DIVINE OFFICE

LAUDS AND VESPERS FOR HOLY THURSDAY & GOOD FRIDAY



ST. JOHN THE BELOVED CATHOLIC CHURCH MCLEAN, VA

Please stand and make the sign of the cross as priest (or cantor) intones "O God, come to my assistance." Bow at "Glory to the Father...Holy Spirit"



as it was in the be-ginning, is now, and will be for e-ver. Amen.

*While the Divine Office may be sung, this prayer may be simply recited. A video will be posted on our website: www.StJohnCatholicMcLean.org (click on WORSHIP THE LORD, then DIVINE OFFICE) Contact James Senson, Director of Music, for any questions: JSenson@StJohnCatholicMclean.org

LAUDS (MORNING PRAYER)

Hymn

Take Up Thy Cross Saint Michael Hymnal, #412

Take up thy cross, the Savior said, If thou wouldst my disciple be; Take up thy cross with willing heart, And humbly follow after me.

Take up thy cross, let not its weight Fill thy weak spirit with alarm; His strength shall bear thy spirit up, And brace thy heart, and nerve thine arm.

Take up thy cross, heed not the shame, And let thy foolish heart be still; The Lord for thee accepted death Upon a cross, on Calv'ry's hill.

Take up thy cross, then, in his strength, And calmly ev'ry danger brave; It guides thee to a better home, And leads to vict'ry o'er the grave.

Take up thy cross, and follow Christ, Nor think till death to lay it down; For only those who bear the cross May hope to wear the glorious crown.

Please be seated.

Holy Thursday, LAUDS: p. 5 Good Friday, LAUDS: p. 22

VESPERS (EVENING PRAYER)

Hymn

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross Saint Michael Hymnal, #830

When I survey the wondrous cross On which the Prince of glory died, My richest gain I count but loss, And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast Save in the death of Christ, my God: All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down! Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were a present far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all.

Please be seated.

Holy Thursday, VESPERS: p. 14 Good Friday, VESPERS: p. 32

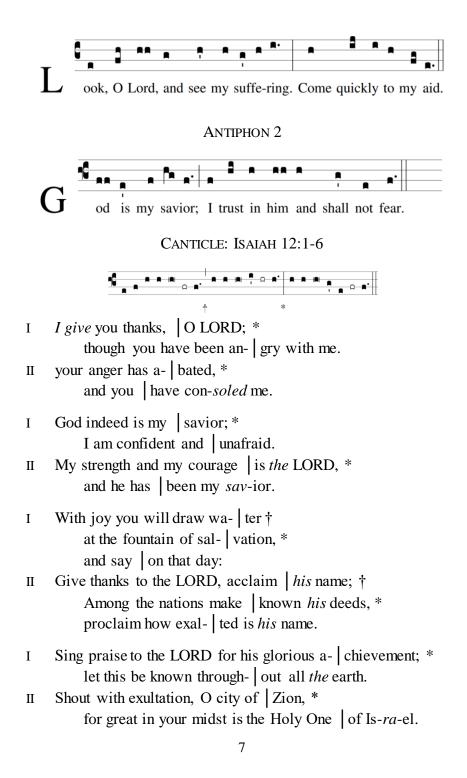
HOLY THURSDAY / LAUDS (MORNING PRAYER)

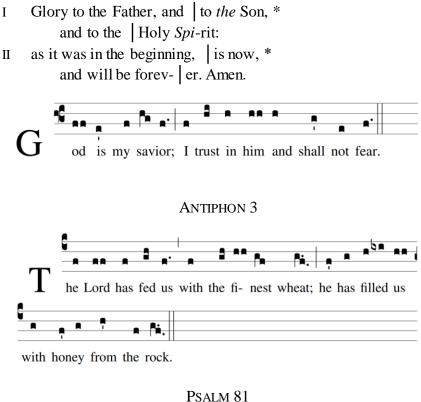
PSALMODY

Psalm verses are sung antiphonally between the cantor (I) and all (II).

ANTIPHON 1 ook, O Lord, and see my suffe-ring. Come quickly to my aid. PSALM 80 *O shep*-herd of Israel | hear us, * Ι you | who lead Jo-seph's flock, shine forth from your cheru- | bim throne * Π upon Ephraim, Benja- min, Manasseh. O LORD, rouse up | your might, * Ι O LORD, come to our help. God of hosts, | bring us back; * Π let your face shine on us and we shall be saved. LORD God of hosts, how long * Ι will you frown on your peo-*ple*'s plea? You have fed them with tears for | their bread, * Π an abundance of tears for their drink. You have made us the taunt of our | neighbors. * Ι our enemies | laugh us to scorn. God of hosts, | bring us back; * Π let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.

