Liturgy of the Hours LITURGY OF THE HOURS

DAYTIME PRAYER

February 22, 2025

{ Feast – Chair of Peter, Apostle }



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

Let us sing praises to the Lord with willing mind and fervent heart; the noonday hour returns again and summons us once more to prayer.

For to the faithful at this hour true saving glory was restored by off'ring of the blessed Lamb and by the power of his Cross.

The Cross obscures the noonday sun by its most clear and brilliant light; let us receive with all our heart the gift of such respnendent grace.

To God the Father glory be, all honor to his only Son, one with the Spirit Paraclete, from age to age for evermore. Amen.

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PSALMODY

Antiphon 1

Heaven and earth will pass away but my words will not pass away.

Psalm 119:81-88

XI (Caph)

I yéarn for your sáving hélp; *
I hópe in your wórd.
My éyes yéarn to see your prómise. *
Whén will you consóle me?

Though párched and exháusted with wáiting * I have not forgótten your commánds. How lóng must your sérvant súffer? * When will you júdge my fóes?

For mé the próud have dug pítfalls, * agáinst your láw. Your commánds are all trúe; then hélp me * when líes oppréss me.

They álmost made an énd of me on éarth *but I képt your précepts.
Becáuse of your lóve give me lífe *and Í will do your wíll.

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

Heaven and earth will pass away but my words will not pass away.

Antiphon 2

Lord, you are my hope, a strong citadel against my enemies.

Psalm 61

Prayer of an exile

The prayer of the just man who places his hope in the things of heaven (Saint Hilary).

O Gód, héar my crý! * Lísten to my práyer! From the énd of the éarth I cáll: * my héart is fáint.

On the róck too hígh for me to réach * sét me on hígh,
O yóu who have béen my réfuge, * my tówer against the fóe.

Let me dwéll in your tént for éver * and híde in the shélter of your wings. For you, O Gód, hear my práyer, * grant me the héritage of thóse who féar you.

May you léngthen the lífe of the kíng: * may his yéars cover mány generátions. May he éver sit enthróned before Gód: * bid lóve and trúth be his protéction.

So I will álways práise your náme * and dáy after dáy fulfill my vóws.

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

Lord, you are my hope, a strong citadel against my enemies.

Antiphon 3

O Lord, guard my life from the menace of the foe.

Psalm 64

Prayer for help against enemies

This psalm commemorates most particularly our Lord's passion (Saint Augustine).

Hear my vóice, O Gód, as I compláin, * guard my lífe from dréad of the fóe. Híde me from the bánd of the wícked, * from the thróng of thóse who do évil.

They sharpen their tóngues like swórds; * they áim bitter wórds like arrows to shóot at the innocent from ámbush, * shóoting súddenly and récklessly.

They schéme their évil course; * they conspire to lay sécret snáres. They sáy: "Who will sée us? * Who can séarch out our crimes?"

He will séarch who séarches the mínd * and knóws the dépth of the héart.

Gód has shót them with his árrow * and déalt them súdden wounds.

Their ówn tongue has brought them to rúin * and áll who sée them móck.

Thén will áll men féar; † they will téll what Gód has dóne. * They will únderstánd God's déeds. The júst will rejóice in the Lórd † and flý to hím for réfuge. * All the úpright héarts will glóry.

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

O Lord, guard my life from the menace of the foe.

READING

1 Peter 5:1-2a

To the elders among you I, a fellow elder, a witness of Christ's sufferings and sharer in the glory that is to be revealed, make this appeal. God's flock is in your midst; give it a shepherd's care.

Verse

The apostles held fast to Christ's message.

— They kept the precepts he gave them.

Stand

CONCLUDING PRAYER

Let us pray.

All-powerful Father, you have built your Church on the rock of Saint Peter's confession of faith. May nothing divide or weaken our unity in faith and love.

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

— Amen.

Acclamation

Let us praise the Lord.

— And give him thanks.

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