The Order of Evening Prayer

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THE ORDER FOR EVENING PRAYER

Hymn

Sentences

V. O LORD, open thou our lips. R. And our mouth shall show forth thy praise. V. GLORY BE to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. A-men. V. Praise ye the Lord. R. The Lord's Name be praised.

Psalm

First Lesson
Office Hymn

Magnificat

My soul doth magnify the Lord,*
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my
Saviour.

For he hath regarded* the lowliness of his handmaid.

For behold, from henceforth* all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me;*
and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him* throughout all generations.

He hath showed strength with his arm;*
he hath scattered the proud in the imagina-
tion of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat,*
and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things;*
and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy* hath holpen his servant Israel;*
as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever.

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.
My soul doth magnify the Lord, * 
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath redeemed * 
the lowliness of his Hand-maiden.

For behold, from henceforth * 
all generations shall call me BLESSED.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me; * 
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as he promised to our forefathers, 
Abraham and his seed, for ever.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son, * 
and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, † 
is now, and e-Ver shall be, * 
world without end. A-men.
Second Lesson

NUNC DIMITTIS

Ant. 3.a  Preserve us.

LORD, now lestest thou thy servant depart in peace, * according to thy word. ∙Ψ. For mine eyes have seen * thy salvation, ∙Ψ. Which thou hast prepared * before the face of all people; ∙Ψ. To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, * and to be the glory of thy people Isra-el. ∙Ψ. GLORY BE to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Ho-ly Ghost;
Ψ. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, * world without end. Amen.

Ant. Preserve us,[*] O Lord, while waking, and guard us while sleeping, that we may keep watch with Christ, and in peace may take our rest.

**Creed**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary: Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead: He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty: From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
PRAYERS

V. THE LORD be with you. R. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

OUR FATHER, * who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

ψ. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us. Ἐ. And grant us thy salvation. ψ. O Lord, save the State.

Ἐ. And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

ψ. Endue thy ministers with righteousness. Ἐ. And make thy chosen people joyful. ψ. O Lord, save thy people. Ἐ. And bless thine inheritance.

ψ. Give peace in our time, O Lord. Ἐ. For it is thou, Lord, only, that makest us dwell in safety.
O God, make clean our hearts within us. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Let us pray.

Collect of the Day

...world without end. Amen.

COLLECTS

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed; Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee, we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness;

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ, Who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God,

...world without end. Amen.
BENEDICAMUS DOMINO

I. Easter

Let us bless the Lord, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.
Thanks be to God, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

II. Sundays of Eastertide

Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

III. Sundays of Advent & Lent

Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

IV. Sundays throughout the Year

Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

V. Solemn Feasts

Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.
VI - Double Feasts

Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

May the souls of the faithful through the mercy of God rest in peace. P. Amen.

ANTHEM
From the First Sunday of Advent to the Purification:

ALMA REDEMPTORIS MATER

Gracious Mother of our Redeemer, for ever abiding Heaven's gateway, and star of ocean, O succour the people, Who, though falling, strive to rise again. Gentle Maid who bearest thy holy Creator, to the wonder of all nature; Ever Virgin, after, as before thou receivest that Ave From the mouth of Gabriel;
have compassion on us sinners.

During Advent:

\[ \text{The Angel of the Lord announced unto Mary.} \]

\[ \text{And she conceived by the Holy Ghost.} \]

Let us pray.

We beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts: that, as we have known the incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an Angel, so by his cross and passion we may be brought unto the glory of his resurrection.

Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. \( \text{R.} \) Amen.

After Christmas:

\[ \text{After Child-bearing, thou remainedst a pure Virgin.} \]

\[ \text{Mother of God, intercede for us.} \]

Let us pray.

O God, who by the Child-bearing of a pure Virgin hast bestowed upon all mankind the rewards of ever lasting life: grant, we beseech thee, that we may know the succour of her intercession, through whom we have been found worthy to receive the Author of life, even Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord. \( \text{R.} \) Amen.
From the Purification to Easter:

**AVE REGINA CAELORUM**

Queen of the hea-vens, we hail thee, * Hail thee La-dy of all the An-gels; Thou the dawn, the door of morning Whence the world's true Light is ri-sen: Joy to thee, O Vir-gin glo-rious, Beau-ti-ful beyond all oth-er; Hail, and fare-well, O most gra-cious, And to Je-sus, pray for us al-way.