Ι	You brought a vine out of Egypt; * to plant it you drove out the nations.	
Π	Before it you cleared <i>the</i> ground; * it took root and spread through the land.	
Ι	The mountains were covered with its shadow, * the cedars of God with its boughs.	
Π	It stretched out its branches to <i>the</i> sea, * to the Great River it stretched out its shoots.	
Ι	Then why have you broken down <i>its</i> walls?* It is plucked by all who pass by.	
Π	It is ravaged by the boar of the forest, * devoured by the beasts of the field.	
Ι	God of hosts, turn again, we <i>im</i> -plore, * look down from heaven and see.	
Π	Visit this vine and pro- tect it, * the vine your right hand has planted.	
Ι	Men have burnt it with fire and de- stroyed it. * May they perish at the frown of your face.	
Π	May your hand be on the man you have chosen, * the man you have given your strength.	
Ι	And we shall never forsake you <i>a</i> -gain: * give us life that we may call upon <i>your</i> name.	
Π	God of hosts, bring <i>us</i> back; * let your face shine on us and we shall <i>be</i> saved.	
Bov	Bow at "Glory to the Father Holy Spirit."	
Ι	Glory to the Father, and to <i>the</i> Son, * and to the Holy Spirit:	
Π	as it was in the beginning, is now, * and will be for- ever. Amen.	









- *Ring out* your joy to God *our* strength, * Ι shout in triumph to the God of <u>Ja-cob</u>.
- Raise a song and sound the timbrel, * Π the sweet-sounding harp and the lute.
- blow the trumpet at the new moon, * Ι when the moon is full, on our feast.
- For this is Is-*rael*'s law, * Π a command of the God of <u>Ja-cob</u>.
- He imposed it as a | rule on Joseph, * Ι when he went out against the | land of <u>E-gypt</u>.

II I	A voice I did not know said to me: * "I freed your shoulder from the <u>bur</u> -den; your hands were freed from the load. * You called in distress and I <u>saved you</u> .
Π	I answered, concealed in the storm cloud, * at the waters of Meri- bah I tes-ted you.
Ι	Listen, my people, to my warning, * O Israel, if only <u>you</u> would <u>heed</u> !
Π	Let there be no foreign god among you, * no worship of an <u>a</u> - <i>lien</i> god.
Ι	I am the LORD <i>your</i> God, † who brought you from the land of Egypt. * Open wide your mouth and I will <u>fill it</u> .
Π	But my people did not heed my voice * and Israel would not <u>o-bey</u> .
Ι	so I left them in their $ $ stubbornness <i>of</i> heart * to follow their own <u>de-signs</u> .
Π	O that my peo- <i>ple</i> would heed me, * that Israel would walk in my ways.
Ι	At once I would subdue <i>their</i> foes, * turn my hand a- gainst their <u>e</u> - <i>ne</i> - <u>mies</u> .
ΙΙ	The LORD's enemies would cringe at their feet * and their subjection would last for <u>e-ver</u> .
Ι	But Israel I would feed with fin- <i>est</i> wheat * and fill them with honey <u>from</u> the <u>rock</u> ."
II	Glory to the Fa <i>ther</i> , and to <i>the</i> Son, * and to the Holy <u>Spir-it</u> :
Ι	as it was in the be- ginning, is now, * and will be for- ever. <u>A-men</u> .



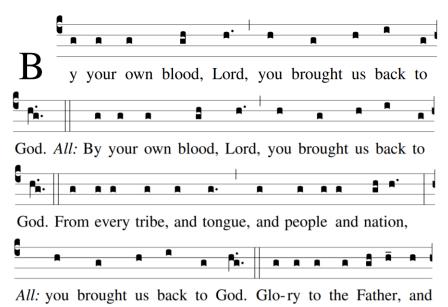
with honey from the rock.

READING

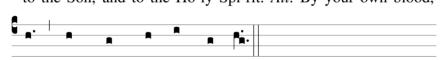
Hebrews 2:9-10

We see Jesus crowned with glory and honor because he suffered death, that through God's gracious will he might taste death for the sake of all men. Indeed, it was fitting that when bringing many sons to glory God, for whom and through whom all things exist, should make their leader in the work of salvation perfect through suffering.

RESPONSORY







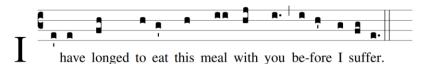
Lord, you brought us back to God.

Please stand.

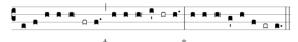
BENEDICTUS

Luke 1:68-79

ANTIPHON: CANTICLE OF ZECHARIAH



Make the sign of the cross as all sing "Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel."



