

The Sodality of St. Edmund, King and Martyr

(A Catholic Community in the Diocese of Hamilton)



September 26, 2021

Evensong (Evening Prayer)

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Background:

Our goal, as a Catholic Community, is to join the North American Ordinariate once we are established!

On November 4, 2009, Pope Benedict XVI promulgated the **Apostolic Constitution, *Anglicanorum coetibus***, and thereby formally responded to requests of many who embraced an Anglican patrimony to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church within the Latin Rite.

The Pope established 3 Personal Ordinariates:

The Personal Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham (England, Wales, and Scotland)

The Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of St. Peter (USA, and Canada)

The Personal Ordinariate of Our Lady of the Southern Cross (Australia, and Japan)

Members of a personal ordinariate are full members of the Roman Catholic Church with all the rights, privileges and obligations of any other Catholic.

Evensong (Evening Prayer) is one of the gifts of the Anglican patrimony that has been approved by the Holy See. We follow the guidelines of the North American Ordinariate - Evensong in accordance with:

- 1) the 1962 Canadian Book of Common Prayer,
- 2) the lessons from the King James Version of the Bible, and
- 3) the hymns, and settings from the 1938 Book of Common Praise.
- 4) the settings for the psalms from The Canadian Psalter, Plainsong Edition

We, initially, intend to have Evensong, monthly, on the last Sunday of the month.

Hymn – SINFUL, sighing to be blest *(ST. BEES)*

SINFUL, sighing to be blest;
Bound, and longing to be free;
Weary, waiting for my rest:
GOD be merciful to me.

Goodness I have none to plead,
Sinfulness in all I see,
I can only bring my need:
GOD be merciful to me.

Broken heart and downcast eyes
Dare not lift themselves to thee;
Yet thou canst interpret sighs:
GOD be merciful to me.

From this sinful heart of mine
To thy bosom I would flee:
I am not mine own, but thine:
GOD be merciful to me.

There is One beside the throne,
And my only hope and plea
Are in him, and him alone:
GOD be merciful to me.

He my cause will undertake,
My Interpreter will be:
He's my all; and for his sake
GOD be merciful to me. Amen.

Sentence from Holy Scripture

The Officiant says, all remain standing

I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into
the house of the Lord.

Psalm 122. 1.

The Exhortation

The Officiant continues

DEARLY beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloke them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy.

And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul.

Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice unto the throne of the heavenly grace.

All kneel

A general Confession

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father, (*all*) We have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, We have offended against thy holy laws, We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, And we have done those things which we ought not to have done; And there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults. Restore thou them all that are penitent; According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

The Officiant says

GRANT, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace; that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The People shall answer here, and at the end of all other prayers:

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

OUR Father (*all*) 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 them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Officiant. + O Lord, open thou our lips;

People. And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

Officiant. + O God, make speed to save us;

People. O Lord, make haste to help us.

All stand

Officiant. GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

People. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Officiant. Praise ye the Lord;

People. The Lord's Name be praised.

The Psalms

All sit. It is appropriate to bow, while sitting, at the Gloria Patri.

Psalm 8

Domine, Dominus noster.



- 1 O LORD our Governor, how excellent is thy Name in all the **world** : thou that hast set thy glory a-**bove** the hea-**vens**!
- 2 Out of the mouth of very babes and sucklings hast thou ordained strength, because of thine **en-e-mies** : that thou mightest still the enemy and **the** a-**veng-er**.
- 3 When I consider thy heavens, even the work of thy **fin-gers** : the moon and the stars, which thou **hast** or-**dain-ed**;
- 4 What is man, that thou art mindful of **him** : and the son of man, that thou **vi-si-test** him?
- 5 Thou hast made him but little lower than the **an-gels** : and dost crown him with glo-**ry** and wor-**ship**.
- 6 Thou makest him to have dominion over the works of thy **hands** : and thou hast put all things in subjection **un-der** his feet;
- 7 All sheep and **ox-en** : yea, and the **beasts** of the field;
- 8 The birds of the air, and the fishes of the **sea** : and whatsoever moveth through the **paths** of the seas.
- 9 O Lord our **Go-vern-er** : how excellent is thy **Name** in all the **world**!
Glory be to the Father, and to the **Son** : and **to** the Ho-ly **Ghost**;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever **shall** be : world with-**out** end.
A-men.

