

Prime — Little Office of the BVM

Monday, January 31, 2050

Little Office of the Blessed Virgin Mary • Roman Rite

OPENING

A silent Hail Mary is said.

V. O God, come to my assistance.

R. O 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 ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Alleluia.

HYMN

Memento, Rerum Conditor

Remember, O Creator Lord,
That in the Virgin's sacred womb
You were conceived, and of her flesh
Did take our mortal nature on.

Mother of grace, O Mary blessed,
To you, sweet fount of love, we fly;
Shield us through life, and take us hence
To your dear bosom when we die.

O Jesus, born of Virgin bright,
Immortal glory be to you;
Praise to the Father infinite
And Holy Spirit, ever true.
Amen.

PSALMODY

Psalm 54 *Betrayal by a Friend*

Give ear, O God, to my prayer, and do not despise my supplication.

Be attentive to me and hear me. I was troubled in my exercise, and I was disturbed
at the voice of the enemy and the tribulation of the sinner.

For they have turned iniquities upon me, and in anger they were troublesome to me.

My heart was troubled within me, and the fear of death fell upon me.

Fear and trembling came upon me, and darkness covered me.

And I said: "Who will give me wings like a dove, and I will fly and be at rest?"

"Behold, I have gone far away, fleeing, and I remained in the wilderness."

"I waited for him who saves me from pusillanimity of spirit and from a storm."

Cast down, O Lord, and divide their tongues; for I have seen iniquity and contradiction in the city.

Day and night, iniquity will surround it on its walls; and in its midst are labor and injustice.

And usury and deceit have not departed from its streets.

For if my enemy had reproached me, I would certainly have endured it.

And if he who hated

Psalm 85 *A Prayer of the Poor*

Incline your ear, O Lord, and hear me; for I am needy and poor.

Preserve my soul, for I am holy; save your servant, O my God, who trusts in you.

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I have cried out to you all day.

Give joy to the soul of your servant; for to you, O Lord, I have lifted up my soul.

For you, O Lord, are sweet and mild, and plenteous in mercy to all who call upon you.

Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer, and attend to the voice of my supplication.

I have called upon you in the day of my trouble; because you have heard me.

There is no one like you among the gods, O Lord; and there is none according to your works.

All the nations that you have made will come and adore before you, O Lord; and they will glorify your name.

For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.

Lead me, O Lord, in your way, and I will walk in your truth; let my heart rejoice so that it may fear your name.

I will confess to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart; and I will glorify your name forever.

Who is she that comes forth like the morning rising, fair as the moon, bright as the sun, awesome as an army set in array?

VERSICLE

V. Graciously grant that I may praise you, O holy Virgin.

R. Give me strength against your enemies.

KYRIE

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, 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.

COLLECT

O God, who were pleased to choose the virgin dwelling of blessed Mary as your abode: grant, we ask, that we who are defended by her protection may with gladness celebrate her commemoration. Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, world without end. Amen.

CONCLUSION

V. O Lord, hear my prayer.