

*Liturgy of the Hours*  
LITURGY OF THE HOURS

EVENING PRAYER

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November 21, 2025

{ Memorial – Presentation of Mary }



*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

Hail, O star of ocean,  
God's own loving Mother,  
yet a virgin always,  
blessed Gate of heaven.

Heeding that great "Ave"  
from the mouth of Gabriel,  
in your peace confirm us,  
Eva's name transforming.

Break the bonds of sinners,  
offer light to blindness,  
drive away our evil,  
beg for us all blessings.

Show yourself our Mother:  
pray that he may hear us,  
who for our salvation  
deigned to be your offspring.

Peerless holy Virgin,  
meek beyond all others,  
free us from our failings,  
make us chaste and humble.

Keep us pure and faithful,  
guard us on life's journey,  
that on seeing Jesus  
we rejoice for ever.

Praise to God the Father,

glory to Christ Jesus  
and the Holy Spirit:  
to all three one honor. Amen.

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*Sit or stand*

## PSALMODY

### *Antiphon 1*

Lord, lay your healing hand upon me, for I have sinned.

*Psalms 41*

*Prayer of a sick person*

*One of you will betray me, yes, one who eats with me (Mark 14:18).*

Happy the man who considers the poor and the weak.\*  
The Lord will save him in the day of evil,  
will guard him, give him life, make him happy in the land\*  
and will not give him up to the will of his foes.  
The Lord will help him on his bed of pain,\*  
he will bring him back from sickness to health.

As for me, I said: “Lord, have mercy on me,\*  
heal my soul for I have sinned against you.”  
My foes are speaking evil against me.\*  
“How long before he dies and his name be forgotten?”  
They come to visit me and speak empty words,\*  
their hearts full of malice, they spread it abroad.  
My enemies whisper together against me.\*

They áll weigh úp the évil which is ón me:  
“Some déadly thínġ has fástened upón him, \*  
he will nót rise agáin from whére he lées.”  
Thus éven my friend, in whóm I trústed, \*  
who áte my bréad, has túrned agáinst me.

But yóu, O Lórd, have mércy on mé. \*  
Let me ríse once móre and Í will repáy them.  
By thís I shall knów that yóu are my friend, \*  
if my fóes do not shóut in tríumph óver me.  
If yóu uphóld me Í shall be unhármed \*  
and sét in your présence for évermóre.

Bléssed be the Lórd, the Gód of Ísrael \*  
from áge to áge. Amén. Amén.

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*

Lord, lay your healing hand upon me, for I have sinned.

### *Antiphon 2*

The mighty Lord is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

### *Psalms 46*

### *God our refuge and strength*

*He shall be called Emmanuel, which means: God-with-us (Matthew 1:23).*

Gód is for ús a réfuge and stréngth, \*  
a hélper close at hánd, in tíme of distréss:  
so wé shall not féar though the éarth should rók, \*  
though the móuntains fáll into the dépths of the séa,  
even thóugh its wáters ráge and fóam, \*  
even thóugh the móuntains be sháken by its wáves.

The Lórd of hósts is wíth us: \*  
the Gód of Jácob is our stróngthold.

The wáters of a ríver give jóy to God's cíty, \*

the hólý pláce where the Móst High dwélls.  
Gód is withín, it cánnót be sháken; \*  
Gód will hélp it at the dáwning of the dáy.  
Nátions are in túmult, kíngdoms are sháken: \*  
he lífts his vóice, the éarth shrinks awáy.

The Lórd of hósts is with us: \*  
the Gód of Jácob is our stróngthold.

Cóme, consíder the wórks of the Lórd, \*  
the redóutable déeds he has dóne on the éarth.  
He puts an énd to wárs over áll the éarth; †  
the bów he bréaks, the spéar he snáps. \*  
He búrns the shíelds with fire.  
“Be stíll and knów that Í am Gód, \*  
supréme among the nátions, supréme on the éarth!”

The Lórd of hósts is with us: \*  
the Gód of Jácob is our stróngthold.

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 mighty Lord is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

### *Antiphon 3*

All nations will come and worship before you, O Lord.

### *Canticle – Revelation 15:3–4*

### *Hymn of adoration*

Mighty and wonderful are your works, \*  
Lord God Almighty!  
Righteous and true are your ways, \*  
O King of the nations!

Who would dare refuse you honor, \*  
or the glory due your name, O Lord?

Since you alone are holy, \*

all nations shall come  
and worship in your presence.\*  
Your mighty deeds are clearly seen.

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 nations will come and worship before you, O Lord.

*Sit*

### READING

*Galatians 4:4-5*

When the designated time had come, God sent forth his Son born of a woman, born under the law, to deliver from the law those who were subjected to it, so that we might receive our status as adopted sons.

### RESPONSORY

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.

— Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.

Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb.

— The Lord is with you.

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

— Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.

*Stand*

### GOSPEL CANTICLE

*Antiphon*

Holy Mother of God, Mary ever-Virgin, you are the temple of the Lord and the dwelling place of the Holy Spirit. Beyond all others you were pleasing to our Lord Jesus Christ.

*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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**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*

Eternal Father,  
we honor the holiness and glory of the Virgin Mary.



May her prayers bring us  
the fullness of your life and love.

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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