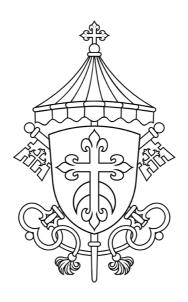
ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL



Solemn Vespers and Benediction

The Office of Evening Prayer

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

7 June 2020 5.00pm

THE OFFICE OF VESPERS

Vespers, also called Evening Prayer, is part of the Liturgy of the Hours, also known as the Divine Office. In the Liturgy of the Hours, the Church fulfills Jesus' command to "pray continually". Through hymns, psalms, canticles, readings, and prayers, the people of God sanctify the day by continual praise of God and intercession for the needs of the world.

The Liturgy of the Hours includes several specified times of prayer. The most important times are Morning Prayer: Lauds (which takes place upon rising) and Evening Prayer: Vespers (which takes place as dusk begins to fall). The Office of Vespers gives thanks for the day just past and makes an evening sacrifice of praise to God.

Bishops, priests, deacons, and many men and women in consecrated life pray the Liturgy of the Hours each day. Their work is organised around this prayer, keeping God always at the centre of their days. Lay people are encouraged to pray the Liturgy of the Hours as well, especially Morning and Evening Prayer. The public singing of Lauds and Vespers is a regular part of the life and worship of St Mary's Cathedral.

TO MAINTAIN A SPIRIT OF REVERENCE AND SOLEMNITY,
PLEASE TURN OFF AND REFRAIN FROM USING ALL MOBILE TELEPHONES
AND OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICES.

ORDER OF VESPERS

At the sound of the Sacristy bell all stand.

INTRODUCTION TO THE OFFICE

R. Domine, ad adiuvandum me festina.

Gloria Patri et Filio et Spiritui Sancto.

Sicut erat in principio et nunc et semper

et in sæcula sæculorum. Amen. Alleluia.

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 ever shall be.

world without end. Amen. Alleluia.

OFFICE HYMN

Immensa et una Trinitas, cuius potestas omnia facit regitque tempora et exstat ante sæcula,

Tu sola pleno sufficis tibi beata gaudio; tu para, simplex, provida cælos et orbem contines.

Omnis, Pater, fons gratiæ, Lumen paternæ gloriæ, Sancte utriusque Spiritus interminata caritas,

Ex te suprema origine, Trias benigna profluit creata quicquid sustinet, quicquid decore perficit.

Quos et corona muneras adoptionis intimæ, nos templa fac nitentia tibi placere iugiter.

O viva lux, nos angelis da iungi in aula cælica, ut grati amoris laudibus te concinamus perpetim. Amen. Almighty Trinity in one, Whose sovereign power all things has made, You rule the ages and the world, Before all time You reigned supreme.

Full plenitude of joy is yours, Alone and perfect, needing nought, Unsullied, simple purity, All things are held within your sway.

O Father, fount of every grace, O Father's glory, God the Son, O Holy Spirit of them both, Unending source of love divine.

To you, the origin serene, The Godhead one in persons three, All things created owe their form And every beauty they contain.

Your children whom you have endowed With sonship and adoption's gift, Beg you to make them temples fair For your indwelling Spirit's joy.

O loving light, grant us the grace To join the angels round your throne, That praising you with grateful love, Creation's hymn may never end. Amen.

PSALMODY

FIRST ANTIPHON

VERA summa sempiterna Trinitas, Pater, Filius, Spiritus Sanctus.

O true, highest and everlasting Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

PSALM 109 (110)

Dixit Dominus Domino meo:

The Lord's revelation to my Master:

«Sede a dextris meis,

'Sit on my right:

donec ponam inimicos tuos: scabellum pedum tuorum».

your foes I will put beneath your feet.'

Virgam potentiæ tuæ emittet Dominus ex Sion: dominare in medio inimicorum tuorum. ${\it The Lord will wield from Zion your sceptre of power:}$

rule in the midst of all your foes.

Tecum principatus in die virtutis tuæ, in splendoribus sanctis: ex utero ante luciferum genui te. A prince from the day of your birth on the holy mountains;

from the womb before the dawn I begot you.

Iuravit Dominus et non pænitebit eum: «Tu es sacerdos in æternum secundum ordinem Melchisedech». The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change. 'You are a priest for ever,

a priest like Melchizedek of old.'

Dominus a dextris tuis: conquassabit in die iræ suæ reges.

The Master standing at your right hand will shatter kings in the day of his wrath.

De torrente in via bibet: propterea exaltabit caput.

He shall drink from the stream by the wayside and therefore he shall lift up his head.

Gloria Patri et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto.

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

Sicut erat in principio et nunc et semper et in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

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

SECOND ANTIPHON

IBERA nos, salva nos, iustifica nos, o Beata Trinitas.

Give us freedom, salvation and life, O blessed Trinity.

PSALM 113A (114)

In exitu Israel de Ægypto, domus Iacob de populo barbaro, When Israel came forth from Egypt, Jacob's sons from an alien people,

factus est Iuda sanctuarium eius, Israel potestas eius. Judah became the Lord's temple, Israel became his kingdom.

