

Psalms, readings and collect

Date: 8th August – Week XVIII

Saturday

Venite antiphon:

It is God that has made us; we are His people; O come, let us adore Him.

Office hymns:

Mattins:

Dawn sprinkles all the East with light:
Day o'er the earth is gliding bright:
Morn's glitt'ring rays their course begin;
Farewell to darkness and to sin.

So that last morning, dread and great,
Which we with trembling hope await.
With bles-sed light for us shall glow,
Who chant the song we sang below, -

Each phantom of the night depart,
Each thought of guilt forsake the heart:
Let ev'ry ill that darkness brought
Beneath its shade, now come to nought.

All laud to God the Father be:
All laud, eternal Son to Thee:
All laud, as is for ever meet,
To God the Holy Paraclete.

Evensong:

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Psalm:

(76) IN Jewry is God known : his Name is great in Israel.
2 At Salem is his tabernacle : and his dwelling in Sion.
3 There brake he the arrows of the bow : the shield, the sword, and the battle.
4 Thou art of more honour and might : than the hills of the robbers.
5 The proud are robbed, they have slept their sleep : and all the men whose hands were mighty have found nothing.
6 At thy rebuke, O God of Jacob : both the chariot and horse are fallen.
7 Thou, even thou art to be feared : and who may stand in thy sight when thou art angry?
8 Thou didst cause thy judgement to be heard from heaven : the earth trembled, and was still;
9 When God arose to judgement : and to help all the meek upon earth.
10 The fierceness of man shall turn to thy praise : and the fierceness of them shalt thou refrain.
11 Promise unto the Lord your God, and keep it, all ye that are round about him : bring presents unto him that ought to be feared.
12 He shall refrain the spirit of princes : and is wonderful among the kings of the earth.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

(79) O GOD, the heathen are come into thine inheritance : thy holy temple have they defiled, and made Jerusalem an heap of stones.

2 The dead bodies of thy servants have they given to be meat unto the fowls of the air : and the flesh of thy saints unto the beasts of the land.

3 Their blood have they shed like water on every side of Jerusalem : and there was no man to bury them.

4 We are become an open shame to our enemies : a very scorn and derision unto them that are round about us.

5 Lord, how long wilt thou be angry : shall thy jealousy burn like fire for ever?

6 Pour out thine indignation upon the heathen that have not known thee : and upon the kingdoms that have not called upon thy Name.

7 For they have devoured Jacob : and laid waste his dwelling-place.

8 O remember not our old sins, but have mercy upon us, and that soon : for we are come to great misery.

9 Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of thy Name : O deliver us, and be merciful unto our sins, for thy Name's sake.

10 Wherefore do the heathen say : Where is now their God?

11 O let the vengeance of thy servants' blood that is shed : be openly shewed upon the heathen in our sight.

12 O let the sorrowful sighing of the prisoners come before thee : according to the greatness of thy power, preserve thou those that are appointed to die.

13 And for the blasphemy wherewith our neighbours have blasphemed thee : reward thou them, O Lord, seven-fold into their bosom.

14 So we, that are thy people, and sheep of thy pasture, shall give thee thanks for ever : and will always be shewing forth thy praise from generation to generation.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost.

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Reading:

A Reading from the Gospel according to Saint Matthew.

A man came up to Jesus and kneeling before him said, "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and he suffers terribly; for often he falls into the fire, and often into the water. And I brought him to your disciples, and they could not heal him." And Jesus answered, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him here to me." And Jesus rebuked him, and the demon came out of him, and the boy was cured instantly. Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" He said to them, "Because of your little faith. For truly, I say to you, if you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible to you."

Responsories:

Mattins:

Great is our Lord; and great is His power.

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Yea and His wisdom is infinite.

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Great is the Lord; and great is His power.

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Benedictus antiphon:

Through the tender mercy of our God: whereby the dayspring from on high hath visited us.

Magnificat antiphon:

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Collect of the day:

Grant to us, Lord, we beseech Thee, the spirit to think and do always such things as be rightful; that we, who cannot do any thing that is good without Thee, may by Thee be enabled to live according to Thy Will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, throughout all ages world without end. Amen.