Liturgy of the Hours LITURGY OF THE HOURS

NIGHT PRAYER

April 29, 2024 { Memorial – Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor }



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.

Penitential Rite

Brief moment of silence

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

All strike their breast

through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Presiding minister

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

— Amen.

Ηγμν

At the Lamb's high feast we sing Praise to our victorious King, Who has washed us in the tide Flowing from his wounded side; Praise the Lord, whose love divine Gives his sacred blood for wine,

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Gives his body for the feast, Christ the victim, Christ the priest.

Where the Paschal blood is poured, Death's dark angel sheathes his sword; Israel's hosts in triumph go Through the waves that drown the foe. Christ the Lamb whose blood was shed, Paschal victim, Paschal bread; Let us with a fervent love Taste the manna from above.

Mighty victim from on high, Pow'rs of hell now vanquished lie; Sin is conquered in the fight: You have brought us life and light; Your resplendent banners wave, You have risen from the grave; Christ has opened paradise, And in him all men shall rise.

Easter triumph, Easter joy, Sin alone can this destroy; Souls from sin and death set free Glory in their liberty. Hymns of glory, hymns of praise Father unto you we raise; Risen Lord, for joy we sing: Let our hymns through heaven ring.

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PSALMODY

Antiphon

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm 86

Poor man's prayer in trouble

Blessed be God who comforts us in all our trials (2 Corinthians 1:3, 4).

Turn your éar, O Lórd, and give ánswer * for Í am póor and néedy. Preserve my lífe, for Í am fáithful: * save the sérvant who trústs in yóu.

You are my Gód, have mércy on me, Lórd, * for I crý to you áll the day lóng. Give jóy to your sérvant, O Lórd, * for to yóu I líft up my sóul.

O Lórd, you are góod and forgíving, * full of lóve to áll who cáll. Give héed, O Lórd, to my práyer * and atténd to the sóund of my vóice.

In the dáy of distréss I will cáll * and súrely yóu will replý. Among the góds there is nóne like you, O Lórd; * nor wórk to compáre with yoúrs.

All the nátions shall cóme to adóre you * and glórify your náme, O Lórd: for you are gréat and do márvellous déeds, * yóu who alóne are Gód.

Shów me, Lórd, your wáy † so that Í may wálk in your trúth. * Guide my héart to féar your náme.

I will práise you, Lord my Gód, with all my héart * and glórify your náme for éver; for your lóve to mé has been gréat: * you have sáved me from the dépths of the gráve.

The próud have rísen agáinst me; † rúthless men séek my lífe: * to yóu they páy no héed.

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But yóu, God of mércy and compássion, * slów to ánger, O Lórd, abóunding in lóve and trúth, * túrn and take píty on mé.

O gíve your stréngth to your sérvant * and sáve your hándmaid's són. Shów me a sígn of your fávor † that my fóes may sée to their sháme * that you consóle me and gíve me your hélp.

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

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Reading

1 Thessalonians 5:9-10

God has destined us for acquiring salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. He died for us, that all of us, whether awake or asleep, together might live with him.

Responsory

Into your hands, Lord, I commend my spirit, alleluia, alleluia.

— Into your hands, Lord, I commend my spirit, alleluia, alleluia. You have redeemed us, Lord God of truth.

— alleluia, alleluia.

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

— Into your hands, Lord, I commend my spirit, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL CANTICLE

Antiphon

Protect us, Lord, as we stay awake; watch over us as we sleep, that awake, we may keep watch with Christ, and asleep, rest in his peace.

Alleluia.

Luke 2:29-32

Christ is the light of the nations and the glory of Israel

Make sign of cross

Lord, now you let your servant go in peace; * your word has been fulfilled:

my own eyes have seen the salvation * which you have prepared in the sight of every people:

a light to reveal you to the nations * and the glory of your people Israel.

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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CONCLUDING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Lord, give our bodies restful sleep and let the work we have done today bear fruit in eternal life. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

— Amen.

Blessing

May the all-powerful Lord grant us a restful night and a peaceful death.

— Amen.

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ANTIPHON OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia. The Son whom you merited to bear, alleluia, has risen as he said, alleluia.

Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia! For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.

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