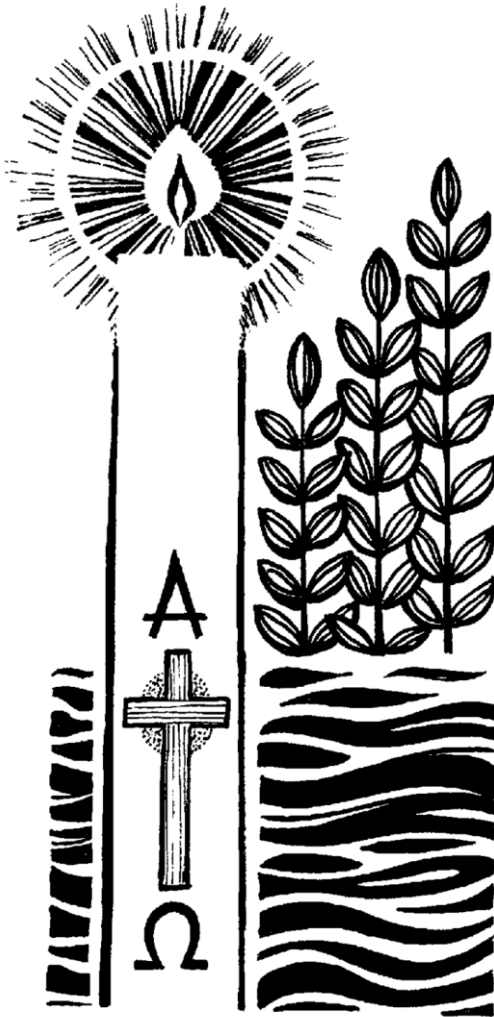


EASTERTIDE VESPERS

THURSDAY A



BENEDICTINE COMMUNITIES
TURVEY BEDFORDSHIRE

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HYMN

Mount St. Bernard Abbey

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G-clef, 4/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are: 'Come, Ho - ly Ghost, come to our hearts.' The second staff continues: 'Send up - on us from a - bove the light your wis - dom gives.' The third staff: 'Come, Fa - ther, come, Giv - er of gifts,'. The fourth staff: 'Fill your poor with heav'nly light To make their hearts grow glad.' The music ends with a double bar line.

Come, Ho - ly Ghost, come to our hearts.
Send up - on us from a - bove the light your wis - dom gives.
Come, Fa - ther, come, Giv - er of gifts,
Fill your poor with heav'nly light To make their hearts grow glad.

True friend of man, Guest of our soul,
Strength'ning us in time of trial and bringing cool repose.
Deep peace in toil, breeze in the heat,
Giving us the strength to work, and calming all our grief.

Cleanse minds defiled; water our souls,
Making arid deserts bloom and healing every wound.
Bend stiff-necked pride, warm what is chill,
Guide on paths that lead to you the steps that go astray.

Give faithful friends, trusting in you,
Gifts of wisdom, prudence, power, the fullness of your grace.
Crown virtue's work, sweeten our death,
Let us gaze upon your face with joy that shall not end.

Ascribed to Innocent III
Trans. Mount St. Bernard Abbey

VESPERS IN EASTERTIDE

THURSDAY A

O God, come to our aid,
O Lord, make haste to help us.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now
and shall be for ever, amen. Alleluia!

HYMN

ANTIPHON 1: God * will wipe away all tears from their eyes, alleluia!

Psalm 136



(By the rivers of Babylon
there we sat and wept,
remembering Zion;
on the poplars that grew there
we hung up our harps.

(For it was there that they asked us,
our captors, for songs,
our oppressors, for joy.
'Sing to us,' they said,
'one of Zion's songs.'

(O how could we sing
the song of the Lord
on alien soil?
If I forget you, Jerusalem,
let my right hand wither!

(O let my tongue
cleave to my mouth
if I remember you not,
if I prize not Jerusalem
above all my joys!

(Remember, O Lord,
against the sons of Edom
the day of Jerusalem;
when they said: 'Tear it down!
Tear it down to its foundations!'

O Babylon, destroyer,
he is happy who repays you
the ills you brought on us.
He shall seize and shall dash
your children on the rock!

Glory be to the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit,
both now and for ever, amen.

