

Evening Prayer

Begin with this while making the sign of the cross:

God, + come to my assistance.

– 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.

Canticle: Revelation 11:17-18; 12:10b-12a

Antiphon: Now the victorious reign of our God has begun.

We praise you, the Lord God Almighty,
who is and who was.
You have assumed your great power,
you have begun your reign.

The nations have raged in anger,
but then came your day of wrath
and the moment to judge the dead:
the time to reward your servants the prophets
and the holy ones who revere you,
the great and the small alike.

Now have salvation and power come,
The reign of our God and the authority
of his Anointed One.
For the accuser of our brothers is cast out,
who night and day accused them before God.

They defeated him by the blood of the Lamb
and by the word of their testimony;
love for life did not deter them from death.
So rejoice, you heavens,
and you that dwell therein!

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.

Silent Prayer

Take a minute or two of silence for prayer using the above canticle as a starting point.

Antiphon: Now the victorious reign of our God has begun.

Scripture Reading - James 4:7-8, 10

Submit to God; resist the devil and he will take flight.
Draw close to God, and he will draw close to you. Cleanse
your hands, you sinners; purify your hearts, you
backsliders. Be humbled in the sight of the Lord and he
will raise you on high.

Intercessions

- Lord, source of all holiness, draw bishops, priests and
deacons closer to Christ through the Eucharistic mystery,
may they grow daily in the grace of their ordination. (*If
praying with others, add: We pray to the Lord.*)

- God of compassion and healing, watch over those who
are ill and their caregivers, especially COVID-19 patients,
may they be granted your strength. (*If praying with others,
add: We pray to the Lord.*)

- Teach Christ's faithful people to be devout and
attentive at the table of his word and of his Body, so that
they may bring into their daily lives the grace they receive
through faith and sacrament. (*If praying with others, add:
We pray to the Lord.*)

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father . . .

Concluding Prayer

Merciful Father,
may the penance of our lenten observance
make us your obedient people.
May the love within us be seen in what we do
and lead us to the joy of Easter.

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.

– Amen.