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

Matins for Saturday After Proper 29

(Saturday After Proper 29)

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 for ever. Amen.

Alleluia

Psalm 122 Lætatus sum

The new Jerusalem is the Bride of the Lamb, come let us worship Christ the Lord.

 $^{1}\,\,$ I was glad when they said to me, *

"Let us go to the house of the LORD."

² Now our feet are standing * within your gates, O Jerusalem.

³ Jerusalem is built as a city * that is at unity with itself;

The new Jerusalem is the Bride of the Lamb, come let us worship Christ the Lord.

- ⁴ To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, * the assembly of Israel, to praise the Name of the LORD.
- ⁵ For there are the thrones of judgment, * the thrones of the house of David.

⁶ Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: *

"May they prosper who love you.

The new Jerusalem is the Bride of the Lamb, come let us worship Christ the Lord.

Peace be within your walls * and quietness within your towers.

⁸ For my brethren and companions' sake, *

I pray for your prosperity.

⁹ 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 for ever. Amen.

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The Psalm or Psalms Appointed

Psalm 62 Nonne Deo?

In God is my safety and my honor; God is my strong rock and my refuge.

- ¹ For God alone my soul in silence waits; * from him comes my salvation.
- ² He alone is my rock and my salvation, * my stronghold, so that I shall not be greatly shaken.
- ³ How long will you assail me to crush me, all of you together, * as if you were a leaning fence, a toppling wall?
- ⁴ They seek only to bring me down from my place of honor; * lies are their chief delight.
- ⁵ They bless with their lips, * but in their hearts they curse.
- ⁶ For God alone my soul in silence waits; * truly, my hope is in him.
- ⁷ He alone is my rock and my salvation, * my stronghold, so that I shall not be shaken.
- ⁸ In God is my safety and my honor; *

God is my strong rock and my refuge.

- ⁹ Put your trust in him always, O people, * pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.
- 10 Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath, * even those of low estate cannot be trusted.
- On the scales they are lighter than a breath, * all of them together.
- Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride; * though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.
- ¹³ God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, * that power belongs to God.
- ¹⁴ Steadfast love is yours, O Lord, * for you repay everyone according to his deeds.

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.

In God is my safety and my honor; God is my strong rock and my refuge.

Psalm 92 Bonum est confiteri

We will tell of your loving kindness early in the morning, O Lord, and of your faithfulness in the night season.

- ¹ It is a good thing to give thanks to the LORD, * and to sing praises to your Name, O Most High;
- ² To tell of your loving-kindness early in the morning * and of your faithfulness in the night season;
- ³ On the psaltery, and on the lyre, * and to the melody of the harp.
- ⁴ For you have made me glad by your acts, O LORD; * and I shout for joy because of the works of your hands.
- ⁵ LORD, how great are your works! * your thoughts are very deep.
- ⁶ The dullard does not know, nor does the fool understand, * that though the wicked grow like weeds, and all the workers of iniquity flourish,
- ⁷ They flourish only to be destroyed for ever; * but you, O LORD, are exalted for evermore.

- ⁸ For lo, your enemies, O LORD, lo, your enemies shall perish, * and all the workers of iniquity shall be scattered.
- ⁹ But my horn you have exalted like the horns of wild bulls; * I am anointed with fresh oil.
- My eyes also gloat over my enemies, * and my ears rejoice to hear the doom of the wicked who rise up against me.
- ¹¹ The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, * and shall spread abroad like a cedar of Lebanon.
- 12 Those who are planted in the house of the LORD * shall flourish in the courts of our God;
- 13 They shall still bear fruit in old age; * they shall be green and succulent;
- That they may show how upright the LORD is, * my Rock, in whom there is no fault.

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.

We will tell of your loving kindness early in the morning, O Lord, and of your faithfulness in the night season.

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.
- 6 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 for ever. Amen.

Praise the Lord for his excellent greatness.

The Lessons

A reading from Zechariah 14:12-21 (NRSV)

This shall be the plague with which the LORD will strike all the peoples that wage war against Jerusalem: their flesh shall rot while they are still on their feet; their eyes shall rot in their sockets, and their tongues shall rot in their mouths. On that day a great panic from the LORD shall fall on them, so that each will seize the hand of a neighbor, and the hand of the one will be raised against the hand of the other; even Judah will fight at Jerusalem. And the wealth of all the surrounding nations shall be collected gold, silver, and garments in great abundance. And a plague like this plague shall fall on the horses, the mules, the camels, the donkeys, and whatever animals may be in those camps. Then all who survive of the nations that have come against Jerusalem shall go up year after year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keep the festival of booths. If any of the families of the earth do not go up to Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, there will be no rain upon them. And if the family of Egypt do not go up and present themselves, then on them shall come the plague that the LORD inflicts on the nations that do not go up to keep the festival of booths. Such shall be the punishment of Egypt and the punishment of all the nations that do not go up to keep the festival of booths. On that day there shall be inscribed on the bells of the horses, "Holy to the LORD." And the cooking pots in the house of the LORD shall be as holy as the bowls in front of the altar; and every cooking pot in Jerusalem and Judah shall be sacred to the LORD of hosts, so that all who sacrifice may come and use them to boil the flesh of the sacrifice. And there shall no longer be traders in the house of the LORD of hosts on that day.

Here ends the Reading.

Canticle of Betrothed Jerusalem Propter Sion non tacebo (Isaiah 62:1-5)

As the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, *
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,
until her vindication shines out like the dawn, *
and her salvation like a burning torch.
The nations shall see your vindication, *
and all the kings your glory.
You shall be called by a new name *
spoken by the mouth of the Lord.

You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, *
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.
You shall no more be termed Forsaken, *
and your land shall no more be termed Desolate;
You shall be called My Delight, *
and your land espoused.
For the Lord delights in you, *
and your land shall be married.
For as a young man marries a young woman, *
so shall your builder marry you,
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, *

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.

As the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

A reading from Philippians 2:1-11 (NRSV)

so shall your God rejoice over you.

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death~ even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Here ends the Reading.

Let the whole creation serve you, for you spoke and all things came into being.

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 for ever. Amen.

Let the whole creation serve you, for you spoke and all things came into being.

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 for ever. Amen.

Suffrages B

- V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;
- R. Govern and uphold them, now and always.
- V. Day by day we bless you;
- R. We praise your name for ever.
- V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;
- R. Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.
- V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;
- R. For we put our trust in you.
- V. In you, Lord, is our hope;
- R. And we shall never hope in vain.

Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. 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.*

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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*.

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