ANTIPHON 1: God * will wipe away all tears from their eyes, alleluia!



ANTIPHON 2: Christ * offered himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God, alleluia!

Psalm 140



I have called to you, Lord; hasten to help me!
Hear my voice when I cry to you.
Let my prayer arise before you like incense,
the raising of my hands like an evening oblation.

Set, O Lord, a guard over my mouth;
keep watch, O Lord, at the door of my lips!
Do not turn my heart to things that are wrong,
to evil deeds with men who are sinners.

Never allow me to share in their feasting.
If a good man strikes or reproves me it is kindness;
but let the oil of the wicked not anoint my head.
Let my prayer be ever against their malice.

Their princes were thrown down by the side of the rock:
then they understood that my words were kind.
As a millstone is shattered to pieces on the ground,
so their bones were strewn at the mouth of the grave.

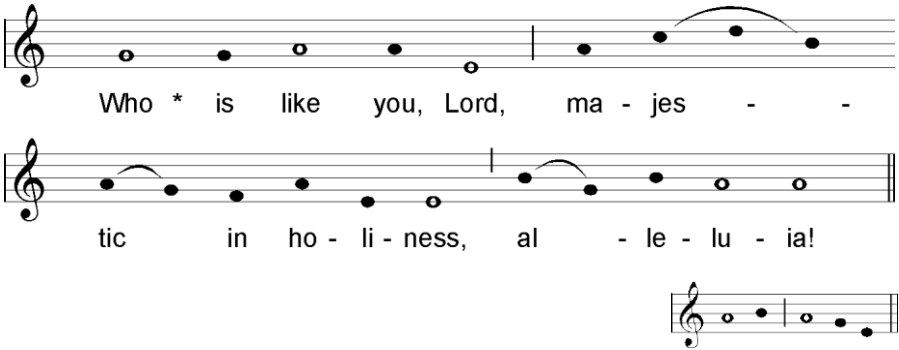
To you, Lord God, my eyes are turned:
in you I take refuge; spare my soul!
From the trap they have laid for me keep me safe:
keep me from the snares of those who do evil.

Let the wicked fall into the traps they have set
whilst I pursue my way unharmed.

Glory be to the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit,
both now and for ever, amen.

ANTIPHON 2: Christ * offered himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God, alleluia!

ANTIPHON 3



Who * is like you, Lord, ma - jes - -
tic in ho - li - ness, al - le - lu - ia!

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G-clef. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of text, with a fermata over the final note. The second staff contains the melody for the second line of text, also with a fermata over the final note. A third, shorter staff of musical notation is positioned to the right of the second line of text.

NT Canticle 20

(Rev 11:17–18;12:10b–12a)

We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty,
who are and who were,
that you have taken your great power
and begun to reign.

The nations raged,
but your wrath came,
and the time for the dead to be judged,
for rewarding your servants, the prophets and saints,
and those who fear your name,
both small and great.

Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God
and the authority of his Christ have come.
For the accuser of our brethren has been thrown down,
who accuses them day and night before our God.

And they have conquered him
by the blood of the Lamb
and by the word of their testimony,
for they loved not their lives even unto death.
Rejoice, then, O heaven,
and you that dwell therein.

Glory be to the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit,
both now and for ever, amen.

ANTIPHON 3: Who is like you, Lord, majestic in holiness, alleluia!

SCRIPTURE READING

RESPONSORY

from Psalm 103

Send forth your spi - rit, O Lord _____ and

re - new the face of the earth.

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, SATURDAY

Bless the Lord, my soul!
Lord God, how great you are.
How many are your works, O Lord
the earth is full of your riches. **(R)**

TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY

You take back your spirit, they die,
returning to the dust from which they came.
You send forth your spirit, they are created
and you renew the face of the earth. **(R)**

SUNDAY

May the glory of the Lord last for ever.
May the Lord rejoice in his works.
May my thoughts be pleasing to him.
I find my joy in the Lord. **(R)**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now
and shall be for ever, amen. **(R)**

INTERCESSIONS

OUR FATHER

(said by the Superior)

CONCLUDING PRAYER

LET US BLESS THE LORD, ALLELUIA!
THANKS BE TO GOD, ALLELUIA!

May the divine assistance remain always with us.
And with our absent brothers and sisters. Amen.

