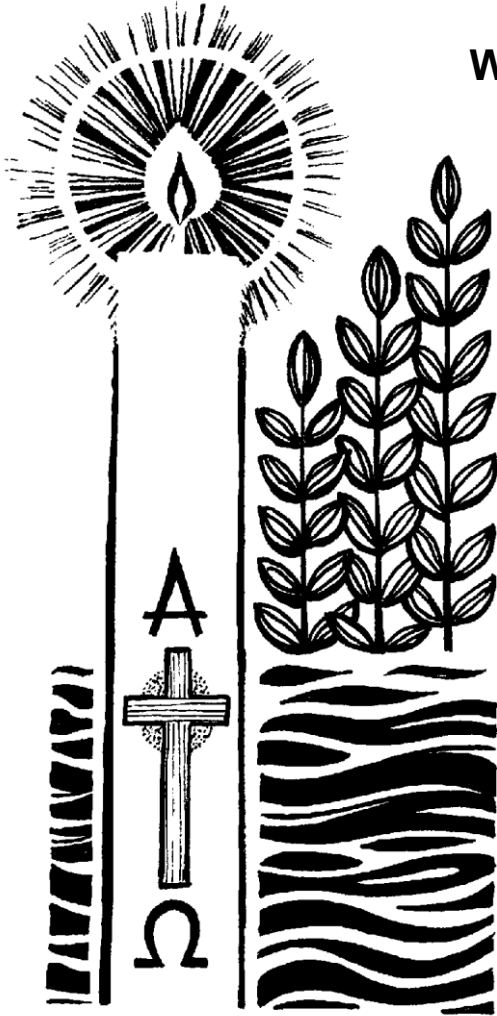


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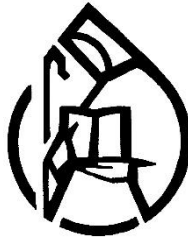
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HYMN

Mount St. Bernard Abbey



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.

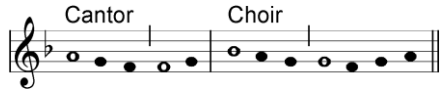
Cleanse minds defiled; water our souls,
Making arid deserts bloom and healing every wound.
Bend stiff-necked pride, warm what is chill,
Guide on paths that lead to you the steps that go astray.

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

ANTIPHON 2: To the God * of heaven give praise, alleluia!

Psalm 135



Alleluia!

O give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love endures for ever.
Give thanks to the God of gods,
for his love endures for ever.
Give thanks to the Lord of lords,
for his love endures for ever;

who alone has wrought marvellous works,
for his love endures for ever;
whose wisdom it was made the skies,
for his love endures for ever;
who fixed the earth firmly on the seas,
for his love endures for ever.

It was he who made the great lights,
for his love endures for ever,
the sun to rule in the day,
for his love endures for ever,
the moon and stars in the night,
for his love endures for ever.

The first-born of the Egyptians he smote,
for his love endures for ever.
He brought Israel out from their midst,
for his love endures for ever;
arm outstretched, with power in his hand,
for his love endures for ever.

He divided the Red Sea in two,
for his love endures for ever;
he made Israel pass through the midst,
for his love endures for ever;
he flung Pharaoh and his force in the sea,
for his love endures for ever.

Through the desert his people he led,
for his love endures for ever.
Nations in their greatness he struck,
for his love endures for ever.
Kings in their splendour he slew,
for his love endures for ever.

Sihon, king of the Amorites,
for his love endures for ever;
and Og, the king of Bashan,
for his love endures for ever.

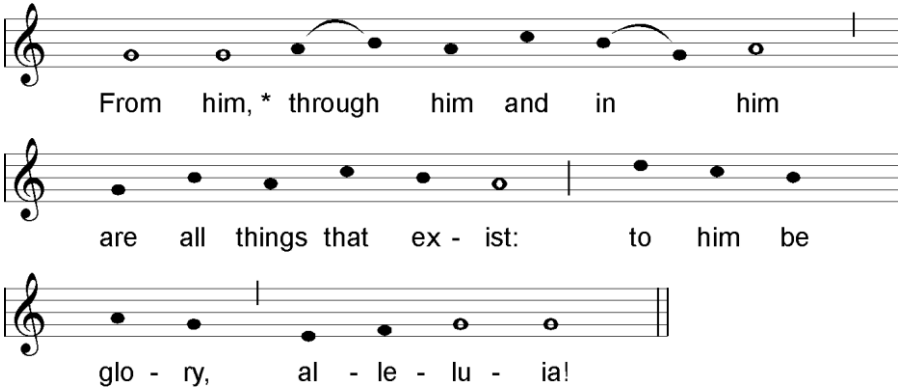
He let Israel inherit their land,
for his love endures for ever.
On his servant their land he bestowed,
for his love endures for ever.
He remembered us in our distress,
for his love endures for ever.

And he snatched us away from our foes,
for his love endures for ever.
He gives food to all living things,
for his love endures for ever.
To the God of heaven give thanks,
for his love endures for ever.

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.

ANTIPHON 2: To the God * of heaven give praise, alleluia!

ANTIPHON 3



From him, * through him and in him
are all things that exist: to him be
glo - ry, al - le - lu - ia!

NT Canticle 12

(Colossians 1:12–20)



(Let us give thanks to the Father,
who has qualified us to share
in the inheritance of the saints in light.

He has delivered us from the dominion of darkness
and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son,
in whom we have redemption,
the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God,
the first-born of all creation,
(for in him all things were created,
in heaven and on earth,
visible and invisible.

All things were created
through him and for him.

He is before all things,
and in him all things hold together.

He is the head of the body, the Church;
he is the beginning,
the first-born from the dead,
that in everything he might be pre-eminent.

For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,
and through him to reconcile to himself all things,
whether on earth or in heaven,
making peace by the blood of his cross.

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)**

MAGNIFICAT

(Luke 1:46–55)

Canticle of Mary



My soul glorifies the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God, my Saviour.
He looks on his servant in her lowliness;
henceforth all ages will call me blessed.

The Almighty works marvels for me.
Holy his name!
His mercy is from age to age,
on those who fear him.

He puts forth his arm in strength
and scatters the proud-hearted.
He casts the mighty from their thrones
and raises the lowly.

He fills the starving with good things,
sends the rich away empty.

He protects Israel, his servant,
remembering his mercy,
the mercy promised to our fathers,
to Abraham and his sons for ever.

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.

REPEAT ANTIPHON

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.

