

MORNING PRAYER

FOR

**HOLY THURSDAY
FATHER ANTHONY**

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Leader: **+God, come to my assistance**

All: Lord, make haste to help me.

Leader: **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 forever. Amen.*

HYMN

THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION

AURELIA



1. The Chur-ch's one foun - da - tion Is Je - sus Christ her Lord;
2. E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, Yet one o'er all the earth,
3. 'Mid toil and trib - u - la - tion, And tu - mult of her war,
4. Yet she on earth hath un - ion With God, the Three-in - One,



1. She is his new cre - a - tion By wa - ter and the word:
2. Her char - ter of sal - va - tion, "One Lord, one faith, one birth!"
3. She waits the con - sum - ma - tion Of peace for - ev - er - more,
4. And with the saints, com - mun - ion With those whose rest is won.



1. From heav'n he came and sought her To be his ho - ly bride;
2. One ho - ly Name she bless - es, Par - takes one ho - ly food,
3. Till with the vi - sion glo - rious Her long - ing eyes are blest,
4. O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we



1. With his own blood he bought her, And for her life he died.
2. And to one hope she press - es With ev - 'ry grace en - dued.
3. And the great Church vic - to - rious Shall be the Church at rest.
4. Like them, the meek and low - ly, On high may dwell with thee.

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[SIT]

Leader: **Look, O Lord, and see my suffering.
Come quickly to my aid.**

SAVE US, O LORD

Bob Dufford, SJ

Refrain

Save us, O Lord; car-ry us back. Rouse your pow-er and come.

Res-cue your peo-ple; show us your face. Bring us back.

Verse 1

1. O Shep-herd of Is - ra - el, hear us. Re - turn and we shall be

1. saved. A - rise, O Lord; hear our cries, O Lord: bring us back!

Verse 2

2. How long will you hide from your peo-ple? We long to

2. see your face. Give ear to us. Draw near to us, Lord God of hosts!

Verse 3

3. Turn a-gain; care for your vine; pro - tect what your

3. right hand has plant-ed. Your vine-yards are tram-pled, up -

3. root-ed, and burned. Come to us, Fa - ther of might!

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PSALM PRAYER

Leader: Lord God, eternal shepherd, you so tend the vineyard you planted that now it extends its branches even to the farthest coast. Look down on your Church and come to us. Help us remain in your Son as branches on the vine, that, planted firmly in your love, we may testify before the whole world to your great power working everywhere.

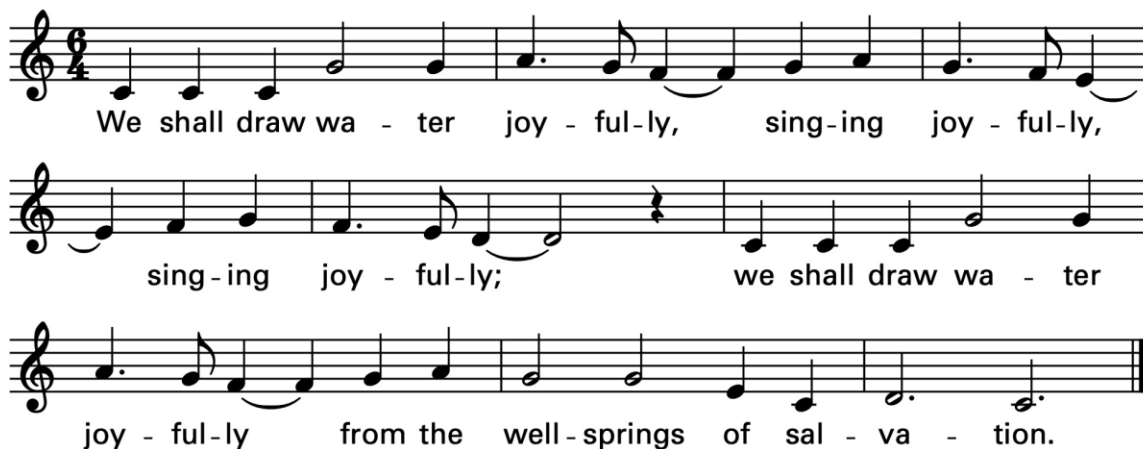
*All: Look, O Lord, and see my suffering.
Come quickly to my aid.*

[SLIGHT PAUSE]

Leader: God is my savior; I trust in him and shall not fear.