Mare vidit et fugit, Iordanis conversus est retrorsum;

The sea fled at the sight: the Jordan turned back on its course,

montes saltaverunt ut arietes, et colles sicut agni ovium.

the mountains leapt like rams and the hills like yearling sheep.

Quid est tibi, mare, quod fugisti? Et tu, Iordanis, quia conversus es retrorsum? Why was it, sea, that you fled, that you turned back, Jordan, on your course?

Montes, quod saltastis sicut arietes, et colles, sicut agni ovium?

Mountains, that you leapt like rams; hills, like yearling sheep?

A facie Domini contremisce, terra, a facie Dei Iacob,

Tremble, O earth, before the Lord, in the presence of the God of Jacob,

qui convertit petram in stagna aquarum et silicem in fontes aquarum. who turns the rock into a pool and flint into a spring of water.

Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto, Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,

Sicut erat in principio et nunc et semper et in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

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

THIRD ANTIPHON

SANCTUS, sanctus, sanctus Dominus Deus omnipotens, qui erat et qui est et qui venturus est.

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God almighty, who was, who is, and who is to come.

CANTICLE

Apocalypse 19:1-2. 5-7

Alleluia. Alleluia.

Salus et gloria et virtus Deo nostro: Salvation and glory and power belong to our God,

Alleluia. Alleluia.

quia vera et iusta iudicia eius. his judgements are true and just.

Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

Laudem dicite Deo nostro, omnes servi eius: Praise our God, all you his servants,

Alleluia. Alleluia.

et qui timetis eum, pusilli et magni! you who fear him, small and great.

Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

Quoniam regnavit Dominus, The Lord our God,
Deus noster omnipotens: the Almighty, reigns,

Alleluia. Alleluia.

Gaudeamus et exsultemus et demus gloriam ei. let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory.

Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

Quia venerunt nuptiæ Agni: The marriage of the Lamb has come,

Alleluia. Alleluia.

et uxor eius præparavit se. and his bride has made herself ready.

Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

Gloria Patri et Filio: Glory be to the Father and to the Son

Alleluia. Alleluia.

et Spiritui Sancto. and to the Holy Spirit,

Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

Sicut erat in principio et nunc et semper as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,

Alleluia. Alleluia.

et in sæcula sæculorum. Amen. world without end. Amen.

Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.

Scripture Reading Ephesians 4:3-6

O your best to preserve the unity which the Spirit gives, by the peace that binds you together. There is one Body and one Spirit, just as there is one hope to which God has called you. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism; there is one God and Father of all men, who is Lord of all, works through all, and is in all.

SHORT RESPONSORY

Benedicamus Patrem et Filium

cum Sancto Spiritu. Laudemus in saecula. Let us bless the Father and the Son

with the Holy Spirit. Let us praise him for ever.

 To God alone be all honour and glory.

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

All stand.

MAGNIFICAT ANTIPHON

TE Deum Patrem ingenitum, te Filium unigenitum, te Spiritum Sanctum Paraclitum, sanctam et individuam Trinitatem, toto corde et ore confitemur, laudamus atque benedicimus: Tibi gloria in sécula.

With our heart and lips we praise you, we worship you and we bless you, God the Father unbegotten, only-begotten Son, and Holy Spirit Paraclete: all glory is yours for ever.

MAGNIFICAT

Quarti toni

Francesco Soriano (1548-1621)

Magnificat

My soul

anima mea Dominum.

glorifies the Lord,

et exsultavit spiritus meus in Deo salutari meo,

my spirit rejoices in God, my Saviour.

quia respexit humilitatem ancillæ suæ. Ecce enim ex hoc beatam me dicent He looks on his servant in her lowliness; henceforth all ages

omnes generationes,

will call me blessed.

quia fecit mihi magna, qui potens est, et sanctum nomen eius,

Holy his name!

et misericordia eius a progenie in progenies timentibus eum.

His mercy is from age to age, on those who fear him.

Fecit potentiam in brachio suo, dispersit superbos mente cordis sui;

He puts forth his arm in strength and scatters the proud-hearted.

The Almighty works marvels for me.

deposuit potentes de sede; et exaltavit humiles; He casts the mighty from their thrones and raises the lowly.

esurientes implevit bonis et divites dimisit inanes.

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

Suscepit Israel puerum suum, recordatus misericordiæ suæ,

He protects Israel, his servant, remembering his mercy,

sicut locutus est ad patres nostros, Abraham et semini eius in sæcula. the mercy promised to our fathers, to Abraham and his sons for ever.

Gloria Patri et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,

Sicut erat in principio et nunc et semper et in sæcula sæculorum. Amen.

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

INTERCESSIONS

Father, through your Holy Spirit you gave Christ your Son to us in the flesh, so that we might have life through him. Filled now with that life, we raise our hearts in praise of the Holy Trinity, saying:

R Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Father almighty, eternal God, in the name of your Son send your Holy Spirit upon the Church: may the Comforter preserve us in unity, harmony and the fulness of truth. \mathbb{R}'

Lord, send your labourers into the harvest to teach all nations and baptize them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit: strengthen them all in the faith. R

Lord, support all those who suffer persecution on account of their faith in your Son: give them the Spirit of truth who will, according to his promise, speak through them. R.

