Liturgy of the Hours LITURGY OF THE HOURS

EVENING PRAYER I

November 8, 2025

{ Feast – Dedication of Saint John Lateran }



Stand and make sign of cross

God, come to my assistance.

— Lord, make haste to help me.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

HYMN

O Jerusalem, the blessed, named the vision of our peace, city formed and built in heaven, fashioned out of living stones, crowned by rank on rank of angels as a bride by friends adorned,

New and fresh she comes from heaven as a virgin bride prepared, ready for the nuptial chamber and her union with the Lord: all her streets, her walls, and ramparts fashioned out of purest gold.

Glorious temple standing open, portals made of gleaming pearls: there, by virtue of their merits, those are brought to dwell within, all who in the world here suffer hardship for the name of Christ.

Struck with blows, refined by pressure, perfect stones now polished smooth, these are set in place together, chosen by the artist's hand: well designed to last for ever in the scared dwelling place.

Undivided glory, honor to the Father and the Son,

likewise to the Holy Spirit: God most High, the Three in One; theirs dominion, praise, and power as the endless ages run. Amen.

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Sit or stand

PSALMODY

Antiphon 1

The streets of Jerusalem will ring with rejoicing; they will resound with the song of praise: Alleluia.

Psalm 147:1-11

The loving kindness of God who can do all he wills

You are God: we praise you; you are the Lord: we acclaim you.

Praise the Lórd for hé is góod; † sing to our Gód for hé is lóving: * to hím our práise is dúe.

The Lórd buílds up Jerúsalem * and bríngs back Ísrael's éxiles, he héals the bróken-héarted, * he bínds up áll their wóunds. He fíxes the númber of the stárs; * he cálls each óne by its náme.

Our Lórd is gréat and almíghty; * his wisdom can néver be méasured.

The Lórd ráises the lówly; *
he húmbles the wícked to the dúst.
O síng to the Lórd, giving thánks; *
sing psálms to our Gód with the hárp.

He cóvers the héavens with clóuds; *
he prepáres the ráin for the éarth,
making móuntains spróut with gráss *
and with plánts to sérve man's néeds.
He provídes the béasts with their fóod *
and young rávens that cáll upón him.

His delight is nót in hórses * nor his pléasure in wárriors' stréngth. The Lórd delights in thóse who revére him, * in thóse who wáit for his lóve.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, * and will be for ever. Amen.

Antiphon

The streets of Jerusalem will ring with rejoicing; they will resound with the song of praise: Alleluia.

Antiphon 2

How safe a dwelling the Lord has made you; how blessed the children within your walls.

Psalm 147:12-20

The restoration of Jerusalem

Come, I will show you the bride of the Lamb (Revelation 21:9).

O práise the Lórd, Jerúsalem! * Zíon, práise your Gód!

He has stréngthened the bárs of your gátes, * he has bléssed the children within you. He estáblished péace on your bórders, * he féeds you with finest whéat.

He sénds out his word to the éarth * and swiftly rúns his commánd. He shówers down snów white as wóol, * he scátters hóar-frost like áshes.

He húrls down háilstones like crúmbs. *
The wáters are frózen at his tóuch;
he sénds forth his wórd and it mélts them: *
at the bréath of his móuth the waters flów.

He mákes his wórd known to Jácob, * to Ísrael his láws and decrées.

He has not déalt thus with óther nátions; * he has not táught them hís decrées.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, * and will be for ever. Amen.

Antiphon

How safe a dwelling the Lord has made you; how blessed the children within your walls.

Antiphon 3

In the holy city, throngs of saints make jubilee; angels pour out their songs of praise before the throne of God, alleluia.

Canticle – See Revelation 19:1-7

The wedding of the Lamb

Alleluia.

Salvation, glory, and power to our God: * his judgments are honest and true. Alleluia.

Alleluia.

Sing praise to our God, all you his servants, * all who worship him reverently, great and small. Alleluia.

Alleluia.

The Lord our all-powerful God is King, * let us rejoice, sing praise, and give him glory. Alleluia.

Alleluia.

The wedding feast of the Lamb has begun, * and his bride is prepared to welcome him. Alleluia.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,* and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now,* and will be for ever. Amen.

Antiphon

In the holy city, throngs of saints make jubilee; angels pour out their songs of praise before the throne of God, alleluia.

Sit

READING

Ephesians 2:19-22

You are strangers and aliens no longer. No, you are fellow citizens of the saints and members of the household of God. You form a building which rises on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the capstone. Through him the whole structure is fitted together and takes shape as a holy temple in the Lord; in him you are being built into this temple, to become a dwelling place for God in the Spirit.

RESPONSORY

Your house, O Lord, must always be a holy place.

— Your house, O Lord, must always be a holy place.

For ever and ever,

— a holy place.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

— Your house, O Lord, must always be a holy place.

GOSPEL CANTICLE

Antiphon

All you who love Jerusalem, rejoice with her for ever.

Luke 1:46-55

The soul rejoices in the Lord

Make sign of cross

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, * my spirit rejoices in God my Savior for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant. *

From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me, * and holy is his Name.

He has mercy on those who fear him * in every generation.

He has shown the strength of his arm, * he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

He has cast down the mighty from their thrones,* and has lifted up the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things, * and the rich he has sent away empty.

He has come to the help of his servant Israel * for he has remembered his promise of mercy, the promise he made to our fathers, * to Abraham and his children for ever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, * and will be for ever. Amen.

Antiphon

All you who love Jerusalem, rejoice with her for ever.

INTERCESSIONS

Our Savior laid down his life so that all God's scattered children might be gathered together. In our need let us cry out:

— Remember your Church, Lord.

Lord Jesus, you built your house upon a rock, strengthen your Church with solid and lasting faith.

— Remember your Church, Lord.

Lord Jesus, blood and water flowed from your side, give new life to your Church through the sacraments of your new and unending covenant.

— Remember your Church, Lord.

Lord Jesus, you are in the midst of those who gather in your name, hear the prayers of your universal Church.

— Remember your Church, Lord.

Lord Jesus, you prepare a dwelling-place in your Father's house for all who love you, help your Church to grow in divine love.

— Remember your Church, Lord.

Lord Jesus, you never cast out anyone who comes to you, open your Father's house to all those who have died.

— Remember your Church, Lord.

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.

Concluding Prayer

God our Father, from living stones, your chosen people, you built an eternal temple to your glory. Increase the spiritual gifts you have given to your Church that your faithful people may continue to grow into the new and eternal Jerusalem.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

— Amen.

Dismissal

May the Lord bless us, protect us from all evil and bring us to everlasting life.

— Amen.

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