

## **2 Corinthians 13:11-13<sup>v</sup>**

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

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### **<sup>v</sup> About the Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13**

Paul concludes his second letter to the church in Corinth with an exhortation to be reconciled to one another. The exchange of the “holy kiss” (v. 12), the customary Eastern embrace, became a regular feature of the early liturgy, signaling the reconciliation of the community members. The closing triadic formula expresses a three-fold understanding of Christian experience: grace received through Jesus leads one to the Father’s love, which is expressed through the Spirit.