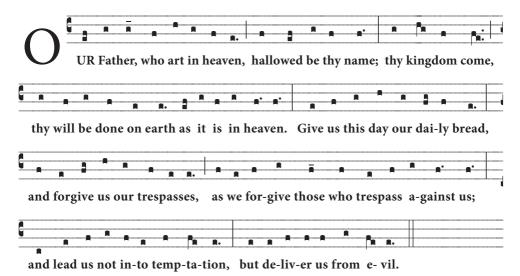
Father almighty, all acknowledge that you, the Word and the Spirit are one: as we believe in one God, so may we hope in you and love you.

Father of the living, bring those who have died to share your glory: with your Son and the Holy Spirit may they reign eternally with you in heaven.

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At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All sing



COLLECT

OD our Father,
you revealed the great mystery of your godhead to men
when you sent into the world
the Word who is Truth
and the Spirit who makes us holy.
Help us to believe in you and worship you,
as the true faith teaches:
three Persons, eternal in glory,
one God, infinite in majesty.
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.

R. Amen.

As the Blessed Sacrament is brought to the altar all kneel and sing:



O sa - lu - tá - ris Hó - sti - a, Quae cae - li pan - dis ós - ti - um, O saving Victim, opening wide the gate of Heaven to man below;



Bel - la pre-munt ho - stí - li - a, Da ro-bur, fer au - xí - li - um. Our foes press hard on every side; thine aid supply; thy strength bestow.



U - ni tri - nó-que Dó-mi - no Sit sem-pi - tér - na gló - ri - a, All praise and thanks to thee ascend, for ever more, blest one in three.



Qui vi-tam si - ne tér - mi-no No - bis do-net in pá - tri - a. O grant us life that shall not end, in our true native land with thee.



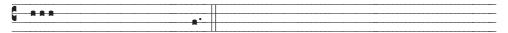
THE MOTET

BENEDICTA sit sancta Trinitas, atque indivisa Unitas: confitebimur ei, quia fecit nobiscum misericordiam suam, alleluia.

Blessed be the Holy Trinity and undivided Unity; let us give praise to him, for he has shown us his mercy, alleluia.

Tomás Luis de Victoria (1548-1611)





V. Panem de cælo præstitísti e- is. You gave them bread from heaven.



R. Omne delectaméntum in se habén- tem.

Containing in itself all sweetness.

Oremus.

DEUS, qui nobis sub sacramento mirabili passionis tuæ memoriam reliquisti: tribue quæsumus, ita nos corporis et sanguinis tui sacra mysteria venerari; ut redemptionis tuæ fructum in nobis iugiter sentiamus. Qui vivis et regnas in sæcula sæculorum.

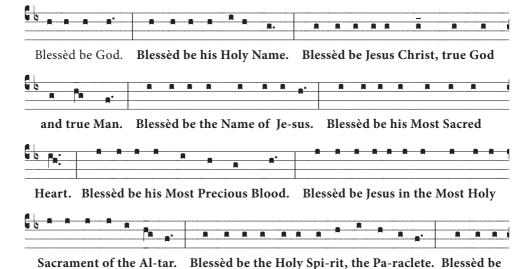
R. Amen.

Let us pray.

O God, who in a wonderful Sacrament has left us a memorial of your passion: grant us so to venerate the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood, that we may perceive within ourselves the fruit of thy redemption; who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

BENEDICTION is given.

THE DIVINE PRAISES





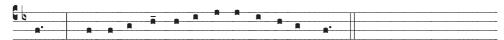
the great Mother of God, Ma-ry most Ho-ly. Blessèd be her Holy and Imma-



cu-late Conception. Blessèd be her Glorious Assumption. Blessèd be the

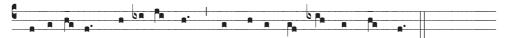


name of Ma-ry, Virgin and Mother. Blessèd be Saint Joseph, her most chaste



Blessèd be God in his Angels and in his Saints. spouse.

As the Blessed Sacrament is reposed, all sing



A-do-rémus * in æ-tér-num Sanc-tís-si-mum Sa- cra-mén-tum.

Let us adore for ever the most Holy Sacrament.

Laudate Dominum omnes gentes:

laudate eum omnes populi.

Quoniam confirmata est super nos

misericordia eius:

et veritas Domini manet in æternum.

Gloria Patri, et Filio:

et Spiritui Sancto,

sicut erat in principio, et nunc et semper: et in sæcula sæculorum. Amen. O praise the Lord, all you nations,

acclaim his all you peoples!

Strong is his

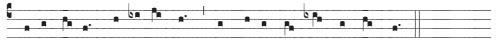
love for us; he is faithful for ever.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit,

as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,

world without end. Amen.



Sanc-tís-si-mum Sa- cra-mén-tum. A-do-rémus * in æ-tér-num

Let us adore for ever the most Holy Sacrament.

THE ANTIPHON TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



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