

The Sodality of St. Edmund, King and Martyr

(A Catholic Community in the Diocese of Hamilton)



Evensong

June 25, 2023

The Third 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.

Pope Benedict 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:

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

STUTTGART. 8 7. 8 7. *Psalmodia Sacra, Gotha, 1715.*

A-men.

GOD is love; his mercy brightens
All the path in which we rove;
Bliss he wakes and woe he lightens:
God is wisdom, GOD is love.

2 Chance and change are busy ever;
Man decays and ages move;
But his mercy waneth never:
God is wisdom, GOD is love.

Sir John Bowring, 1825.

3 E'en the hour that darkest seemeth
Will his changeless goodness prove;
From the mist his brightness streameth:
God is wisdom, GOD is love.

4 He with earthly cares entwineth
Hope and comfort from above;
Everywhere his glory shineth:
God is wisdom, GOD is love.

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 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 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.

If a Priest is present, standing, he says

ALMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness, and live, and hath given power and commandment to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the absolution and remission of their sins: he pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel. Wherefore we beseech him to grant us true repentance and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him which we do at this present, and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

If a Priest is not present, the Officiant, kneeling, 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 thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. **Amen.**

*All **stand** and make 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. 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^{or} : 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^wäys;
- 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-éd.
- 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-liⁿëss.
- 12 For the Lord God is a light and defēce; the Lord^d 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 Book of Hosea, chapter 14, beginning at the 1st verse:

Return, O Israel, to the LORD your God,
for you have stumbled because of your iniquity.

Take with you words
and return to the LORD;
say to him,
“Take away all iniquity;
accept that which is good,
and we will render
the fruit of our lips.

Assyria shall not save us,
we will not ride upon horses;
and we will say no more, ‘Our God,’
to the work of our hands.
In you the orphan finds mercy.”

I will heal their faithlessness;
I will love them freely,
for my anger has turned from them.

I will be as the dew to Israel;
he shall blossom like the lily,
he shall strike root as the poplar;

his shoots shall spread out;
his beauty shall be like the olive,
and his fragrance like Lebanon.

They shall return and dwell beneath my shadow,
they shall flourish as a garden;
they shall blossom as the vine,
their fragrance shall be like the wine of Lebanon.

O Ephraim, what have I to do with idols?
It is I who answer and look after you.
I am like an evergreen cypress;
from me comes your fruit.

Whoever is wise, let him understand these things;
whoever is discerning, let him know them;
for the ways of the LORD are right,
and the upright walk in them,
but transgressors stumble in them.

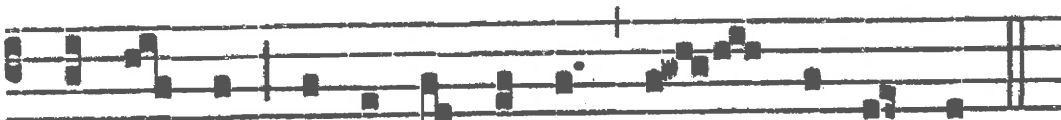
Here endeth the First Lesson.

Antiphon

*(Sung, by all, before the Magnificat, **standing**)*



I Say un-to you, *there is joy in the pre-sence of the An-



gels of God o-ver one sin-ner that re-pen-teth.

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, by all, after the Magnificat, **standing**)*



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The Second Lesson

*The People **sit** for the Second Lesson*

The Second Lesson is written in The Acts of the Apostles, chapter 2, beginning at the 22nd verse:

“Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs which God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know -

this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men.

But God raised him up, having loosed the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it.

For David says concerning him,

‘I saw the Lord always before me,
for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken;
therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;
moreover my flesh will dwell in hope.

For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,
nor let your Holy One see corruption.
You have made known to me the ways of life;
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'

"Brethren, I may say to you confidently of the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day.

Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants upon his throne, he foresaw and spoke of the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption.

This Jesus God raised up, and of that we are witnesses.

Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this which you see and hear.

For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says,
'The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand,
till I make your enemies a stool for your feet.'

Let all the house of Israel therefore know assuredly that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."

Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and to the rest of the apostles, "Brethren, what shall we do?"

And Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

For the promise is to you and to your children and to all who are far off, every one whom the Lord our God calls to him."

And he testified with many other words and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this crooked generation."

So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

And they held steadfastly to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of the bread and to the prayers.

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. 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 those who 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 King.

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

O LORD, we beseech thee mercifully to hear us: and grant that we, to whom thou hast given an hearty desire to pray, may, by thy mighty aid, be defended and comforted in all dangers and adversities; 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. **Amen.**

All stand for the Hymn

WARRINGTON. L.M.

Rev. R. HARRISON, 1784.



JESUS, thy Blood and righteousness
My beauty are, my glorious dress;
Midst flaming worlds, in these arrayed,
With joy shall I lift up my head.

2 Bold shall I stand in thy great day;
For who aught to my charge shall lay?
Fully absolved through these I am
From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.

3 When from the dust of death I rise
To claim my mansion in the skies,
Even then this shall be all my plea,
Jesus hath lived, hath died, for me.

4 Jesus, be endless praise to thee,
Whose boundless mercy hath for me—
For me a full atonement made,
An everlasting ransom paid.

