

Evening Prayer – 2nd June 2020

O God, come to my aid.

– O Lord, make haste to help me.

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. Alleluia.

Psalm 19 (20)

Ant 1: The Lord will give victory to his Anointed One.

May the Lord hear your prayer in the day of tribulation, may the name of the God of Jacob protect you.

May he send you help from his holy place; from Zion, may he extend his protection.

May he remember every one of your sacrifices and find merit in your burnt-offerings. May he deal with you as your heart desires and bring all your plans to fulfilment.

We will rejoice in your salvation, we will raise our banners in the name of God; may the Lord grant all your prayers

Now I know that the Lord keeps his anointed one safe: in his sanctuary in heaven he hears his prayer, and lends the support of his strong right hand.

Some put their faith in chariots and some in horses, but we invoked the name of the Lord our God.

They stumbled and fell, but we rose and we stand upright.

Lord, keep the king safe, and hear our prayer whenever we call upon you.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Ant: The Lord will give victory to his Anointed One.

Psalm 20 (21)

Ant. 2 We shall sing and praise your power.

Lord, the king will rejoice in your strength, he will triumph in your saving power. You have granted him his heart's desire, you have not denied the wish that he spoke. For you showered him with blessings even before he asked for them. You have placed a crown of purest gold upon his head. He asked you for life, and you granted it to him, length of days for ever and for ever.

Great is his glory through your help: you cover him with splendour and majesty. You lay a blessing upon him that will last for ever, you make him rejoice in joy before you. For the king hopes in the Lord, and through the kindness of the Most High he will not be shaken.

Stand high above us, Lord, in your power; and we will sing and celebrate your might

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

as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen.

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Canticle Apocalypse 4,5

Ant. 3 Lord, you made us a kingdom and priests to serve our God.

O Lord our God, you are worthy to receive glory and honour and power. For you have created all things; by your will they came to be and were made.

Worthy are you, O Lord to receive the scroll and break open its seals. For you were slain; with your blood you purchased for God men from every race and tongue, of every people and nation. You made of them a kingdom, and priests to serve our God, and they shall reign on earth.

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches, wisdom and strength, honour and glory and praise.

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

as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen.

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Our reading is taken from 1 John 3:1,2

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.

RESPONSORY

Your word, O Lord, will endure for ever.

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Your truth will last from age to age.

– Your word, O Lord, will endure for ever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

– Your word, O Lord, will endure for ever.

Canticle Magnificat

Ant. My spirit exults in the Lord God, my saviour.

**My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour
for he has looked with favour on his lowly servant.**

**From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty 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 conceit.

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 Israel for he has remembered his promise of mercy,
the promise he made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children 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.

Ant. My spirit exults in the Lord God, my saviour..

INTERCESSIONS

Through Christ we are sons of God: in him we see what we shall be when we come to the Father. With confidence we pray: (our response is) Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer..... **Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Guide leaders and governments: give them wisdom and integrity. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

You are the Lord and source of our freedom: bring those in captivity of mind or body to the freedom of the children of God. **Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

**Give courage and strength to the young. Help them to choose their work, and make the right decisions
for their way of life.** Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Give patient tolerance to all who are no longer young; open the hearts of the young to accept from them understanding and love. **Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Receive the departed into your eternal kingdom; sustain our hope to reign with you for ever.. Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For a moment in silence we bring our own prayers...

We say together...

Our Father, who art in heaven,....

CONCLUDING PRAYER

**We give you thanks, Lord God Almighty,
for bringing us safely to the evening of this day;
we humbly ask that the prayer we make with uplifted hands
may be an offering pleasing in your sight.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.**

Corona Virus Prayer

We pray for all those in our country and throughout the world suffering from the Corona Virus. May its victims and their families be strengthened by the support of our community of faith and restored soon to full health. We also pray for our leaders and medical personnel who deal with the virus. May we keep calm and may we join together in solidarity with care and compassion to tackle this emergency. This we ask in confidence through Christ Our Lord.
Amen

Blessing

May the Lord + bless us, protect us from all evil and bring us to everlasting life. Amen.