The Sodality of St. Edmund, King and Martyr

(A Catholic Community in the Diocese of Hamilton)



Evensong

(Evening Prayer - Vespers / Compline)

July 31, 2022

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Background:

Our goal, as a Catholic Community, is to join the North American Ordinariate.

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

A bit of history:

- 1) Old English speakers translated the Latin word *vesperas* as *aefensang*, which became 'evensong' in modern English.
- 2) Evensong was created in the mid 16th century and is derived from two monastic offices, namely Vespers and Compline. Vespers would have been (and still is) sung at sunset and includes the *Magnificat*, and Compline would have been (and still is) sung at the end of the day, and includes the *Nunc Dimittis*.

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All stand for the Hymn

THE King of love my Shepherd is, Whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am his And he is mine forever.

(#539) Tune - DOMINUS REGIT ME

Where streams of living water flow My ransomed soul he leadeth, And where the verdant pastures grow With food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, But yet in love he sought me, And on his shoulder gently laid, And home, rejoicing, brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill
With thee, dear LORD, beside me;
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,
Thy Cross before to guide me.

Thou spread'st a table in my sight;
Thy unction grace bestoweth;
An O what transport of delight
From thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days
Thy goodness faileth never:
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
Within thy house for ever.

Sentence from Holy Scripture

The Officiant says, all remain standing

For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, and the Word, and the Holy Ghost; and these three are One. 1 John 5:7

The Exhortation

The Officiant continues

DEARLY beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, 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, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

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; But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us,

spare thou those who confess their faults,

restore thou those who are penitent;

according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus 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.

If a Priest is present he says

May the Almighty and merciful Lord grant us absolution and remission of all our sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit.

Amen.

All stand and sign the Sign of the Cross on their lips with the right thumb.

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.

Officiant and People. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: 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 111

Confitebor tibi.



- 1 I WILL give thanks unto the Lord with my whole heart: in the council of the faithful and in the con-gre-ga-tion.
- 2 The works of the Lord are **great**: sought out of all them that have **plea**-sure there-in.
- 3 His work is worthy to be praised and had in **hon**-our: and his righteousness endur-eth for ev-er.
- 4 The merciful and gracious Lord hath so done his marvellous works: that they ought to be had in re-mem-brance.
- 5 He hath given meat unto them that **fear** him: he shall ever be mindful **of** his co-ve-nant.
- 6 He hath showed his people the power of his works: in giving them the heritage of the na-tions.
- 7 The works of his hands are verity and judge-ment: all his pre-cepts are sure;
- 8 They stand fast for ever and ev-er: and are done in truth and e-qui-ty.
- 9 He sent redemption unto his **peo**-ple: he hath commanded his covenant for ever; holy and rever-end is his Name.
- 10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wis-dom: a good understanding have all they that do thereafter; his praise endur-eth for ev-er.
 - Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;
 - As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever **shall** be: world with-**out** end. A-men.

Psalm 112

Beatus vir.



- 1 BLESS-ED is the man that **fear**-eth the Lord: that hath great delight in **his** com-mänd-ments.
- 2 His seed shall be **migh**-ty^up-on earth: the generation of the faithful **shall** be blëss-ed.
- 3 Riches and plenteousness shall **be** in his house: and his righteousness en-dureth^for ëv-er.
- 4 Unto the upright there ariseth up **light** in the dark-ness: he is merciful, **lov**-ing, and righ-teous.
- 5 It is well with the man that is merci-ful and lend-eth: and ordereth his af-fairs with jus-tice.
- 6 For he shall **nev**-er^be mov-ed: and the righteous shall be had in ever-**last**-ing^re-mëm-brance.
- 7 He will not be afraid of any e-vil tid-ings: for his heart standeth fast and be-liev-eth in the Lord.
- 8 His heart is established **and** will not shrink: until he see his desire up-on his ën-e²mies.
- 9 He hath dispersed abroad and giv-en to the poor: and his righteousness remaineth for ever; his horn shall be ex-alt-ed with hön-our.
- 10 The ungodly shall see it, and it shall grieve him: he shall gnash with his teeth and consume away; the desire of the un-god-ly shall për-ish.
 - Glory be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son: and to the Hö-ly Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ev-er shall be: world with-out end. Ä-men.

Psalm 113

Laudate, pueri.