5 O let the dead now hear thy voice;
Now bid thy banished ones rejoice;
Their beauty this, their glorious dress,
Jesus, thy Blood and righteousness.

All kneel, the Officiant says

A Prayer for the King and the Commonwealth

ALMIGHTY God, the fountain of all goodness, we humbly beseech thee to bless our Sovereign Lord, King *CHARLES*, the Parliaments of the Commonwealth, and all who are set in authority under him; 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 the 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.

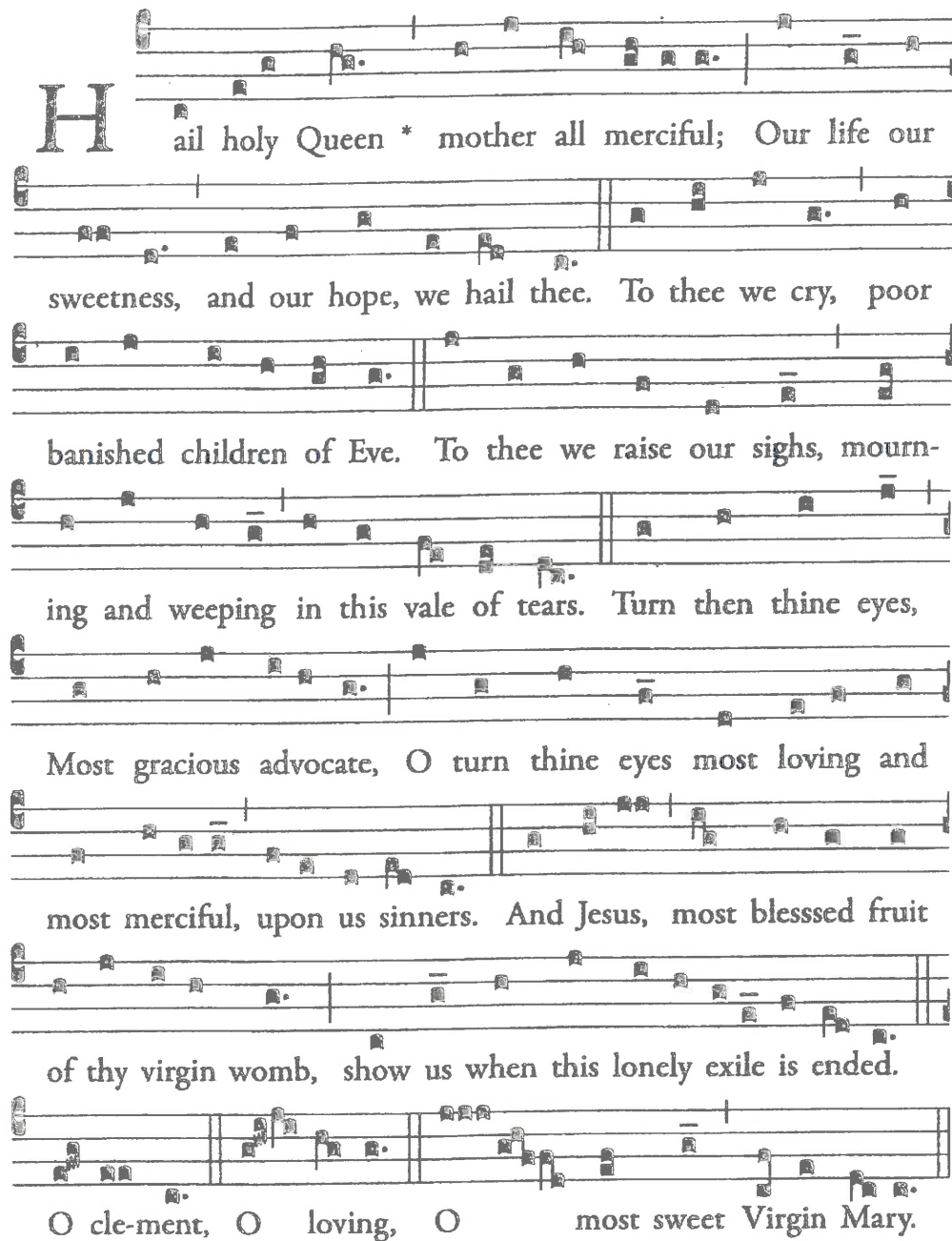
The Grace

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

Salve Regina



Hail holy Queen * mother all merciful; Our life our
sweetness, and our hope, we hail thee. To thee we cry, poor
banished children of Eve. To thee we raise our sighs, mourn-
ing and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then thine eyes,
Most gracious advocate, O turn thine eyes most loving and
most merciful, upon us sinners. And Jesus, most blessed fruit
of thy virgin womb, show us when this lonely exile is ended.
O cle-ment, O loving, O most sweet Virgin Mary.

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 remain standing for the Hymn

ST. CLEMENT. 98.98. Rev. C. C. SCHOLEFIELD, 1874.



A-men.

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.

2 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.

3 As o'er each continent and island
The dawn leads on another day,

Rev. John Ellerton, 1870.

The voice of prayer is never silent,
Nor dies the strain of praise away.

4 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.

5 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.



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