

*Liturgy of the Hours*  
LITURGY OF THE HOURS

EVENING PRAYER I

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May 3, 2025

{ Third Sunday of Easter }



*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

As we await the Lamb's high feast  
in snow white robes of saving grace,  
we sing to Christ, our Prince and Head,  
for we have crossed the Red Sea tide.

His holy Body, parched and seared  
upon the altar of the Cross,  
his crimson Blood, outpoured for us,  
we taste and so we live for God.

Protected on the paschal eve  
from devastating angel sword,  
we were delivered and set free  
from Pharaoh's harsh and bitter rule.

And now our Pasch is Christ himself,  
the pure and spotless Lamb once slain,  
unleavened bread of truthfulness,  
who gives his flesh in sacrifice.

O worthy Victim, real and true,  
who rends and breaks the pow'r of hell,  
the captives there have been redeemed  
and now enjoy the prize of life.

Christ rises from the tomb indeed,  
triumphant Victor from the depths,  
who thrusts the tyrant down in chains  
and clears the way to Paradise.

O Jesus, be for mind and heart

our everlasting paschal joy  
and gather us, reborn by grace,  
to share your triumphs evermore.

To you, Lord Jesus, glory be,  
who shine in vict'ry over death,  
with God the Father, ever blest,  
and loving Spirit, ever one. Amen.

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*Sit or stand*

## PSALMODY

### *Antiphon 1*

The Lord our God is high above the heavens; he raises up the lowly  
from the dust, alleluia.

### *Psalm 113*

*Praise the name of the Lord*

*He has cast down the mighty and has lifted up the lowly (Luke 1:52).*

Práise, O sérvants of the Lórd,\*  
práise the náme of the Lórd!  
May the náme of the Lórd be bléssed\*  
both nów and for évermóre!  
From the rísing of the sún to its sétting\*  
práised be the náme of the Lórd!

Hígh above all nátions is the Lórd,\*  
abóve the héavens his glóry.

Whó is like the Lórd, our Gód,\*  
who has risen on hígh to his thróne  
yet stóops from the héights to look dówn,\*  
to look dówn upon héaven and éarth?

From the dúst he lífts up the lówly,\*  
from his mísery he ráises the póor  
to sét him in the cómpany of prínces,\*  
yés, with the prínces of his péople.  
To the chídless wífe he gives a hóme\*  
and gláddens her héart with chídren.

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 our God is high above the heavens; he raises up the lowly from the dust, alleluia.

*Antiphon 2*

Lord, you have broken the chains that held me bound; I will offer you a sacrifice of praise, alleluia.

*Psalm 116:10-19*

*Thanksgiving in the Temple*

*Through Christ let us offer God a continual sacrifice of praise (Hebrews 13:15).*

I trústed, éven when I sáid:\*  
“I am sórely afflicted,”  
and whén I sáid in my alárm:\*  
“No mán can be trústed.”

How cán I repáy the Lórd\*  
for his góodness to mé?  
The cúp of salvátion I will ráise;\*  
I will cáll on the Lórd’s name.

My vóws to the Lórd I will fulfil\*  
befóre all his péople.

O précieux in the éyes of the Lórd \*  
is the déath of his fáithful.

Your sérvant, Lord, your sérvant am Í; \*  
you have lóosened my bónds.

A thánksgiving sácrifice I máke: \*  
I will cáll on the Lórd's name.

My vóws to the Lórd I will fulfill \*  
befóre all his péople,  
in the cóurts of the hóuse of the Lórd, \*  
in your mídst, O Jerúsalem.

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 have broken the chains that held me bound; I will offer  
you a sacrifice of praise, alleluia.

*Antiphon 3*

Though he was the Son of God, Christ learned obedience through  
suffering; and for all who obey him, he has become the source of life,  
alleluia.

*Canticle – Philippians 2:6-11*

*Christ, God's holy servant*

Though he was in the form of God, †  
Jesus did not deem equality with God \*  
something to be grasped at.

Rather, he emptied himself †  
and took the form of a slave, \*  
being born in the likeness of men.

He was known to be of human estate, \*  
and it was thus that he humbled himself,  
obediently accepting even death, \*  
death on a cross!

Because of this, \*  
God highly exalted him  
and bestowed on him the name \*  
above every other name,

So that at Jesus' name \*  
every knee must bend  
in the heavens, on the earth, \*  
and under the earth,  
and every tongue proclaim †  
to the glory of God the Father: \*  
JESUS CHRIST IS LORD!

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*

Though he was the Son of God, Christ learned obedience through suffering; and for all who obey him, he has become the source of life, alleluia.

*Sit*

READING

*1 Peter 2:9-10*

You are “a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people he claims for his own to proclaim the glorious works” of the One who called you from darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were no people, but now you are God’s people; once there was no mercy for you, but now you have found mercy.

RESPONSORY

The disciples rejoiced, alleluia, alleluia.

— The disciples rejoiced, alleluia, alleluia.

When they saw the risen Lord,

— alleluia, alleluia.

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

— The disciples rejoiced, alleluia, alleluia.

*Stand*

## GOSPEL CANTICLE

*Antiphon*

Stay with us, Lord, for evening draws near and daylight is fading,  
alleluia.

*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*

Stay with us, Lord, for evening draws near and daylight is fading,  
alleluia.

INTERCESSIONS

Christ is our life and resurrection. Let us cry out to him with faith:

— Son of the living God, protect your people.

Lord Jesus, we pray for your Catholic Church,  
make it holy, so that your kingdom may be established among all  
nations.

— Son of the living God, protect your people.

We pray for the sick and the sorrowful, for those in bondage and in  
exile,  
that they may receive consolation and help.

— Son of the living God, protect your people.

We pray for those who have turned away from your paths,  
that they may experience the grace of your forgiveness and the joy of  
rising to new life.

— Son of the living God, protect your people.

Crucified and risen Savior, you will come to judge the world,  
have mercy on us sinners.

— Son of the living God, protect your people.

We pray for all the living,  
and for all who have gone from us in the hope of resurrection.

— Son of the living God, protect your people.

*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,  
may we look forward with hope to our resurrection,  
for you have made us your sons and daughters,  
and restored the joy of our youth.

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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