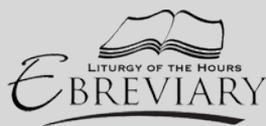


*Liturgy of the Hours*  
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EVENING PRAYER

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April 2, 2026  
{ Holy Thursday }



*Evening Prayer is said only by those who do not  
participate in the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper.*

*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.

#### HYMN

O sublime memorial  
of our Savior's death,  
living bread from heaven  
giving us true life,  
give my mind and spirit  
grace to live from you  
and to taste you always  
sweet within my soul.

Pelican most loving,  
Jesus Christ my Lord,  
wash all my uncleanness  
in your holy blood;  
you could save the whole world  
by one drop alone,  
cleansing it of evil  
and all stain of sin.

When at last I see you  
clearly face to face,  
joyful in the vision  
of your glorious light,  
I shall sing your praises,  
joined to heaven's host:  
Father, Son, and Spirit,  
joy of all the blest. Amen.

*Metrical hymn, melody: ADORO TE, 11 11 11 11; Plainsong, mode V, metricized  
Plainsong, mode V, melody 87; Liber Cantualis, Solesmes, 1995, Text: O memoriale  
mortis Domini, attributed to St. Thomas Aquinas, O.P., 1225-1274*

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*Sit or stand*

## PSALMODY

### *Antiphon 1*

Jesus Christ, the firstborn from the dead and ruler of the kings of  
the earth, has made us a royal people to serve his God and Father.

*Psalms 72*

*The Messiah's royal power*

*Opening their treasures, they offered him gifts: gold, frankincense and myrrh (Mat-  
thew 2:11).*

### *I*

O Gód, give your júdgment to the kíng,\*  
to a kíng's son your jústice,  
that he may júdge your péople in jústice\*  
and your póor in right júdgment.

May the móuntains bring forth péace for the péople\*  
and the hills, jústice.

May he defénd the póor of the péople †  
and save the chýldren of the néedy\*  
and crúsh the oppréssor.

He shall endúre like the sún and the móon\*  
from áge to áge.

He shall descénd like ráin on the méadow,\*  
like ráindrops on the éarth.

In his dáys jústice shall flóurish\*

and péace till the móon fails.  
He shall rúle from séa to séa, \*  
from the Great Ríver to earth's bóunds.

Before him his énemies shall fáll, \*  
his fóes lick the dúst.  
The kíngs of Társhish and the séa coasts \*  
shall páy him tríbute.

The kíngs of Shéba and Séba \*  
shall bríng him gifts.  
Before hím all kíngs shall fall próstrate, \*  
all nátions shall sérve him.

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*

Jesus Christ, the firstborn from the dead and ruler of the kings of the earth, has made us a royal people to serve his God and Father.

*Antiphon 2*

The Lord will be the champion of the helpless; he will free the poor from the grip of the powerful.

*II*

For he shall sáve the póor when they crý \*  
and the néedy who are hélpless.  
Hé will have píty on the wéak \*  
and save the líves of the póor.

From oppréssion he will réscue their líves, \*  
to hím their blood is déar.  
Lóng may he líve, \*  
may the góld of Shéba be gíven him.  
They shall práy for hím without céasing \*  
and bléss him all the dáy.

May córn be abúndant in the lánd †

to the péaks of the móuntains. \*  
May its frúit rústle like Lébanon;  
may men flóurish in the cíties \*  
like gráss on the éarth.

May his náme be bléssed for éver \*  
and endúre like the sún.  
Every tríbe shall be bléssed in hím, \*  
all nátions bless his náme.

Bléssed be the Lórd, God of Ísrael, †  
who alóne works wónders, \*  
ever bléssed his glórious náme.

Let his glóry fill the éarth. \*  
Amén! Amén!

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 Lord will be the champion of the helpless; he will free the poor from the grip of the powerful.

### *Antiphon 3*

The saints won their victory over death through the blood of the Lamb and the truth to which they bore witness.

*Canticle – Revelation 11:17-18; 12:10b-12a*

### *The judgment of God*

We praise you, the Lord God Almighty, \*  
who is and who was.  
You have assumed your great power, \*  
you have begun your reign.

The nations have raged in anger, \*  
but then came your day of wrath  
and the moment to judge the dead: \*  
The time to reward your servants the prophets

and the holy ones who revere you, \*  
the great and the small alike.

Now have salvation and power come, †  
the reign of our God and the authority \*  
of his Anointed One.

For the accuser of our brothers is cast out, \*  
who night and day accused them before God.

They defeated him by the blood of the Lamb †  
and by the word of their testimony; \*  
love for life did not deter them from death.  
So rejoice, you heavens, \*  
and you that dwell therein!

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 saints won their victory over death through the blood of the  
Lamb and the truth to which they bore witness.

*Sit*

## READING

*Hebrews 13:12-15*

Jesus died outside the gate, to sanctify the people by his own blood.  
Let us go to him outside the camp, bearing the insult which he  
bore. For here we have no lasting city; we are seeking one which  
is to come. Through him let us continually offer God a sacrifice of  
praise, that is, the fruit of lips which acknowledge his name.

*Antiphon*

For our sake Christ was obedient, accepting even death.

*Stand*

## GOSPEL CANTICLE

*Antiphon*

While they were at supper, Jesus took bread, said the blessing,  
broke the bread and gave it to his disciples.

*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*

While they were at supper, Jesus took bread, said the blessing,

broke the bread and gave it to his disciples.

### INTERCESSIONS

At the Last Supper, on the night he was betrayed, our Savior entrusted to his Church the memorial of his death and resurrection, to be celebrated for ever. Let us adore him, and say:

— Sanctify your people, redeemed by your blood.

Redeemer of the world, give us a greater share of your passion through a deeper spirit of repentance, so that we may share the glory of your resurrection.

— Sanctify your people, redeemed by your blood.

May your Mother, comfort of the afflicted, protect us, may we console others as you console us.

— Sanctify your people, redeemed by your blood.

In their trials enable your faithful people to share in your passion, and so reveal in their lives your saving power.

— Sanctify your people, redeemed by your blood.

You humbled yourself by being obedient even to accepting death, death on a cross, give all who serve you the gifts of obedience and patient endurance.

— Sanctify your people, redeemed by your blood.

Transform the bodies of the dead to be like your own in glory, and bring us at last into their fellowship.

— Sanctify your people, redeemed by your blood.

### *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

Father,  
for your glory and our salvation  
you appointed Jesus Christ eternal High Priest.  
May the people he gained for you by his blood  
come to share in the power of his cross and resurrection  
by celebrating his memorial in this eucharist,  
for he 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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