Psalm 84

Quam dilecta!

I. 2.



- 1 O HOW lovely are thy **dwel**-lings : (-) thou Lörd of^hösts!
- 2 My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of **the** Lord : my heart and my flesh rejoice **in** the li-ving Göd.
- 3 Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest where she may lay **her** young : even thine altars, O Lord of hosts, my **King** and mÿ Göd.
- 4 Blessed are they that dwell in **thy** house : they will be **al**-way präis-ing^hthée.
- 5 Blessed are the men whose strength is **in** thee : in whose heart **are** the pil-grim^hwäys;
- 6 Who going through the Vale of Misery use it for **a** well : yea, the early rain covereth **it** with blëss-ings.
- 7 They go from strength **to** strength : and unto the God of gods appeareth every one of **them** in Si-ön.

- 8 O Lord God of hosts, hear **my** prayer : hearken, O **God** of Jä-cöb.
- 9 Behold, O God, **our** shield : and look upon the face of **thine** an-oïnt-ëd.
- 10 For one day in **thy** courts : is better **than** a thöu-sänd.
- 11 I had rather be a door-keeper in the house of **my** God : than to dwell in the tents **of** un-göd-li^hnëss.
- 12 For the Lord God is a light and defënce; the Lord will give grace and **glo**-ry : and no good thing shall he withhold from them that **lead** a göd-ly^hlife.
- 13 O Lord God **of** hosts : blessed is the man that put-**teth** his trüst in^hthée.
Glory be to the Father, and to **the** Son : and **to** the Hö-ly^hGhöst;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever **shall** be : world with-**out** end.
Ä-mën.

The First Lesson

The People remain seated for the First Lesson

The First Lesson is written in the 4th chapter of The Book of Job, the 1st verse, and the 5th chapter, beginning at the 6th verse:

Then Eliphaz the Temanite answered and said,

Although affliction cometh not forth of the dust, neither doth trouble spring out of the ground;

Yet man is born unto trouble, as the sparks fly upward.

I would seek unto God, and unto God would I commit my cause:

Which doeth great things and unsearchable; marvellous things without number:

Who giveth rain upon the earth, and sendeth waters upon the fields:

To set up on high those that be low; that those which mourn may be exalted to safety.

He disappointeth the devices of the crafty, so that their hands cannot perform *their* enterprise.

He taketh the wise in their own craftiness: and the counsel of the froward is carried headlong.

They meet with darkness in the daytime, and grope in the noonday as in the night.

But he saveth the poor from the sword, from their mouth, and from the hand of the mighty.

So the poor hath hope, and iniquity stoppeth her mouth.

Behold, happy *is* the man whom God correcteth: therefore despise not thou the chastening of the Almighty:

For he maketh sore, and bindeth up: he woundeth, and his hands make whole.

He shall deliver thee in six troubles: yea, in seven there shall no evil touch thee.

In famine he shall redeem thee from death: and in war from the power of the sword.

Thou shalt be hid from the scourge of the tongue: neither shalt thou be afraid of destruction when it cometh.

At destruction and famine thou shalt laugh: neither shalt thou be afraid of the beasts of the earth.

For thou shalt be in league with the stones of the field: and the beasts of the field shall be at peace with thee.

And thou shalt know that thy tabernacle *shall be* in peace; and thou shalt visit thy habitation, and shalt not sin.

Thou shalt know also that thy seed *shall be* great, and thine offspring as the grass of the earth.