- *all: Bless-ed* be the LORD, the God of | Is-*ra*-el; * He has come to his peo- | ple and set *them* free.
 - *He has* raised up for us a mighty savior, * born of the house of his servant David.
 - Through his holy prophets he promised \dagger of old that he would save us from our | en-e-mies, *from the hands of | all who hate us.
 - *He pro*-mised to show mercy to our | fathers * and to remember his | holy co-*ve*-nant.

This was the oath he swore to our father Ab-*ra*-ham: * to set us free from the hands of our en-*e*-mies,

Free to worship him with- out fear, * holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the | Most High;* for you will go before the LORD | to prepare *his* way,

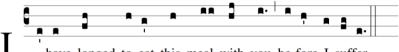
To give his people knowledge of sal- vation * by the for- giveness of *their* sins.

In the tender compassion of our God * the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

To shine on those who dwell in dark-†ness and the shadow of death, * and to guide our feet in- to the way of peace.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the | Holy Spirit:

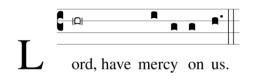
As it was in the beginning, | is now, * and will be for- ever. Amen.



have longed to eat this meal with you be-fore I suffer.

INTERCESSIONS

The Father anointed Christ with the Holy Spirit to proclaim forgiveness to those in bondage. Let us humbly call upon the eternal priest:



You went up to Jerusalem to suffer and so enter into your glory, —bring your Church to the Passover feast of heaven.

Lord, have mercy on us.

You were lifted high on the cross and pierced by the soldier's lance,

-heal our wounds.

Lord, have mercy on us.

You made your cross the tree of life,

-give its fruit to those reborn in baptism.

Lord, have mercy on us.

On the cross you forgave the repentant thief, —forgive us our sins.

Lord, have mercy on us.

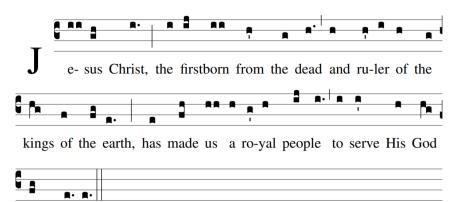
Turn to the OUR FATHER on page 39.

HOLY THURSDAY / VESPERS (EVENING PRAYER)

PSALMODY

Psalm verses are sung antiphonally between the cantor (I) and all (II).

ANTIPHON 1



and Father.

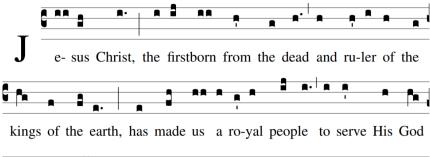
PSALM 72

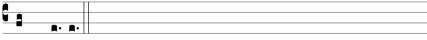


- I <u>O God</u>, give your | judgment to *the* king, * to a king's | son your jus-<u>tice</u>.
- II that he may judge your | peo-*ple* in justice * and your | poor *in* right judg-<u>ment</u>.
- I May the | mountains bring *forth* peace * for the people | and *the* hills, jus-<u>tice</u>.
- II May he defend the poor of the peo- | ple † and save the children | of the needy * and | crush *the* oppres-<u>sor</u>.

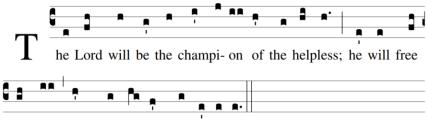
Ι	He shall endure like the sun and moon from age to age. † He shall descend like the rain on the meadow, * like raindrops on the <u>earth</u> .
II	In his days justice shall flourish * and peace till the moon <u>fails</u> .
Ι	He shall rule from sea to sea, * from the Great River <i>to</i> earth's <u>bounds</u> .
Π	Before him his enemies shall fall, * his foes lick the <u>dust</u> .
Ι	The kings of Tarshish and the sea coasts * shall pay Him tri- <u>bute</u> .
Π	The kings of She- <i>ba</i> and Seba * shall bring him <u>gifts</u> .
Ι	Before him all kings shall fall prostrate, * all na- <i>tions</i> shall serve <u>him</u> .
Воч	at "Glory to the Father Holy Spirit."
П	Glory to the Fa- <i>ther</i> , and to <i>the</i> Son, * and to the Holy Spi- <u>rit</u> :
Ι	as it was in the be- ginning, is now, *

and will be for- ever. A-men.



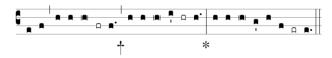


and Father.

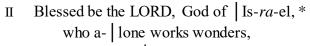


the poor from the grip of the powerful.

