**PSALM 136**

Super flumina.

*The lamentation of the people of God in their captivity in Babylon.*

A psalm of David, for Jeremias.

**1** Upon the rivers of Babylon, there we sat and wept: when we remembered Sion:

**2** On the willows in the midst thereof we hung up our instruments.

**3** For there they that led us into captivity required of us the words of songs. And they that carried us away, said: Sing ye to us a hymn of the songs of Sion.

**4** How shall we sing the song of the Lord in a strange land?

**5** If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand be forgotten.

**6** Let my tongue cleave to my jaws, if I do not remember thee: If I make not Jerusalem the beginning of my joy.

**7** Remember, O Lord, the children of Edom, in the day of Jerusalem: Who say: Rase it, rase it, even to the foundation thereof.

**8** O daughter of Babylon, miserable: blessed shall he be who shall repay thee thy payment which thou hast paid us.

**9** Blessed be he that shall take and dash thy little ones against the rock.