**PRAYER AFTER THE DIVINE OFFICE**

Let every creature give unending praise, honor, power and glory throughout all eternity to the Most Holy and Undivided Trinity, the crucified humanity of our Lord Jesus Christ, the chaste Motherhood of Mary, the ever glorious and blessed Virgin, and to the entire assembly of saints, and may we be granted the forgiveness of our sins.

Blessed is the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary which bore the Son of the Eternal Father. And blessed are the breasts which nursed Christ our Lord.
EASTER. SUNDAY 3
AT SECOND VESPERS
Psalter: Week III

OPENING VERSE
STAND

O God, come to my assistance. R: O 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 for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

Ad cenas Agni providi. (L.M.)
The Cantor begins and alternates verses with All.

1. The Lamb's high banquet we await
   In snow-white robes of royal state:
   And now, the Red Sea's channel past,
   To Christ, our Prince, we sing at last.

2. Upon the altar of the Cross
   His Body hath redeemed our loss:
   And tasting of his roseate Blood
   Our life is hid with him in God.

3. That Paschal eve God's arm was bared:
   The devastating angel spared:
   By strength of hand our hosts went free
   From Pharaoh's ruthless tyranny.

4. Now Christ our Paschal Lamb is slain,
   The Lamb of God who knows no stain:
   The true Oblation offered here,
   Our own unleavened Bread sincere.

5. O thou from whom hell's monarch flies,
   O great, O very Sacrifice,
   Thy captive people are set free,
   And endless life restored in thee.

6. For Christ, arising from the dead,
   From conquered hell victorious sped:
   He thrusts the tyrant down to chains,
   And Paradise for man regains.

7. Maker of all, to thee we pray,
   Fulfill in us thy joy today:
   When death assails grant, Lord, that we
   May share thy Paschal victory.

8. To thee, who dead, again dost live,
   All glory, Lord, thy people give:
   All glory, as is ever meet,
   To Father and to Paraclete. Amen.


BENEDICTION
OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tantum ergo Sacramentum
Venerérüm cérum:
Et antíquum documéntum
Novo códat ritu:
Praestet fídes suppléntum
Sénsuum défectui.

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

Oratio

Deus, qui nobis sub sacraménto mirábilis,
Passiósíus tuae mémorialis
Reliquii : * tribue, quæsumus, ita nos Córporis et Sánguinis tui sacra
mystéria venerári; ut redemptiónis tuæ fructum in nobis iúgiter sentiámus:
Qui vivis et regnas in sæcula sæculórum. R: Amen.

Prayer

Let us pray.

O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament have left us a memorial of your Passion, * grant us, we pray, so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood that we may always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption. Who live and reign for ever and ever. R: Amen.

The Divine Praises

Cantor : Blessed be God. *
   Blessed be his holy Name.
All : Blessed be Jesus Christ, / true God and true man. *
   Blessed be the Name of Jesus.
Cantor : Blessed be his most Sacred Heart. *
   Blessed be his most Precious Blood.
All : Blessed be Jesus in the most holy Sacrament of the Altar. *
   Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete.
Cantor: He purified us from our sins, *
        and is seated at God’s right hand, / alleluia.

Psalm 109

King and Priest

A famous Messianic Psalm. In colorful pictures, the royal psalmist paints
the mission, conflict, and triumph of our Savior. We ought to pray this
Psalm with sentiments of deepest devotion, homage, adoration; for
Christ has applied these words of prophecy to himself.

Christ’s reign will last until all his enemies
are made subject to him (1 Corinthians 15:25)

Appointed King by God

Cantor: The Lord’s revelation to my Master: /
        “Sit on my right: * your foes I will put beneath your feet.”

All: The Lord will wield from Sion your scepter of power: *
        rule in the midst of all your foes.

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

Appointed Priest by God

All: The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change. /
        “You are a priest for ever, * a priest like Melchizedek of old.”

Conqueror and Judge in God

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

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

Doxology

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

All: as it was in the beginning, is now, *
        and will be for ever. Amen.

Cantor: He purified us from our sins, *
        and is seated at God’s right hand, / alleluia.
ANTIPHON 2

Cantor: The Lord has redeemed his people,*
alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm 110

Thanksgiving and deliverance out of Egypt

This Psalm is a hymn of thanksgiving for God's care over his chosen people, especially in delivering them out of Egypt (a type of our redemption). We pray it as the thanksgiving prayer of the Church (and of souls) journeying through the world, away from the bondage of the devil and into the promised land of heaven.

