

# PROPOSED CHANGES TO MATINS & VESPERS WITHIN THE DIVINE OFFICE IN OPUS DEI

## MATINS

Current Prayer	Prayer from Enriching our Worship
<p>The Song of Zechariah <i>Benedictus Dominus Deus</i> <i>Luke 1: 68-79</i></p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: * as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.</p>	<p>The Song of Zechariah <i>Benedictus Dominus Deus</i> <i>Luke 1: 68-79</i> <b>The assigned antiphon for the day is unchanged</b></p> <p>Blessed are you, Lord, the God of Israel, * you have come to your people and set them free. You have raised up for us a mighty Savior, * born of the house of your servant David. Through your holy prophets you promised of old to save us from our enemies, * from the hands of all who hate us, To show mercy to our forebears, * and to remember your holy covenant. This was the oath you swore to our father Abraham, * to set us free from the hands of our enemies, Free to worship you without fear, * holy and righteous before you, all the days of our life.</p> <p>And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, * for you will go before the Lord to prepare the way, To give God's 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</p> <p>Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: * as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.</p>
<p><i>Prayer for Benedictine Orders (Matins on Thursdays)</i></p> <p>O Lord Jesus Christ, you became poor for our sake, that we may be made rich through your poverty: Guide and sanctify, we pray, those you have called to follow you under the Benedictine vows of Stability, Obedience, and <b>Conversion of Life</b>, that by their prayer and service they may enrich your church, and by their life and worship may glorify your Name; for you reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. <i>Amen.</i></p>	<p><b>Change in wording:</b> <i>Prayer for Benedictine Orders (Matins on Thursdays)</i></p> <p>O Lord Jesus Christ, you became poor for our sake, that we may be made rich through your poverty: Guide and sanctify, we pray, those you have called to follow you under the Benedictine vows of Stability, Obedience, and <b>Fidelity to Monastic Life</b>, that by their prayer and service they may enrich your church, and by their life and worship may glorify your Name; for you reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. <i>Amen.</i></p>

## VESPERS

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<p><b><i>Magnificat: Luke 1:46-55</i></b></p> <p>My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,  my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; *  for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.  From this day all generations will call me blessed: *  the Almighty has done great things for me,  and holy is his Name.  He has mercy on those who fear him *  in every generation.  He has shown the strength of his arm, *  he has scattered the proud in their conceit.  He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, *  and has lifted up the lowly.  He has filled the hungry with good things, *  and the rich he has sent away empty.  He has come to the help of his servant Israel, *  for he has remembered his promise of mercy,  The promise he made to our fathers, *  to Abraham and his children for ever.</p> <p>Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *  as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.  Amen.</p>	<p><b><i>Magnificat: Luke 1:46-55</i></b></p> <p><b>The assigned antiphon for the day is unchanged</b></p> <p>My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit  rejoices in you, O God my Savior, *  for you have looked with favor on your lowly  servant. From this day all generations will call me  blessed: *  you, the Almighty, have done great things for me,  and  holy is your name.  You have mercy on those who fear you *  from generation to generation.  You have shown strength with your arm *  and scattered the proud in their conceit, Casting  down the mighty from their thrones *  and lifting up the lowly.  You have filled the hungry with good things *  and sent the rich away empty.  You have come to the help of your servant Israel, *  for you have remembered your promise of mercy,  The promise made to our forebears, *  to Abraham and his children for ever  Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *  as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.  Amen.</p>