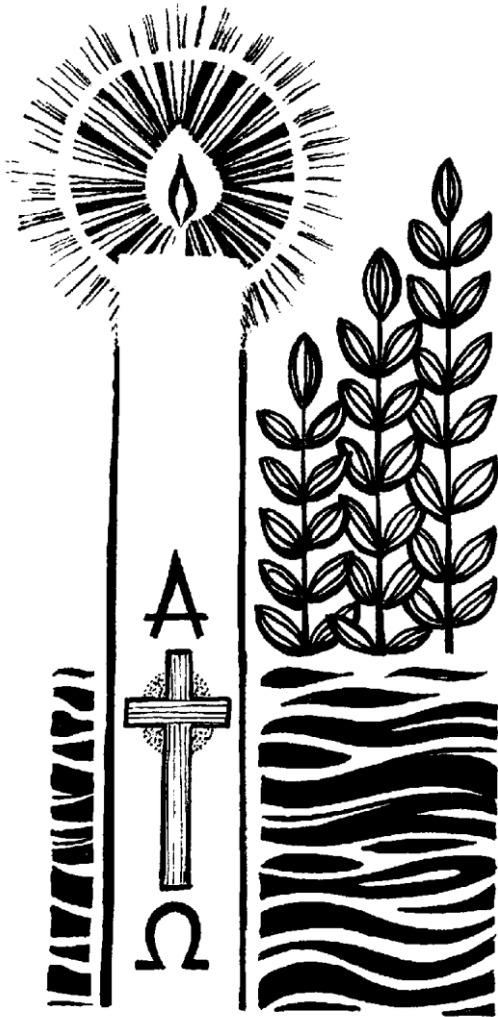


EASTERTIDE VESPERS

TUESDAY A



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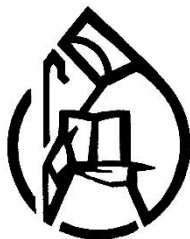
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HYMN

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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

TUESDAY 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: I am * the Living One; I was dead and now I am alive for ever,
and I hold the keys of death and hell, alleluia!

Psalm 67 A



Let God arise, let his foes be scattered.

Let those who hate him flee before him.

(As smoke is blown away so will they be blown away;
like wax that melts before the fire,
so the wicked shall perish at the presence of God.

But the just shall rejoice at the presence of God,
they shall exult and dance for joy.

(O sing to the Lord, make music to his name;
make a highway for him who rides on the clouds.
Rejoice in the Lord, exult at his presence.

Father of the orphan, defender of the widow,
such is God in his holy place.

(God gives the lonely a home to live in;
he leads the prisoners forth into freedom:
but rebels must dwell in a parched land.

When you went forth, O God, at the head of your people,
when you marched across the desert, the earth trembled:
the heavens melted at the presence of God,
at the presence of God, Israel's God.

You poured down, O God, a generous rain:
when your people were starved you gave them new life.
It was there that your people found a home,
prepared in your goodness, O God, for the poor.

The Lord gives the word to the bearers of good tidings:
'The Almighty has defeated a numberless army
and kings and armies are in flight, in flight
while you were at rest among the sheepfolds.'

At home the women already share the spoil.
They are covered with silver as the wings of a dove,
its feathers brilliant with shining gold
and jewels flashing like snow on Mount Zalmon.

The mountains of Bashan are mighty mountains;
high-ridged mountains are the mountains of Bashan.
(Why look with envy, you high-ridged mountains,
at the mountain where God has chosen to dwell?
It is there that the Lord shall dwell for ever.

The chariots of God are thousands upon thousands.
The Lord has come from Sinai to the holy place.
(You have gone up on high; you have taken captives,
receiving men in tribute, O God,
even those who rebel, into your dwelling, O Lord.

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

Psalm 67 B



May the Lord be blessed day after day.
He bears our burdens, God our saviour.
This God of ours is a God who saves.
The Lord our God holds the keys of death.
and God will smite the head of his foes,
the crown of those who persist in their sins.

The Lord said: 'I will bring them back from Bashan;
I will bring them back from the depth of the sea.
Then your feet will tread in their blood
and the tongues of your dogs take their share of the foe.'

They see your solemn procession, O God,
the procession of my God, of my king, to the sanctuary:
the singers in the forefront, the musicians coming last,
between them, maidens sounding their timbrels.

In festive gatherings, bless the Lord;
bless God, O you who are Israel's sons.'

(There is Benjamin, least of the tribes, at the head,
Judah's princes, a mighty throng,
Zebulun's princes, Naphtali's princes.

Show forth, O God, show forth your might,
your might, O God, which you have shown for us
for the sake of your temple high in Jerusalem
may kings come to you bringing their tribute.

Threaten the wild beast that dwells in the reeds,
the bands of the mighty and lords of the peoples.
Let them bow down offering silver.
Scatter the peoples who delight in war.
Princes will make their way from Egypt:
Ethiopia will stretch out her hands to God.

Kingdoms of the earth, sing to God, praise the Lord
who rides on the heavens, the ancient heavens.
He thunders his voice, his mighty voice.
Come, acknowledge the power of God.

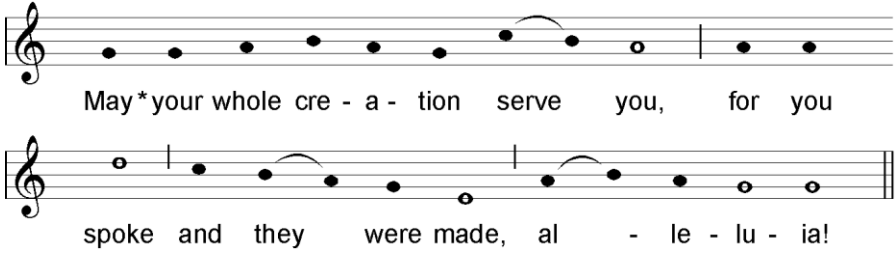
His glory is on Israel; his might is in the skies.
God is to be feared in his holy place.

(He is the Lord, Israel's God.
He gives strength and power to his people.
Blessed be God!

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

ANTIPHON 1: I am * the Living One; I was dead and now I am alive for ever,
and I hold the keys of death and hell, alleluia!

ANTIPHON 2



May*your whole cre - a - tion serve you, for you
spoke and they were made, al - le - lu - ia!

NT Canticle 19

(Revelation 4:11;5:9,10,12)



Worthy are you, our Lord and God,
to receive glory and honour and power,
for you made all things,
and by your will they existed and were created.

(Worthy are you, O Lord,
to take the scroll and open the seals
for you were slain,
and by your blood you ransomed men for God
from every tribe and tongue and people and nation.

You have made us a kingdom and priests to our God,
and we shall reign on earth.

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain,
to receive power and wealth,
and wisdom and might,
and honour and glory and blessing.

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

REPEAT ANTIPHON

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.

