2021 Evening Prayers



Opening Prayer

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

We are the people of the Lord, the flock that is led by his hand: come, let us adore him, alleluia.

Hymn 1

Christ is the world's redeemer, The lover of the pure, The font of heavenly wisdom, Our trust and hope secure, The armour of his soldiers, The Lord of earth and sky, Our health while we are living, Our life when we shall die.

Down in the realm of darkness, He lay a captive bound, But at the hour appointed He rose a victor crowned. And now, to heaven ascended, He sits upon a throne, From where he had ne'er departed, His Father's and his own.

All glory to the Father, The unbegotten One, All honour be to Jesus, His sole-begotten son; And to the Holy Spirit, The perfect Trinity, Let all the worlds give answer, Amen- so let it be.

Hymn 2

The day is filled with splendour When God brings light from light, And all renewed creation Rejoices in his sight.

The Father gives his children The wonder of the world. In which his power and glory Like banners are unfurled.

With every living creature, Awaking with the day, We turn to God our Father, Lift up our hearts and pray:

O Father, Son and Spirit, Your grace and mercy send, That we may live to praise you Today and to the end.

Hymn 3

O Christ, the Light of heaven And of the world true Light, You come in all your radiance To cleave the web of night.

May what is false within us Before your truth give way, That we may live untroubled, With quiet hearts this day.

May steadfast faith sustain us, And hope made firm in you; The love that we have wasted, O God of love, renew.

Blest Trinity we praise you In whom our quest will cease; Keep us with you forever In happiness and peace. Psalms



Ant. 1: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Psalm 130- Out of the Depths "He will save his people from their sins" (Mt 1, 21).

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord, Lord, hear my voice! O let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleading.

If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt, Lord, who would survive? But with you is found forgiveness: for this we revere you.

My soul is waiting for the Lord. I count on his word. My soul is longing for the Lord more than watchman for daybreak. Let the watchman count on daybreak and Israel on the Lord.

Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption, Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Ant. 1: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Psalm 85- A Poor Person's Prayer in Time of Trouble "Blessed be God, who comforts us in all our sorrows" (2 Cor 1:3-4).

Ant. 2: Give joy to your servant, Lord, for to you I lift up my soul.

Turn your ear, O Lord, and give answer for I am poor and needy. Preserve my life, for I am faithful; save the servant who trusts in you.

You are my God, have mercy on me, Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. Give joy to your servant, O Lord, for to you I lift up my soul.

O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of love to all who call. Give heed, O Lord, to my prayer and attend to the sound of my voice.

In the day of distress I will call and surely you will reply. Among the gods there is none like you, O Lord; nor work to compare with yours.

All the nations shall come to adore you and glorify your name, O Lord: for you are great and do marvellous deeds, you who alone are God.

I will praise you, Lord my God, with all my heart and glorify your name for ever; for your love to me has been great: you have saved me from the depths of the grave.

But you, God of mercy and compassion, slow to anger, O Lord, abounding in love and truth, turn and take pity on me.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Ant. 3: Give joy to your servant, Lord, for to you I lift up my soul.

Ant. 3: Come before the Lord, singing for joy.

Psalm 99- The Joy of Those Who Enter the Temple of the Lord The Lord calls all those he has redeemed to sing a hymn of victory. (St. Athanasius)

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness. Come before him, singing for joy.

Know that he, the Lord is God. He made us, we belong to him, we are his people, the sheep of his flock.

Go within his gates giving thanks, enter his courts with songs of praise. Give thanks to him and bless his name.

Indeed, how good is the Lord, eternal his merciful love. He is faithful from age to age.

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Ant. 3: Come before the Lord, singing for joy.

Ant. 4: He guides me along the right path.

Psalm 23- The Good Shepherd

"The Lamb is their king, who leads them to the source of the water of life" (Apoc 7, 17)

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit.

He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear. You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort.

You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing.

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.

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Ant. 4: He guides me along the right path.

Ant. 5: Lord, let your face shed its light upon us.

Psalm 66- All the Peoples Will Give Praise to the Lord Let it be known to you that this salvation from God has been sent to all peoples. (Acts 28:28)

O God, be gracious and bless us and let your face shed its light upon us. So will your ways be known upon earth and all nations learn your saving help.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and exult for you rule the world with justice. With fairness you rule the peoples, you guide the nations on earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

The earth has yielded its fruit for God, our God, has blessed us. May God still give us his blessing till the ends of the earth revere him.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Ant 5: Lord, let your face shed its light upon us.

