Liturgy of the Hours LITURGY OF THE HOURS

DAYTIME PRAYER

May 3, 2025

{ Feast – Philip and James, Apostles }



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

Come, servants, join in humble prayer with psalms and hymns of worthy praise; let mind and heart and lips extol the blest and holy name of God.

For this is that dread time and hour, in which the Judge of ages stood condemned to death by false decree, unjustly judged by mortal foes.

And we with all the love we owe, compelled by just and humble fear, seek help against our wicked foe and all his sly and fierce assaults.

Let us implore the one true God, the Father and the Son, our King, the Holy Spirit, Paraclete, in Trinity, our God and Lord. Amen.

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Sit or stand

PSALMODY

Antiphon

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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 lôve 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.

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.

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 árrows to shóot at the innocent from ámbush, * shóoting súddenly and récklessly.

They schéme their évil course; * they conspire to lay sécret snáres.

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They sáy: "Whó will sée us? * Whó can séarch out our crímes?"

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

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sit

READING

Acts 5:12a, 14

Through the hands of the apostles, many signs and wonders occurred among the people. Nevertheless more and more believers, men and women in great numbers, were continually added to the Lord.

Verse

The apostles held fast to Christ's message, alleluia.

— They kept the precepts he gave them, alleluia.

Stand

CONCLUDING PRAYER

Let us pray.

God our Father, every year you give us joy on the festival of the apostles Philip and James. By the help of their prayers may we share in the suffering, death, and resurrection of your only Son and come to the eternal vision of your glory.

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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