- 1 PRAISE THE Lord, ye ser-vants: O praise the Name of the Lörd.
- 2 Blessed be the Name of the Lord: from this time forth for ever-more.
- 3 The Lord's Name is to be **prais**-ed: from the rising up of the sun unto the going **down** of the same.
- 4 The Lord is high above all na-tions: and his glory a-bove the hea-vens.
- 5 Who is like unto the Lord our God: that hath his dwell-ing so high,
- 6 And yet humbleth himself to be-hold: the things that are in hea-ven and earth?
- 7 He taketh up the poor out of the dust: and lifteth the needy out of the mire;
- 8 That he may set him with the princes: even with the princes of his peo-plë.
- 9 He maketh the barren woman to keep **house**: and to be a joyful mo-ther of chil-drën.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Ho-ly Ghöst;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world with-out end. A-mën.

The First Lesson

The People remain seated for the First Lesson

The First Lesson is written in The First Book of Kings, chapter 21, beginning at the 1st verse:

Now Naboth the Jezreelite had a vineyard in Jezreel, beside the palace of Ahab king of Samaria.

And after this Ahab said to Naboth, "Give me your vineyard, that I may have it for a vegetable garden, because it is near my house; and I will give you a better vineyard for it; or, if it seems good to you, I will give you its value in money."

But Naboth said to Ahab, "The LORD forbid that I should give you the inheritance of my fathers."

And Ahab went into his house vexed and sullen because of what Naboth the Jezreelite had said to him; for he had said, "I will not give you the inheritance of my fathers." And he lay down on his bed, and turned away his face, and would eat no food.

But Jezebel his wife came to him, and said to him, "Why is your spirit so vexed that you eat no food?"

And he said to her, "Because I spoke to Naboth the Jezreelite, and said to him, 'Give me your vineyard for money; or else, if it please you, I will give you another vineyard for it'; and he answered, 'I will not give you my vineyard.'"

And Jezebel his wife said to him, "Do you now govern Israel? Arise, and eat bread, and let your heart be cheerful; I will give you the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite."

So she wrote letters in Ahab's name and sealed them with his seal, and she sent the letters to the elders and the nobles who dwelt with Naboth in his city.

And she wrote in the letters, "Proclaim a fast, and set Naboth on high among the people;

and set two base fellows opposite him, and let them bring a charge against him, saying, 'You have cursed God and the king.' Then take him out, and stone him to death."

And the men of his city, the elders and the nobles who dwelt in his city, did as Jezebel had sent word to them. As it was written in the letters which she had sent to them,

they proclaimed a fast, and set Naboth on high among the people.

And the two base fellows came in and sat opposite him; and the base fellows brought a charge against Naboth, in the presence of the people, saying, "Naboth cursed God and the king." So they took him outside the city, and stoned him to death with stones.

Then they sent to Jezebel, saying, "Naboth has been stoned; he is dead."

As soon as Jezebel heard that Naboth had been stoned and was dead, Jezebel said to Ahab, "Arise, take possession of the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, which he refused to give you for money; for Naboth is not alive, but dead."

And as soon as Ahab heard that Naboth was dead, Ahab arose to go down to the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, to take possession of it.

Then the word of the LORD came to Elijah the Tishbite, saying,

"Arise, go down to meet Ahab king of Israel, who is in Samaria; behold, he is in the vineyard of Naboth, where he has gone to take possession.

And you shall say to him, 'Thus says the LORD, "Have you killed, and also taken possession?" And you shall say to him, 'Thus says the LORD: "In the place where dogs licked up the blood of Naboth shall dogs lick your own blood.""

Ahab said to Elijah, "Have you found me, O my enemy?" He answered, "I have found you, because you have sold yourself to do what is evil in the sight of the LORD.

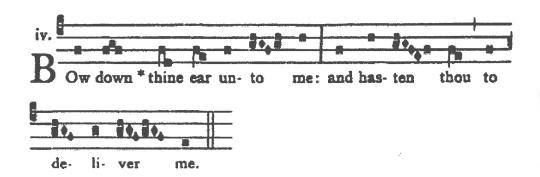
Behold, I will bring evil upon you; I will utterly sweep you away, and will cut off from Ahab every male, bond or free, in Israel;

and I will make your house like the house of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and like the house of Baasha the son of Ahijah, for the anger to which you have provoked me, and because you have made Israel to sin.

And of Jezebel the LORD also said, 'The dogs shall eat Jezebel within the bounds of Jezreel.'

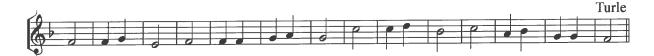
Here endeth the First Lesson

Antiphon (Sung <u>before</u> the Magnificat, standing)



Magnificat (The Song of the Blessed Virgin Mary)

St Luke 1. 46



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

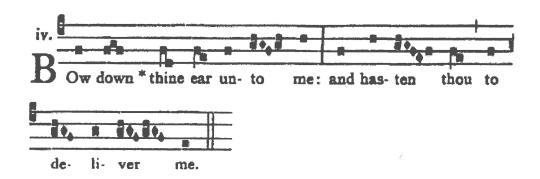
He re- 'membering • his 'mercy: hath 'holpen • his 'servant 'Israel; As he promised 'to our 'forefathers: Abraham 'and his 'seed for 'ever.

