Daytime Prayer

Tuesday, March 8, 2005

Saint John of God, Religious

OPENING

O God, come to my assistance.

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 will be forever. Amen.

HYMN

> **Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days**
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> Lord, who throughout these forty days
> for us did fast and pray,
> teach us with you to mourn our sins
> and close by you to stay.

PSALMODY

Psalm 135 *Give Thanks to the Lord, For He Is Good (Part II)*

> *Ant. Create a clean heart in me, O God.*

Who divided the Red Sea into portions; for his mercy is forever.

And led Israel through the midst of it; for his mercy is forever.

And shook off Pharaoh and his virtue in the Red Sea; for his mercy is forever.

Who led his people through the desert; for his mercy is forever.

Who struck great kings; for his mercy is forever.

And slew powerful kings; for his mercy is forever.

Sihon, king of the Amorites; for his mercy is forever.

And Og, king of Bashan; for his mercy is forever.

And gave their land as an inheritance; for his mercy is forever.

An inheritance for his servant Israel; for his mercy is forever.

For in our humiliation he was mindful of us; for his mercy is forever.

And he redeemed us from our enemies; for his mercy is forever.

Who gives food to all flesh; for his mercy is forever.

Confess to the God of heaven; for his mercy is forever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

> *Ant. Create a clean heart in me, O God.*

Psalm 136 *By the Waters of Babylon (Part I)*

> *Ant. Create a clean heart in me, O God.*

Upon the rivers of Babylon, there we sat and wept as we remembered Zion.

On the willows in their midst, we hung up our instruments.

For there those who had led us captive asked us the words of song.

And those who had carried us away said: "Sing to us a hymn from the songs of Zion."

How will we sing the song of the Lord in a foreign land?

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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SHORT READING

ISAIAH 58:7

Share your bread with the hungry, shelter the oppressed and the homeless; clothe the naked when you see them, and do not turn your back on your own.

RESPONSORY

V. We adore your cross, O Lord.

R. We praise your holy resurrection.

CONCLUDING PRAYER

God of mercy, we pause in the midst of our Lenten journey. Renew our resolve, deepen our prayer, and fill us with the charity that this season calls us to; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

DISMISSAL

Let us praise the Lord.

And give him thanks.