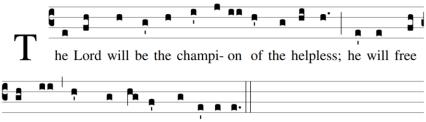
PSALM 72 (CONTINUED)



I II	 For he shall save the poor when they cry * and the needy who are helpless. He will have pity on the weak * and save the lives of the poor.
Ι	From oppression he will rescue their lives, * to him their blood <i>is</i> dear.
Π	Long may <i>he</i> live, * may the gold of Sheba be given him.
Ι	They shall pray for him without ceasing * and bless him all <i>the</i> day.
Π	May corn be abundant in <i>the</i> land * to the peaks of the mountains.
Ι	May its fruit rustle like Le- <i>ba</i> -non; * may men flourish in the cities like grass on the earth.
Π	May his name be blessed for ever * and en- dure like the sun
Ι	Every tribe shall be blessed in him, * all nations bless his name.
	16

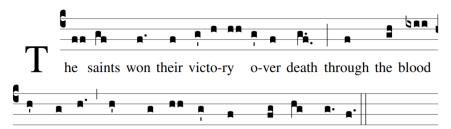


- I ever blessed his | glo-*rious* name. * Let his | glory fill *the* earth.
- II Glory to the Father, and | to *the* Son, * and to the | Holy Spirit:
- I as it was in the beginning, | is now, * and will be for- | ever. Amen.



the poor from the grip of the powerful.

ANTIPHON 3



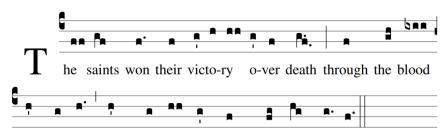
of the Lamb and the truth to which they bore wit-ness.



CANTICLE: REVELATION 11:17-18;12:10B-12A

I We <u>praise</u> you, the LORD | God Almighty, * who | is and <u>who</u> was.

- II You have as- | sumed your great power, * you | have be-gun your reign.
- I The nations have | raged in anger, * but then | came your <u>day of wrath</u>
- II and the | mo-*ment* to judge *the* dead: * the time to reward your ser- | vants the <u>pro-phets.</u>
- I and the holy ones *who* revere you, * the great and small a-like.
- II Now have salvation and power | come, † the reign of our God and | the authority * of | his A-<u>noin</u>-*ted* <u>One</u>.
- I For the accuser of our | bro-*thers* is cast out, * who night and day accused | them be-<u>fore God</u>.
- II They defeated him by the blood of the Lamb † and by the word of their | testimony; * love for life did not de- | ter them from death.
- I So re- joice, you heavens, * and you that <u>dwell</u> there-<u>in</u>!
- II Glory to the | Father, and to the Son, * and to the | Holy <u>Spir-it</u>:
- I as it was in the be- ginning, is now, * and will be for- ever. <u>A-men</u>.



of the Lamb and the truth to which they bore wit-ness.

EPISTLE

Jesus died outside the gate, to sanctify the people by his own blood. Let us go out to him outside the camp, bearing the insult which he bore. For here we have no lasting city; we are seeking one which is to come. Through him let us continually offer God a sacrifice of praise, that is, the fruit of lips which acknowledge his name.

In place of the Responsory, the following is said:

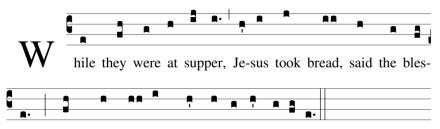
For our sake Christ was obedient, accepting even death.

Please stand.

MAGNIFICAT

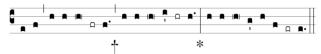
Luke 1:46-55

ANTIPHON: CANTICLE OF MARY



sing, broke the bread and gave it to his disciples.

Make the sign of the cross as all sing "My soul proclaims the greatness of the LORD."

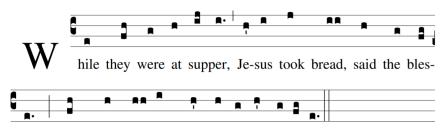


- *all: My soul* proclaims the greatness | of *the* LORD. * my spirit rejoices in | God my savior.
 - *For he* has looked with favor on his lowly | servant. * From this day all generations will | call me blessed:

- The Al-mighty 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 *con*-ceit.
- *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.

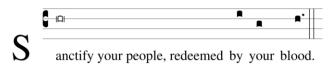
- *He has* come to the help of his servant | Is-*ra*-el * for he has remembered his pro- | mise of mercy,
- *The pro*-mise he made to our | fathers, * to Abraham and his chil- | dren for ever.
- Glory to the Father, and | to the Son, * and to the | Holy Spirit:
- As it was in the beginning, | is now, * and will be for- | ever. Amen.



sing, broke the bread and gave it to his disciples.

