

*Liturgy of the Hours*  
LITURGY OF THE HOURS

OFFICE OF READINGS

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October 26, 2025

{ Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time }



*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

Hail, O day, of all days most glorious,  
blessed day of Christ's noble victory,  
day of gladness, worthy of endless joy,  
first and foremost.

Light divine now shines over all the blind:  
Christ the victor harrows the underworld,  
conqu'ring death he reconciles us to God,  
least to highest.

By the judgment of our eternal King  
all were sentenced under the law of sin,  
that from heaven grace for the poor and weak  
might bring solace.

In his wisdom and everlasting pow'r,  
God with mercy tempered his holy wrath,  
though the foolish world ran on heedlessly,  
all to ruin.

He is risen, free from the pow'r of hell,  
great restorer of the whole human race,  
on his shoulders bearing his wayward sheep  
up to heaven.

Peace of angels graces the human race;  
ranks of heaven grow and fill up again;  
praise is fitting to our triumphant Lord,  
praise eternal.

Let the Church our Mother now raise her voice

with the choirs of heaven in harmony.  
Let the faithful cry out with joy this day:  
Alleluia!

Death is conquered, vanquished and powerless;  
with delight let all sing in victory:  
Peace on earth, and let jubilation ring  
in high heaven. Amen.

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*Sit or stand*

## PSALMODY

### *Antiphon 1*

Lord, our God, in splendor and majesty you are clothed, wrapped in  
light as in a robe, alleluia.

*Psalm 104*

*Hymn to God the Creator*

*To be in Christ means being a completely new creature. Everything of the old is gone,  
now everything is made anew (2 Corinthians 5:17).*

## I

Bléss the Lórd, my sóul! \*  
Lord Gód, how gréat you áre,  
clóthed in májesty and glóry, \*  
wrápped in líght as in a róbe!

You strétch out the héavens like a tént. \*  
Above the ráins you buíld your dwélling.  
You máke the clóuds your cháriot, \*

and wálk on the wíngs of the wínd;  
you máke the wínds your méssengers \*  
and fláshing fire your sérvants.

You fóunded the éarth on its báse, \*  
to stand firm from áge to áge.  
You wrápped it with the ócean like a clóak: \*  
the wáters stood hígher than the móuntains.

At your thréat they tóok to flíght; \*  
at the vóice of your thúnder they fléd.  
They róse over the móuntains and flowed dówn \*  
to the pláce which yóu had appóinted.  
You set the límits they míght not páss \*  
lest they retúrn to cóver the éarth.

You make spríngs gush fórt in the válleys: \*  
they flów in betwéen the hílls.  
They give drínk to all the béasts of the fíeld; \*  
the wíld-asses quénch their thírst.  
On their báncs dwell the bírds of héaven; \*  
from the bráncles they síng their sóng.

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

### *Antiphon*

Lord, our God, in splendor and majesty you are clothed, wrapped in light as in a robe, alleluia.

### *Antiphon 2*

The Lord has brought forth bread from the earth, and wine to give warmth to men's hearts, alleluia.

## *II*

From your dwélling you wáter the hílls; \*  
éarth drínks its fíll of your gíft.  
You máke the grass grów for the cáttle \*  
and the plánts to sérve man's néeds,

that he may bring forth bread from the earth \*  
and wine to cheer man's heart;  
oil, to make him glad \*  
and bread to strengthen man's heart.

The trees of the Lord drink their fill, \*  
the cedars he planted on Lebanon;  
there the birds build their nests: \*  
on the tree-top the stork has her home.  
The goats find a home on the mountains \*  
and rabbits hide in the rocks.

You made the moon to mark the months; \*  
the sun knows the time for its setting.  
When you spread the darkness it is night \*  
and all the beasts of the forest creep forth.  
The young lions roar for their prey \*  
and ask their food from God.

At the rising of the sun they steal away \*  
and go to rest in their dens.  
Man goes forth to his work, \*  
to labor till evening falls.

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 has brought forth bread from the earth, and wine to give  
warmth to men's hearts, alleluia.

### *Antiphon 3*

The Lord looked upon all he had made and saw that it was very  
good, alleluia.

### *III*

How many are your works, O Lord! †  
In wisdom you have made them all. \*  
The earth is full of your riches.

Thére is the séa, vast and wíde, †  
with its móving swárms past cóunting, \*  
líving things gréat and smáll.  
The shíps are móving thére \*  
and the mónsters you máde to pláy with.

Áll of thése look to yóu \*  
to gíve them their fóod in due séason.  
You gíve it, they gáther it úp: \*  
you ópen your hánd, they have their fill.

You híde your fáce, they are dísmáyed; †  
you táke back your spírit, they díe, \*  
retúrning to the dúst from which they cáme.  
You sénd forth your spírit, they are créated; \*  
and you renéw the fáce of the éarth.

May the glóry of the Lórd last foréver! \*  
May the Lórd rejóice in his wórks!  
He lóoks on the éarth and it trémbles; \*  
the móuntains send forth smóke at his tóuch.

I will síng to the Lórd all my lífe, \*  
make músic to my Gód while I líve.  
May my thóughts be pléasing to hím. \*  
I fínd my jóy in the Lórd.  
Let sínners vánish from the éarth †  
and the wícked exíst no móre. \*  
Bléss the Lórd, my sóul.

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

### *Antiphon*

The Lord looked upon all he had made and saw that it was very good, alleluia.

