

# LITURGY OF THE HOURS – Simplified Evening Prayer

Sunday 19 Apr 2020

## Second Sunday of Easter

### 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. (Alleluia).

### Psalmody

*(Ant.) Mary Magdalen came with the other Mary to see the tomb where the Lord had been laid, alleluia.*

The Lord's revelation to my Master:  
'Sit on my right:  
your foes I will put beneath your feet.'

The Lord will wield from Sion  
your sceptre of power:  
rule in the midst of all your foes.

A prince from the day of your birth  
on the holy mountains;  
from the womb before the dawn I begot you.

The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change.  
'You are a priest for ever,  
a priest like Melchizedek of old.'

The Master standing at your right hand  
will shatter kings in the day of his wrath.

He shall drink from the stream by the wayside  
and therefore he shall lift up his head.

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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### Scripture

Hebrews 10:12-14

Christ has offered one single sacrifice for sins, and then taken his place forever, at the right hand of God, where he is now waiting until his enemies are made into a footstool for him. By virtue of that one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of all whom he is sanctifying.

*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.) This is the day which was made by the Lord: let us rejoice and be glad, alleluia.*

## The Magnificat

*(Ant.) You believe because you have seen me, Thomas. Blessed are those who have never seen me and yet believe.*

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.

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## Intercessions

Let us pray to God the Father, who raised Jesus to life and exalted him at his own right hand.

**Lord, protect your people through the glory of Christ.**

Father, through the victory of the cross you have lifted up Jesus from the earth;  
may he draw all men to himself.

**Lord, protect your people through the glory of Christ.**

Through the exaltation of Christ send your Spirit into the Church;  
make her the sign of unity for the whole human family.

**Lord, protect your people through the glory of Christ.**

You have become the Father of men through water and the Spirit;  
keep them faithful to their baptism until they enter eternal life.

**Lord, protect your people through the glory of Christ.**

Through the exaltation of your Son raise up the sorrowful, set prisoners free, heal the sick;  
may the whole world rejoice in your wonderful gifts.

**Lord, protect your people through the glory of Christ.**

You nourished the faithful departed with Christ's body and blood;  
let them share in his glory on the day of resurrection.  
**Lord, protect your people through the glory of Christ.**

## 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

God of eternal compassion,  
each Easter you rekindle the faith of your consecrated people.  
Give them still greater grace, so that all may truly understand  
the waters in which they were cleansed,  
the Spirit by which they were reborn,  
the blood by which they were redeemed.  
(We make our prayer) through our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## Blessing

Go in the peace of Christ, alleluia, alleluia.  
**Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.**

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