

## Daily Evening Prayer:

### Rite One

*Friday September 18, 2020*

*The Feast of Edward Bouverie Pusey*

### 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 73** *Quam bonus Israel!*

- 1 Truly, God is good to Israel, \*  
to those who are pure in heart.
- 2 But as for me, my feet had nearly slipped; \*  
I had almost tripped and fallen;
- 3 Because I envied the proud \*  
and saw the prosperity of the wicked:
- 4 For they suffer no pain, \*  
and their bodies are sleek and sound;

- 5 In the misfortunes of others they have no share; \*  
they are not afflicted as others are;
- 6 Therefore they wear their pride like a necklace \*  
and wrap their violence about them like a cloak.
- 7 Their iniquity comes from gross minds, \*  
and their hearts overflow with wicked thoughts.
- 8 They scoff and speak maliciously; \*  
out of their haughtiness they plan oppression.
- 9 They set their mouths against the heavens, \*  
and their evil speech runs through the world.
- 10 And so the people turn to them \*  
and find in them no fault.
- 11 They say, "How should God know? \*  
is there knowledge in the Most High?"
- 12 So then, these are the wicked; \*  
always at ease, they increase their wealth.
- 13 In vain have I kept my heart clean, \*  
and washed my hands in innocence.
- 14 I have been afflicted all day long, \*  
and punished every morning.
- 15 Had I gone on speaking this way, \*  
I should have betrayed the generation of your children.
- 16 When I tried to understand these things, \*  
it was too hard for me;
- 17 Until I entered the sanctuary of God \*  
and discerned the end of the wicked.
- 18 Surely, you set them in slippery places; \*  
you cast them down in ruin.

- 19 Oh, how suddenly do they come to destruction, \*  
come to an end, and perish from terror!
- 20 Like a dream when one awakens, O Lord, \*  
when you arise you will make their image vanish.
- 21 When my mind became embittered, \*  
I was sorely wounded in my heart.
- 22 I was stupid and had no understanding; \*  
I was like a brute beast in your presence.
- 23 Yet I am always with you; \*  
you hold me by my right hand.
- 24 You will guide me by your counsel, \*  
and afterwards receive me with glory.
- 25 Whom have I in heaven but you? \*  
and having you I desire nothing upon earth.
- 26 Though my flesh and my heart should waste away, \*  
God is the strength of my heart and my portion for ever.
- 27 Truly, those who forsake you will perish; \*  
you destroy all who are unfaithful.
- 28 But it is good for me to be near God; \*  
I have made the Lord GOD my refuge.
- 29 I will speak of all your works \*  
in the gates of the city of Zion.
- 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 Esther  
                            *Chapter 1 verses 1 through 4, and*  
                            *verses 10 through 19*

**1** In the days of Ahasu-e'rus, the Ahasu-e'rus who reigned from India to Ethiopia over one hundred and twenty-seven provinces, <sup>2</sup> in those days when King Ahasu-e'rus sat on his royal throne in Susa the capital, <sup>3</sup> in the third year of his reign he gave a banquet for all his princes and servants, the army chiefs<sup>[a]</sup> of Persia and Media and the nobles and governors of the provinces being before him, <sup>4</sup> while he showed the riches of his royal glory and the splendor and pomp of his majesty for many days, a hundred and eighty days.

<sup>10</sup> On the seventh day, when the heart of the king was merry with wine, he commanded Mehu'man, Biztha, Harbo'na, Bigtha and Abag'tha, Zethar and Carkas, the seven eunuchs who served King Ahasu-e'rus as chamberlains, <sup>11</sup> to bring Queen Vashti before the king with her royal crown, in order to show the peoples and the princes her beauty; for she was fair to behold. <sup>12</sup> But Queen Vashti refused to come at the king's command conveyed by the eunuchs. At this the king was enraged, and his anger burned within him.

<sup>13</sup> Then the king said to the wise men who knew the times—for this was the king's procedure toward all who were versed in law and judgment, <sup>14</sup> the men next to him being Carshe'na, Shethar, Adma'tha, Tarshish, Meres, Marse'na, and Memu'can, the seven princes of Persia and Media, who saw the king's face, and sat first in the kingdom—  
: <sup>15</sup> “According to the law, what is to be done to Queen Vashti, because she has not performed the command of King Ahasu-e'rus conveyed by the eunuchs?” <sup>16</sup> Then Memu'can said in presence of the king and the princes, “Not only to the king has Queen Vashti done wrong, but also to all the princes and all the peoples who are in all the provinces of King Ahasu-e'rus. <sup>17</sup> For this deed of the queen will be made known to all women, causing them to look with contempt upon their husbands, since they will say, ‘King Ahasu-e'rus commanded Queen Vashti to be brought before him, and she did not come.’ <sup>18</sup> This very day the ladies of Persia and Media who have heard of the queen's behavior will be telling it to all the king's princes, and there will be contempt and wrath in plenty. <sup>19</sup> If it please the king, let a royal order go forth from him, and let it be written among the laws of the Persians and the Medes so that it may not be altered, that Vashti is to come no more before King Ahasu-e'rus; and let the king give her royal position to another who is better than she.

*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 12 verses 36b through 43*

When Jesus had said this, he departed and hid himself from them. 37 Though he had done so many signs before them, yet they did not believe in him; 38 it was that the word spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

“Lord, who has believed our report,  
and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?”

39 Therefore they could not believe. For Isaiah again said,

40 “He has blinded their eyes and hardened their heart,  
lest they should see with their eyes and perceive with their heart,  
and turn for me to heal them.”

41 Isaiah said this because he saw his glory and spoke of him. 42 Nevertheless many even of the authorities believed in him, but for fear of the Pharisees they did not confess

it, lest they should be put out of the synagogue: 43 for they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God.

*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

Grant unto us, O God, that in all time of our testing we may know thy presence and obey thy will; that, following the example of thy servant Edward Bouverie Pusey, we may with integrity and courage accomplish what thou givest us to do, and endure what thou givest us to bear; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and 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.*