

## Daily Evening Prayer:

### Rite One

*Thursday August 20, 2020*

*The Feast of St. Bernard of Clairvaux*

### The Invitatory and Psalter

*Officiant* O God, make speed to save us.

*People* O Lord, make haste to help us.

*Officiant and People*

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.

### **O Gracious Light** *Phos hilaron*

O gracious Light,  
pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven,  
O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed!

Now as we come to the setting of the sun,  
and our eyes behold the vesper light,  
we sing thy praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Thou art worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices,  
O Son of God, O Giver of life,  
and to be glorified through all the worlds.

### **Psalm 134** *Ecce nunc*

- 1 Behold now, bless the LORD, all you servants of the LORD, \*  
you that stand by night in the house of the LORD.
- 2 Lift up your hands in the holy place and bless the LORD; \*  
the LORD who made heaven and earth bless  
you out of Zion.

### **Psalm 135** *Laudate nomen*

- 1 Hallelujah!  
Praise the Name of the LORD; \*  
give praise, you servants of the LORD.
- 2 You who stand in the house of the LORD, \*  
in the courts of the house of our God.

- 3 Praise the LORD, for the LORD is good; \*  
sing praises to his Name, for it is lovely.
- 4 For the LORD has chosen Jacob for himself \*  
and Israel for his own possession.
- 5 For I know that the LORD is great, \*  
and that our Lord is above all gods.
- 6 The LORD does whatever pleases him, in heaven and on earth, \*  
in the seas and all the deeps.
- 7 He brings up rain clouds from the ends of the earth; \*  
he sends out lightning with the rain,  
and brings the winds out of his storehouse.
- 8 It was he who struck down the firstborn of Egypt, \*  
the firstborn both of man and beast.
- 9 He sent signs and wonders into the midst of you, O Egypt, \*  
against Pharaoh and all his servants.
- 10 He overthrew many nations \*  
and put mighty kings to death:
- 11 Sihon, king of the Amorites,  
and Og, the king of Bashan, \*  
and all the kingdoms of Canaan.
- 12 He gave their land to be an inheritance, \*  
an inheritance for Israel his people.
- 13 O LORD, your Name is everlasting; \*  
your renown, O LORD, endures from age to age.
- 14 For the LORD gives his people justice \*  
and shows compassion to his servants.
- 15 The idols of the heathen are silver and gold, \*  
the work of human hands.

16 They have mouths, but they cannot speak; \*  
eyes have they, but they cannot see.

17 They have ears, but they cannot hear; \*  
neither is there any breath in their mouth.

18 Those who make them are like them, \*  
and so are all who put their trust in them.

19 Bless the LORD, O house of Israel; \*  
O house of Aaron, bless the LORD.

20 Bless the LORD, O house of Levi; \*  
you who fear the LORD, bless the LORD.

21 Blessed be the LORD out of Zion, \*  
who dwells in Jerusalem.  
Hallelujah!

*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.*

## The Lessons

*Officiant*      A Reading from the Book of Job  
*Chapter 1 verses 1 through 22*

**1** There was a man in the land of Uz, whose name was Job; and that man was blameless and upright, one who feared God, and turned away from evil. **2** There were born to him seven sons and three daughters. **3** He had seven thousand sheep, three thousand camels, five hundred yoke of oxen, and five hundred she-asses, and very many servants; so that this man was the greatest of all the people of the east. **4** His sons used to go and hold a feast in the house of each on his day; and they would send and invite their three sisters to eat and drink with them. **5** And when the days of the feast had run their course, Job would send and sanctify them, and he would rise early in the morning and offer burnt offerings according to the number of them all; for Job said, "It may be that my sons have sinned, and cursed God in their hearts." Thus Job did continually.

**6** Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan<sup>[a]</sup> also came among them. **7** The LORD said to Satan, "Whence have

you come?” Satan answered the LORD, “From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking up and down on it.”<sup>8</sup> And the LORD said to Satan, “Have you considered my servant Job, that there is none like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man, who fears God and turns away from evil?”<sup>9</sup> Then Satan answered the LORD, “Does Job fear God for nought?<sup>10</sup> Hast thou not put a hedge about him and his house and all that he has, on every side? Thou hast blessed the work of his hands, and his possessions have increased in the land.<sup>11</sup> But put forth thy hand now, and touch all that he has, and he will curse thee to thy face.”<sup>12</sup> And the LORD said to Satan, “Behold, all that he has is in your power; only upon himself do not put forth your hand.” So Satan went forth from the presence of the LORD.

<sup>13</sup> Now there was a day when his sons and daughters were eating and drinking wine in their eldest brother’s house; <sup>14</sup> and there came a messenger to Job, and said, “The oxen were plowing and the asses feeding beside them; <sup>15</sup> and the Sabe’ans fell upon them and took them, and slew the servants with the edge of the sword; and I alone have escaped to tell you.” <sup>16</sup> While he was yet speaking, there came another, and said, “The fire of God fell from heaven and burned up the sheep and the servants, and consumed them; and I alone have escaped to tell you.” <sup>17</sup> While he was yet speaking, there came another, and said, “The Chalde’ans formed three companies, and made a raid upon the camels and took them, and slew the servants with the edge of the sword; and I alone have escaped to tell you.” <sup>18</sup> While he was yet speaking, there came another, and said, “Your sons and daughters were eating and drinking wine in their eldest brother’s house; <sup>19</sup> and behold, a great wind came across the wilderness, and struck the four corners of the house, and it fell upon the young people, and they are dead; and I alone have escaped to tell you.”

