

Psalms, Readings, Recitations, and Hymns for The Office of Matins  
Tuesday in the Week of Cantate: Fourth Sunday After Easter  
May 17, 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 127

Tone 7



Antiphon

Alleluia! `Alleluia!:/ Alleluia!

Psalm

Unless the `LORD builds the house,/ They labor in `vain who build it;  
Unless the LORD `guards the city,/ The watchman stays `awake in vain.

<sup>2</sup> It is vain for you to rise up early, To sit up late, To eat the `bread of sorrows;/ For so He gives His `beloved sleep.

<sup>3</sup> Behold, children are a heri`tage from the LORD,/ The fruit of the womb `is a reward.

<sup>4</sup> Like arrows in the hand of `a warrior,/ So are the child`ren of one`s youth.

<sup>5</sup> Happy is the man who has his quiv`er full of them;/ They shall not be ashamed, But shall speak with their ene`mies in the gate.

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 23:1-22*

And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, **2** “Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them: ‘The feasts of the LORD, which you shall proclaim *to be* holy convocations, these *are* My feasts.

**3** ‘Six days shall work be done, but the seventh day *is* a Sabbath of solemn rest, a holy convocation. You shall do no work *on it*; *it is* the Sabbath of the LORD in all your dwellings.

**4** ‘These *are* the feasts of the LORD, holy convocations which you shall proclaim at their appointed times. **5** On the fourteenth *day* of the first month at twilight *is* the LORD’s

Passover. **6** And on the fifteenth day of the same month *is* the Feast of Unleavened Bread to the LORD; seven days you must eat unleavened bread. **7** On the first day you shall have a holy

convocation; you shall do no [a]customary work on it. **8** But you shall offer an offering made by fire to the LORD for seven days. The seventh day *shall be* a holy convocation; you shall do no customary work *on it.*’ ”

**9** And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, **10** “Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them: ‘When you come into the land which I give to you, and reap its harvest, then you shall bring a sheaf of the firstfruits of your harvest to the priest. **11** He shall wave the sheaf before the LORD, to be accepted on your behalf; on the day after the Sabbath the priest shall wave it. **12** And you shall offer on that day, when you wave the sheaf, a male lamb of the first year, without blemish, as a burnt offering to the LORD. **13** Its grain offering *shall be* two-tenths *of an ephah* of fine flour mixed with oil, an offering made by fire to the LORD, for a [b]sweet aroma; and its drink offering *shall be* of wine, one-fourth of a hin. **14** You shall eat neither bread nor



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

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

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

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

<sup>18</sup>Let 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 12:13-34*

**13** Then one from the crowd said to Him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.”

**14** But He said to him, “Man, who made Me a judge or an arbitrator over you?” **15** And He said to them, “Take heed and beware of [[a](#)]covetousness, for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of the things he possesses.”

**16** Then He spoke a parable to them, saying: “The ground of a certain rich man yielded plentifully. **17** And he thought within himself, saying, ‘What shall I do, since I have no room to store my crops?’ **18** So he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build greater, and there I will store all my crops and my goods. **19** And I will say to my soul, “Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, *and* be merry.” ’ **20** But God said to him, ‘Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?’

**21** “So *is* he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.”

**22** Then He said to His disciples, “Therefore I say to you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat; nor about the body, what you will put on. **23** Life is more than food, and the body *is more* than clothing. **24** Consider the ravens, for they neither sow nor reap, which have neither storehouse nor barn; and God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds? **25** And which of you by worrying can add one cubit to his stature? **26** If you then are not able to do *the* least, why [[b](#)]are you anxious for the rest? **27** Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; and yet I say to you, even Solomon in all his glory was not [[c](#)]arrayed like one of these. **28** If then God so clothes the grass, which today is in the field and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more *will He clothe* you, O *you* of little faith?

**29** “And do not seek what you should eat or what you should drink, nor have an anxious mind. **30** For all these things the nations of the world seek after, and your Father knows that you need these things. **31** But seek [[d](#)]the kingdom of God, and all these things shall be added to you. **32** “Do not fear, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. **33** Sell what you have and give alms; provide yourselves money bags which do not grow old, a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches nor moth destroys. **34** For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

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

### Devotional Reading

Hymn: 379, *Jesus, Jesus, Only Jesus*

Jesus, Jesus, only Jesus  
Can my heartfelt longing still.  
Lo, I pledge myself to Jesus,  
What He wills alone to will,  
For my heart, which He hath filled,  
Ever cries, "Lord, as Thou wilt."

One there is for whom I'm living,  
Whom I love most tenderly;  
Unto Jesus I am giving  
What in love He gave to me.  
Jesus' blood hides all my guilt –  
Lord, O lead me as Thou wilt.

What to me my seem a treasure  
But displeasing is to Thee –  
O remove such harmful pleasure;  
Give instead what profits me.  
Let my heart by Thee be stilled;  
Make me Thine, Lord, as Thou wilt.

Let me earnestly endeavor  
Thy good pleasure to fulfill;  
In me, through me, with me, ever,  
Lord, accomplish Thou Thy will.  
In Thy holy image built,  
Let me die, Lord, as Thou wilt.

Jesus, constant be my praises,  
For Thou unto me didst bring  
Thine own self and all Thy graces  
That I joyfully may sing:  
Be it unto me, my Shield,  
As Thou wilt, Lord, as Thou wilt.

### Morning Versicle

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

Canticle: *The Benedictus*  
Easter Antiphon

This 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, grant us wisdom to recognize the treasures You have stored up for us in heaven, that we may never despair but always rejoice and be thankful for the riches of Your grace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

### For the Lonely

Almighty God, merciful Father, by Word and Sacrament You have created Your Church in this world to be a godly communion and a caring family. Grant Your blessing to those who dwell in loneliness that they may find a place of healthful solace and pleasant fellowship among people faithful to You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

### For the Addicted

O blessed Jesus, even as You minister to all who are afflicted, look with compassion on those who through addiction have lost their health and freedom. Assure them of Your unfailing mercy, remove the fears that attack them, release them from their addiction, and grant skill, patience, and understanding love to all those who provide care for them; for Your own mercy's sake. Amen.

### For the Depressed and Mentally Ill

O blessed Lord, the Father of mercies and the God of all comfort, we commend to Your fatherly goodness all those who are in any afflicted or distressed in mind: Cheer the depressed; restore hope to the hopeless; protect the unconscious; calm the violent and do not let them harm themselves or others, nor let anyone do harm to them; dispel all vain delusions; confirm the health of the recovering and do not lay to their charge whatever evil any of them may say or do in time of their affliction; bless the work of all who labor and pray on behalf of the afflicted in mind, and bring us all into Your everlasting kingdom; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

### For All Enduring Trial and Affliction

Almighty and everlasting God, the consolation of the sorrowful and the strength of the weak, may the prayers of those who in any tribulation or distress cry to You graciously come before You, so that in every situation they may recognize and receive Your gracious help, comfort, and peace; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

### For the Morning

O God, who divides the day from the night, separate our deeds from the gloom of darkness, that ever meditating on that which is holy, we may continually live in Your light, through Jesus Christ, 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.