

LITURGY OF THE HOURS – Simplified Evening Prayer

Friday 10 Apr 2020

Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)

Introductory Verse

O God, come to our aid.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

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.

Psalmody

(Ant.) Look, all you peoples, and see my grief.

I trusted, even when I said:
'I am sorely afflicted,'
and when I said in my alarm:
'No man can be trusted.'

How can I repay the Lord
for his goodness to me?
The cup of salvation I will raise;
I will call on the Lord's name.

My vows to the Lord I will fulfil
before all his people.

O precious in the eyes of the Lord
is the death of his faithful.

Your servant, Lord, your servant am I;
you have loosened my bonds.
A thanksgiving sacrifice I make;
I will call on the Lord's name.

My vows to the Lord I will fulfil
before all his people,
in the courts of the house of the Lord,
in your midst, O Jerusalem.

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.) Look, all you peoples, and see my grief.

Scripture

1 Peter 2:21-24

Christ suffered for you and left an example for you to follow the way he took. He had not done anything wrong, and there had been no perjury in his mouth. He was insulted and did not retaliate with insults; when he was tortured he made no threats but he put his trust in the righteous judge. He was bearing our faults in his own body on the cross, so that we might die to our faults and live for holiness; through his wounds you have been healed.

A period of silence may be observed after the scripture reading.

Short Responsory

In place of the short responsory the following antiphon is said:

(Ant.) Christ humbled himself for us and, in obedience, accepted death, even death on a cross.

The Magnificat

(Ant.) When we were still God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son.

My soul glorifies the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God, my Saviour.
He looks on his servant in her lowliness;
henceforth all ages 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,
the mercy promised to our fathers,
remembering his mercy,
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.

(Ant.) When we were still God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son.

Intercessions

As we recall Christ's saving death, let us pray to God the Father.

Through the death of your Son, Lord hear us.

Lord, unite your Church throughout the world.

Through the death of your Son, Lord hear us.

Keep Pope **N.** in your loving care.

Through the death of your Son, Lord hear us.

Sanctify by your Spirit the entire people of God.

Through the death of your Son, Lord hear us.

Deepen the faith and understanding of those preparing for baptism.

Through the death of your Son, Lord hear us.

Gather all Christians into unity.

Through the death of your Son, Lord hear us.

Bring the Jewish people to the fullness of redemption.

Through the death of your Son, Lord hear us.

Shed your light on those who do not believe in Christ.

Through the death of your Son, Lord hear us.

Show the signs of your love to those who deny your existence.

Through the death of your Son, Lord hear us.

Guide the minds and hearts of governments and rulers.

Through the death of your Son, Lord hear us.

Comfort those who live in sorrow.

Through the death of your Son, Lord hear us.

Grant to the dead eternal rest.

Through the death of your Son, Lord hear us.

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.

Amen.

Prayer

Be mindful, Lord, of this your family,
for whose sake our Lord Jesus Christ, when betrayed,
did not hesitate to yield himself into his enemies' hands
and undergo the agony of the cross:
he who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Blessing

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

Amen.

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