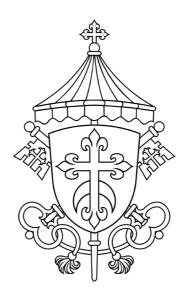
# ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL



# Solemn Vespers and Benediction

The Office of Evening Prayer

Thirteenth Sunday of the Year

WEEK I

26 June 2022 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.

# EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

At the sound of the Sacristy bell all stand.

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.



# ORDER OF VESPERS

# INTRODUCTION TO THE OFFICE

ÿ. Deus, in adiutorium meum intende.

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

Lucis Creator optime, Lucem dierum proferens, Primordiis lucis novæ Mundi parans originem.

Qui mane iunctum vesperi Diem vocari præcipis; Tætrum chaos illabitur; Audi preces cum fletibus.

Ne mens gravata crimine, Vitæ sit exsul munere, Dum nil perenne cogitat, Sesesque culpis illigat.

Cælorum pulset intimum, Vitale tollat præmium: Vitemus omne noxium, Purgemus omne pessimum.

Præsta Pater piisime, Patrique compar Unice, Cum Spiritu Paraclito, Regnans per omne sæculum. Amen. Blest Creator of the light, Making day with radiance bright, Thou didst o'er the forming earth Give the golden light its birth.

Shade of eve with morning ray Took from thee the name of day; Darkness now is drawing nigh; Listen to our humble cry.

May we ne'er by guilt depressed Lose the way to endless rest; Nor with idle thoughts and vain Bind our souls to earth again.

Rather may we heavenward rise Where eternal treasure lies; Purified by grace within, Hating every deed of sin.

Father, what we ask be done Through thy well-beloved Son; With the Holy Ghost and thee Reigning through eternity. Amen.

# **PSALMODY**

#### FIRST ANTIPHON

VIRGAM virtutis suæ emittet Dominus ex Sion, et regnabit in sæculum sæculi, alleluia.

The Lord will send his mighty sceptre from Sion, and he will rule for ever, alleluia.

#### 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. 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: A prince from the day of your birth on the holy mountains;

ex utero ante luciferum genui te. 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

RACTA est Iudæa sanctificatio eius, alleluia.

Judah became his sanctuary, alleluia.

# 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.

quia conversus es retrorsum?

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

Quid est tibi, mare, quod fugisti? Et tu, Iordanis, 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

REGNAVIT Dominus Deus noster omnipotens, alleluia.

The Lord is King: our God, the Almighty, alleluia.

#### **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 2 Corinthians 1:3-4

Let us give thanks to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the merciful Father, the God from whom all help comes. He helps us in all our troubles, so that we are able to help those who have all kinds of troubles, using the same help that we have received from God.

#### SHORT RESPONSORY

Benedictus es, Domine, Blessed are you, O Lord, in firmamento cæli. in the vault of heaven.

Y. Et laudabilis et gloriosus You are exalted and glorified above all else

in sécula. R. for ever.

et Spiritui Sancto. R. and to the Holy Spirit.

All stand.

#### MAGNIFICAT ANTIPHON

VULPES foveas habent et volucres caeli nidos; Filius autem hominis non habet ubi caput suum reclinet.

Foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.

#### MAGNIFICAT

Primi toni

Orlande de Lassus (1532-1594)

Magnificat

anima mea Dominum.

My soul glorifies the Lord,

et exsultavit spiritus meus

my spirit rejoices in God, my Saviour.

in Deo salutari meo,

quia respexit humilitatem ancillæ suæ. Ecce enim ex hoc beatam me dicent omnes generationes,

*He looks on his servant in her lowliness;* 

henceforth all ages will call me blessed.

quia fecit mihi magna, qui potens est,

et sanctum nomen eius,

The Almighty works marvels for me. 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.

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**

Christ is the Head of his body, the Church, and we are members of that body; gathered this evening to pray in his name, we say:

#### **N**: Your kingdom come!

May your Church be a light to the nations, the sign and source of your power to unite all men: may she lead mankind to the mystery of your love. R

Guide the Pope, and all the bishops of your Church: grant them the gifts of unity, of love, and of peace.  $\mathbb{R}$ 

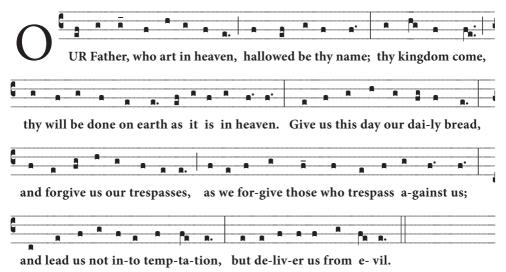
Lord, give peace to our troubled world and give to your children security of mind, and freedom from anxiety.  $\mathbb{R}^n$ 

Help us to bring your compassion to the poor, the sick, the lonely, the unloved; lead us to find you in the coming week.  $\mathbb{R}$ 

Awaken the dead to a glorious resurrection: may we be united with them at the end of time.  $\mathbb{R}$ 

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





#### COLLECT

Ldo not let false doctrine darken our minds, but grant that your light may shine within us and we may always live in the brightness of truth. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

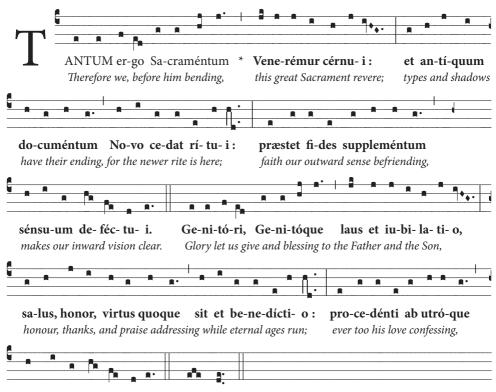
The Choir sings

#### THE MOTET

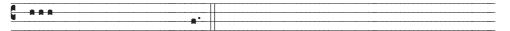
SALVATOR mundi, salva nos: qui per crucem et sanguinem redemisti nos; auxiliare nobis, te deprecamur, Deus noster.

Saviour of the world, save us: by your Cross and Blood you have redeemed us; help us, we pray you, our God.

Thomas Tallis (1505–1585)



**compar sit lau-dá- ti- o. A- men.** *who from both with both is One.* 



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.

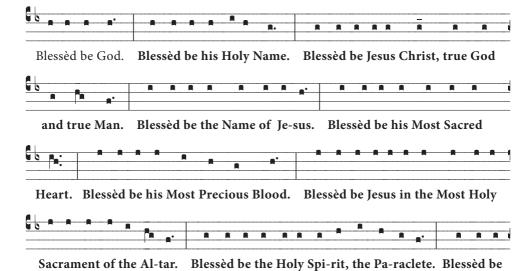
R. Amen.

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





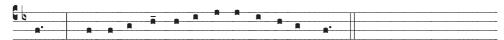
the great Mother of God, Ma-ry most Ho-ly. Blessèd be her Holy and Imma-



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

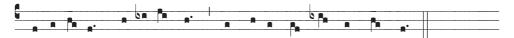


name of Ma-ry, Virgin and Mother. Blessèd be Saint Joseph, her most chaste



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

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.

entes: O praise the Lord, all you nations, opuli. acclaim his all you peoples!

Quoniam confirmata est super nos

misericordia eius:

Strong is his love for us;

et veritas Domini manet in æternum.

he is faithful for ever.

Gloria Patri, et Filio:

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

et Spiritui Sancto, 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.

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

Let us adore for ever the most Holy Sacrament.

### THE ANTIPHON TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



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