Liturgy of the Hours LITURGY OF THE HOURS

EVENING PRAYER I

August 14, 2025 { Solemnity – Assumption }



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. Alleluia.

HYMN

New star of heaven, joy of all creation, bearing the Daystar, Mother of your Maker lift up the fallen, lend your aid to sinners, O Virgin Mary.

Surely, God made you as his holy ladder: he holds the summit, Highest seeking lowest; grant us, the lowly, to return ascending heights of high heaven.

At your Assumption, choirs of blessed angels, ranks of the prophets, and the great apostles wond'ring, behold you raised on high above them, next to the Godhead.

Praise in the highest be to God for ever, Trinity blessed, crowning you in heaven Queen of creation, holy Virgin Mother, our gracious Lady. Amen.

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Sit or stand

PSALMODY

Antiphon 1

Christ ascended into heaven and prepared an everlasting place for his immaculate Mother, alleluia.

Psalm 113

Praise the name of the Lord

He has cast down the mighty and has lifted up the lowly (Luke 1:52).

Práise, O sérvants of the Lórd,*
práise the náme of the Lórd!
May the náme of the Lórd be bléssed *
both nów and for évermóre!
From the rísing of the sún to its sétting *
práised be the náme of the Lórd!

Hígh above all nátions is the Lórd, * abóve the héavens his glóry. Whó is like the Lórd, our Gód, * who has rísen on hígh to his thróne yet stóops from the héights to look dówn, * to look dówn upon héaven and éarth?

From the dúst he lífts up the lówly,*

from his mísery he ráises the póor to sét him in the cómpany of prínces, * yés, with the prínces of his péople. To the chíldless wífe he gives a hóme * and gláddens her héart with chíldren.

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

Christ ascended into heaven and prepared an everlasting place for his immaculate Mother, alleluia.

Antiphon 2

Through Eve the gates of heaven were closed to all mankind; through the Virgin Mother they were opened wide again, alleluia.

Psalm 147:12-20

The restoration of Jerusalem

Come, I will show you the bride of the Lamb (Revelation 21:9).

O práise the Lórd, Jerúsalem! * Zíon, práise your Gód!

He has stréngthened the bárs of your gátes, * he has bléssed the children within you. He estáblished péace on your bórders, * he féeds you with finest whéat.

He sénds out his word to the éarth * and swiftly rúns his commánd. He shówers down snów white as wóol, * he scátters hóar-frost like áshes.

He húrls down háilstones like crúmbs. *
The wáters are frózen at his tóuch;
he sénds forth his wórd and it mélts them: *
at the bréath of his móuth the waters flów.

He mákes his wórd known to Jácob,*

to Ísrael his láws and decrées. He has not déalt thus with óther nátions; * he has not táught them hís decrées.

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

Through Eve the gates of heaven were closed to all mankind; through the Virgin Mother they were opened wide again, alleluia.

Antiphon 3

The Virgin Mary has been exalted above all the heavens; come, let all men glorify Christ the King, whose kingdom will endure for ever, alleluia.

Canticle – Ephesians 1:3-10

God our Savior

Praised be the God and Father * of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has bestowed on us in Christ * every spiritual blessing in the heavens.

God chose us in him * before the world began to be holy * and blameless in his sight.

He predestined us *
to be his adopted sons through Jesus Christ,
such was his will and pleasure, †
that all might praise the glorious favor *
he has bestowed on us in his beloved.

In him and through his blood, we have been redeemed, * and our sins forgiven, so immeasurably generous * is God's favor to us.

God has given us the wisdom * to understand fully the mystery, the plan he was pleased * to decree in Christ.

A plan to be carried out * in Christ, in the fullness of time, to bring all things into one in him, * in the heavens and on earth.

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

The Virgin Mary has been exalted above all the heavens; come, let all men glorify Christ the King, whose kingdom will endure for ever, alleluia.

Sit

READING

Romans 8:30

Those God predestined he likewise called; those he called he also justified; and those he justified he in turn glorified.

RESPONSORY

As Mary is taken up to heaven, the angels of God rejoice.

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They worship the Lord and sing his praises.

— The angels of God rejoice.

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

— As Mary is taken up to heaven, the angels of God rejoice.

GOSPEL CANTICLE

Antiphon

All generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me, alleluia.

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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things for me, alleluia.

INTERCESSIONS

Let us praise God our almighty Father, who wished that Mary, his Son's mother, be celebrated by each generation. Now in need we ask:

— Mary, full of grace, intercede for us.

O God, worker of miracles, you made the immaculate Virgin Mary share, body and soul, in your Son's glory in heaven, direct the hearts of your children to that same glory.

— Mary, full of grace, intercede for us.

You made Mary our mother. Through her intercession grant strength to the weak, comfort to the sorrowing, pardon to sinners, salvation and peace to all.

— Mary, full of grace, intercede for us.

You made Mary full of grace, grant all men the joyful abundance of your grace.

— Mary, full of grace, intercede for us.

Make your Church of one mind and one heart in love, and help all those who believe to be one in prayer with Mary, the mother of Jesus.

— Mary, full of grace, intercede for us.

You crowned Mary queen of heaven, may all the dead rejoice in your kingdom with the saints for ever.

— Mary, full of grace, intercede for us.

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

Almighty God, you gave a humble virgin the privilege of being the mother of your Son, and crowned her with the glory of heaven. May the prayers of the Virgin Mary bring us to the salvation of Christ and raise us up to eternal life.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, 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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