Saturday Commemoration
of the
Blessed Virgin Mary

Psalter: Saturday, Week II

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Opening Verse

Celebrant: Lord, open my lips. R: And my mouth will proclaim your praise.

All: Come, let us worship Christ, the Son of Mary.

Cantor: Come, let us sing to the Lord * and shout with joy to the Rock who saves us. Let us approach him with praise and thanksgiving * and sing joyful songs to the Lord.

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Psalm 95

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The Lord's Prayer

Presiding Minister:

Gathering our prayers and praises into one, we pray as Jesus taught us: Our Father.

The concluding prayer, without the invitation Let us pray, is added immediately after the Lord's Prayer.

Prayer

ORD God, give to your people the joy of continual health in mind and body. * With the prayers of the Virgin Mary to help us, guide us through the sorrows of this life to eternal happiness in the life to come. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, * one God, for ever and ever. R: Amen.

Dismissal

The Lord be with you. R: And also with you.


Go in peace. R: Thanks be to God.
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All : Come, let us worship Christ, the Son of Mary.

Cantor : The Lord is God, the mighty God, / the great king over all the gods. *
He holds in his hands the depths of the earth / and the highest mountains as well. *
He made the sea ; / it belongs to him. *
the dry land, too, / for it was formed by his hands.

All : Come, let us worship Christ, the Son of Mary.

Cantor : Come, then, let us bow down and worship, *
bending the knee before the Lord, our maker.
For he is our God and we are his people, *
the flock he shepherds.

All : Come, let us worship Christ, the Son of Mary.

Cantor : Today, listen to the voice of the Lord : *
Do not grow stubborn, /
as your fathers did in the wilderness,
when at Meriba and Massah / they challenged me and provoked me, *
although they had seen my works.

All : Come, let us worship Christ, the Son of Mary.

Cantor : Forty years I endured that generation. *
I said, / “ They are a people whose hearts go astray / and they do not know my ways. ” 
So I swore in my anger, *
“ They shall not enter into my rest. ”

All : Come, let us worship Christ, the Son of Mary.

Cantor : 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.

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1. Let us glorify our Savior,
who chose the Virgin Mary for his mother.
Let us ask him : Rë Kýrie éléison.

2. Son of Justice,
the immaculate Virgin was the white dawn
announcing your rising,
—grant that we may always live
in the light of your coming. Rë Kýrie éléison.

3. Eternal Word,
you chose Mary as the uncorrupted ark
of your dwelling place,
—free us from the corruption of sin. Rë Kýrie éléison.

4. Savior of mankind,
your mother stood at the foot of your cross,
—grant through her intercession,
that we may rejoice to share in your passion. Rë Kýrie éléison.

5. With ultimate generosity and love,
you gave Mary as a mother
to your beloved disciple,
—help us to live as worthy sons
of so noble a mother. Rë Kýrie éléison.

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Antiphon

Eve shut all her children out of Paradise; the Virgin Mary opened wide its gates.

Intercessions

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Hymn
O gloriosa Domina

Cantor:

1. O glorious Lady throned in rest, A-midst the starry hosts a-bove, Who gaveest nurture from thy breast

To God, with pure material love.

All: What we had lost through sinful Eve
The Blossom sprung from thee restores,
And, granting bliss to souls that grieve,
Unbars the everlasting doors.

Cantor: O Gate, through which hath passed the King,
O Hall, whence light shone through the gloom;
The ransomed nations praise and sing
Life given from the Virgin womb.

All: All honor, laud and glory be,
O Jesus, Virgin-born, to thee!
All glory, as is ever meet,
To Father, and to Paraclete.

A-men.

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give-ness of their sins.

9. In the tender compassion of our God * the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

10. to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, * and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

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

12. as it was in the beginning, is now, * and will be for ev- er. A-men.
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4. He promised to show mercy to our fathers * and to remember his holy covenant.

5. This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham: * to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

6. free to worship him without fear, holy and righteous in his sight * all the days of our life.

7. You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High; * for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,

8. to give his people knowledge of salvation * by the for-

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Psalmody

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S morning breaks * we sing of your mercy, Lord, and night will find us proclaiming your fidelity.

VII c

The cantor begins and alternates verses with the congregation:

Psalm 92

1. It is good to give thanks to the Lord, *
   to make music to your name, O Most High,

2. to proclaim your love in the morning *
   and your truth in the watches of the night,

3. on the ten-stringed lyre and the lute, *
   with the murmuring sound of the harp.

