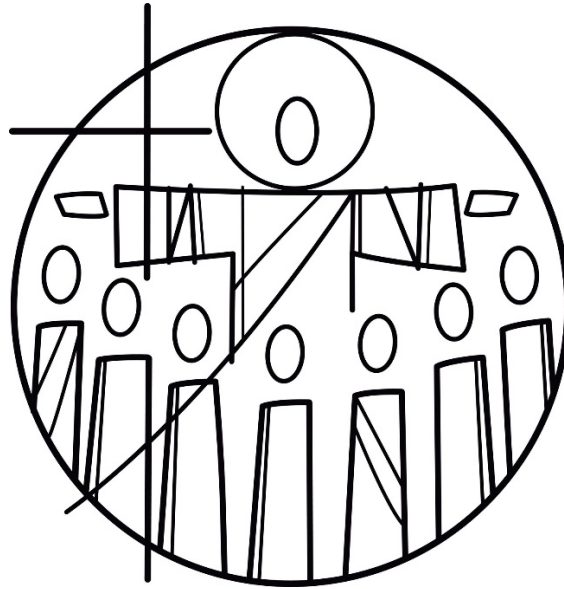


Morning Prayer

7th Wednesday in Ordinary Time



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God, come to my assistance
Lord make haste 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.

Morning Hymn: “Canticle of the Turning”

1. *My soul cries out with a joyful shout that the God of my heart is great, and my spirit sings of the wondrous things that you bring to the ones who wait. You fixed your sight on your servant's plight, and my weakness you did not spurn, so from east to west shall my name be blessed. Could the world be about to turn?*

Refrain: My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your justice burn. Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near and the world is about to turn!

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Reading: Sirach 4:11-19

Wisdom breathes life into her children and admonishes those who seek her. He who loves her loves life; those who seek her will be embraced by the Lord. He who holds her fast inherits glory; wherever he dwells, the LORD bestows blessings. Those who serve her serve the Holy One; those who love her the LORD loves. He who obeys her judges nations; he who hearkens to her dwells in her inmost chambers. If one trusts her, he will possess her; his descendants too will inherit her. She walks with him as a stranger and at first she puts him to the test; Fear and dread she brings upon him and tries him with her discipline until she try him by her laws and trust his soul. Then she comes back to bring him happiness and reveal her secrets to them and she will heap upon him treasures of knowledge and an understanding of justice. But if he fails her, she will abandon him and deliver him into the hands of despoilers.

Sung Psalm

Psalm 90: "You Have Been Our Dwelling Place"

Please repeat refrain after cantor the first time and sing after each verse:

You have been our dwelling place throughout all time, our safety, our refuge, our home.

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Antiphon: O Lord, great peace have they who love your law.

Psalm 119:165, 168, 171, 172, 174, 175

L: Those who love your law have great peace, and for them there is no stumbling block.

R: I keep your precepts and your decrees, for all my ways are before you.

L: My lips pour forth your praise, because you teach me your statutes.

R: May my tongue sing of your promise, for all your commands are just.

L: I long for your salvation, O LORD, and your law is my delight.

R: Let my soul live to praise you, and may your ordinances help me.

Psalm-prayer

So that your people may walk in innocence, you came to us, Lord Jesus, and told us to be holy as your Father is holy. Help your children to love what is truly perfect, so that we may neither speak what is evil nor do what is wrong. Let us stand in your sight and celebrate with you the Father's love and justice.

Antiphon O Lord, great peace have they who love your law.

Gospel: Mark 9:38-40

John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone driving out demons in your name, and we tried to prevent him because he does not follow us." Jesus replied, "Do not prevent him. There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me. For whoever is not against us is for us."

Reflection

Song: "We Are Many Parts"

Refrain: We are many parts, we are all one body; and the gifts we have, we are given to share.

May the Spirit of love make us one indeed; one, the love that we share, one, our hope in despair, one, the cross that we bear.

1: God of all, we look to you, we would be your servants true, let us be your love to all the world.

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Intercessions

Lord's Prayer

Sign of Peace

Closing Prayer

Increase in us, Lord, the faith you have given us, and bring to a harvest worthy of heaven the praise we offer you at the beginning of this new day. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. — Amen.

Dismissal

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

— Amen.

