

Liturgy of the Hours
LITURGY OF THE HOURS

MORNING PRAYER

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{ Memorial – Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious }



Invitatory

Stand and make sign of cross on lips with thumb

Lord, open my lips.

— And my mouth will proclaim your praise.

Psalm 95

A call to praise God

Encourage each other daily while it is still today (Hebrews 3:13).

Come, let us worship God, wonderful in his saints.

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Come, let us sing to the Lord

and shout with joy to the Rock who saves us.

Let us approach him with praise and thanksgiving

and sing joyful songs to the Lord.

— Come, let us worship God, wonderful in his saints.

The Lord is God, the mighty God,

the great king over all the gods.

He holds in his hands the depths of the earth

and the highest mountains as well.

He made the sea; it belongs to him,

the dry land, too, for it was formed by his hands.

— Come, let us worship God, wonderful in his saints.

Come, then, let us bow down and worship,

bending the knee before the Lord, our maker.

For he is our God and we are his people,

the flock he shepherds.

— Come, let us worship God, wonderful in his saints.

Today, listen to the voice of the Lord:

Do not grow stubborn, as your fathers did

in the wilderness,

when at Meriba and Massah

they challenged me and provoked me,

Although they had seen all of my works.

— Come, let us worship God, wonderful in his saints.

Forty years I endured that generation.

I said, “They are a people whose hearts go astray
and they do not know my ways.”

So I swore in my anger,

“They shall not enter into my rest.”

— Come, let us worship God, wonderful in his saints.

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.

— Come, let us worship God, wonderful in his saints.

Morning Prayer

HYMN

O loving kindness
of our great Redeemer,
who will to give us
wholly to the Father,
wondrously guiding
by the Spirit’s power
hearts that adore him.

Christ, you have fashioned
new and holy offspring,
born of the true God
through the flowing waters,
granting them blessings:
charity from heaven,
grace without measure.

You called; they hastened,
joyous at their calling;
under your guidance,

they left all behind them,
to seek the Father,
with the Cross to lead them,
in the King's footsteps.

Thus he was holy
and, inspired by heaven,
followed you closely
with great love and fervor;
he spent his powers
seeking heights of virtue,
life filled with gladness.

Let praise re-echo
to the heav'nly Father,
to you, Christ, Ruler,
and the Holy Spirit:
you grant in kindness
to the humble giver
hundredfold blessings. Amen.

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Sit or stand

PSALMODY

Antiphon 1

Lord, you are near to us, and all your ways are true.

XIX (Koph)

I cáll with all my héart; Lord, héar me, *
I will kéep your commánds;
I cáll upón you, sáve me *
and Í will do your wíll.

I ríse before dáwn and cry for hélp, *
I hópe in your wórd.
My éyes wáitch through the níght *
to pónder your prómise.

In your lóve hear my vóice, O Lórd; *
give me lífe by your decreés.
Those who hárm me unjústly draw néar: *
they are fár from your láw.

But yóu, O Lórd, are clóse: *
your commánds are trúth.
Lóng have I knówn that your wíll *
is estáblished for éver.

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, you are near to us, and all your ways are true.

Antiphon 2

Wisdom of God, be with me, always at work in me.

Canticle – Wisdom 9:1-6, 9-11

Lord, give me wisdom

I will inspire you with wisdom which your adversaries will be unable to resist (Luke 21:15).

God of my fathers, Lord of mercy, *
you who have made all things by your word
and in your wisdom have established man *

to rule the creatures produced by you,
to govern the world in holiness and justice, *
and to render judgment in integrity of heart:

Give me Wisdom, the attendant at your throne, *
and reject me not from among your children:
for I am your servant, the son of your handmaid, †
a man weak and short-lived *
and lacking in comprehension of judgment and of laws.

Indeed, though one be perfect among the sons of men, †
if Wisdom, who comes from you, be not with him, *
he shall be held in no esteem.

Now with you is Wisdom who knows your works *
and was present when you made the world;
who understands what is pleasing in your eyes *
and what is conformable with your commands.

Send her forth from your holy heavens *
and from your glorious throne dispatch her
that she may be with me and work with me, *
that I may know what is your pleasure.

For she knows and understands all things, †
and will guide me discreetly in my affairs *
and safeguard me by her glory.

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

Wisdom of God, be with me, always at work in me.

Antiphon 3

The Lord remains faithful to his promise for ever.

Psalm 117

Praise for God's loving compassion

I affirm that . . . the Gentile peoples are to praise God because of his mercy (Romans

15:8-9).

O práise the Lórd, all you nátions,*
accláim him, all you péoples!

Stróng is his lóve for ús;*
he is fáithful for éver.

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 Lord remains faithful to his promise for ever.

Sit

READING

Romans 12:1-2

Brothers, I beg you through the mercy of God to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice holy and acceptable to God, your spiritual worship. Do not conform yourselves to this age but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, so that you may judge what is God's will, what is good, pleasing and perfect.

RESPONSORY

In the depths of his heart, the law of God is his guide.

— In the depths of his heart, the law of God is his guide.

He will never lose his way;

— the law of God is his guide.

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

— In the depths of his heart, the law of God is his guide.

Stand

GOSPEL CANTICLE

Antiphon

Whoever does my Father's will, says the Lord, he is my brother, my

sister, and my mother.

Luke 1:68-79

The Messiah and his forerunner

Make sign of cross

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; *
he has come to his people and set them free.
He has raised up for us a mighty savior, *
born of the house of his servant David.

Through his holy prophets he promised of old †
that he would save us from our enemies, *
from the hands of all who hate us.
He promised to show mercy to our fathers *
and to remember his holy covenant.

This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham: *
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
free to worship him without fear, *
holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High; *
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
to give his people knowledge of salvation *
by the forgiveness of their sins.

In the tender compassion of our God *
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, *
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

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

Whoever does my Father's will, says the Lord, he is my brother, my
sister, and my mother.

INTERCESSIONS

My brothers, let us praise Christ, asking to serve him and to be holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life. Let us acclaim him:

— Lord, you alone are the holy one.

You desired to experience everything we experience but sin, have mercy on us, Lord Jesus.

— Lord, you alone are the holy one.

You called us to love perfectly, make us holy, Lord Jesus.

— Lord, you alone are the holy one.

You commissioned us to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, let your light shine on us, Lord Jesus.

— Lord, you alone are the holy one.

You desired to serve, not to be served, help us, Lord Jesus, to give humble service to you and to our neighbors.

— Lord, you alone are the holy one.

You are in the form of God sharing in the splendor of the Father, Lord Jesus, let us see the glory of your face.

— Lord, you alone are the holy one.

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 of love,
giver of all good things,
in Saint Aloysius you combined remarkable innocence
with the spirit of penance.

By the help of his prayers
may we who have not followed his innocence
follow his example of penance.

Grant 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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