

Psalms, readings and collect

Date: **Week VIII – 30th May** **Saturday**

Venite antiphon:

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

Office hymns:

Mattins:

Dawn sprinkles all the East with light:	So that last morning, dread and great,
Day o'er the earth is gliding bright:	Which we with trembling hope await.
Morn's glitt'ring rays their course begin;	With bles-sed light for us shall glow,
Farewell to darkness and to sin.	Who chant the song we sang below, -

Each phantom of the night depart,	All laud to God the Father be:
Each thought of guilt forsake the heart:	All laud, eternal Son to Thee:
Let ev'ry ill that darkness brought	All laud, as is for ever meet,
Beneath its shade, now come to nought.	To God the Holy Paraclete.

Evensong:

Evensong on Saturday evening is the first evensong of Sunday.

Psalm:

(20) THE Lord hear thee in the day of trouble : the Name of the God of Jacob defend thee;
2 Send thee help from the sanctuary : and strengthen thee out of Sion;
3 Remember all thy offerings : and accept thy burnt-sacrifice;
4 Grant thee thy heart's desire : and fulfil all thy mind.
5 We will rejoice in thy salvation, and triumph in the Name of the Lord our God : the Lord perform all thy petitions.
6 Now know I that the Lord helpeth his Anointed, and will hear him from his holy heaven : even with the wholesome strength of his right hand.
7 Some put their trust in chariots, and some in horses : but we will remember the Name of the Lord our God.
8 They are brought down, and fallen : but we are risen, and stand upright.
9 Save, Lord, and hear us, O King of heaven : when we call upon thee.
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.

(21) THE King shall rejoice in thy strength, O Lord : exceeding glad shall he be of thy salvation.
2 Thou hast given him his heart's desire : and hast not denied him the request of his lips.
3 For thou shalt prevent him with the blessings of goodness : and shalt set a crown of pure gold upon his head.
4 He asked life of thee, and thou gavest him a long life : even for ever and ever.
5 His honour is great in thy salvation : glory and great worship shalt thou lay upon him.

6 For thou shalt give him everlasting felicity : and make him glad with the joy of thy countenance.
7 And why? because the King putteth his trust in the Lord : and in the mercy of the most Highest he shall not miscarry.
8 All thine enemies shall feel thine hand : thy right hand shall find out them that hate thee.
9 Thou shalt make them like a fiery oven in time of thy wrath : the Lord shall destroy them in his displeasure, and the fire shall consume them.
10 Their fruit shalt thou root out of the earth : and their seed from among the children of men.
11 For they intended mischief against thee : and imagined such a device as they are not able to perform.
12 Therefore shalt thou put them to flight : and the strings of thy bow shalt thou make ready against the face of them.
13 Be thou exalted, Lord, in thine own strength : so will we sing, and praise thy power. 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.

(23) THE Lord is my shepherd : therefore can I lack nothing.
2 He shall feed me in a green pasture : and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.
3 He shall convert my soul : and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake.
4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil : for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.
5 Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me : thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.
6 Surely thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life : and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.
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 Mark.

Jesus and His disciples came again to Jerusalem. And as he was walking in the temple, the chief priests and the scribes and the elders came to him, and they said to him, "By what authority are you doing these things, or who gave you this authority to do them?" Jesus said to them, "I will ask you a question; answer me, and I will tell you by what authority I do these things. Was the baptism of John from heaven or from men? Answer me." And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But shall we say, 'From men?'" -- they were afraid of the people, for all held that John was a real prophet. So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And Jesus said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things."

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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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:

God, Who as at this time didst teach the hearts of Thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of Thy Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in His holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, Who liveth and reigneth with the Son in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, throughout all ages world without end. Amen.