We are lost in wonder at all that you have done for us, our Lord and mighty God (Apocalypse 15:3)

Statement of theme

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

Divine Providence in the history of his people

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

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

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

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

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

In the holy covenant

Cantor: His works are justice and truth; *
his precepts are all of them sure,

All: standing firm for ever and ever: *
they are made in uprightness and truth.

Cantor: He has sent deliverance to his people /
and established his covenant for ever. *
Holy his Name, to be feared.

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

11. as it was in the beginning, is now *
and will be for ever. Amen. The antiphon is repeated by the Cantor.

Ant: Jesus said to his disciples: *
Bring me some of the fish you have just caught.
Simon Peter went aboard and hauled ashore the net,*
full of large fish, alleluia.
Finale

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

Doxology

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

All: as it was in the beginning, is now,* and will be for ever. Amen.

Cantor: The Lord has redeemed his people,* alleluia, alleluia.

ANTIPHON 3

Cantor: Alleluia, our Lord is king;* let us rejoice and give glory to him, / alleluia.

CANTICLE

Apocalypse 19:1-7

The wedding of the Lamb

Cantor: Salvation, glory, and power to our God:*

All: Alleluia.

Cantor: his judgments are honest and true.

All: Alleluia, alleluia.

Cantor: Sing praise to our God, all you his servants,*

All: Alleluia.

Cantor: all who worship him reverently, / great and small.

All: Alleluia, alleluia.

Cantor: The Lord our all-powerful God is King,*

All: Alleluia.

Cantor: let us rejoice, sing praise, and give him glory.

All: Alleluia, alleluia.
Cantor: The wedding feast of the Lamb has begun,*
All: ¶ Alleluia.
Cantor: and his bride is prepared to welcome him.
All: ¶ Alleluia, alleluia.

Cantor: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, /
and to the Holy Spirit:
All: as it was in the beginning, is now, /
and will be for ever. Amen.

Cantor: Alleluia, our Lord is king; *
let us rejoice and give glory to him, / alleluia.

READING Hebrews 10:12-14
Jesus offered one sacrifice for sins and took his seat forever at the right hand of God; now he waits until his enemies are placed beneath his feet. By one offering he has forever perfected those who are being sanctified.

RESPONSORY

Cantor: The Lord is truly risen,*
alleluia, alleluia.
All: The Lord is truly risen,*
alleluia, alleluia.
Cantor: He has appeared to Simon,*
alleluia, alleluia.
All: The Lord is truly risen,*
alleluia, alleluia.
Cantor: Glory to the Father, and to the Son,*
and to the Holy Spirit:
All: The Lord is truly risen,*
alleluia, alleluia.

CANTICLE OF MARY VIII

Ant: Jesus said to his disciples:* Bring me some of the fish / you have just caught.
Simon Peter went aboard and hauled ashore the net,* full of large fish, / alleluia.
The Cantor begins the Canticle, and alternates verses with All.

Cantor: The soul rejoices in the Lord Luke 1:46-55
My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,* and
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.

All: 2. for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant. * From this day all generations will call me blessed:

Cantor: The wedding feast of the Lamb has begun,*
All: + Alleluia.
Cantor: and his bride is prepared to welcome him.
All: + Alleluia.
Cantor: The Lord is truly risen,* alleluia.
All: The Lord is truly risen, * alleluia.
Cantor: He has appeared to Simon,* alleluia.
All: alleluia, alleluia.
Cantor: Glory to the Father, and to the Son,* and to the Holy Spirit:
All: The Lord is truly risen,* alleluia, alleluia.

Cantor: The soul rejoices in the Lord
My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,* and
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.

All: 2. for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant. * From this day all generations will call me blessed:

Cantor: 3. the Almighty has done great things for me,* and holy
is his Name.
All: 4. He has mercy on those who fear him * in every generation.

Cantor: The Lord is truly risen,* alleluia, alleluia.
All: The Lord is truly risen, * alleluia.
Cantor: He has appeared to Simon,* alleluia.
All: alleluia, alleluia.
Cantor: Glory to the Father, and to the Son,* and to the Holy Spirit:
All: The Lord is truly risen,* alleluia, alleluia.
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