

Psalms, Readings, Recitations, and Hymns for The Office of Matins
Friday in the Week of Cantate: Fourth Sunday After Easter
May 20, 2022

Opening Prayers

In the Name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Grant, O Lord, that what we say with our lips we may believe in our hearts and practice in our lives; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Open our mouths, O Lord, to bless Your holy name. Cleanse our hearts from all vain, foolish, and wandering thoughts; enlighten our understanding, enkindle our affections, that we may recite this divine office with attention and devotion, and so may be fit to be heard before the Presence of Your divine Majesty; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

The Versicles

O Lord, open my lips.

And my mouth shall show forth Your praise.

† Make haste, O God, to deliver me.

Make haste to help me, O Lord.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be; forevermore. Amen. Alleluia!

Easter Invitatory and Venite

The Lord is risen indeed, alleluia:

O come, let us worship Him.

O come, let us sing to the Lord: let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving and make a joyful noise to Him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God: and a great King above all gods.

In His hand are deep places of the earth: the strength of the hills is His also.

The sea is His, for He made it: and His hands form-ed the dry land.

O come, let worship and bow down: let us kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For He is our God: and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be; forevermore. Amen.

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Office Hymn: *O Lord and Everlasting King (Tune: 173)*

O Lord and everlasting King,
Maker of earth and everything,
Whom, ere the ages had begun,
The Father ever had for Son;

Who, when this world of ours began,
Didst fashion Adam, primal man,
Giving to him Thy stamp divine,
A countenance to mirror Thine;

When through beguilement brought him low
The devilm, man's relentless foe,
In human flesh Thou didst not scorn
To be in man's own likeness born;

That man to grace Thou mightest restore,
Whom Thou hadst fashioned of yore,
And us to God unite afresh
By sharing this our house of flesh.

Thou spurnedst not man, but for his sake
Thou didst the cross upon Thee take;
Thy blood Thou gavest forth, by this
To buy for us eternal bliss.

We pray Thee, King with glory decked,
In this our Paschal joy, protect
From all that death would fain effect,
Thy ransomed flock, Thine own elect.

To Thee who, dead, again dost live,
All glory, Lord, Thy people give;
All glory, as is ever meet,
To Father and to Paraclete. Amen.

Psalm 119:33-40

Tone 5



Antiphon

Alleluia! `Alleluia!:/ Al`leluia!

Psalm

Teach me, O LORD, the way `of Your statutes,/ And I shall keep `it to the end.

³⁴ Give me understanding, and I `shall keep Your law;/ Indeed, I shall observe it `with my

whole heart.

³⁵ Make me walk in the path of `Your commandments,/ For I `delight in it.

³⁶ Incline my heart to Your `testimonies,/ And not to `covetousness.

³⁷ Turn away my eyes from looking `at worthless things,/ And revive `me in Your way.

³⁸ Establish Your word `to Your servant,/ Who is devoted `to fearing You.

³⁹ Turn away my re`proach which I dread,/ For Your `judgments are good.

⁴⁰ Behold, I long `for Your precepts;/ Revive me in `Your righteousness.

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father `and to the Son:/ and to `the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the be`ginning, is now:/ and ever shall be, forever `more. Amen.

Antiphon

Alleluia! `Alleluia!:/ Alleluia!

Weekly Bible Verse Recitation: *John 6:51*

[Jesus said:] I am the living bread which came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever; and the bread that I shall give is My flesh, which I shall give for the life of the world. *John 6:51*

Weekly Catechism Recitation: *The Benefit of the Sacrament of the Altar*

What benefit do we receive from such eating and drinking?

The benefit which we receive from such eating and drinking is shown us by these words: Given and shed for you for the remission of sins, namely, that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sins, life and salvation are given us through these words. For where there is forgiveness of sins there is also life and salvation.

First Lection: *Leviticus 26:1-20*

‘You shall not make idols for yourselves;

neither a carved image nor a *sacred* pillar shall you rear up for yourselves;

nor shall you set up an engraved stone in your land, to bow down to it;

for I *am* the LORD your God.

2 You shall []keep My Sabbaths and reverence My sanctuary:

I *am* the LORD.

3 ‘If you walk in My statutes and keep My commandments, and perform them,

4 then I will give you rain in its season, the land shall yield its produce, and the trees of the field shall yield their fruit.

5 Your threshing shall last till the time of vintage, and the vintage shall last till the time of sowing;

you shall eat your bread to the full, and dwell in your land safely.

6 I will give peace in the land, and you shall lie down, and none will make *you* afraid;

I will rid the land of evil[**b**] beasts,

and the sword will not go through your land.

7 You will chase your enemies, and they shall fall by the sword before you.

8 Five of you shall chase a hundred, and a hundred of you shall put ten thousand to flight; your enemies shall fall by the sword before you.

9 'For I will look on you favorably and make you fruitful, multiply you and confirm My covenant with you.