INTERCESSIONS

At the Last Supper, on the night he was betrayed, our Savior entrusted to his Church the memorial of his death and resurrection, to be celebrated for ever. Let us adore him, and say:



Redeemer of the world, give us a greater share of your passion through a deeper spirit of repentance,

-so that we may share the glory of your resurrection.

Sanctify your people, redeemed by your blood.

May your Mother, comfort of the afflicted, protect us, —may we console others as you console us.

Sanctify your people, redeemed by your blood.

In their trials enable your faithful people to share in your passion, —and so reveal in their lives your saving power.

Sanctify your people, redeemed by your blood.

You humbled yourself by being obedient even to accepting death, death on a cross,

-give all who serve you the gifts of obedience and patient endurance.

Sanctify your people, redeemed by your blood.

Transform the bodies of the dead to be like your own in glory, —and bring us at last into their fellowship.

Sanctify your people, redeemed by your blood.

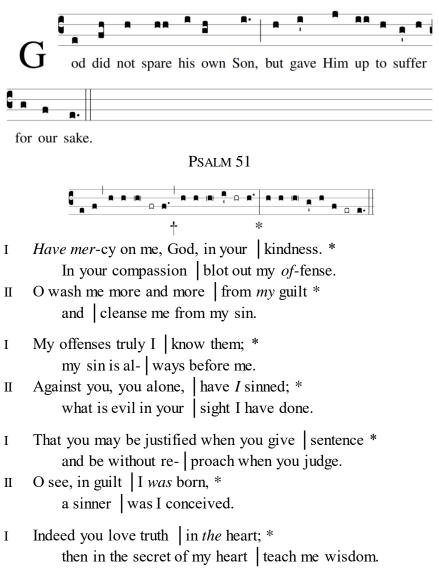
Turn to the OUR FATHER on page 39.

GOOD FRIDAY / LAUDS (MORNING PRAYER)

PSALMODY

Psalm verses are sung antiphonally between the cantor (I) and all (II).

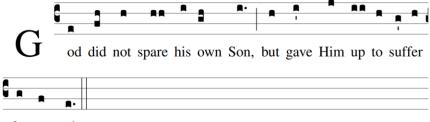
ANTIPHON 1



Π	O purify me, then I shall be clean; * O wash me, I shall be whiter than snow.
Ι	Make me hear rejoicing and gladness, * that the bones you have crushed may revive.
Π	From my sins turn away your face * and blot out all <i>my</i> guilt.
Ι	A pure heart create for me, O God,* put a steadfast spi- rit within me.
Π	Do not cast me away from your presence, * nor deprive me of your holy spirit.
Ι	Give me again the joy of your help; * with a spirit of fer- vor sustain me,
Π	that I may teach transgressors your ways * and sinners may return <i>to</i> you.
Ι	O rescue me, God my helper, * and my tongue shall ring out your goodness.
Π	O LORD, open my lips * and my mouth shall declare <i>your</i> praise.
Ι	For in sacrifice you take no <i>de</i> -light, * burnt offering from me you would <i>re</i> -fuse,
Π	my sacrifice, a contrite spirit. * A humbled, contrite heart you will <i>not</i> spurn.
Ι	In your goodness, show favor to Zion; * rebuild the walls of Jeru- <i>sa</i> -lem.
Π	Then you will be pleased with lawful sac- <i>ri</i> -fice, * holocausts offered on your altar.
Воч	at "Glory to the Father Holy Spirit."
Ι	Glory to the Father, and to <i>the</i> Son, *

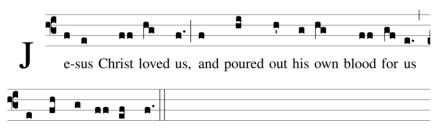
and to the | Holy Spirit:

II as it was in the beginning, is now, * and will be for- ever. Amen.



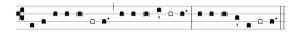
for our sake.





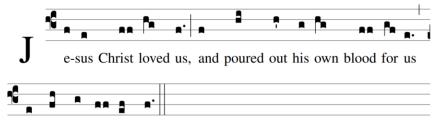
to wash away our sins.

CANTICLE: HABAKKUK 3:2-4,13A,15-19



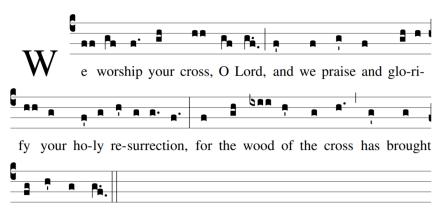
- I OLORD, I have heard your | renown, * and feared, O | LORD, your work.
 II In the course of the years revive | it † in the course of the years | make *it* known; * in your wrath remem- | ber com-*pas*-sion!
- I God comes from | Teman, * the Holy One | from Mount *Pa*-ran.
- II Covered are the heavens with his glory, * and with his praise the earth is filled.

