cension of our Lord Jesus ascensiónis Jesu Christi Dó-Christ, and in honour of blessed | mini nostri : et in honorem Mary ever Virgin, of blessed beátae Maríae semper Vír-John the Baptist, the holy ginis, et beáti Joánnis Bapti-Apostles Peter and Paul, of these (the martyrs whose relics are contained in the altar stone 1) and of all the saints, illis proficiat ad honorem, that it may avail to their honour and our salvation: and that they may vouchsafe tur in caelis, quorum memóto intercede for us in heaven, riam ágimus in terris. Per whose memory we now keep eumdem Christum Dominum on earth. Through the same nostrum. Amen. Christ our Lord. Amen.

Passion, Resurrection and As-| passionis, resurrectionis et stae, et sanctórum Apostolórum Petri et Pauli, et istórum, et ómnium Sanctórum : ut nobis autem ad salútem : et illi pro nobis intercédere dignén-

The Orate fratres and Secret

The priest kisses the altar and turning towards the congregation says:

BRETHREN, pray that my sacri-fice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father ceptabile fiat apud Deum almighty.

May the Lord receive the sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of His name, to our own benefit, and to that of all His holy Church.

RATE fratres : ut meum ac vestrum sacrificium ac-Patrem omnipoténtem.

y. Suscípiat Dóminus sacrifícium de mánibus tuis, / ad laudem, et gloriam nóminis sui, / ad uti litátem quoque nostram, totiúsque Ecclésiae suae sanctae.

The priest alone says: Amen.

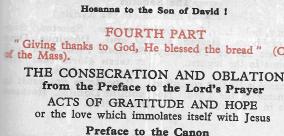
He then reads in silence the Secret (one or more according to the Proper). The offerings the congregation formely made at the Offertory were so great, that the priest would select few for the purpose of the sacrifice and recite over them the prayer known as Oratio super secreta, " Prayer over the oblations set apart ". The word Secreta alone is now taken for "Secret prayers". In order that all present may signify their concurrence in the first part of the Mass of the Faithful viz. the Offertory, he says the concluding words aloud:

...world without end. ...per ómnia saécula saeculórum.

R. Amen.

Ry. Amen.

1. See page 935 The reason why the Church encloses relics of the saints in the alis in order to associate them with the divine Martyr of Golgotha. In the Mass all Christiare offered up to the glory of the Holy Trinity; in a certain manner they are victims of boly Sacrifice: Jesus has finished suffering; they however are the mystical member of Christ, who in their turn must offer their sufferings to God in union with those of Christian Christi



The priest begins the fourth part of the Mass

The prayers of the Canon are very ancient, dating from efore the fifth century. The Canon is above all others the aditional prayer of the Church.

Dóminus vobíscum.

Et cum spíritu tuo. *. Sursum corda.

Habémus ad Dómi-

. Grátias agámus Dómino nostro.

Dignum et justum est. Ry. It is meet and right.

y. The Lord be with you.

Ry. And with thy spirit. y. Lift up your hearts.

w. We lift them up unto the Lord.

y. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Common Preface

The following Preface is said throughout the year on feasts and ferias which have no proper Preface.

ERE dignum et justum est, aequum et salutáre, nos aequum et salutáre, nos

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