Vouchsafe that I may praise thee, O ho-ly Vir-gin.

Grant me strength a-against thine e-ne-mies.

Let us pray.

Grant us, O merciful God, protection in our weak-ness: that we who celebrate the memory of the holy Mother of God may, through the aid of her inter-ceSSION, rise again from our sins. Through the same Christ our Lord. ✠. Amen.
From Easter to Trinity Sunday:

REGINA CAELI

Ant. 6.

O Queen of heaven, * be joyful, alleluia; Because he whom so meetly thou barest, alleluia, Hath arisen, as he promis'd, alleluia: Pray for us to the Father, alleluia.

Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.

For the Lord is risen indeed, alleluia.

Let us pray.

O God, who, by the resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ, didst vouchsafe to bring gladness into all the world: grant, we beseech thee, that we, being holpen by the Virgin Mary, his Mother, may attain unto the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. R. Amen.
From Trinity Sunday to the First Sunday of Advent:

SALVE REGINA

Ant. 5.

Ma-ry we hail thee, * Mo-ther and Queen com-
pas-sion-ate; Ma-ry, our com-fort, life, and hope
we hail thee. To thee we ex-iles, chil-dren of
Eve, lift our cry-ing. To thee we are sigh-ing,
as mourn-ful and weep-ing, we pass through this
vale of sor-row. Turn thou, there-fore, O our
in-ter-ces-sor, to us sin-ners thine eyes so
kind-ly pi-ty-ing, so sweet-ly lov-ing. O shew
us, when our earth-ly ex-ile shall be end-ed,
Je-sus of thine own womb the fruit most bles-sed.
O gracious, O gentle, O Mary, Virgin most holy.

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who by the co-operation of the Holy Ghost, didst prepare the body and soul of the glorious Virgin Mary to become a habitation meet for thy Son: grant that as we rejoice in her commemoration, we may be delivered by her loving intercession from our present evils and from eternal death. Through the same Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost,

be with us all evermore. R. Amen.

Hymn

There endeth the Order of Evening Prayer.
AT BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

(CO SALUTARIS HOSTIA

Hymn. 8.

O Sav-ing Vic-tim, op'ning wide. The gate
of heav'n to man be-low, Our foes press on from
ev'ry side, Thine aid sup-ply, thy strength be-
stow. All praise and thanks to thee a-scend For
e-ver more, blest One in Three; O grant us
life that shall not end, In our true na-tive
land with thee. A-men.
Therefore we, before him bending, This great Sacrament revere; Types and shadows have their ending, For the newer rite is here; Faith, our outward sense befriending, Makes our inward vision clear. Glory let us give and blessing To the Father and the Son, Honour, thanks, and praise addressing, While eternal ages run; Ever too his love confessing Who from both with both is One. Amen.
Thou gavest them bread from heaven. (P.T. Alleluia)

Containing in itself all sweetness. (P.T. Alleluia)

Let us pray.

O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament hast left unto us a memorial of thy Passion: grant us, we beseech thee, so to venerate the sacred mysteries of thy Body and Blood, that we may ever perceive within ourselves the fruit of thy redemption. Who livest and reignest with the Father in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God,

...world without end. P.A-men.

(Adoremus in aeternum)

Ps.0 praise the Lord, all ye nations; * praise him, all ye peoples. For his merciful kindness is ever more and more t'wards us; and the truth
of the Lord endur-eth for e-ver. Praise the Lord.

GLORY be to the Fa-ther and to the Son,* and to
the Ho-ly Ghost. As it was in the be-gin-ning,
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A- men. Let us.

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*Ant.*

**LET us for e-ver a-dore** the most
ho-ly Sa-cra-ment. *P.T. Al-le-lu-ia.*