

(Cf. Gal 6: 14; 1 Cor 1: 18) (Stand)
(Recited when there is no Entrance Hymn)

May we never boast, except in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, For the word on the Cross is the power of God to us who have been saved.

Sign of the Cross and Greeting

Priest — In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation — Amen.

P — The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C — And with your spirit.

Penitential Act

P — Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

P — You were sent to heal the contrite of heart: Lord, have mercy.

C — Lord, have mercy.

P — You came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy.

C — Christ, have mercy.

P — You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us: Lord, have mercy.

C — Lord, have mercy.

P — May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

C — Amen.

Gloria

All — **Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

Collect

P — Let us pray.

O God, strength of all the Saints, who through the Cross were pleased to call the Martyrs, Saints Pedro Bautista, Paul Miki and companions to life, grant, we pray, that by their intercession, we may hold with courage even until death to the faith that we profess. 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.

C — Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading (Sit)

(2 Chronicles 24, 18-22)

The first reading speaks of the fall of King Joash from a righteous life to one of sin due to his unfaithfulness to God and his adoration of a false god.

A reading from the second book of Chronicles

They forsook the temple of the LORD, the God of their fathers, and began to serve the sacred poles and the idols; and

because of this crime of theirs, wrath came upon Judah and Jerusalem. Although prophets were sent to them to convert them to the LORD, the people would not listen to their warnings. Then the Spirit of God possessed Zechariah, son of Jehoiada the priest. He took his stand above the people and said to them: "God says, 'Why are you transgressing the LORD'S commands, so that you cannot prosper? Because you have abandoned the LORD, he has abandoned you.'" But they conspired against him, and at the king's order they stoned him to death in the court of the LORD'S temple. Thus King Joash was unmindful of the devotion shown him by Jehoiada, Zechariah's father, and slew his son. And as Zechariah was dying, he said, "May the LORD see and avenge."

The word of the Lord.

All — Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

(Psalm 31: 4-5. 7. 8. 9. 18. 22)

R — **Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.**

1. For you are my rock and my fortress; for your name's sake lead me and guide me. Free me from the net they have set for me, for you are my refuge. (R)
2. You hate those who serve worthless idols, but I trust in the LORD. (R)
3. I will rejoice and be glad in your mercy, once you have seen my misery, (and) gotten to know the distress of my soul. (R)
4. You will not abandon me into enemy hands, but will set my feet in a free and open space. (R)
5. Do not let me be put to shame, for I have called to you, LORD. Put the wicked to shame; reduce them to silence in Sheol. (R)
6. Blessed be the LORD, marvelously he showed to me his mercy in a fortified city. (R)

Second Reading

(Romans 5, 1-5)

The second reading speaks of the teachings of St. Paul on being righteous before God through our faith. This is the hope that gives strength to the martyrs to remain faithful and righteous before the Lord in the midst of death.

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans

Brothers and sisters: Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in hope of the glory of God. Not only that, but we even boast of our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, and endurance, proven character, and proven character, hope, and hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

The word of the Lord.

All — Thanks be to God.

Acclamation

(Stand)
(Recited when the Alleluia is not sung.)

Alleluia, alleluia! Happy are those who are persecuted in the cause of right theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel

(Mark 6, 7-13)

P — The Lord be with you.

C — And with your spirit.

P — ✠ A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

C — Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. He instructed them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick – no food, no sack, no money in their belts. They were, however, to wear sandals but not a second tunic. He said to them, “Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave from there. Whatever place does not welcome you or listen to you, leave there and shake the dust off your feet in testimony against them.” So they went off and preached repentance. The Twelve drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

P — The Gospel of the Lord.

C — Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily (Sit)

Proclamation of Faith (Stand) Nicene-Constantinopolitan Creed

All — I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

(At the words that follow, up to and including and became man, all bow.)

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Faithful

P — As we celebrate today the Feast of Saint Pedro Bautista, Martyr and Titular patron of the Archdiocese of Caceres, let us offer to God our petitions, especially for the increase of faith in our local Church.

R — Lord, hear our prayer.

