

THE CATHEDRAL OF SAINT PAUL

BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

II VESPERS FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 7, 2021



Welcome: please note the symbols for cantor or celebrant (V) and assembly (R) and pray accordingly. The opening verse and Magnificat may be found on the insert. The psalmody of the office alternates, beginning with the cantor, then followed by assembly, etc. Antiphons are intoned by the cantor up to the asterisk, then all join.

OPENING VERSE

(see insert)

HYMN

Audi benigne Conditor

Hymn is sung in alternation between cantor (odds) and all (evens); all sing doxology (vs. 5).

1. O _____ kind Cre _____ a - tor, _____ bow Thine ear
2. Our _____ hearts are _____ o - pen, _____ Lord to Thee:
3. Our _____ sins are _____ man - y, _____ this we know;
4. Give _____ us the _____ self - con - trol that springs
5. We _____ pray Thee, _____ Ho - ly _____ Trin - i - ty,

To _____ mark the cry _____ to know _____ the tear
Thou _____ know - est our _____ in - fir - mi - ty;
Spare _____ us good Lord, _____ Thy mer - cy show;
From _____ dis - ci - pline _____ of out - ward things,
One _____ God, un - chang - ing U - ni - ty,

Be - fore Thy throne _____ of mer - cy spent
Pour out on all _____ who seek Thy face
And for the hon - or of Thy Name
That fast - ing in - ward se - cret - ly
That we from this _____ our ab - sti - nence

In _____ this _____ our ho - ly fast _____ of Lent.
A - bun - dance of _____ Thy par - d'ning grace.
Our _____ faint - ing souls to life _____ re - claim.
The _____ soul _____ may pure - ly dwell with Thee.
May _____ reap _____ the fruit _____ of pen - i - tence. A - men. _____

PSALMODY

ANTIPHON I

cf. Psalm 79:9; Wisdom 12:19

II

D ómine, rex omnípo- tens, líbera nos prop ter no men tu- um et da no bis locum pæni- ténti- æ.

Lord, all powerful King, free us for the sake of Your name, and give us time to turn from our sins.

PSALM 110:1-5, 7
THE MESSIAH IS KING AND PRIEST

II A

The Lord's revelation to my Master: †

"Sit on my **right**: *

your foes I will put beneath your **feet**."

The Lord will wield from Zion your **sce-pter of power**: *
rule in the midst of all your **foes**.

A prince from the day of your birth on the **ho-ly**
mountains; *
from the womb before the dawn I **be-got** you.

The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change. †

"You are a *priest for ever*, *

a priest like Melchizedek of **old**."

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

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

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

As it was in the begin-ning, is **now**, *
and will be forever. **A-men**.

(repeat Antiphon)

ANTIPHON II

VIII

S a-lus no stra * in manus tu- as est, Dómine: respí-ci- at super nos mi- se-ri-córdi- a
tu- a, ut se- cù- ri servi- ámus ti-bi.

Our safety is in Your hands, O Lord: look down upon us in Your mercy that we might serve You.

PSALM 111
GOD'S MARVELOUS WORKS

VIII G

I will thank the Lord with *all my heart* *
in the meeting of the just and *their assembly*.

Great are the works of *the Lord*; *
to be pondered by *all who love them*.

But our God is *in the heavens*; *
He does *whatever he wills*.

Majestic and *glorious his work*, *
his justice stands *firm for ever*.

He makes us *remember his wonders*. *
The Lord is *compassion and love*.

He gives food to *those who fear him*; *
keeps his covenant *ever in mind*.

He has shown his might *to his people* *
by giving them the lands of the *nations*.

His works are *justice and truth*, *
his precepts are *all of them sure*,
standing firm for *ever and ever*; *
they are made in *uprightness and truth*.

He has sent deliverance to his people †
and established his *covenant for ever*. *
Holy his name, *to be feared*.

To fear the Lord is the first stage of wisdom; †
all who do so prove *themselves wise*. *
His praise shall *last for ever*!

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

As it was in the begin-ning, is *now*, *
and will be for *ever. A-men.* (repeat Antiphon)

ANTIPHON III

Isaiah 53:4



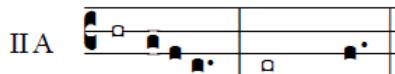
II V E- re * lan guó- res nos tros ipse tu- lit, et do-ló- res nos tros ipse portávit.

Ours were the sufferings he bore; ours the torments he endured.

CANTICLE

1 PETER 2:21-24

THE WILLING ACCEPTANCE OF HIS PASSION BY CHRIST, THE SERVANT OF GOD



II A

Christ suffered for you, † and left you *an example*, *
to have you follow in his *footsteps*.

He *did no wrong*; *
No deceit was found in his *mouth*.

When he *was insulted*, *
he returned no *insult*.

When he was *made to suffer*, *
he did not counter with *threats*."

Instead he delivered *himself up* *
to the One who judges *justly*.

In *his own body* *
he brought your sins to the *cross*,

So that all of us, *dead to sin*, *
could live in accord with God's *will*.

[omit 1st half]
By his wounds you were *healed*.

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

As it was in the begin-ning, is *now*, *
and will be forever. *A-men.* (repeat Antiphon)

READING

1 CORINTHIANS 9:24-25

RESPONSORY

(following page)

I. Cantor; II. All

R. br.

L isten to us, O Lord, and have mercy, for we have sinned against you.

All

V. Christ Je- sus hear our hum ble pe-titions, R. for we have sinned against you.

All

V. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Spirit. Listen to us,

O Lord, and have mercy, for we have sinned against you.

MAGNIFICAT

(Antiphon below; please see insert for verses)

Antiphon Whoever * drinks the water that I shall give *
will never be thirsty again, *says the Lord.*

INTERCESSIONS

After the Celebrant's invocation and each cantor petition, the following response is sung:

PATER NOSTER

Pater noster, qui es in cælis; sanctificétur nomen tuum; advéniat regnum tuum; fiat volúntas tua, sicut in cælo, et in terra. Panem nostrum cotidiánum da nobis hódie; et dimítte nobis débita nostra, sicut et nos dimíttimus debitóribus nostris; et ne nos indúcas in tentatióne; sed libera nos a malo.

CONCLUDING PRAYER

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

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