Ant 6: The Lord Jesus humbled himself, but God exalted him on high for ever.

Christ, The Servant of God

Canticle: Phil 2: 6-11

Though he was in the form of God, Jesus did not count equality with God something to be grasped.

He emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men.

And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross.

Therefore God has highly exalted him. And bestowed on him the name which is above every name.

That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and under the earth.

And every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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Scripture Reading

God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. In this is love perfected with us, that we may have confidence for the day of judgment. We love, because he loved us first.

The Word of the Lord. R. Thanks be to God.

Scripture Reading

Let us give thanks to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the merciful Father, the God from whom all help comes! He helps us in all our troubles, so that we are able to help those who have all kinds of troubles, using the same help we ourselves have received from God.

The Word of the Lord. **R. Thanks be to God.**

Scripture Reading

Wrap yourself in humility to be servants of each other, because refuses the proud and will always favour the humble. Bow down, then, before the power of God now, and he will raise you up on the appointed day; unload all your worries on to him, since he is looking after you.

The Word of the Lord. R. Thanks be to God.

Short responsory (1)

The Word became flesh. Alleluia, alleluia. *The Word became flesh. Alleluia, alleluia.*And he lived among us. *The Word became flesh. Alleluia, alleluia.*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. *The Word became flesh. Alleluia, alleluia.*

Short responsory (2)

Guard us, Lord, as the apple of your eye.
Guard us, Lord, as the apple of your eye.
Hide us in the shadow of your wings.
Guard us, Lord, as the apple of your eye.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
Guard us, Lord, as the apple of your eye.

1 Peter 5:5-7

2 Cor 1: 3-4

1 John 4:16-19

Magnificat



Magnificat Antiphon: Suddenly there was with the angel a great throng of the heavenly host, praising God and saying: Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace among his chosen people, alleluia.

My soul glorifies the Lord, My spirit rejoices in God my Saviour. He looks on his servant in her lowliness; Henceforth all generations will call me blessed.

The Almighty works marvels for me. Holy his name! His mercy is from age to age, on those who fear him.

He puts forth his arm in strength And scatters the proud hearted. He casts the mighty from their thrones And raises the lowly.

He fills the starving with good things, Sends the rich away empty.

He protects Israel, his servant, remembering his mercy, the mercy promised to our fathers, to Abraham and his sons for ever.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

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Intercessions (1)

Glory be to the one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, as we humbly pray: – **R. Lord, be with your people.**

Almighty Father, bring justice to our world, that your people may live in the joy of your peace.

- R. Lord, be with your people.

Bring all peoples into your kingdom, that all mankind may be saved. – **R. Lord, be with your people.**

Give to married people the strength of your peace, the guidance of your will, and the grace to live together in constant love.

- R. Lord, be with your people.

Give faith to those who live in doubt, and hope to those who live in fear.

- R. Lord, be with your people.

Console the sad, comfort those who are in their last agony; lead them to be refreshed at the spring of your grace.

- R. Lord, be with your people.

Intercessions (2)

God's love for us was revealed when he sent into the world his only Son so that we might have life through him. And so we pray:

- R. Lord, help us to love you and to love one another.

Jesus forgave the penitent woman her sins because she had loved much; - may we too know his healing touch and love you with all our hearts.

- R. Lord, help us to love you and to love one another.

You look with compassion on the humble and contrite of heart: - in your goodness, turn our hearts to you and help us to do what we know to be right.

- R. Lord, help us to love you and to love one another.

We acknowledge the sufferings we have caused to others: - we ask forgiveness for our neglect and indifference.

- R. Lord, help us to love you and to love one another.

We ask you to remember tonight those who are in great difficulty: give new heart to those who have lost their faith in people and in God, to those who have lost the truth and cannot find it.

- R. Lord, help us to love you and to love one another.

Remember all those who put their hope in you while they live: - through the passion and death of your Son, grant them the remission of all of their sins.

- R. Lord, help us to love you and to love one another.

Together we pray a decade of the Rosary

Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession, was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto you, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother. To you do I come, before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in your mercy, hear and answer me. Amen.



Concluding prayer

The Lord bless us, and keep us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life. Amen.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.