I	His splendor spreads like <i>the</i> light; † rays shine forth from be- side him, * where his po- wer is <i>con</i> -cealed. You come forth to save your people, * to save your anoint- <i>ed</i> one.
Ι	You tread the sea with <i>your</i> steeds * amid the churning of the deep <i>wa</i> -ters.
Π	I hear, and my body trembles; * at the sound, my lips <i>qui</i> -ver.
Ι	Decay in- vades <i>my</i> bones, * My legs trem- ble be- <i>neath</i> me.
Π	I await the day $ of di$ -stress * that will come upon the people $ who a$ - <i>ttack</i> us.
Ι	For though the fig tree blos- <i>som</i> not * nor fruit be on <i>the</i> vines,
Π	though the yield of the o- <i>live</i> fail * and the terraces produce no nour- <i>ish</i> -ment,
Ι	Though the flocks disappear from <i>the</i> fold * and there be no herd in the stalls,
Π	yet will I rejoice in <i>the</i> LORD, * and exult in my sav- <i>ing</i> God.
Ι	God, my LORD, is my strength; † he makes my feet swift as those of hinds * and enables me to go upon <i>the</i> heights.
Π	Glory to the Father, and to <i>the</i> Son, * and to the Holy <i>Spi</i> -rit:
Ι	as it was in the beginning, is now, * and will be forev- er. Amen.



to wash away our sins.

ANTIPHON 3

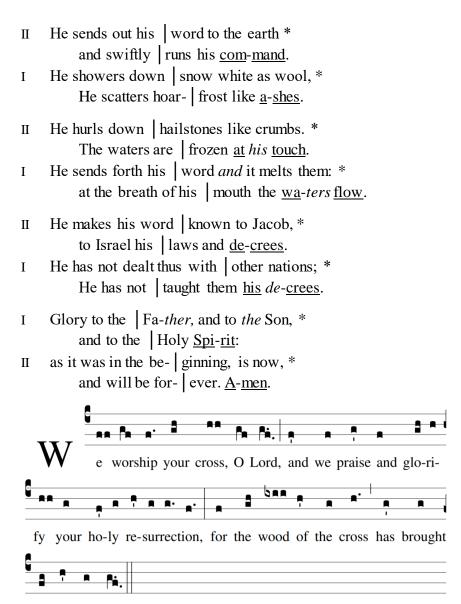


joy to the world.

PSALM 147:12-20



- I O <u>praise</u> the LORD, Jeru-sa-lem! * --- | Zion, <u>praise</u> your <u>God</u>!
- II He has strengthened the | bars of your gates, * He has blessed the chil- | dren with-<u>in you</u>.
- I He established | peace on your borders, * He feeds | you with <u>fin</u>-est <u>wheat</u>.



joy to the world.

READING

Isaiah 52:13-15

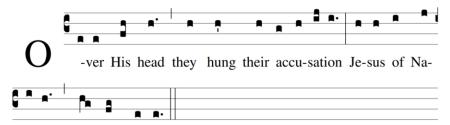
See, my servant shall prosper, he shall be raised high and greatly exalted. Even as many were amazed at him, so marred was his look beyond that of man, and his appearance beyond that of mortals. So shall he startle many nations, because of him kings shall stand speechless; For those who have not been told shall see, those who have not heard shall ponder it.

In place of the Responsory, the following is said:

For our sake Christ was obedient, accepting even death.

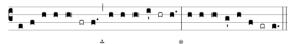
Please stand.

ANTIPHON: CANTICLE OF ZECHARIAH



zar-eth, King of the Jews.

Make the sign of the cross as all sing "Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel."



- *all: Bless-ed* be the LORD, the God of | Is-*ra*-el; * He has come to his peo- | ple and set *them* free.
 - *He has* raised up for us a mighty savior, * born of the house of his servant David.
 - Through his holy prophets he promised \dagger of old that he would save us from our | en-e-mies, *from the hands of | all who hate us.
 - *He pro*-mised to show mercy to our | fathers * and to remember his | holy co-*ve*-nant.
 - *This was* the oath he swore to our father | Ab-*ra*-ham: * to set us free from the hands | of our en-*e*-mies,
 - *Free to* worship him with- out fear, * holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.
 - *You, my* child, shall be called the prophet of the | Most High;* for you will go before the LORD | to prepare *his* way,

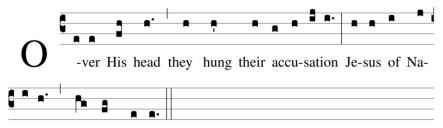
To give his people knowledge of sal- | vation * by the for- | giveness of *their* sins.