Thou shalt come to *thy* grave in a full age, like as a shock of corn cometh in in his season.

Lo this, we have searched it, so it *is*; hear it, and know thou *it* for thy good.

Here endeth the First Lesson.

Magnificat
(The Song of the Blessed Virgin Mary)
St Luke 1. 46



Sung by all, standing

+ MY soul doth ¹ magnify • the ¹ LORD : and my spirit hath re-¹joiced •
in ¹ God my ¹ Saviour.

For ¹ he hath • re-¹garded : the ¹ lowli-ness ¹ of his ¹ hand-maiden.

For be-¹hold from ¹ henceforth : all gene-¹rations • shall ¹ call me ¹
blessèd.

For he that is mighty hath ¹ magni- • fied ¹ me : and ¹ holy ¹ is his ¹
Name.

And his mercy is on ¹ them that ¹ fear him : throughout ¹ all ¹ gene-¹
rations.

He hath showed ¹ strength • with his ¹ arm : he hath scattered the
proud in the imagi-¹nation ¹ of their ¹ hearts.

He hath put down the mighty ¹ from their ¹ seat : and hath ex-¹alted •
the humble • and ¹ meek.

He hath filled the ¹ hungry • with ¹ good things : and the rich he ¹ hath
sent ¹ empty • a-¹way.

He re-¹membering • his ¹ mercy : hath ¹ holpen • his ¹ servant ¹ Israel;

As he promised ¹ to our ¹ forefathers : Abraham ¹ and his ¹ seed for ¹
ever.

GLORY be to the Father, and ¹ to the ¹ Son : and ¹ to the ¹ Holy ¹ Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ¹ ever ¹ shall be : world without
¹ end. ¹ A-¹men.

The Second Lesson

The People sit for the Second Lesson

The Second Lesson is written in the 11th chapter of The Gospel according to St. Matthew, beginning at the 2nd verse:

Now when John had heard in the prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples,

And said unto him, Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another?

Jesus answered and said unto them, Go and shew John again those things which ye do hear and see:

The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them.

And blessed is *he*, whosoever shall not be offended in me.

And as they departed, Jesus began to say unto the multitudes concerning John, What went ye out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken with the wind?

But what went ye out for to see? A man clothed in soft raiment? behold, they that wear soft *clothing* are in kings' houses.

But what went ye out for to see? A prophet? yea, I say unto you, and more than a prophet.

For this is *he*, of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.

Verily I say unto you, Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist: notwithstanding he that is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.

And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force.

For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John.

And if ye will receive *it*, this is Elias, which was for to come.

He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.

But whereunto shall I liken this generation? It is like unto children sitting in the markets, and calling unto their fellows,

And saying, We have piped unto you, and ye have not danced; we have mourned unto you, and ye have not lamented.

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, He hath a devil.

The Son of man came eating and drinking, and they say, Behold a man gluttonous, and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners. But wisdom is justified of her children.

Here endeth the Second Lesson.

Nunc Dimittis
(The Song of Simeon)
St Luke 2. 29

Tonus Peregrinus



Sung by all, standing

+ LORD, now lettest thou thy servant de-¹ part in¹ peace :
ac-¹ cording¹ to thy¹ word.

For mine eyes have¹ seen thy • sal-¹ vation : which thou hast
prepared be-¹ fore the¹ face of • all¹ people;

To be a light to¹ lighten • the¹ Gentiles : and to be the¹ glory of • thy¹
people¹ Israel.

GLORY be to the Father, and¹ to the¹ Son : and¹ to the¹ Holy¹ Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and¹ ever¹ shall be : world without¹
¹ end. ¹ A-¹ men.

**The Confession of the Faith
(called the Apostles' Creed)**

Said by all, standing

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, (*all*) Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholic Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, And the + Life everlasting. Amen.

All kneel

Officiant. O Lord hear our prayer;

People. And let our cry come unto thee.

Officiant. Let us pray.

