

# The Saint Bede's Breviary: Companions of St. Luke Edition

## Matins for Saturday after the Second Sunday after the Epiphany

[\(Phillips Brooks, Bishop, 1893\)](#)

Commemoration of Second Sunday after the Epiphany

### The Invitatory and Psalter

V: Lord, open our lips.

R: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

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.

Alleluia

**Psalms** 122 *Lætatus sum*

*The Lord has shown forth his glory: Come let us adore him.*

<sup>1</sup> I was glad when they said to me, \*  
"Let us go to the house of the LORD."

<sup>2</sup> Now our feet are standing \*  
within your gates, O Jerusalem.

<sup>3</sup> Jerusalem is built as a city \*  
that is at unity with itself;

*The Lord has shown forth his glory: Come let us adore him.*

<sup>4</sup> To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, \*  
the assembly of Israel, to praise the Name of the LORD.

<sup>5</sup> For there are the thrones of judgment, \*  
the thrones of the house of David.

<sup>6</sup> Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: \*  
"May they prosper who love you.

*The Lord has shown forth his glory: Come let us adore him.*

<sup>7</sup> Peace be within your walls \*  
and quietness within your towers.

<sup>8</sup> For my brethren and companions' sake, \*  
I pray for your prosperity.

<sup>9</sup> Because of the house of the LORD our God, \*  
I will seek to do you good."

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.

*The Lord has shown forth his glory: Come let us adore him.*

## **The Psalm or Psalms Appointed**

### **Psalm 42 Quemadmodum**

*My soul is athirst for God, athirst for the living God.*

<sup>1</sup> As the deer longs for the water-brooks, \*  
so longs my soul for you, O God.

<sup>2</sup> My soul is athirst for God, athirst for the living God; \*  
when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?

<sup>3</sup> My tears have been my food day and night, \*  
while all day long they say to me, "Where now is your God?"

<sup>4</sup> I pour out my soul when I think on these things; \*  
how I went with the multitude and led them into the house of God,

<sup>5</sup> With the voice of praise and thanksgiving, \*  
among those who keep holy-day.

<sup>6</sup> Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul? \*  
and why are you so disquieted within me?

7 Put your trust in God; \*  
for I will yet give thanks to him, who is the help of my countenance, and my God.

8 My soul is heavy within me; \*  
therefore I will remember you from the land of Jordan, and from the peak of Mizar among the heights of Hermon.

9 One deep calls to another in the noise of your cataracts; \*  
all your rapids and floods have gone over me.

10 The LORD grants his loving-kindness in the daytime; \*  
in the night season his song is with me, a prayer to the God of my life.

11 I will say to the God of my strength, "Why have you forgotten me? \*  
and why do I go so heavily while the enemy oppresses me?"

12 While my bones are being broken, \*  
my enemies mock me to my face;

13 All day long they mock me \*  
and say to me, "Where now is your God?"

14 Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul? \*  
and why are you so disquieted within me?

15 Put your trust in God; \*  
for I will yet give thanks to him, who is the help of my countenance, and my God.

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.

*My soul is athirst for God, athirst for the living God.*

**Psalms 30** *Exaltabo te, Domine*

*O Lord my God, I cried out to you, and you restored me to health.*

1 I will exalt you, O LORD, because you have lifted me up \*  
and have not let my enemies triumph over me.

2 O LORD my God, I cried out to you, \*  
and you restored me to health.

3 You brought me up, O LORD, from the dead; \*  
you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.

4 Sing to the LORD, you servants of his; \*  
give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.

5 For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, \*  
his favor for a lifetime.

6 Weeping may spend the night, \*  
but joy comes in the morning.

7 While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed. \*  
You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains."

8 Then you hid your face, \*  
and I was filled with fear.

9 I cried to you, O LORD; \*  
I pleaded with the Lord, saying,

10 What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit? \*  
will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?

11 Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me; \*  
O LORD, be my helper."

12 You have turned my wailing into dancing; \*  
you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy.

13 Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; \*  
O LORD my God, I will give you thanks 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.

*O Lord my God, I cried out to you, and you restored me to health.*

### **Psalm 150** *Laudate Dominum*

*Praise the Lord for his excellent greatness.*

1 Hallelujah! Praise God in his holy temple; \*  
praise him in the firmament of his power.

2 Praise him for his mighty acts; \*  
praise him for his excellent greatness.

3 Praise him with the blast of the ram's-horn; \*  
Praise him with lyre and harp.

4 Praise him with timbrel and dance; \*  
praise him with strings and pipe.

5 Praise him with resounding cymbals; \*  
praise him with loud-clanging cymbals.

<sup>6</sup> Let everything that has breath \*  
praise the Lord. Hallelujah!

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.