<sup>20</sup> Then Job arose, and rent his robe, and shaved his head, and fell upon the ground, and worshiped. <sup>21</sup> And he said, “Naked I came from my mother’s womb, and naked shall I return; the LORD gave, and the LORD has taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD.”

<sup>22</sup> In all this Job did not sin or charge God with wrong.

*Officiant*        The Word of the Lord.  
*People*            Thanks be to God.

**The Song of Mary**    *Magnificat*  
*Luke 1:46-55*

My soul doth magnify the Lord, \*  
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.  
For he hath regarded \*  
the lowliness of his handmaiden.

For behold from henceforth \*  
all generations shall call me blessed.  
For he that is mighty hath magnified me, \*  
and holy is his Name.  
And his mercy is on them that fear him \*  
throughout all generations.  
He hath showed strength with his arm; \*  
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.  
He hath put down the mighty from their seat, \*  
and hath exalted the humble and meek.  
He hath filled the hungry with good things, \*  
and the rich he hath sent empty away.  
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, \*  
as he promised to our forefathers,  
Abraham and his seed 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.

*Officiant*      A Reading from the Gospel of John  
*Chapter 6 verses 16 through 27*

<sup>16</sup> When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, <sup>17</sup> got into a boat, and started across the sea to Caper'na-um. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. <sup>18</sup> The sea rose because a strong wind was blowing. <sup>19</sup> When they had rowed about three or four miles, <sup>[b]</sup> they saw Jesus walking on the sea and drawing near to the boat. They were frightened, <sup>20</sup> but he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." <sup>21</sup> Then they were glad to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat was at the land to which they were going.

<sup>22</sup> On the next day the people who remained on the other side of the sea saw that there had been only one boat there, and that Jesus had not entered the boat with his disciples, but that his disciples had gone away alone. <sup>23</sup> However, boats from Tibe'ri-as came near the place where they ate the bread after the Lord had given thanks. <sup>24</sup> So when the people saw that Jesus was not there, nor his disciples, they themselves got into the boats and went to Caper'na-um, seeking Jesus.

<sup>25</sup> When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" <sup>26</sup> Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you seek me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. <sup>27</sup> Do not labor for the

food which perishes, but for the food which endures to eternal life, which the Son of man will give to you; for on him has God the Father set his seal.”

*Officiant*      The Word of the Lord.  
*People*          Thanks be to God.

**The Song of Simeon**    *Nunc dimittis*  
*Luke 2:29-32*

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, \*  
according to thy word;  
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, \*  
which thou hast prepared before the face of all people,  
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, \*  
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.  
  
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.

**The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried.  
He descended into hell.  
  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.  
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## The Prayers

*Officiant*      The Lord be with you.

*People*          And with thy spirit.

*Officiant*      Let us pray.

### *Officiant and People*

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
    on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
    as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
    but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
    for ever and ever. Amen.

## Suffrages B

That this evening may be holy, good, and peaceful,  
*We entreat thee, O Lord.*

That thy holy angels may lead us in paths of peace and  
goodwill,  
*We entreat thee, O Lord.*

That we may be pardoned and forgiven for our sins  
and offenses,  
*We entreat thee, O Lord.*

That there may be peace to thy Church and to the whole  
world,  
*We entreat thee, O Lord.*

That we may depart this life in thy faith and fear, and  
not be condemned before the great judgment seat  
of Christ,  
*We entreat thee, O Lord.*

That we may be bound together by thy Holy Spirit in  
the communion of [\_\_\_\_\_ and] all thy saints,  
entrusting one another and all our life to Christ,  
*We entreat thee, O Lord.*

*The Officiant then says one or more Collects*

Collect of the Day

O God, by whose grace thy servant Bernard of Clairvaux, enkindled with the fire of thy love, became a burning and shining light in thy Church: Grant that we also may be aflame with the spirit of love and discipline, and may ever walk before thee as children of light; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

A Collect for the Presence of Christ on p. 70

Lord Jesus, stay with us, for evening is at hand and the day is past; be our companion in the way, kindle our hearts, and awaken hope, that we may know thee as thou art revealed in Scripture and the breaking of bread. Grant this for the sake of thy love. *Amen.*

A Collect for Mission on p. 70

O God and Father of all, whom the whole heavens adore: Let the whole earth also worship thee, all nations obey thee, all tongues confess and bless thee, and men and women everywhere love thee and serve thee in peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Collect for the Unity of the Human Family

O God, thou hast made us in thine own image and redeemed us through thy Son Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace: Give us grace seriously to lay to heart the great dangers we are in by our unhappy and unjust divisions; look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; and work through our struggles and confusion to accomplish thy purposes on earth; that we may be united in one holy bond of truth, and justice, peace, and love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*The Officiant then bids personal prayers. After a moment of silence:*

*Officiant* Lord in thy mercy  
*All* Hear our prayer.

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.  
*All* Thanks be to God.

*Officiant* Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. *Amen*