### VERSE

Blessed are your eyes, for they see God's works.

— And your ears, for they hear his word.

*Sit*

## READINGS

### *First reading*

From the beginning of the book of Wisdom

*1:1-15*

*In praise of God's wisdom*

Love justice, you who judge the earth;  
think of the Lord in goodness,  
and seek him in integrity of heart;  
Because he is found by those who test him not,  
and he manifests himself to those who do not disbelieve him.  
For perverse counsels separate a man from God,  
and his power, put to the proof, rebukes the foolhardy;  
Because into a soul that plots evil wisdom enters not,  
nor dwells she in a body under debt of sin.  
For the holy spirit of discipline flees deceit  
and withdraws from senseless counsels;  
and when injustice occurs it is rebuked.  
For wisdom is a kindly spirit,  
yet she acquits not the blasphemer of his guilty lips;  
Because God is the witness of his inmost self  
and the sure observer of his heart  
and the listener to his tongue.  
For the spirit of the Lord fills the world,  
is all-embracing, and knows what man says.  
Therefore no one who utters wicked things can go unnoticed,  
nor will chastising condemnation pass him by.  
For the devices of the wicked man shall be scrutinized,  
and the sound of his words shall reach the Lord,  
for the chastisement of his transgressions;  
Because a jealous ear hearkens to everything,  
and discordant grumblings are no secret.  
Therefore guard against profitless grumbling,

and from calumny withhold your tongues;  
For a stealthy utterance does not go unpunished,  
and a lying mouth slays the soul.

Court not death by your erring way of life,  
nor draw to yourselves destruction by the works of your hands.  
Because God did not make death,  
nor does he rejoice in the destruction of the living.  
For he fashioned all things that they might have being;  
and the creatures of the world are wholesome,  
And there is not a destructive drug among them  
nor any domain of the nether world on earth,  
For justice is undying.

*Responsory*

*Proverbs 3:13, 15, 17; James 3:17*

Happy is the one who finds wisdom; it is more precious than your  
most valued possessions.

— Its ways are pleasant; all its paths lead to peace.

Wisdom that comes from God is utterly pure; it is also peaceable,  
gentle, full of kindness and manifests itself in good works.

— Its ways are pleasant; all its paths lead to peace.

*Second reading*

From a letter to the Corinthians by Saint Clement, pope

*(Cap. 19, 2—20, 12: Funk 1, 87–89)*

*In his goodness to all, God gives order and harmony to the world*

Let us fix our gaze on the Father and Creator of the whole world,  
and let us hold on to his peace and blessings, his splendid and  
surpassing gifts. Let us contemplate him in our thoughts and with  
our mind's eye reflect upon the peaceful and restrained unfolding  
of his plan; let us consider the care with which he provides for the  
whole of his creation.

By his direction the heavens are in motion, and they are subject to  
him in peace. Day and night fulfill the course he has established  
without interfering with each other. The sun, the moon and



the choirs of stars revolve in harmony at his command in their appointed paths without deviation. By his will the earth blossoms in the proper seasons and produces abundant food for men and animals and all the living things on it without reluctance and without any violation of what he has arranged.

Yet unexplored regions of the abysses and inexpressible realms of the deep are subject to his laws. The mass of the boundless sea, joined together by his ordinance in a single expanse, does not overflow its prescribed limits but flows as he commanded it. For he said: *Thus far shall you come, and your waves will be halted here.* The ocean, impassable for men, and the worlds beyond it are governed by the same edicts of the Lord.

The seasons, spring, summer, autumn and winter, follow one another in harmony. The quarters from which the winds blow function in due season without the least deviation. And the ever-flowing springs, created for our health as well as our enjoyment, unfailingly offer their breasts to sustain human life. The tiniest of living creatures meet together in harmony and peace. The great Creator and Lord of the universe commanded all these things to be established in peace and harmony, in his goodness to all, and in overflowing measure to us who seek refuge in his mercies through our Lord Jesus Christ; to him be glory and majesty for ever and ever. Amen.

*Responsory*

*See Judith 9:12; 6:19*

O Lord, you rule the heavens and the earth; you created the seas.  
You are the king of the universe.

— Hear the prayer of your servants.

Lord, God of heaven and earth, have pity on the humiliation of our people.

— Hear the prayer of your servants.

*Stand*

TE DEUM

You are God: we praise you;

You are the Lord: we acclaim you;  
You are the eternal Father:  
All creation worships you.

To you all angels, all the powers of heaven,  
Cherubim and Seraphim, sing in endless praise:  
Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

The glorious company of apostles praise you.  
The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.  
The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.

Throughout the world the holy Church acclaims you:  
Father, of majesty unbounded,  
your true and only Son, worthy of all worship,  
and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.

You, Christ, are the King of glory,  
the eternal Son of the Father.

When you became man to set us free  
you did not spurn the Virgin's womb.

You overcame the sting of death,  
and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

You are seated at God's right hand in glory.  
We believe that you will come, and be our judge.

Come then, Lord, and help your people,  
bought with the price of your own blood,  
and bring us with your saints  
to glory everlasting.

### CONCLUDING PRAYER

Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God,  
strengthen our faith, hope, and love.  
May we do with loving hearts  
what you ask of us  
and come to share the life you promise.

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.

*Acclamation*

Let us praise the Lord.

— And give him thanks.

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