

THE COMMEMORATION OF THE BURIAL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

Opening Sentence

Abbot David:

Thou hast bowed the dying head, Thou the blood of life hast shed,
Thou hast filled a mortal bier; Jesus, Son of Mary Hear

O God, Creator of heaven and earth, Grant that, as the crucified body of your dear Son was laid in the tomb and rested on the holy Sabbath, so we may await with him the coming of the third day, and rise with him in newness of life; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen

Readings

First Reading-Job 14:1-14 - *Sr. Hildegard*

A mortal, born of woman, few of days and full of trouble, comes up like a flower and withers, flees like a shadow and does not last. Do you fix your eyes on such a one? Do you bring me into judgment with you? Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? None can. Since their days are determined, and the number of their months is known to you, and you have appointed the bounds that they cannot pass, look away from them, and desist, that they may enjoy, like laborers, their days. "For there is hope for a tree, if it is cut down, that it will sprout again, and that its shoots will not cease. Though its root grows old in the earth, and its stump dies in the ground, yet at the scent of water it will bud and put forth branches like a young plant. But mortals die, and are laid low; humans expire, and where are they? As waters fail from a lake, and a river wastes away and dries up, so mortals lie down and do not rise again; until the heavens are no more, they will not awake or be roused out of their sleep. Oh that you would hide me in Sheol, that you would conceal me until your wrath is past, that you would appoint me a set time, and remember me! If mortals die will they live again? All the days of my service I would wait until my release should come.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Gradual - Psalm 31 Cantor = Br. James Rafael/People = Sr. Cecilia



Cantor Father, into your hands, I commend my spirit.



People Father, into your hands, I commend my spirit.



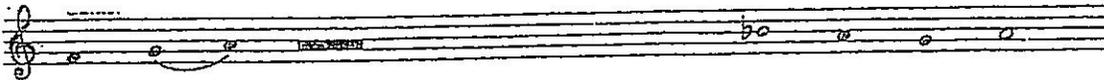
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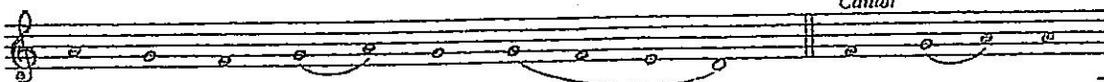
Cantor: In you, O Lord have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame; *
Deliver me in your righteousness.
Incline your ear to me; *
make haste to deliver me.



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Cantor: Into your hands, I commend my Spirit *
for you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.
Make your face to shine upon your servant, *
and in your loving-kindness save me."



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A period of Silence is kept.

Prayers (Reader =Sr. Julian; People and All =Sr. Martha)

Reader In the midst of life we are in death: from whom can we seek help?
From you alone, O Lord, who by our sins are justly angered.

People Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and merciful Savior, deliver us not into the
bitterness of eternal death.

Reader Lord, you know the secrets of our hearts; shut not your ears to our prayers, but spare us, O
Lord.

People Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and merciful Savior, deliver us not into the
bitterness of eternal death.

Reader O worthy and eternal Judge, do not let the pains of death turn us away from you at our last
hour.

People Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and merciful Savior, deliver us not into the
bitterness of eternal death.

All 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 for ever. Amen.

Reader We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

People Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reader If we have died with him, we shall also live with him; if we endure, we shall also
reign with him.

People We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you, because by your holy cross

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

All Amen.