*Praise the Lord for his excellent greatness.*

## The Lessons

A reading from Isaiah 46:1-13 (NRSV)

Bel bows down, Nebo stoops, their idols are on beasts and cattle; these things you carry are loaded as burdens on weary animals. They stoop, they bow down together; they cannot save the burden, but themselves go into captivity. Listen to me, O house of Jacob, all the remnant of the house of Israel, who have been borne by me from your birth, carried from the womb; even to your old age I am he, even when you turn gray I will carry you. I have made, and I will bear; I will carry and will save. To whom will you liken me and make me equal, and compare me, as though we were alike? Those who lavish gold from the purse, and weigh out silver in the scales~ they hire a goldsmith, who makes it into a god; then they fall down and worship! They lift it to their shoulders, they carry it, they set it in its place, and it stands there; it cannot move from its place. If one cries out to it, it does not answer or save anyone from trouble. Remember this and consider, recall it to mind, you transgressors, remember the former things of old; for I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is no one like me, declaring the end from the beginning and from ancient times things not yet done, saying, "My purpose shall stand, and I will fulfill my intention," calling a bird of prey from the east, the man for my purpose from a far country. I have spoken, and I will bring it to pass; I have planned, and I will do it. Listen to me, you stubborn of heart, you who are far from deliverance: I bring near my deliverance, it is not far off, and my salvation will not tarry; I will put salvation in Zion, for Israel my glory.

Here ends the Reading.

**Canticle of Solomon** *Deus patrum meorum* (Wisdom 9: 1-6.9-11)

*Wisdom understands what is pleasing in your sight and what is right according to your commandments.*

O God of my ancestors and Lord of mercy, \*  
who have made all things by your word,  
And by your wisdom have formed humankind \*  
to have dominion over the creatures you have made,  
And rule the world in holiness and righteousness, \*  
and pronounce judgment in uprightness of soul,  
Give me the wisdom that sits by your throne, \*  
and do not reject me from among your servants.

For I am your servant the son of your handmaid, \*  
a man who is weak and short-lived,  
with little understanding of judgment and laws;  
With you is wisdom, she who knows your works \*  
and was present when you made the world;  
She understands what is pleasing in your sight \*  
and what is right according to your commandments.  
Send her forth from the holy heavens, \*  
and from the throne of your glory send her,  
That she may labor at my side, \*  
and that I may learn what is pleasing to you.  
For she knows and understands all things, \*  
and she will guide me wisely in my actions  
and guard me with her glory.

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.

*Wisdom understands what is pleasing in your sight and what is right according to your commandments.*

A reading from Ephesians 6:10-24 (NRSV)

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak. So that you also may know how I am and what I am doing, Tychicus will tell you everything. He is a dear brother and a faithful minister in the Lord. I am sending him to you for this very purpose, to let you know how we are, and to encourage your hearts. Peace be to the whole community, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Grace be with all who have an undying love for our Lord Jesus Christ.

Here ends the Reading.

*There is none holy like you, nor any rock to be compared to you, our God.*

## **The Song of Zechariah** *Benedictus Dominus Deus*

*Luke 1: 68-79*

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; \*  
he has come to his people and set them free.  
He has raised up for us a mighty savior, \*  
born of the house of his servant David.  
Through his holy prophets he promised of old,  
that he would save us from our enemies, \*  
from the hands of all who hate us.  
He promised to show mercy to our fathers \*  
and to remember his holy covenant.  
This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, \*  
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,  
Free to worship him without fear, \*  
holy and righteous in his sight  
all the days of our life.

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, \*  
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,  
To give his people knowledge of salvation \*  
by the forgiveness of their sins.  
In the tender compassion of our God \*  
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,  
To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the  
shadow of death, \*  
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

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.

*There is none holy like you, nor any rock to be compared to you, our God.*

## **The Prayers**

V: The Lord be with you.

R: *And also with you.*

Let us pray.

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

### **Suffrages A**

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
R. And grant us your salvation.  
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
R. Let your people sing with joy.  
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
R. For only in you can we live in safety.  
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;  
R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.  
V. Let your way be known upon earth;  
R. Your saving health among all nations.  
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;  
R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.  
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

### *Collect of the Day*

Everlasting God, who implants your living Word in the minds and on the lips of all who proclaim your truth: Grant that we, like your pastor and preacher Phillips Brooks, might proclaim your Gospel in our own generation with grace and power. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, now and forever. Amen.

### *Commemoration of Second Sunday after the Epiphany*

The disciples came and saw where Jesus was staying and remained with him that day.

V. All power is given to me.

**R. In heaven and in earth.**

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and forever. Amen.



62. *A Prayer attributed to St. Francis*

Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. *Amen.*

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Let us bless the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore.

*And with our absent brothers and sisters. Amen.*

## **The Angelus**

The Angel of the Lord announced to Mary

*And she conceived by the Holy Spirit.*

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus

*Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.*

Behold the handmaid of the Lord

*Be it unto me according to your word*

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus

*Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.*

And the Word was made flesh.

*And dwelled among us.*

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus

*Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.*

V: Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R: *That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.*

Let us pray:

Pour your grace into our hearts, O Lord, that we who have known the incarnation of your Son Jesus Christ, announced by an angel to the Virgin Mary, may by his cross and passion be brought to the glory of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*