# **Morning Prayer**

The Seventh Sunday of Easter: The Sunday after the Ascension

Sunday, May 24, 2020

The Officiant says

The hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for such the Father seeks to worship him. *John 4:23* 

# **Invitatory and Psalter**

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Officiant and People

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.

The earth is the Lord's, for he made it: Come let us adore him.

#### Psalm 95:1-7

Venite

Come, let us sing to the Lord; \*

let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \* and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, \*

and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \*

and the heights of the hills are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it, \*

and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \*

and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is our God,

and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. \*

Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

### Exsurgat Deus

- 1 Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered; \* let those who hate him flee before him.
- <sup>2</sup> Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it away; \* as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.
- <sup>3</sup> But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; \* let them also be merry and joyful.
- 4 Sing to God, sing praises to his Name; exalt him who rides upon the heavens; \*
  YAHWEH is his Name, rejoice before him!
- 5 Father of orphans, defender of widows, \* God in his holy habitation!
- God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners into freedom; \*
   but the rebels shall live in dry places.
- O God, when you went forth before your people, \* when you marched through the wilderness,
- 8 The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain, at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, \* at the presence of God, the God of Israel.
- 9 You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance; \* you refreshed the land when it was weary.
- 10 Your people found their home in it; \*
  in your goodness, O God, you have made provision
  for the poor.
- 33 Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; \* sing praises to the Lord.
- 34 He rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; \* he sends forth his voice, his mighty voice.
- 35 Ascribe power to God; \* his majesty is over Israel;

his strength is in the skies.

36 How wonderful is God in his holy places! \*
the God of Israel giving strength and power to his people!
Blessed be God!

After the Psalms, all say together

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.

# **Readings**

First Reading Acts 1:6-14

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the apostles had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

#### Canticle 19

The Song of the Redeemed Magna et mirabilia

O ruler of the universe, Lord God, great deeds are they that you have done, \* surpassing human understanding.

Your ways are ways of righteousness and truth, \* O King of all the ages.

Who can fail to do you homage, Lord, and sing the praises of your Name? \* for you only are the holy One.

All nations will draw near and fall down before you, \* because your just and holy works have been revealed.

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.

### **Second Reading**

1 Peter 4:12-14;5:6-11

A Reading from the First letter of Peter.

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ's sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you. Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

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#### Canticle 20

Glory to God *Gloria in excelsis*Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Gospel Reading John 17:1-11

A Reading from John.

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed. I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am

asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one."

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### **Homily**

### **Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit

and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

# **Prayers**

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

Officiant and People

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Officiant and People say responsively

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- V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
- R. And grant us your salvation.
- V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
- R. Let your people sing with joy.
- V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
- R. For only in you can we live in safety.
- V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
- R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
- V. Let your way be known upon earth;
- R. Your saving health among all nations.
- V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
- R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
- V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
- R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

# Collect of the Day

The Officiant then says

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has

gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen*.

### A Collect for Sundays

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

### **Prayers of the People**

Intercessor

As we lift up our prayers, the people's response is: Let us reflect your glory.

Leader: Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. As Jesus did, let us lift up intercessions and petitions on behalf of those in need of God's care and protection, saying: We are yours: Let us reflect your glory.

Holy Father, protect your Church for your name's sake, so that we may be one even as you are one with your Son Jesus and the Holy Spirit. Restore, support, strengthen, and establish us to continue your kingdom work, virtually as well as face to face. We are yours: **Let us reflect your glory.** 

Almighty God, you alone are worthy of allegiance. May the kingdoms and nations of the world, and all their leaders, ascribe power to God, and strive for justice, peace and safety for all. We are yours: **Let us reflect your glory.** 

God of love, you are the father of orphans and the defender of the vulnerable. You provide for the poor and those who are alone. Raise us up to love and serve so that all may find a home in you. We remember before you this day all those who serve, particularly our first responders and health care professionals. We lift up to you this day: Pat, Chris, Bonnie, Jessie, Candy, Cass, Erin, Nick, Phil, Jeremy. We are yours: **Let us reflect your glory.** 

God of heaven and earth, all that we have has been given to us by you. May we honor the gift of your creation by caring for it wisely. We are yours: **Let us reflect your glory.** 

God our judge, on this Memorial Day weekend, we remember before you with grateful hearts the men and women of our country who in the day of decision ventured much for the liberties we now enjoy. May we honor their sacrifice and work for true freedom for all. We are yours: **Let us reflect your glory.** 

God of grace and mercy, may those who are sick and suffering know that they can cast their anxiety on you. Protect them and drive away from them all the enemies that afflict them in body, mind, or soul. We remember before you this day Bob, Becky, Sally, Clara J., Mike, Ciara, Bob T., Richard, Julie and family, Babs, Bill M., Megann, Nicola, Jodie and family, Jason, Mike, Walter and family, Ginny, Steve and Mike, Andrew, Jim C., John, Alyssa and family, Bobbie, Jason, Walter and family, Joe D., Dennis, Kyle, Noelle, Diana, Erin S., Emily, Cathy, Maria, Helena, Janet, Barbara, Dorothy, Maureen, Julie, Robert, Denise, Ryland, Dan, Valerie, Felix, 'G', Iain, Molly, Lisa, Natalie, Thomas, Marie, Larry, Susan, Clara, Rita, Joe and his family, Cecilia, Doree, Doug, Samuel, Jack, Bob, Carol, Lydia, Norman, Alex, Charlie, Chris, Diane, Donald, the Passaro family. We are yours: Let us reflect your glory.

God of eternal life, through your Son we have been invited into oneness with you. Give to the departed, especially Alyssa, Millie, Mike, Jimmy, Richard, Lois, and those who have died alone in a hospital or nursing home, the eternal life and joy promised. Comfort and sustain those who mourn, especially the Cunniffe, Thomas, Gardener, Dashkavich, Ross and Eppich families, Millie's family, and Julie and family, so that they may once again know the fullness of your joy. We are yours: Let us reflect your glory.

We invite your own prayers of intercession and thanksgiving at this time, either silently or aloud....

We remember: health care workers, hospital workers, police, fire, EMT's;
Essential workers—store clerks, restaurant and repair persons,
delivery and postal workers, landscapers, teachers, government
workers, outreach volunteers. We also ask for protection for those
starting work again recently, such as auto dealer workers, retail
workers, construction workers, those working in our parks, on
boats, beaches and boardwalks;

Those struggling with mental illness and addictions; Parents, particularly single parents; Students, especially those with special needs and those graduating; The unemployed, underemployed and small business owners; Government leaders, scientists and researchers.

### A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen*.

Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia. *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.* 

Officiant

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. *Amen.* 2 Corinthians 13:14

#### Announcements

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings—please type names in comments or email Mother Debbie in advance at mother.debbie@comcast.net

### Order of Services through early June:

10:15 a.m. Sundays: Sunday Morning Prayer

9:00 p.m. Tuesdays: Compline

10:00 a.m. Wednesdays: Healing Service Prayers

9:00 p.m. Thursdays: Compline

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As of Friday morning, May 22, we do not have any information on when our buildings can be reopened, or when we can resume in-person services. We are waiting for Diocesan/Bishop's permission and guidance before we make any local decisions.