

Psalms, readings and collect

Date: 6th September - Sunday XXIII/Trinity XIV

Week III

Obviously on Sundays, people will use the Act of Spiritual Communion; but for those who wish to say an evening office, provision is included here.

Office

Office hymn:

O God, creation's secret force,
Thyself unmoved, all motion's source,
Who from the morn till evening ray
Through all its changes guid'st the day:

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

Grant us, when this short life is past,
The glorious evening that shall last;
That, by a holy death attained,
Eternal glory may be gained.

Psalm:

(119: 17 - 32) O DO well unto thy servant : that I may live, and keep thy word.
18 Open thou mine eyes : that I may see the wondrous things of thy law.
19 I am a stranger upon earth : O hide not thy commandments from me.
20 My soul breaketh out for the very fervent desire : that it hath alway unto thy judgements.
21 Thou hast rebuked the proud : and cursed are they that do err from thy commandments.
22 O turn from me shame and rebuke : for I have kept thy testimonies.
23 Princes also did sit and speak against me : but thy servant is occupied in thy statutes.
24 For thy testimonies are my delight : and my counsellors.
MY soul cleaveth to the dust : O quicken thou me, according to thy word.
26 I have acknowledged my ways, and thou heardest me : O teach me thy statutes.
27 Make me to understand the way of thy commandments : and so shall I talk of thy wondrous works.
28 My soul melteth away for very heaviness : comfort thou me according unto thy word.
29 Take from me the way of lying : and cause thou me to make much of thy law.
30 I have chosen the way of truth : and thy judgements have I laid before me.
31 I have stuck unto thy testimonies : O Lord, confound me not.
32 I will run the way of thy commandments : when thou hast set my heart at liberty.
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 Book of the Prophet Ezekiel.

The Word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows, "So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, O wicked man, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked man shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way; he shall die in his iniquity, but you will have saved your life.

Responsory:

I shall proclaim Thy righteousness in the great assembly.

[I shall proclaim Thy righteousness in the great assembly.](#)

I shall not restrain my lips.

[I shall proclaim Thy righteousness in the great assembly.](#)

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

I shall proclaim Thy righteousness in the great assembly.

Magnificat antiphon:

All wisdom proceedeth from the Lord, and was with Him for all time and is before the ages.

Collect of the day:

Almighty and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope and charity; and, that we may obtain that which Thou dost promise, make us to love that which Thou dost command; 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.

Act of Spiritual Communion**Collect:**

Confirm, O God, in unity and truth the Church You gather in Christ. Encourage the fervent, enlighten the doubtful and bring back the wayward. Bind us together in mutual love, that our prayer in Christ's Name may be pleasing to You; in and through Jesus Christ, Your Son our Lord, Who is alive and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, God, throughout all ages world without end. Amen.

First Reading:

A Reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Church in Rome.

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for he who loves his neighbour has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not kill, You shall not steal, You shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this sentence, "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

Psalm:

O come, let us sing to the Lord; ♦ let us heartily rejoice in the rock of our salvation.
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving ♦ and be glad in him with psalms.
Come, let us worship and bow down ♦ and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
For he is our God; ♦ we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.
O that today you would listen to his voice: ♦ ‘Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, on
that day at Massah in the wilderness,
‘When your forebears tested me, and put me to the proof, ♦ though they had seen my
works.

Gospel:

A Reading from the Gospel according to Saint Matthew.

Jesus said to His disciples, "If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother. But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them."