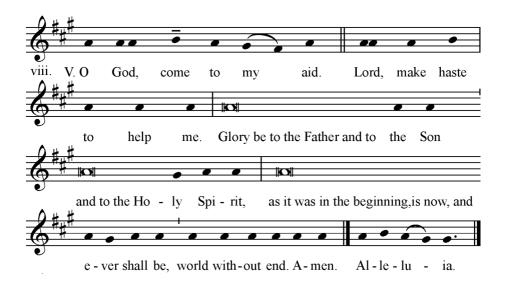
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OFFICE OF 2nd VESPERS SUNDAY WEEK 1&2 WITH BENEDICTION

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1. Introduction



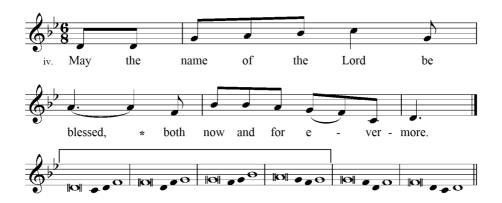
2. Psalmody - three Psalms and a NT Canticle with Antiphons

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

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Repeated after each Psalm and Canticle

SECOND VESPERS OF SUNDAY WEEKS 1 AND 2

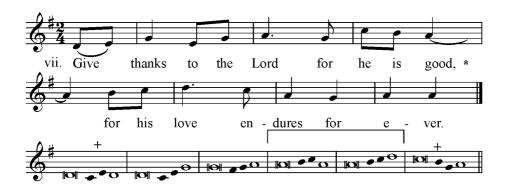


Psalm 112

Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord!
May the name of the Lord be blessed both now and for evermore!
From the rising of the sun to its setting praised be the name of the Lord!

High above all nations is the Lord, above the heavens his glory.
Who is like the Lord, our God, who has risen on high to his throne yet stoops from the heights to look down, to look down upon heaven and earth?

From the dust he lifts up the lowly, from the dungheap he raises the poor to set him in the company of princes, yes, with the princes of his people. To the childless wife he gives a home and gladdens her heart with children.



Psalm 117

Let the sons of Israel say:
"His love endures for ever."
Let the sons of Aaron say:
"His love endures for ever."
Let those who fear the Lord say:
"His love endures for ever."

I called to the Lord in my distress; he answered and freed me.
The Lord is at my side; I do not fear.
What can man do against me?
The Lord is at my side as my helper:
I shall look down on my foes.

It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in men: it is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes.

The nations all encompassed me; in the Lord's name I crushed them.
They compassed me, compassed me about; in the Lord's name I crushed them.
They compassed me about like bees; † they blazed like a fire among thorns.
In the Lord's name I crushed them.

I was thrust down, thrust down and falling but the Lord was my helper. The Lord is my strength and my song; he was my saviour. There are shouts of joy and victory in the tents of the just.

The Lord's right hand has triumphed; †
his right hand raised me.
The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
I shall not die, I shall live
and recount his deeds.
I was punished, I was punished by the Lord,
but not doomed to die.

Open to me the gates of holiness: I will enter and give thanks. This is the Lord's own gate where the just may enter. I will thank you for you have answered and you are my saviour.

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad.

O Lord, grant us salvation; O Lord, grant success. Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes. We bless you from the house of the Lord; the Lord God is our light.

Go forward in procession with branches even to the altar.
You are my God, I thank you.
My God, I praise you.
Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; for his love endures for ever.



Psalm 116

O praise the Lord, all you nations, acclaim him all you peoples! Strong is his love for us; he is faithful for ever. Canticle: 1 Cor 5:7-8; 15:20-22; Rom 6:9-11



Christ our Passover has been sacrificed: let us then celebrate the feast, by casting away the yeast of evil and wickedness, having only the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

For we believe that having died with Christ † with Christ we shall live again, since Christ, we know, is risen from the dead. In Christ man will never die again for death has lost all its power.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

When he died, he died to sin, once for all and his life is now life with God; so we too must consider ourselves to be dead to sin, yet possessing life for God in Christ Jesus.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

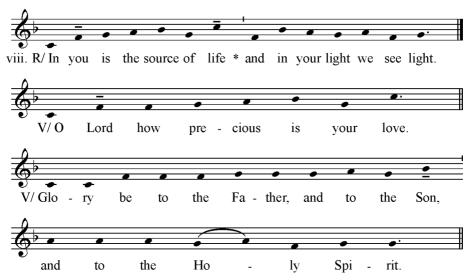
Through one man we came to death: through one man we come to life; for as in Adam all men die, so too in Christ are all men brought to life.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

3. Short Scripture Reading

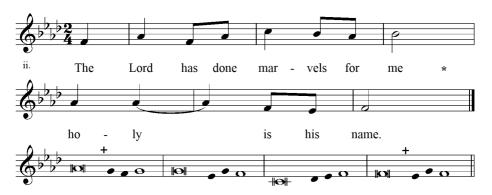
followed by a short silence and the Brief Respond

BRIEF RESPOND



4. HYMN as appointed

5. Magnificat with Proper Antiphon



Luke 1:46-55

My soul glorifies the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God, my Saviour. He looks on his servant in her lowliness; henceforth all ages will call me blessed.

The Almighty works marvels for me. Holy his name! His mercy is from age to age, on those who fear him.

He puts forth his arm in strength and scatters the proud-hearted. He casts the mighty from their thrones and raises the lowly. He fills the hungry with good things sends the rich away empty.

He protects Israel, his servant, remembering his mercy, the mercy promised to our fathers, to Abraham and his sons forever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

6. Intercessions with Kyrie Eleison



7. The Lord's Prayer



8. Collect

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At the Exposition, a hymn is appointed to be sung.

This is followed by a period of Adoration.

THE DIVINE PRAISES



Blessed be God, Blessed be his holy Name: Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true Man.

Blessed be the Name of Jesus: Blessed be his most Sacred Heart.

Blessed be his most Precious Blood: Blessed be Jesus in the most holy Sacrament of the Altar.

Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete: Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most holy.

Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception: Blessed be her glorious Assumption.

Blessed be the Name of Mary, Virgin and Mother: Blessed be Saint Joseph, her Spouse most chaste.

Blessed be God, blessed be God: in his Angels and in his Saints.

TANTUM ERGO

Tantum ergo sacraméntum Venerémur cérnui, Et antíquum documéntum Novo cedat rítui; Præstet fides suppleméntum Sénsuum deféctui.

Genitóri Genitóque Laus et iubilátio, Salus, honor, virtus quoque Sit et benedíctio; Procedénti ab utróque Compar sit laudátio. Amen.

or

Therefore we, before him bending, this great Sacrament revere; types and shadows have their ending, for the newer rite is here; faith, our outward sense befriending, makes the inward vision clear.

Glory let us give, and blessing to the Father and the Son, honour, might and praise addressing, while eternal ages run; ever too his love confessing, who, from Both, with Both is One.

PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

Solemn Antiphon of Our Lady (in Latin)

following Procession to the Lady Chapel

SOLEMN ANTIPHONS TO OUR LADY

Advent to Presentation



February 3rd to Maundy Thursday

