

Evening Prayer

Holy Week 2020

Make me from the way of sin
and I will praise your name
My soul will praise you, O Lord
by your word and your law

Keep me from the way of sin
and teach me your law
I have chosen the way of truth
with your decrees before me

I bind myself to do your will,
Lord, do not disappoint me.
I will run the way of your commandments
you give freedom to my heart.

Psalm-prayer

Lord, we are citizens of heaven
made citizens of your kingdom
in the way of your commandments
on you alone. I trust in the

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.



O Sacred Head Surrounded

O sacred head surrounded
By crown of piercing thorn
O bleeding head, so wounded
Reviled and put to scorn.

The power of death comes o'er you
The glow of life's decays,
Yet angel hosts adore you
And tremble as they gaze



O Sacred Head Surrounded

O Jesus, we adore thee,
upon the cross, our King!
We humbly bow before thee,
and of thy vict'ry sing.

Thy cross is our salvation,
our hope from day to day,
our peace and consolation
when life shall fade away.

Psalmody

Antiphon 1

Evil men said: Let us make the just man suffer; he sets himself against our way of life.

Psalm 62 (alternate men, then women)

In God alone is my soul at rest; my help comes from him.
He alone is my rock, my stronghold, my fortress: I stand firm.

How long will you all attack one man to break him down, as though he were a tottering wall, or a tumbling fence?

Their plan is only to destroy: they take pleasure in lies.
With their mouth they utter blessing but in their heart they curse.

In God alone be at rest, my soul; for my hope comes from him.
He alone is my rock, my stronghold, my fortress: I stand firm.

In God is my safety and glory, the rock of my strength. Take refuge in God, all you people. Trust him at all times. Pour out your hearts before him for God is our refuge.

Common folk are only a breath, great men an illusion.
Placed in the scales, they rise; they weigh less than a breath.

Do not put your trust in oppression nor vain hopes on plunder.
Do not set your heart on riches even when they increase.

For God has said only one thing: only two do I know: that to God alone belongs power and to you, Lord, love; and that you repay each man according to his deeds.

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 - All recite

Evil men said: Let us make the just man suffer; he sets himself against our way of life.

Antiphon 2

He took all our sins upon himself and asked forgiveness for our offenses.

Psalm 67 (alternate women, then men)

O God, be gracious and bless us and let your face shed its light upon us. So will your ways be known upon earth and all nations learn your saving help.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and exult for you rule the world with justice.

With fairness you rule the peoples, you guide the nations on earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

The earth has yielded its fruit for God, our God, has blessed us. May God still give us his blessing till the ends of the earth revere him.

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

Antiphon - All recite

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Antiphon 3

**In Christ we have found deliverance; through his blood,
the forgiveness of our sins.**

Canticle – Colossians 1:12-20

Alternate men, then women

Let us give thanks to the Father for having made you worthy
to share the lot of the saints in light.

He rescued us from the power of darkness
and brought us into the kingdom of his beloved Son. Through
him we have redemption, the forgiveness of our sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the first-born of all
creatures. In him everything in heaven and on earth was
created, things visible and invisible.

All were created through him; all were created for him. He is
before all else that is. In him everything continues in being.

It is he who is head of the body, the church! he who is the
beginning, the first-born of the dead, so that primacy may be
his in everything.

It pleased God to make absolute fulness reside in him and, by
means of him, to reconcile everything in his person, both on
earth and in the heavens, making peace through the blood of
his cross.

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 - All recite

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Reading

Ephesians 4:32-5:2

Reader Be kind to one another, compassionate, and mutually forgiving, just as God has forgiven you in Christ. Be imitators of God as his dear children. Follow the way of love, even as Christ loved you. He gave himself for us as an offering to God, a gift of pleasing fragrance.

pause for reflection

Responsory

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

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

Reader Because by your cross you have redeemed the world.

Participants — **We praise you.**

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

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

Gospel Cantic

Antiphon

The Master says: My hour is close at hand; I and my disciples shall celebrate the Passover in your house.

Luke 1:46-44 – The soul rejoices in the Lord (All pray)

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 - All recite

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Intercessions

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

Participants — **Sanctify your people, redeemed by your blood.** *(repeat after each intercession)*

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. —

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

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. —

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. —

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

Let us add our own prayers in silence.... —



LET US PRAY TOGETHER

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,

in your plan of salvation your Son Jesus Christ accepted the cross and freed us from the power of the enemy. May we come to share the glory of his resurrection, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

— Amen.

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

— Amen.

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