

Psalms, readings and collect

Date: 24th February – Week VII

Monday

Venite antiphon:

The Lord God lightens our darkness; O come, let us adore Him.

Office hymns:

Mattins:

Thou Brightness of the Father's ray,
True Light of light and Day of day:
Light's fountain and eternal spring:
Thou Morn the morn illumining.

Glide in, Thou very Sun divine;
With everlasting brightness shine:
And shed abroad on ev'ry sense
The Spirit's light and influence.

Thee, Father, let us seek aright:
The Father of perpetual light:
The Father of almighty Grace:
Each wile of sin away to chase.

Our acts with courage do Thou fill:
Blunt Thou the Tempter's tooth of ill:
Misfortune into good convert,
Or give us grace to bear unhurt.

Our spirits whatso'er betide,
In chaste and loyal bodies guide;
Let Faith, with fervour unalloyed,
The bane of falsehood still avoid;

And Christ our daily food be nigh:
And Faith our daily cup supply:
So may we quaff, to calm and bless,
The Spirit's rapt'rous holiness.

Now let the day in joy pass on:
Our modesty like early dawn,
Our faith like noontide splendour glow,
Our souls the twilight never know.

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:

O great Creator of the sky,
Who wouldest not the floods on high
With earthly waters to confound,
But mad'st the firmament their bound;

The floods above Thou didst ordain:
The floods below Thou didst restrain:
That moisture might attempter heat,
Lest the parched earth should ruin meet.

Upon our souls, good Lord, bestow
The gift of grace in endless flow:
Lest some renewed deceit or wile
Of former sin should us beguile.

Let Faith discover heav'nly light:
So shall its ray direct us right:
And let this Faith each error chase:
And never give to falsehood place.

O Father, that we ask be done
Through Jesus Christ, Thine only Son;
Who, with the Holy Ghost and Thee,
Shall live and reign eternally.

Psalm:

(123) UNTO thee lift I up mine eyes : O thou that dwellest in the heavens.

2 Behold, even as the eyes of servants look unto the hand of their masters, and as the eyes of a maiden unto the hand of her mistress : even so our eyes wait upon the Lord our God, until he have mercy upon us.

3 Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us : for we are utterly despised.

4 Our soul is filled with the scornful reproof of the wealthy : and with the despitefulness of the proud.

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.

(124) IF the Lord himself had not been on our side, now may Israel say : if the Lord himself had not been on our side, when men rose up against us;

2 They had swallowed us up quick : when they were so wrathfully displeased at us.

3 Yea, the waters had drowned us : and the stream had gone over our soul.

4 The deep waters of the proud : had gone even over our soul.

5 But praised be the Lord : who hath not given us over for a prey unto their teeth.

6 Our soul is escaped even as a bird out of the snare of the fowler : the snare is broken, and we are delivered.

7 Our help standeth in the Name of the Lord : who hath made heaven and earth.

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

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(125) THEY that put their trust in the Lord shall be even as the mount Sion : which may not be removed, but standeth fast for ever.

2 The hills stand about Jerusalem : even so standeth the Lord round about his people, from this time forth for evermore.

3 For the rod of the ungodly cometh not into the lot of the righteous : lest the righteous put their hand unto wickedness.

4 Do well, O Lord : unto those that are good and true of heart.

5 As for such as turn back unto their own wickedness : the Lord shall lead them forth with the evil-doers; but peace shall be upon Israel.

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

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(126) WHEN the Lord turned again the captivity of Sion : then were we like unto them that dream.

2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter : and our tongue with joy.

3 Then said they among the heathen : The Lord hath done great things for them.

4 Yea, the Lord hath done great things for us already : whereof we rejoice.

5 Turn our captivity, O Lord : as the rivers in the south.

6 They that sow in tears : shall reap in joy.

7 He that now goeth on his way weeping, and beareth forth good seed : shall doubtless come again with joy, and bring his sheaves with him.

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.

Reading:

A Reading from the Gospel according to Saint Mark.

When Jesus, with Peter, James and John came down from the mountain and rejoined the disciples, they saw a great crowd about them, and scribes arguing with them. And immediately all the crowd, when they saw him, were greatly amazed, and ran up to him and greeted him. And he asked them, "What are you discussing with them?" And one of the crowd answered him, "Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a dumb spirit; and wherever it seizes him, it dashes him down; and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid; and I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able." And he answered them, "O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me." And they brought the boy to him; and when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. And Jesus asked his father, "How long has he had this?" And he said, "From childhood. And it has often cast him into the fire and into the water, to destroy him; but if you can do anything, have pity on us and help us." And Jesus said to him, "If you can! All things are possible to him who believes." Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!" And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "You dumb and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him, and never enter him again." And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse; so that most of them said, "He is dead." But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" And he said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer."

Responsories:

Mattins:

In the morning let me know Thy love.
[In the morning let me know Thy love.](#)
Make me know the way I should walk.
[In the morning let me know Thy love.](#)
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.
In the morning let me know Thy love.

Evensong:

I will bless the Lord at all times.
[I will bless the Lord at all times.](#)
His praise shall ever be in my mouth.
[I will bless the Lord at all times.](#)
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.
I will bless the Lord at all times.

Benedictus antiphon:

The Lord hath raised up for us an horn of salvation in the house of His servant David.

Magnificat antiphon:

My soul doth magnify the Lord, for He hath regarded my lowliness.

Collect of the day:

O Lord God, Who seest that we put not our trust in any thing that we do: Mercifully grant that by Thy power we may be defended against all adversity; through Jesus Christ Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, throughout all ages world without end. Amen.