

## **SAINT JOSEMARÍA ESCRIVÁ DE BALAGUER, PRIEST**

### **Entry Antiphon:**

**Ier 3, 15**

I will give you shepherds after my own heart, and they shall feed you on knowledge and sound teaching.

### **Opening Prayer:**

O God,  
who raised up your priest Saint Josemaría in the Church  
to proclaim the universal call to holiness and the apostolate,  
grant that by his intercession and example  
we may, through our daily work,  
be formed in the likeness of Jesus your Son  
and serve the work of redemption with burning love.  
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.

### **Prayer over the Gifts:**

Holy Father,  
accept these gifts that we offer in memory of Saint Josemaría,  
so that, through the sacrifice offered by Christ on the altar of the Cross  
and made present here in this sacrament,  
you may graciously sanctify all that we do.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

### **Communion Antiphon:**

**Mt 20, 28**

The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

### **Prayer after Communion:**

O Lord our God,  
may the mysteries we have received  
in this celebration of Saint Josemaría,  
strengthen in us the spirit of adoption as your children,  
so that, in faithful adherence to your will,  
we may advance joyfully along the path of holiness.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.