In the tender compassion of | our God * the dawn from on high shall | break upon us,

To shine on those who dwell in dark-†ness and the shadow | of death, * and to guide our feet in- | to the way *of* peace.

Glory to the Father, and | to the Son, * and to the | Holy Spirit:

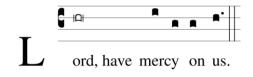
As it was in the beginning, | is now, * and will be for- | ever. Amen.



zar-eth, King of the Jews.

INTERCESSIONS

For our sake our Redeemer suffered death and was buried, and rose again. With heartfelt love let us adore him, and pray:



Christ our teacher, for our sake you were obedient even to accepting death,

-teach us to obey the Father's will in all things.

Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ our life, by your death on the cross you destroyed the power of evil and death,

-may we die with you, to rise with you in glory.

Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ our King, you became an outcast among us, a worm and no man,

-teach us the humility by which you saved the world.

Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ our salvation, you gave yourself up to death out of love for us,

-help us to show your love to one another.

Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ our Savior, on the cross you embraced all time with your outstretched arms,

-unite God's scattered children in your kingdom of salvation.

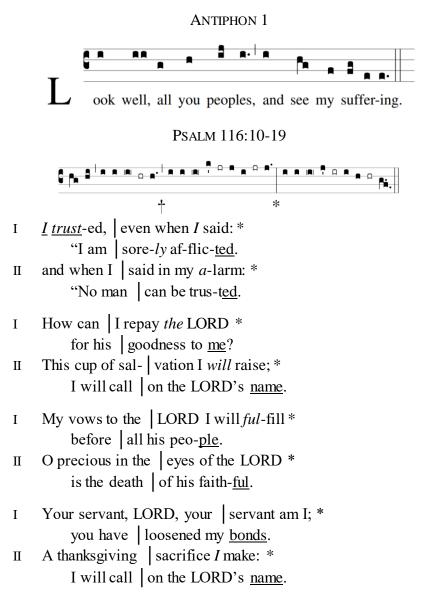
Lord, have mercy on us.

Turn to the OUR FATHER on page 39.

GOOD FRIDAY / VESPERS (EVENING PRAYER)

PSALMODY

Psalm verses are sung antiphonally between the cantor (I) and all (II).



- I My vows to the |LORD I will *ful*-fill * before | all his peo-<u>ple</u>,
- II in the courts of the | house of the LORD * in your midst, | O Jeru-*sa*-<u>lem</u>.

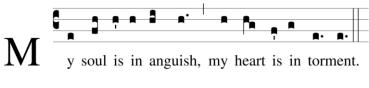
Bow at "Glory to the Father Holy Spirit."

- I Glory to the | Fa-*ther*, and to *the* Son, * and to the | Holy Spi-rit:
- II as it was in the be- ginning, is now, * and will be for- ever. A-men.

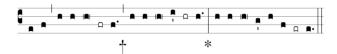


ook well, all you peoples, and see my suffer-ing.

ANTIPHON 2



PSALM 143:1-11

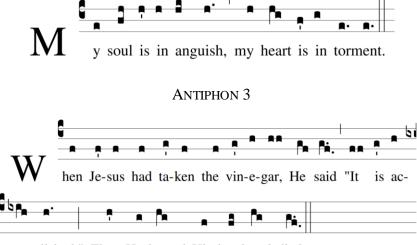


I LORD, lis-ten | to my prayer: † turn your ear to | my ap-peal.* You are faithful, you are | just; give answer.
II Do not call your servant to | judgment *

for no one is just in your sight.

I The enemy pur- | sues my soul; * he has crushed my | life to the ground.

II	he has made me dwell in darkness * like the dead, long forgotten. Therefore my spi- <i>rit</i> fails; * my heart is numb within me.
Π	I remember the days that <i>are</i> past: * I ponder all <i>your</i> works.
Ι	I muse on what your hand has wrought † and to you I stretch out my hands. * Like a parched land my soul thirsts for you.
Π	LORD, make haste and answer; * for my spirit fails within me.
I	Do not hide your face * lest I become like those in the grave.
Π	In the morning let me know your love * for I put my trust in you.
Ι	Make me know the way I should walk: * to you I lift up my soul.
Π	Rescue me, LORD, from my en- <i>e</i> -mies; * I have fled to you for refuge.
Ι	Teach me to do <i>your</i> will * for you, O LORD, are my God.
Π	Let your good spirit guide me * in ways that are level and smooth.
Ι	For your name's sake, LORD, save <i>my</i> life; * in your justice save my soul from distress.
Π	Glory to the Father, and to <i>the</i> Son, * and to the Holy Spirit:
Ι	as it was in the beginning, is now, * and will be for- ever. Amen.