Lesser Litany

Officiant. Lord, have mercy upon us.

People. Christ, have mercy upon us.

Officiant. Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Lord's Prayer

OUR Father (*all*) 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 them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

All remain kneeling

Suffrages

Officiant. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

People. And grant us thy salvation.

Officiant. O Lord, save the Queen;

People. And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Officiant. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness;

People. And make thy chosen people joyful.

Officiant. O Lord, save thy people;

People. And bless thine inheritance.

Officiant. Give peace in our time, O Lord;

People. And evermore mightily defend us.

Officiant. O God, make clean our hearts within us;

People. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Collects

The Officiant says

The Collect of the Day

LORD, we pray thee that thy grace may always precede and follow us: and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

The Second Collect, for Peace

O GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

The Third Collect, for Aid against all Perils

LIGHTEN our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

All stand for the Hymn

Hymn – O FOR a thousand tongues to sing *(Richmond)*

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O FOR a thousand tongues to sing
My dear Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my GOD and King,
The triumphs of his grace!

JESUS – the Name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
'Tis life, and health, and peace.

He speaks – and, listening to his voice,
New life and dead receive,
The mournful broken hearts rejoice,
The humble poor believe.

Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb,
Your loosened tongues employ;
Ye blind, behold your SAVIOUR come;
And leap, ye lame, for joy!

My gracious Master and my GOD,
Assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad
The honours of thy Name. Amen.

All kneel, the Officiant says

A Prayer for the Queen and the Commonwealth

ALMIGHTY God, the fountain of all goodness, we humbly beseech thee to bless our Sovereign Lady, Queen *ELIZABETH*, the Parliaments of the Commonwealth, and all who are set in authority under her; that they may order all things in wisdom, righteousness, and peace, to the honour of thy holy Name, and the good of thy Church and people; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Prayer for the Clergy and People

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift: Send down upon our Bishops and Clergy, and all Congregations committed to their charge, the healthful Spirit of thy grace; and that they may truly please thee, pour upon them the continual dew of thy blessing. Grant this, O Lord, for the honour of our Advocate and Mediator, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

A Prayer for all Conditions of men.

O GOD, the Creator and Preserver of all mankind, we humbly beseech thee for all sorts and conditions of men; that thou wouldest be pleased to make thy ways known unto them, thy saving health unto all nations. More especially we pray for the good estate of the Catholic Church; that it may be so guided and governed by thy good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Finally we commend to thy fatherly goodness all those, who are any ways afflicted or distressed in mind, body, or estate; that it may please thee to comfort and relieve them, according to their several necessities, giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions. And this we beg for Jesus Christ his sake. *Amen.*

For Pastoral Charge

ALMIGHTY God, who knowest the needs of thy Church in every place: Look graciously at this time upon the people of this community; and give them a faithful Pastor, who shall feed thy flock according to thy will, and make ready a people acceptable unto thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Other prayers and thanksgivings, for specific causes, may be added here.

A Prayer of Saint Chrysostom

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

The Grace

2 Corinthians 13.14

+ THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

All stand for the Hymn

Hymn – THE day thou gavest, LORD, is ended *(ST. CLEMENT)*

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THE day thou gavest, LORD, is ended,
The darkness falls at thy behest;
To thee our morning hymns ascended,
Thy praise shall sanctify our rest.

We thank thee that thy Church unsleeping,
While earth rolls onward into light,
Through all the world her watch is keeping,
And rests not now by day or night.

As o'er each continent and island
The dawn leads on another day,
The voice of prayer is never silent,
Nor dies the strain of praise away.

The sun that bids us rest is waking
Our brethren 'neath the western sky,
And hour by hour fresh lips are making
Thy wondrous doings heard on high.

So be it, LORD; thy throne shall never,
Like earth's proud empires, pass away;
Thy kingdom stands, and grows for ever,
Till all thy creatures own thy sway. Amen



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