FRIDAY IV AT VESPERS

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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.

Hymn

Horis peractis undecim

The hours are passing swiftly by,
And into night the shades will flow,
So let us sing to God with joy
The grateful hymn of praise we owe.

The burden and the heat of day
Have passed in working for our Lord,
So may his vineyard workers all
Receive from him the great reward.

Lord Jesus Christ, you call us now
To labor for our recompense,
Assist our work, then grant us rest,
Until your love shall call us hence.

All glory, Lord, to you we bring,
Creation’s true and only King,
Whom with the Father we adore
And Holy Ghost, for evermore. Amen.
**Week IV**

Day by day I will bless you, Lord; * I will tell of your marvelous deeds.

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**Psalm 144**  
**Praise of God’s majesty**  

*Lord, you are the Just One, who was and who is (Revelation 16:5).*

I will give you glory, O God my King, * I will bless your name for ever.  
I will bless you day after day * and praise your name for ever.  
The Lord is great, highly to be praised, * his greatness cannot be measured.  
Age to age shall proclaim your works, * shall declare your mighty deeds,  
shall speak of your splendor and glory, * tell the tale of your wonderful works.  
They shall speak of your terrible deeds, * recount your greatness and might.  
They will recall your abundant goodness; * age to age shall ring out your justice.  
The Lord is kind and full of compassion, * slow to anger, abounding in love.  
How good is the Lord to all, * compassionate to all his creatures.  
All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, * and your friends shall repeat their blessing.  
They shall speak of the glory of your reign * and declare your might, O God,  
to make known to men your mighty deeds * and the glorious splendor of your reign.  
Yours is an everlasting kingdom; * your rule lasts from age to age.  
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.

*The Antiphon is repeated.*

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O you alone, Lord, we look with confidence; * you are ever close to those who call upon you.

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The Lord is faithful in all his words * and loving in all his deeds.

The Lord supports all who fall * and raises all who are bowed down.

The eyes of all creatures look to you * and you give them their food in due time.

You open wide your hand, * grant the desires of all who live.

The Lord is just in all his ways * and loving in all his deeds.

He is close to all who call him, * who call on him from their hearts.

He grants the desires of those who fear him, * he hears their cry and he saves them.

The Lord protects all who love him ; * but the wicked he will utterly destroy.

Let me speak the praise of the Lord, † let all mankind bless his holy name * for ever, for ages unending.

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.

The Antiphon is repeated.
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Canticle of Revelation
Revelation 15:3-4

Mighty and wonderful are your works, * Lord God Almighty!
Righteous and true are your ways, * O King of the nations!
Who would dare refuse you honor, * or the glory due your name, O Lord?
Since you alone are holy, † all nations shall come and worship in your presence. * Your mighty deeds are clearly seen.
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.

Short Responsory

Christ died for our sins * To make of us an offering to God. Christ. The Lord be with you.

Hymn of adoration

through the suffering of Christ your Son. * May your people strive to offer themselves to you as a living sacrifice and be filled with the abundance of your love. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Dismissal

O in peace. Thanks be to God.
Christ, our frail humanity is prone to fall,
—strengthen us through your help.

Left to ourselves, our nature is inclined to sin,
—let your love always restore it to grace.
Lord, sin offends you, repentance pleases you,
—do not punish us in your wrath
even when we have sinned.
You forgave the penitent woman,
and placed the wandering sheep on your shoulders,
—do not deprive us of your mercy.
By your death on the Cross you opened the gates of heaven,
—admit into your kingdom all who have hoped in you.

**The Lord’s Prayer**

* Athering our prayers and praises into one, let us
* Offer the prayer Christ himself taught us: **R**. Our Father.

**Prayer**

* OD our Father, you brought salvation to all mankind

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Friday at Vespers

At *Magnificat*, *Antiphon II D*

**R**

* E- member your mer- cy, Lord, * the promise of
* Mercy to our fa- thers.

**Canticle of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

_Lk 1: 46-55_

**M**

* Y soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, * my
* Spirit rejoices in God my Savior

2. for he has looked with fa-vor * on his low-ly servant.

3. From this day all gener-a-tions * will call me blessed :

4. the Almighy has done great things for me, * and holy is his
* Name.

5. He has mercy on those who fear him * in ev’ry gener-a-tion.
6. He has shown the strength of his arm, * he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

7. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, * and has lifted up the lowly.

8. He has filled the hungry with good things, * and the rich he has sent away empty.

9. He has come to the help of his servant, Is-ra-el * for he has remembered his promise of mercy,

10. the promise he made to our fathers, * to Abraham and his children for ev- er.

11. Glo-ry to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Ho-ly

Spir- it:

12. as it was in the beginning, * is now, and will be for ev-er.

A- men.

Intercessions

ET us pray to Christ, the source of hope for all who know his name:

Y- ri- e- le- i- son.