10 You shall eat the old harvest, and clear out the old because of the new.

11 I will set My [e]tabernacle among you, and My soul shall not abhor you.

12 I will walk among you and be your God, and you shall be My people.

13 I *am* the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, that *you* should not be their slaves;
I have broken the bands of your yoke and made you walk [d]upright.

14 'But if you do not obey Me, and do not observe all these commandments,
15 and if you despise My statutes, or if your soul abhors My judgments, so that you do not perform all My commandments, *but* break My covenant,
16 I also will do this to you:
I will even appoint terror over you, wasting disease and fever which shall consume the eyes and cause sorrow of heart.
And you shall sow your seed [e]in vain, for your enemies shall eat it.

17 I will [f]set My face against you, and you shall be defeated by your enemies.
Those who hate you shall reign over you, and you shall flee when no one pursues you.

18 'And after all this, if you do not obey Me, then I will punish you seven times more for your sins.

19 I will break the pride of your power;
I will make your heavens like iron and your earth like bronze.

20 And your strength shall be spent in vain;
for your land shall not yield its produce, nor shall the trees of the land yield their fruit.

O Lord, have mercy upon us.
Thanks be to You, O Lord.

Easter Season Canticle: *Benedicite Omnia Opera (Song of the Three Young Men)* Tone 8



Antiphon
We praise `the Lord, *now*,/ henceforth `and forever.

Canticle
O all you works of the Lord, `bless the *Lord*:/ praise Him and magnify `Him forever.
²O you angels of the Lord `bless the *Lord*:/ O you heavens, `bless the *Lord*.
³O you waters that are above the firmaments, `bless the *Lord*:/ O you heavens, `bless the *Lord*.
⁴O you sun and moon, `bless the *Lord*:/ O you stars of heaven, `bless the *Lord*.
⁵O you showers and dew, `bless the *Lord*:/ O you winds of God, `bless the *Lord*.
⁶O you fire and heat, `bless the *Lord*:/ O you winter and summer, `bless the *Lord*.
⁷O you dews and frost, `bless the *Lord*:/ O you frost and cold, `bless the *Lord*.
⁸O you ice and snow, `bless the *Lord*:/ O you nights and days, `bless the *Lord*.
⁹O you light and darkness, `bless the *Lord*:/ O you lightnings and clouds, `bless the *Lord*.
¹⁰O let the earth `bless the *Lord*:/ let praise Him and magnify `Him forever.
¹¹O you mountains and hills, `bless the *Lord*:/ O all you green things upon the earth, `bless the *Lord*.

¹²O you wells, `bless the *Lord*:/ O you seas and floods, `bless the *Lord*.

¹³O you whales and all that move in the waters, `bless the *Lord*:/ O all you birds of the air, `bless the *Lord*.

¹⁴O all you beasts and cattle, `bless the *Lord*:/ O you children of men, `bless the *Lord*.

¹⁵Oh, let Israel `bless the *Lord*:/ praise Him and magnify `Him forever.

¹⁶O you priests of the Lord, `bless the *Lord*:/ O you servants of the Lord, `bless the *Lord*.

¹⁷O you spirits and souls of the righteous, `bless the *Lord*:/ O you humble men of heart, `bless the *Lord*.

¹⁸Let us bless the Father and the Son and the `Holy Spirit:/ let us praise Him and magnify `Him forever.

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father `and to the Son:/ and to `the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the be`ginning, is now:/ and ever shall be, forever `more. *Amen*.

Antiphon

We praise `the Lord, *now*,/ henceforth `and forever.

Second Lection: *St. Luke 13:18-35*

18 Then He said, “What is the kingdom of God like? And to what shall I compare it? **19** It is like a mustard seed, which a man took and put in his garden; and it grew and became a [a]large tree, and the birds of the air nested in its branches.”

20 And again He said, “To what shall I liken the kingdom of God? **21** It is like [b]leaven, which a woman took and hid in three measures[c] of meal till it was all leavened.”

22 And He went through the cities and villages, teaching, and journeying toward Jerusalem. **23** Then one said to Him, “Lord, are there few who are saved?”

And He said to them, **24** “Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I say to you, will seek to enter and will not be able. **25** When once the Master of the house has risen up and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and knock at the door, saying, ‘Lord, Lord, open for us,’ and He will answer and say to you, ‘I do not know you, where you are from,’ **26** then you will begin to say, ‘We ate and drank in Your presence, and You taught in our streets.’ **27** But He will say, ‘I tell you I do not know you, where you are from. Depart from Me, all you workers of iniquity.’ **28** There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves thrust out. **29** They will come from the east and the west, from the north and the south, and sit down in the kingdom of God. **30** And indeed there are last who will be first, and there are first who will be last.”

31 [d]On that very day some Pharisees came, saying to Him, “Get out and depart from here, for Herod wants to kill You.”