4. Your deeds, O Lord, have made me glad ; *
   for the work of your hands I shout with joy.

5. O Lord, how great are your works ! *
   How deep are your designs !

6. The foolish man cannot know this *
   and the fool cannot understand.

7. Though the wicked spring up like grass *
   and all who do evil thrive : *

8. they are doomed to be eternally destroyed. *
   but you, Lord, are eternally on high.
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9. See how your enemies perish; * all doers of evil are scattered.
10. To me you give the wild-ox's strength; * you anoint me with the purest oil.
11. My eyes looked in triumph on my foes; * my ears heard gladly of their fall.
12. The just will flourish like the palm-tree * and grow like a Lebanon cedar.
13. Planted in the house of the Lord, * they will flourish in the courts of our God,
14. still bearing fruit when they are old, * still full of sap, still green,
15. to proclaim that the Lord is just. * In him, my rock, there is no wrong.
16. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Spirit:
17. as it was in the beginning, is now, * and will be for ever. Amen.

At Lauds

Canticle of Zechariah.  

Lk 1:68-79

The cantor begins and alternates verses with the congregation:

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Less-ed be the Lord, the God of Is-ra-el; * he has

2. He has raised up for us a might-y Sav-ior, * born of the

house of his servant Da-vid.

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X-tol * the greatness of our God.

2. He has raised up for us a might-y Sav-ior, * born of the

house of his servant Da-vid.

3. Through his ho-ly prophets he promised of old that he

would save us from our ene-mies, * from the hands of all who

hate us.
The cantor begins and alternates verses with the congregation:

Cantor : Deuteronomy 32:1-12

1. Give ear, O heavens, while I speak; * let the earth hearken to the words of my mouth!

2. May my instruction soak in like the rain, * and my discourse permeate like the dew,

3. like a downpour upon the grass, * like a shower upon the crops:

4. For I will sing the Lord's renown. * Oh, proclaim the greatness of our God!

5. The Rock—how faultless are his deeds, * how right all his ways!

6. A faithful God without deceit, * how just and upright he is!

7. Yet basely has he been treated by his degenerate children, * a perverse and crooked race!

8. Is the Lord to be thus repaid by you, * O stupid and foolish people?

9. Is he not your father who created you? * Has he not made you and established you?

10. Think back on the days of old, * reflect on the years of age upon age.

11. Ask your father and he will inform you, * ask your elders and they will tell you:

12. When the Most High assigned the nations their heritage, * when he parcelled out the descendants of Adam,

13. he set up the boundaries of the peoples * after the number of the sons of God;

14. while the Lord's own portion was Jacob, * his hereditary share was Israel.
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15. He found them in a wilderness, *
a wasteland of howling desert.
16. He shielded them and cared for them, *
guarding them as the apple of his eye.
17. As an eagle incites its nestlings forth *
by hovering over its brood,
18. so he spread his wings to receive them *
and bore them up on his pinions.
19. The Lord alone was their leader, *
no strange god was with them.
20. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, *
and to the Holy Spirit :
21. as it was in the beginning, is now, *
and will be for ever. Amen.

Choir :

Anti-phon

Ex- tol the greatness of our God.

Cantor : Choir :

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H OW won-der-ful * is your name, O Lord, in all cre-
ivation.

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The cantor begins and alternates verses with the congregation :

Psalm 8

1. How great is your name, O Lord our God, *
through all the earth !

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2. Your majesty is praised above the heavens ; *
on the lips of children and of babes
3. you have found praise to foil your enemy, *
to silence the foe and the rebel.
4. When I see the heavens, the work of your hands, *
the moon and the stars which you arranged,
5. what is man that you should keep him in mind, *
mortal man that you care for him ?
6. Yet you have made him little less than a god ; *
with glory and honor you crowned him,
7. gave him power over the works of your hands, *
put all things under his feet.
8. All of them, sheep and cattle, *
yes, even the savage beasts,
9. birds of the air, and fish *
that make their way through the waters.
10. How great is your name, O Lord our God, *
through all the earth !
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Reading

Galatians 4 : 4-5

Hen the designated time had come, God sent forth his Son
born of a woman, born under the law, to deliver from the law
those who were subjected to it, so that we might receive our status as
adopted sons.