

2026-03-02 Meditation for Monday in the Second Week of Lent is now available at: <https://pgimf.org/meditations/>

[The opening theme song with a poetic paraphrase begins:]

Ich bete an die Macht der Liebe,
O Pow'r of love, all else transcending,
Die sich in Jesu offenbart;
In Jesus present evermore,
Ich geb' mich hin dem freien Triebe,
I worship thee, in homage bending,

Adoro te devote

Lyrics: Thomas Aquinas (1225-1274)

Music: Chant, hymn

Artists: Women of the Schola Gregoriana Mediolanensis (Milan), Giovanni Vianini (dir.)
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=59YKao1GRMY&list=RD59YKao1GRMY&start_radio=1
(first song)

1. *Adoro te devote, latens deitas,*
I devoutly adore you, hidden deity,
Quæ sub his figuris vere latitas
Who are truly hidden beneath these appearances.;
Tibi se cor meum totum subicit,
My whole heart submits to You,
Quia te contemplans totum deficit.
Because in contemplating You, it is fully deficient.
2. *Visus, tactus, gustus in te fallitur,*
Sight, touch taste all fail in their judgment of you,
Sed auditu solo tuto creditur.
But hearing suffices firmly to believe.
Credo quidquid dixit Dei Filius ;
I believe all that the Son of God has spoken;
Nil hoc verbo Veritátis verius.
There is nothing truer than this word of Truth.
3. *In Cruce latebat sola Deitas,*
On the cross only the divinity was hidden,
At hic latet simul et Humanitas,

But here the humanity is also hidden.
Ambo tamen credens atque confitens,
Yet believing and confessing both,
Peto quod petivit latro pœnitens.
I ask for what the penitent thief asked.

4. *Plagas, sicut Thomas, non intueor:*
I do not see wounds as Thomas did,
Deum tamen meum te confiteor.
But I confess that You are my God.
Fac me tibi semper magis credere,
Make me believe much more in You,
In te spem habere, te diligere.
Hope in You, and love You.
5. *O memoriale mortis Domini,*
O memorial of our Lord's death,
Panis vivus, vitam præstans homini,
Living Bread that gives life to man,
Præsta meæ menti de te vivere,
Grant my soul to live on You,
Et te illi semper dulce sapere.
And always to savour your sweetness.
6. *Pie Pelicane, Jesu Domine,*
Lord Jesus, Good Pelican,
Me immundum munda tuo Sanguine :
Cleanse me, the unclean, with You Blood,
Cujus una stilla salvum facere
One drop of which can heal
Totum mundum quit ab omni scelere.
The entire world of all its sins.
7. *Jesu, quem velatum nunc aspicio,*
Jesus, whom now I see hidden,
Oro, fiat illud quod tam sitio:
I ask You to fulfill what I so desire:
Ut te revelata cernens facie,
That the sight of Your Face being unveiled

Visu sim beátus tuæ gloriæ.

I may have the happiness of seeing Your glory.

Amen.

[Closing words to our theme song:]

O! dass diess jeder Sünder wüsste,

O! that every sinner would know this,

Sein Herz wohl bald dich lieben müsste.

His heart must soon surely love You.

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