32 And He said to them, “Go, tell that fox, ‘Behold, I cast out demons and perform cures today and tomorrow, and the third *day* I shall be [e]perfected.’ **33** Nevertheless I must journey today, tomorrow, and the *day* following; for it cannot be that a prophet should perish outside of Jerusalem.

34 “O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the one who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together, as a hen *gathers* her brood under *her* wings, but you were not willing! **35** See! Your house is left to you desolate; and [f]assuredly, I say to you, you shall not see Me until *the time* comes when you say, ‘Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!’ ”

O Lord, have mercy upon us.
Thanks be to You, O Lord.

Devotional Reading

Hymn: *200, There Many Shall Come from the East, sts. 1, 3-5, 7*

There many shall come from the east the west
And sit at the feast of salvation
With Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob the blest,
Obeying the Lord's invitation.
Have mercy upon us, O Jesus!

But they who have always resisted His grace
And on their own virtue depended,
Shall then be condemned and cast out from His face,
Eternally lost and unfriended.
Have mercy upon us, O Jesus!

O may we all hear when our Shepherd doth call,
In accents persuasive and tender,
That while there is time we make haste one and all
And find Him, our mighty Defender.
Have mercy upon us, O Jesus!

O that we the throng of the ransomed may swell,
To whom He hath granted remission.
God graciously make us in heaven to dwell
And save us from endless perdition.
Have mercy upon us, O Jesus!

God grant that I may of His infinite love
Remain in His merciful keeping;
And sit with the King at His table above,
When here in the grave I am sleeping.
Have mercy upon us, O Jesus!

All trials are then like a dream that is past,
Forgotten all trouble and sorrow;
All questions and doubts have been answered at last;
Then dawneth eternity's morrow.
Have mercy upon us, O Jesus!

The heavens shall ring with an anthem more grand
Than ever on earth was recorded;
The blest of the Lord shall receive at His hand

The crown to the victors awarded.
Have mercy upon us, O Jesus!

Morning Versicle

O satisfy us early with Your mercy.
That we may rejoice and be glad.

Canticle: *The Benedictus*

Easter Antiphon

This is the day the Lord has made, alleluia: We will rejoice and be glad in it, alleluia!

Canticle

†“Blessed be the Lord God of Israel: for He has visited and redeemed His people
And has raised up a horn of salvation for us; in the house of servant David;

As He spoke by the mouth of His holy prophets: which have been since the world began;
That we should be saved from our enemies; and from the hand of all that hate us;

To perform the mercy promised to our forefathers; and to remember His holy covenant
To perform the oath which He swore to our father Abraham; that He would grant unto us;

That we, being delivered out of the hand of our enemies: might serve Him without fear,
In holiness and righteousness before Him; all the days of our life.

And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Highest: for you will go before the face of
the Lord to prepare His ways;

To give knowledge of salvation unto His people by the remission of their sins,

Through the tender mercy of our God: whereby the Dayspring from on high has visited
us;

To give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death: to guide our feet into
the way of peace.

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father `and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: forevermore. Amen.

Easter Antiphon

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Kyrie

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father...

I believe in God the Father Almighty...

Collect

For the Week of Easter 5

O God, You make the minds of the faithful to be of one will: Grant unto Your people that they may love what You command, and desire what You promise; that among the manifold changes of this world, our hearts may always be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. Amen.

For the Day from the Treasury of Daily Prayer

O Lord, You have called us to enter Your kingdom through the narrow door. Guide us by Your Word and Spirit, and lead us now and always into the feast of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

For Those Suffering Persecution for the Christian Faith

Lord God, heavenly Father, we give thanks to You, that through Your Holy Spirit You have appointed us to bear witness of Your dear Son, our Lord Jesus Christ: We beseech You, grant courage and comfort to those enduring persecution for Your sake. Grant that they may not be offended because of the cross, but continue steadfastly in Your testimony, and be always found among those who know You and Your Son, until we obtain eternal salvation; through the same, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

For Our Enemies

O almighty, everlasting God, through Your only Son, our blessed Lord, You have commanded us to love our enemies, to do good to them that hate us, and to pray for them that persecute us: We earnestly beseech You that by Your gracious visitation they may be led to true repentance and may have the same love and be of one accord and of one mind and heart with us and with Your whole Church; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

For the Heathen

O God of all the nations: Remember the multitude of heathen in this land and abroad who, though created in Your image, are perishing in their sin: Grant that by the prayers and labor of Your holy church they may be delivered from all superstition and unbelief and brought to worship You; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

For the Morning

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, Your mercies are new to us every morning, and, though we have in no way deserved Your goodness, You abundantly provide for all our needs of body and soul: Give us, we pray, Your Holy Spirit, that we may heartily acknowledge Your merciful goodness toward us, give thanks for all Your benefits, and serve You in willing obedience; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. Amen.

Benedicamus & Benediction

Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit †
be with us all. Amen.