ISAIAH 12: WE SHALL DRAW WATER

Paul Inwood



1. Truly God is our salvation;
we trust, we shall not fear.
For the Lord is our strength,
the Lord is our song;
he became our Savior.
2. Give thanks, O give thanks to the Lord;
give praise to his holy name!
Make his mighty deeds known to
all of the nations; proclaim his greatness.
3. Sing a psalm, sing a psalm to the Lord
for he has done glorious deeds.
Make known his works to all of the earth;
people of Zion, sing for joy,
for great in your midst, great in your midst
is the Holy One of Israel.

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Leader: **The Lord has fed us with the finest wheat; he has filled us with honey from the rock.**

PSALM 81

R - Ring out your joy to God our strength, shout in triumph to the God of Jacob,

L - Raise a song and sound the timbrel, the sweet sounding harp and the lute, blow the trumpet at the new moon, when the moon is full, on our feast.

R - For this is Israel's law, a command of the God of Jacob. He imposed it as a rule on Joseph, when he went out against the land of Egypt.

L - A voice I did not know said to me: "I freed your shoulder from the burden; your hands were freed from the load, You called in distress and I saved you.

R - I answered, concealed in the storm cloud; at the waters of Meribah I tested you. Listen, my people, to my warning, O Israel, if only you would heed!

L - Let there be no foreign god among you, no worship of an alien god. I am the Lord your God, who brought you from the land of Egypt. Open wide your mouth and I will fill it.

R - But my people did not heed my voice and Israel would not obey, so I left them in their stubbornness of heart to follow their own designs.

L - O that my people would heed me, that Israel would walk in my ways! At once I would subdue their foes, turn my hand against their enemies.

R - The Lord's enemies would cringe at their feet and their subjection would last for ever. But Israel I would feed with finest wheat and fill them with honey from the rock."

L - Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit

R - As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

PSALM PRAYER

Leader: Lord God, open our mouths to proclaim your glory. Help us to leave sin behind and to rejoice in professing your name.

All: The Lord has fed us with the finest wheat; he has filled us with honey from the rock.

READING: HEBREWS 2: 9-10

We see Jesus crowned with glory and honor because he suffered death, that through God's gracious will he might taste death for the sake of all men. Indeed, it was fitting that when bringing many sons to glory God, for whom and through whom all things exist, should make their leader in the work of salvation perfect through suffering.

BRIEF REFLECTION

RESPONSORY

Reader: By your own blood, Lord, you brought us back to God.

All: By your own blood, Lord, you brought us back to God.

Reader: From every tribe, and tongue, and people and nation,

All: you brought us back to God.

Reader: Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit

All: By your own blood, Lord, you brought us back to God.

[SLIGHT PAUSE]

[STAND]

CANTICLE OF ZECHARIAH

Antiphon

Leader: I have longed to eat this meal with you before I suffer.

R - +Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; he has come to his people and set them free.

L - He has raised up for us a mighty savior, born of the house of his servant David.

R - Through his holy prophets he promised of old, that he would save us from our enemies, from the hands of all who hate us.

L - He promised to show mercy to our fathers and to remember his holy covenant.

R - This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham to set us free from the hands of our enemies, free to worship him without fear, holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.

L - You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way, to give his people knowledge of salvation by the forgiveness of their sins.

R - In the tender compassion of our God the dawn from on high shall break upon us, to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace,

L - Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit

R - As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Antiphon— *repeated*

All: I have longed to eat this meal with you before I suffer.

INTERCESSIONS

Leader: The Father anointed Christ with the Holy Spirit to proclaim forgiveness to those in bondage. Let us humbly call upon the eternal priest:



Leader: You went up to Jerusalem to suffer and so enter into your glory,

*All: Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy,
Lord have mercy on us.*

Leader: You were lifted high on the cross and pierced by the soldier's lance,

*All: Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy,
Lord have mercy on us.*