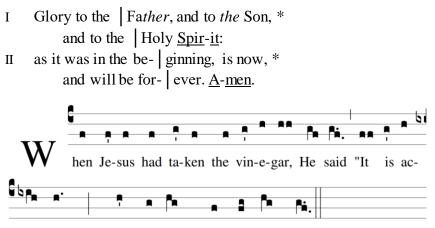
complished." Then He bowed His head and died.

CANTICLE: PHILIPPIANS 2:6-11



- I Though <u>he</u> was in the form | of God, † Jesus did not deem e- | quality with God * something | to be <u>grasped at</u>.
- II Rather, he emptied him- | self † and took the | form of a slave, * being born in the | likeness of men.
- I He was known to be of human e- state, † and it was thus that he humbled himself, * obediently accepting even death, death on <u>a cross</u>!
- II Because of this, God highly exalted | him † and be- | stowed on him *the* name * above | every <u>o</u>-*ther* <u>name</u>,
- I So that at Jesus' name | every knee *must* bend * in the heavens, on the earth, and | under the earth,

II and every tongue proclaim to the glory of God the Father: * --- Jesus Christ is LORD!



complished." Then He bowed His head and died.

READING

1 Peter 2:21-24

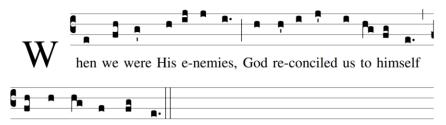
Christ suffered for you and left you an example, to have you follow in his footsteps. He did no wrong; no deceit was found in his mouth. When he was insulted he returned no insult. When he was made to suffer, he did not counter with threats. Instead, he delivered Himself up to the One who judges justly. In his own body he brought your sins to the cross, so that all of us, dead to sin, could live in accord with God's will. By his wounds you were healed.

In place of the Responsory, the following is said:

For our sake Christ was obedient, accepting even death.

Please stand.

ANTIPHON: CANTICLE OF MARY



by the death of His Son.

Make the sign of the cross as all sing "My soul proclaims the greatness of the LORD."



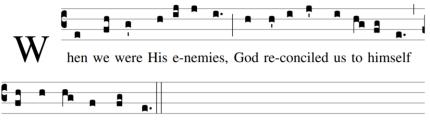
- *all: My soul* proclaims the greatness | of *the* LORD. * my spirit rejoices in | God my savior.
 - *For he* has looked with favor on his lowly | servant. * From this day all generations will | call me blessed:
 - *The Al*-mighty has done great things *for* me, * and Holy is his Name.
 - *He has* mercy on those who | fear him * in every | generation.
 - *He has* shown the strength | of *his* arm, * He has scattered the | proud in their *con*-ceit.
 - *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 | Is-*ra*-el * for he has remembered his pro- | mise of mercy,

The pro-mise he made to our | fathers, * to Abraham and his chil- | dren 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.

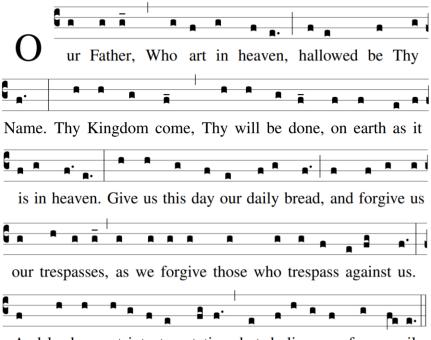


by the death of His Son.

INTERCESSIONS

Silence is observed at this time.

OUR FATHER



And lead us not into temptation, but de-liv-er us from e-vil.

PRAYER

HOLY THURSDAY / LAUDS (MORNING PRAYER)

God of infinite compassion, to love you is to be made holy; fill our hearts with your love. By the death of your Son you have given us hope, born of faith; by his rising again fulfill this hope in the perfect love of heaven, where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

HOLY THURSDAY / VESPERS (EVENING PRAYER)

Father,

for your glory and our salvation you appointed Jesus Christ eternal High Priest. May the people he gained for you by his blood come to share in the power of his cross and resurrection by celebrating his memorial in this Eucharist, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

GOOD FRIDAY / LAUDS & VESPERS (MORNING & EVENING PRAYER)

Father, look with love upon your people, the love which our Lord Jesus Christ showed us when he delivered himself to evil men and suffered the agony of the cross, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL

May the LORD bless us (make the sign of the cross) protect us from all evil and bring us to everlasting life. Amen.