

RESPONSORY

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

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Christ Jesus, hear our humble petitions,

R. for we have sinned against you.

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

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ALL STAND.

CANTICLE OF MARY

Antiphon: (Cantor/Choir)



When I am lifted up *from* the earth, * I will draw all people to myself.

Magnificat

Tone VIII

ALL MAKE THE SIGN OF THE CROSS, † at “Magnificat anima mea...”

Translation:

My soul proclaims the greatness of the LORD;
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,
for he has looked upon his lowly servant.
From this day all generations will call me blessed.
The Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name.
He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation.
He has shown the strength of his arm,
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.
He has cast down the mighty from their thrones,
and has lifted up the lowly.
He has filled the hungry with good things,
and the rich he has sent away empty.
He has come to the help of his servant Israel
For he has remembered his promise of mercy,
the promise he made to our fathers,
to Abraham and his children for ever.

ALL BOW from “Gloria Patri” to “Spiritui Sancto.”

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.

Antiphon is repeated.

INTERCESSIONS

The celebrant introduces the intercessions, and after each petition all respond:



Lord, be gra-cious to your peo - ple.

Our Father... (sung)

PRAYER

Father,
help us to be like Christ your Son,
who loved the world and died for salvation.
Inspire us by his love,
guide us by his example,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

SOLEMN BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

May the Lord bless us, protect us from all evil,
and bring us to everlasting life.

All: Amen.

THE MARIAN ANTIPHON

A - ve Re - gí - na cæ - ló - rum, A - ve Dó - mi - na An - ge - ló - rum:
Sal - ve ra - dix, sal - ve por - ta, Ex qua mun - do lux est or - ta:
Gau - de Vir - go glo - ri - ó - sa, Su - per o - mnes spe - ci - ó - sa:
Va - le, o val - de de - có - ra, Et pro no - bis Chri - stum ex - ó - ra.



St. Rita Catholic Community

VESPERS · EVENING PRAYER II THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

ALL STAND

THE INVITATORY

Officiant: All:
O God, come to my as - sis - tance. O Lord, make haste

All bow at the mention of the Holy Trinity
to help me. Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit: / as it was in the beginning, /
is now and will be forever. Amen.

ALL REMAIN STANDING and join in singing the Office Hymn.

THE OFFICE HYMN

JESU DULCIS MEMORIA

1. O Sun of jus - tice Je - sus Christ, Dis - pel the dark - ness
2. In this our "time ac - cept - a - ble" Touch ev - 'ry heart with
3. The day, your day, in beau - ty dawns When in your light earth
4. O lov - ing Trin - i - ty, our God, To you we bow through
of our hearts, Till your blest light makes night - time
sor - row, Lord, That, turned from sin, re - newed by
blooms a - new; Led back a - gain to life's true
end - less days, And in your grace new - born we
flee And brings the joys your day im - parts.
grace, We may press on toward love's re - ward.
way, May we, for - giv'n, re - joice in you.
sing New hymns of grat - i - tude and praise.



PSALMODY

The cantor will introduce the antiphons. ALL sing each verse after the asterisk. At the Doxology (“Glory to the Father”) stand and bow profoundly at the mention of the names of the Persons of the Holy Trinity. ALL repeat the antiphon.

Antiphon I (Cantor/Choir)



As the serpent was lifted up *in* the desert; *
so the Son of Man must be *lifted* up

PLEASE BE SEATED following the antiphon.

Psalm 110:1-5, 7

The Lord’s revelation to my Master: “Sit *on* my right; *
your foes I will put be*neath* your feet.”

The Lord will wield from Zion your scepter of power; *
rule in the midst of *all* your foes.

A prince from the day of your birth on the *holy* mountains; *
from the womb before the dawn *I* begot 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.

ALL STAND. BOW FROM “Glory to the Father” to “Holy Spirit.”

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*. Amen.

All repeat Antiphon I.

REMAIN STANDING.

Antiphon II (Cantor/Choir)



The Lord of hosts protects us and sets us free; *
he guides and saves *his* people.

PLEASE BE SEATED following the antiphon.

Psalm 114

When Israel came *forth* from Egypt, *
Jacob’s sons from an alien people,

Judah became *the* Lord’s temple *
Israel became *his* kingdom.

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

the mountains *leapt* like rams *
and the hills like year*ling* sheep.

Why was it, sea, *that* you fled, *
that you turned back, Jordan, on *your* course?

Mountains, that you *leapt* like rams, *
hills, like year*ling* sheep?

Tremble, O earth, be*fore* the Lord, *
in the presence of the God *of* Jacob,

who turns the rock into *to* a pool *
and flint into a spring *of* water.

ALL STAND. BOW FROM “Glory to the Father” to “Holy Spirit.”

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. Amen.

All repeat Antiphon II.

REMAIN STANDING.

Antiphon III (Cantor/Choir)



He was pierced for our offenses and burdened with *our* sins. *
By his wounds we *are* healed.

PLEASE BE SEATED following the antiphon.

Canticle: I Peter 2:21-24

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 our sins to *the* cross,

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

By *his* wounds * you *were* healed.

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

as it was in the beginning, *is* now, * and will be forever. Amen.

All repeat Antiphon III.

ALL SIT.

READING

Acts 13:26-30

A reading from the Book of Acts:

My brothers, it was to us that this message of salvation was sent forth. The inhabitants of Jerusalem and their rulers failed to recognize him, and in condemning him they fulfilled the words of the prophets which we read Sabbath after Sabbath. Even though they found no charge against him which deserved death, they begged Pilate to have him executed. Once they had brought about all that had been written on him, they took him down from the tree and laid him in tomb. Yet God raised him from the dead.

“The Word of the Lord” and “Thanks be to God” are not said.