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

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

Antiphon

(Sung <u>after</u> the Magnificat, standing)



The Second Lesson

The People sit for the Second Lesson

The Second Lesson is written in The Gospel according to Saint John, chapter 16, beginning at the 1st verse:

"I have said all this to you to keep you from falling away.

They will put you out of the synagogues; indeed, the hour is coming when whoever kills you will think he is offering service to God.

And they will do this because they have not known the Father, nor me.

But I have said these things to you, that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you of them.

"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you.

But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?'

But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts.

Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Counselor will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you.

And when he comes, he will convince the world of sin and of righteousness and of judgment:

of sin, because they do not believe in me;

of righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no more;

of judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

"I have yet many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now.

When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come.

He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

Here endeth the Second Lesson.

Nunc Dimittis

(The Song of Simeon)

St Luke 2. 29



Sung by all, standing

+ LORD, now lettest thou thy servant de- ' part in ' peace : ac- ' cording ' to thy 'word.

For mine eyes have 'seen thy • sal-'vation: which thou hast prepared be-'fore the face of • all people;

To be a light to 'lighten • the 'Gentiles: and to be the 'glory of • thy 'people 'Israel.

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

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

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. Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

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 of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of thy Name; increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of thy great mercy keep us in the same; 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 all 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. *Amen.*

All stand for the Hymn

FOR the beauty of the earth,
For the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies,
LORD of all, to thee we raise
This our grateful psalm of praise.

For the wonder of each hour
Of the day and of the night
Hill and vale, and tree and flower,
Sun and moon, and stars of light,
LORD of all, to thee we raise
This our grateful psalm of praise.

For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth, and friends above,
Pleasures pure and undefiled,
LORD of all, to thee we raise
This our grateful psalm of praise.

For thy Church that evermore
Lifteth holy hands above,
Offering up on every shore
Her pure sacrifice of love,
LORD of all, to thee we raise
This our grateful psalm of praise.

(#598) Tune - DIX

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 Pope, Clergy, and People

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift: Send down upon Francis, our Pope, Douglas and Wayne our Bishops, all bishops, priests, and deacons, and upon 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*.

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*

Officiant. Let us bless the Lord.

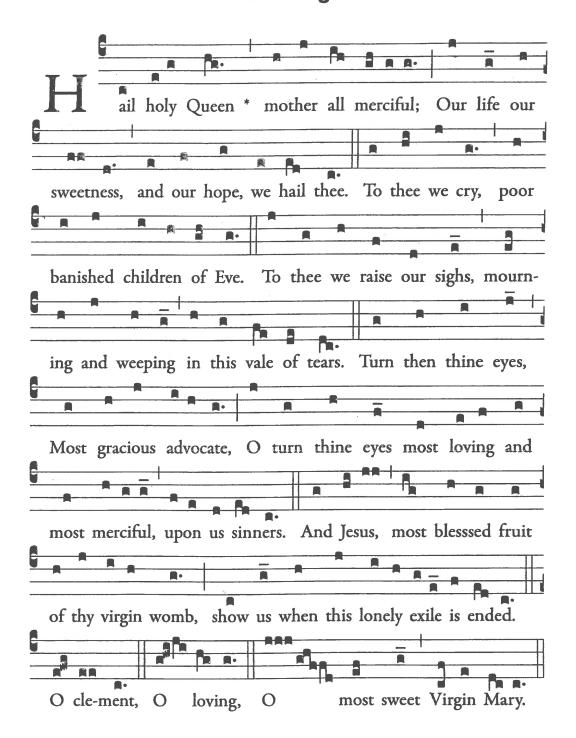
People. Thanks be to God.

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.*

Salve Regina



Officiant. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

People. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray:

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who by the co-operation of the Holy Ghost, didst prepare the body and soul of the glorious Virgin Mother Mary to become a habitation meet for thy Son: grant that as we rejoice in her commemoration, we may be delivered by her loving intercession from our present evils and from eternal death; through the same Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

All stand for the Hymn

Before the ending of the day, Creator of the world, we pray That with thy wonted favour thou Wouldst be our Guard and Keeper now.

(#819) Tune - MELCOMBE

From all ill dreams defend our eyes, From nightly fears and fantasies; Tread under foot our ghostly foe, That no pollution we may know.

O FATHER, that we ask be done, Through JESUS CHRIST, thine only SON; Who, with the HOLY GHOST and thee, Doth live and reign eternally.

Amen.



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