

Liturgy of the Hours
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EVENING PRAYER

April 7, 2020

{ Tuesday of Holy Week }



Stand and make sign of cross

God, come to my assistance.

— Lord, make haste to help me.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now,
and will be for ever. Amen.

HYMN

O Sacred Head, surrounded
By crown of piercing thorn.
O Bleeding Head, so wounded,
Reviled and put to scorn.
Our sins have marred the glory
Of thy most holy Face,
Yet angel hosts adore thee,
And tremble as they gaze.

The Lord of every nation
Was hung upon a tree;
His death was our salvation,
Our sins, his agony.
O Jesus, by thy Passion,
Thy Life in us increase;
Thy death for us did fashion
Our pardon and our peace.

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PSALMODY

Antiphon 1

They insulted me and filled me with dread, but the Lord was at my side, like a mighty warrior.

Psalm 49

Emptiness of riches

It is difficult for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven (Matthew 19:23).

I

Héar this, áll you péoples, *
give héed, all who dwéll in the wórld,
mén both lów and hígh, *
rích and póor alike!

My líps will speak wórds of wísdóm. *
My héart is fúll of ínsíght.
I will túrn my mínd to a párablé, *
with the hárp I will sólve my próblém.

Whý should I féar in evíl dáys *
the málice of the fóes who surróund me,
mén who trúst in their wéalth, *
and bóast of the vástness of their ríches?

For nó man can bý his own ránsóm, *
or pay a príce to Gód for his lífe.
The ránsóm of his sóul is beyónd him. †
He cánnót buy lífe without énd, *
nor avóid cóming to the gráve.

He knows that wíse mén and fóols must both pérish *
and léave their wéalth to óthers.
Their gráves are their hómés for éver, †
their dwélling place from áge to áge, *
though their námes spread wíde through the lánd.

In his ríches, mán lacks wísdóm: *
hé is líke the béasts that are destróyed.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, *
and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, *
and will be for ever. Amen.

Antiphon

They insulted me and filled me with dread, but the Lord was at my side, like a mighty warrior.

Antiphon 2

Deliver me, Lord, and place me at your side, then let whoever will, lift his hand to strike me.

II

This is the lot of those who trust in themselves, *
who have others at their beck and call.
Like sheep they are driven to the grave, †
where death shall be their shepherd *
and the just shall become their rulers.

With the morning their outward show vanishes *
and the grave becomes their home.
But God will ransom me from death *
and take my soul to himself.

Then do not fear when a man grows rich, *
when the glory of his house increases.
He takes nothing with him when he dies, *
his glory does not follow him below.

Though he flattered himself while he lived: *
“Men will praise me for all my success,”
yet he will go to join his fathers, *
who will never see the light any more.

In his riches, man lacks wisdom: *
he is like the beasts that are destroyed.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, *
and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, *

and will be for ever. Amen.

Antiphon

Deliver me, Lord, and place me at your side, then let whoever will, lift his hand to strike me.

Antiphon 3

You were slain, Lord, and by your blood you have ransomed us for God.

Canticle – Revelation 4:11; 5:9, 10, 12

Redemption hymn

O Lord our God, you are worthy^{*}
to receive glory and honor and power.

For you have created all things;^{*}
by your will they came to be and were made.

Worthy are you, O Lord,^{*}
to receive the scroll and break open its seals.

For you were slain;^{*}
with your blood you purchased for God
men of every race and tongue,^{*}
of every people and nation.

You made of them a kingdom,[†]
and priests to serve our God,^{*}
and they shall reign on the earth.

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain^{*}
to receive power and riches,
wisdom and strength,^{*}
honor and glory and praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,^{*}
and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now,^{*}
and will be for ever. Amen.

Antiphon

You were slain, Lord, and by your blood you have ransomed us for

God.

Sit

READING

1 Corinthians 1:27b-30

God singled out the weak of this world to shame the strong. He chose the world's lowborn and despised, those who count for nothing, to reduce to nothing those who were something; so that mankind can do no boasting before God. God it is who has given you life in Christ Jesus. He has made him our wisdom and also our justice, our sanctification, and our redemption.

RESPONSORY

We worship you, O Christ, and we praise you.

— We worship you, O Christ, and we praise you.

Because by your cross you have redeemed the world.

— We praise you.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

— We worship you, O Christ, and we praise you.

Stand

GOSPEL CANTICLE

Antiphon

I have power to lay down my life, and I have power to take it up again.

Luke 1:46-55

The soul rejoices in the Lord

Make sign of cross

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, *
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior
for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant. *

From this day all generations will call me blessed:
the Almighty has done great things for me, *

and holy is his Name.

He has mercy on those who fear him *
in every generation.

He has shown the strength of his arm, *
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, *
and has lifted up the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things, *
and the rich he has sent away empty.

He has come to the help of his servant Israel *
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,
the promise he made to our fathers, *
to Abraham and his children for ever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, *
and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, *
and will be for ever. Amen.

Antiphon

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again.

INTERCESSIONS

The Savior of mankind by dying destroyed death and by rising again
restored life. Let us humbly ask him:

— Sanctify your people, redeemed by your blood.

Redeemer of the world, give us a greater share of your passion
through a deeper spirit of repentance,
so that we may share the glory of your resurrection.

— Sanctify your people, redeemed by your blood.

May your Mother, comfort of the afflicted, protect us,
may we console others as you console us.

— Sanctify your people, redeemed by your blood.

Look with love on those who suffer because of our indifference,
come to their aid,
and turn our uncaring hearts to works of justice and charity.

— Sanctify your people, redeemed by your blood.

You humbled yourself by being obedient even to accepting death,
death on a cross,
give all who serve you the gifts of obedience and patient endurance.

— Sanctify your people, redeemed by your blood.

Transform the bodies of the dead to be like your own in glory,
and bring us at last into their fellowship.

— Sanctify your people, redeemed by your blood.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come.
Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us,
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

Concluding Prayer

Father,
may we receive your forgiveness and mercy
as we celebrate the passion and death of the Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

— Amen.

Dismissal

May the Lord bless us, protect us from all evil and bring us to
everlasting life.

— Amen.

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