1. That all Christians may put their trust in the Lord in times of challenges and difficulties, let us pray to the Lord. (R)
2. That government leaders may become faithful to their duty of ensuring peace and order in our communities, let us pray to the Lord. (R)
3. That those who are weak in spirit may find the courage and strength to fulfil their mission through witnessing to the Gospel of Christ, let us pray to the Lord. (R)
4. That those who are sick and suffering may find meaning in their difficulties, let us pray to the Lord. (R)

5. That the dead and those who mourn may find hope in the resurrection of Christ, let us pray to the Lord. (R)

P — Loving Father, through the example and intercession of Saint Pedro Bautista, grant us the courage and strength to always become witnesses to our faith even amidst great trials and difficulties. Through Christ, our Lord.

C — Amen.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory (Sit)

(Recited when there is no Offertory Hymn)

P — Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

C — Blessed be God for ever.

P — Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.

C — Blessed be God for ever.

P — (Stand) Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

C — May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Prayer over the Offerings

P — As we venerate the passion of your Martyrs Saints Pedro Bautista, Paul Miki and companions, grant that through this sacrifice, O Lord, we may proclaim worthily, the Death of your Only Begotten Son, who, not content with encouraging the Martyrs by word, strengthened them likewise by example, Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

C — Amen.

Preface I of Holy Martyrs

The sign and example of martyrdom

P — The Lord be with you.

C — And with your spirit.

P — Lift up your hearts.

C — We lift them up to the Lord.

P — Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C — It is truly right and just.

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

For the blood of your blessed Martyr Saint Pedro Bautista, Saint Paul Miki and companions poured out like Christ's to glorify your name, shows forth your marvelous works, by which in our weakness you perfect your power and on the feeble bestow strength to bear you witness, through Christ our Lord.

And so, with the Powers of heaven, we worship you constantly on earth, and before your majesty without end we acclaim:

All — Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Eucharistic Prayer *(Kneel)*

P — The mystery of faith.

C — We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

P — Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, for ever and ever.

C — Amen.

COMMUNION RITE

Lord's Prayer *(Stand)*

P — At the Savior's command and formed by Divine teaching, we dare to say:

All — Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

P — Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

C — For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

P — Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you, look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever.
C — Amen.

Sign of Peace

P — The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C — And with your spirit.

P — Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

Lamb of God

C — Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Invitation to Communion *(Kneel)*

P — Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

All — Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Communion Antiphon

(Mt 10, 32) (Stand)

(Recited when there is no Communion Hymn)

Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father, says the Lord.

Prayer after Communion

P — Let us pray.

Having fed upon heavenly delights, we humbly ask you, O Lord, that by the example of blessed Saints Pedro Bautista, Paul Miki and companions we may bear in our hearts that marks of your Son's charity and suffering and ever enjoy the fruit of perpetual peace. Through Christ our Lord.

C — Amen.

Prayer to San Pedro Bautista *(Kneel)*

All — O compassionate San Pedro Bautista, brave soldier of Christ, apostle and martyr of faith, we look up to your Christian virtues and uprightness which have been entrusted to you by God since your childhood. We praise you because of your longing for holiness which made you renounce worldly allurements and to accept the life of religiosity.

We praise you because of your concern for the poor that brought you to leave your own country in order to proclaim the Good News of Christ to the other people. We praise you

because of your deepest longing to be with God which gave you strength to embrace all the sufferings in proclaiming the Word of God to unbelievers. We praise you because you have embraced the Cross of Christ and proclaimed the God's teachings instead of shunning Him away.

O glorious martyr of Christ, we chose you as the Patron of the Archdiocese of Caceres which you sanctified when you were still alive. It gives us joy to remember your works here on us. Nourish our Archdiocese. Protect each of us with the love of God. And we promise to proclaim your glory to other people and live out your example so that we may also share in the heavenly blessings. Amen.

CONCLUDING RITE

Prayer over the People

P — The Lord be with you.

C — And with your spirit.

P — Bow down for the blessing.

May the Christian people exult, O Lord, at the glorification of the illustrious members of your Son's Body, and may they gain a share in the eternal lot of the Saints on whose feast day they reaffirm their devotion to you, rejoicing with them for ever in your glory. Through Christ our Lord.

C — Amen.

P — And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever.

C — Amen.

P — Go in peace.

C — Thanks be to God.