Leader: You made the cross the tree of life,

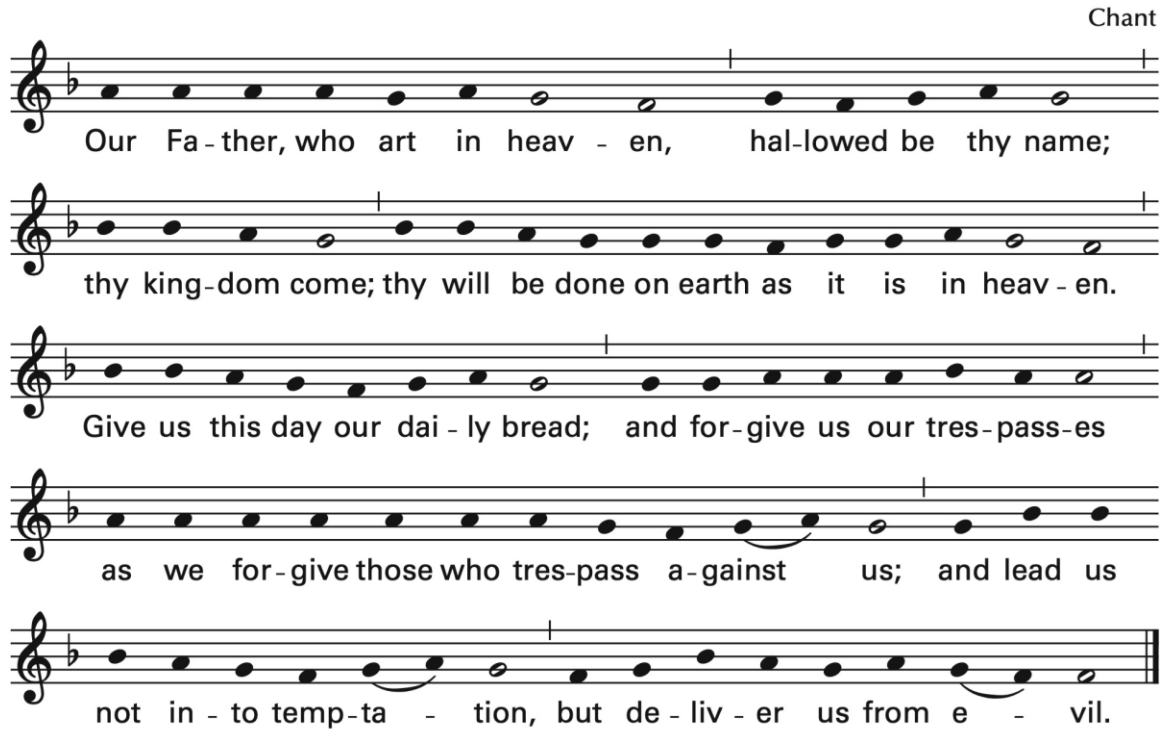
*All: Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy,
Lord have mercy on us.*

Leader: On the cross you forgave the repentant thief,

*All: Lord, have mercy, Lord, have mercy,
Lord have mercy on us.*

Leader: Gathering our prayers and praises
 into one, let us offer the prayer Christ
 Himself taught us...

Chant



Our Fa - ther, who art in heav - en, hal - lowed be thy name;
thy king - dom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heav - en.
Give us this day our dai - ly bread; and for - give us our tres - pass - es
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us; and lead us
not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil.

Music: Chant; adapt. by Robert J. Snow, 1926–1998.

PRAYER

Leader: God of infinite compassion, to love you is to be made holy; fill our hearts with your love. By the death of your Son you have given us hope, born of faith; by his rising again fulfill this hope in the perfect love of heaven, where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

All: Amen

DISMISSAL

Leader: **The Lord be with you.**

All: *And with your spirit.*

Leader: **May almighty God bless you, the
+Father, and the Son, and the Holy
Spirit.**

All: *Amen.*

Leader: **Go in peace.**

All: *Thanks be to God.*

HYMN

CHURCH OF GOD, ELECT AND GLORIOUS

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1. Church of God, e - lect and glo - rious, ho - ly na - tion,
 2. God has called you out of dark - ness in - to his most
 3. Once you were an al - ien peo - ple, strang - ers to God's
 4. Church of God, e - lect and ho - ly, be the peo - ple

1. cho - sen race; called as God's own spe - cial
 2. mar - v'lous light, brought his truth to life with -
 3. heart of love; but he brought you home in
 4. he in - tends; strong in faith and swift to

1. peo - ple, roy - al priests and heirs of grace: know the
 2. in you, turned your blind - ness in - to sight. Let your
 3. mer - cy, cit - i - zens of heav'n a - bove. Let his
 4. an - swer each com - mand your mas - ter sends: roy - al

1. pur - pose of your call - ing, show to all God's
 2. light so shine a - round you that God's name is
 3. love flow out to oth - ers, let them feel a
 4. priests, ful - fill your call - ing through your sac - ri -

1. might - y deeds; tell of love which knows no
 2. glo - ri - fied; and all find fresh hope and
 3. Fa - ther's care; that they too may know his
 4. fice and prayer; give your lives in joy - ful

1. lim - its, grace which meets all hu - man needs.
 2. pur - pose in Christ Je - sus cru - ci - fied.
 3. wel - come and his count - less bless - ings share.
 4. ser - vice, sing his praise, his love de - clare.

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