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

The Rites to welcome new Postulants and Novice Oblates may be offered before either Matins or Vespers begins. You can access the appropriate rite below.

New Postulant Rite

Novice Oblates Rite

Vespers for Tuesday After Proper 12

(Joseph of Arimathea)

Vespers provided here can be prayed privately, or in community virtually or at convocation. These rubrics (instructions) provide guidance for virtual and convocation services.

- When the service is prayed virtually, prayers and responses should be said by each participant, even though each person's response cannot be heard.
- At the Magnificat which begins after the daily antiphon, and during the final blessing, everyone should make the sign of the cross across their chest, represented in the service as ().
- Portions of Vespers at convocation may be chanted. Chant tones will be distributed before the service.
- At convocation: All Stand. Prayed by the Leader

Commemoration of Proper 12 The Sunday closest to July 27

Opening Sentence

Worship the Lord in the beauty of his holiness; let the whole earth tremble before him. Psalm 96:9

The Invitatory

V: O God, make speed to save us.

R: O Lord, make haste to help us.

Members bow their heads while praying the phrase before * in the Gloria Patri

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 (omit during Lent)

O Gracious Light Phos hilaron

At convocation, remain standing and it is prayed by the leader

O gracious Light, pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven, O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed!

Now as we come to the setting of the sun, and our eyes behold the vesper light, we sing your praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

You are worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices, O Son of God, O Giver of life, and to be glorified through all the worlds.

The Psalms Appointed

When the service is prayed virtually the first reader appointed prays the antiphon and first verse of each psalm, the Gloria Patri and repeats the antiphon. The second reader appointed prays the second verse. The two readers alternate praying the remaining verses.

In convocation, For each psalm, all stand and the leader begins begin with the antiphon and the first verse. All sit at the second verse and the psalm is said antiphonally by seating section. All rise for the last verse of each psalm for the Gloria Pati and closing antiphon.

Psalm 75 Confitebimur tibi

God does not judge by what the eyes see, but in truth and equity.

- ¹ We give you thanks, O God, we give you thanks, * calling upon your Name and declaring all your wonderful deeds.
- ² I will appoint a time, says God; *

I will judge with equity.

- ³ Though the earth and all its inhabitants are quaking, * I will make its pillars fast.
- ⁴ I will say to the boasters, 'Boast no more, ' * and to the wicked, 'Do not toss your horns;
- ⁵ Do not toss your horns so high, * nor speak with a proud neck."
- ⁶ For judgment is neither from the east nor from the west, * nor yet from the wilderness or the mountains.
- 7 It is God who judges; * he puts down one and lifts up another.

- ⁸ For in the LORD'S hand there is a cup, full of spiced and foaming wine, which he pours out, * and all the wicked of the earth shall drink and drain the dregs.
- But I will rejoice for ever; *
 I will sing praises to the God of Jacob.
- He shall break off all the horns of the wicked; *but the horns of the righteous shall be exalted.

Members bow their heads while praying the phrase before * in the Gloria Patri

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.

God does not judge by what the eyes see, but in truth and equity.

There is to be a short pause before beginning the next psalm

Psalm 33 Exultate, justi

By the word of the LORD were the heavens made, by the breath of his mouth all the heavenly hosts.

- ¹ Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous; * it is good for the just to sing praises.
- ² Praise the LORD with the harp; * play to him upon the psaltery and lyre.
- ³ Sing for him a new song; * sound a fanfare with all your skill upon the trumpet.
- ⁴ For the word of the LORD is right, * and all his works are sure.
- ⁵ He loves righteousness and justice; * the loving-kindness of the LORD fills the whole earth.
- ⁶ By the word of the LORD were the heavens made, * by the breath of his mouth all the heavenly hosts.
- ⁷ He gathers up the waters of the ocean as in a water-skin * and stores up the depths of the sea.
- ⁸ Let all the earth fear the LORD; * let all who dwell in the world stand in awe of him.
- ⁹ For he spoke, and it came to pass; * he commanded, and it stood fast.
- The LORD brings the will of the nations to naught; * he thwarts the designs of the peoples.
- 11 But the LORD'S will stands fast for ever, *

and the designs of his heart from age to age.

Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD! * blessed the people he has chosen to be his own!

Members bow their heads while praying the phrase before * in the Gloria Patri

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.

By the word of the LORD were the heavens made, by the breath of his mouth all the heavenly hosts.

There is to be a short pause before beginning the next psalm

Psalm 33 (cont.)

Let your loving kindness, O LORD, be upon us, as we have put our trust in you.

- 13 The LORD looks down from heaven, * and beholds all the people in the world.
- ¹⁴ From where he sits enthroned he turns his gaze * on all who dwell on the earth.
- ¹⁵ He fashions all the hearts of them * and understands all their works.
- There is no king that can be saved by a mighty army; * a strong man is not delivered by his great strength.
- ¹⁷ The horse is a vain hope for deliverance; * for all its strength it cannot save.
- ¹⁸ Behold, the eye of the LORD is upon those who fear him, * on those who wait upon his love,
- ¹⁹ To pluck their lives from death, * and to feed them in time of famine.
- Our soul waits for the LORD; * he is our help and our shield.
- ²¹ Indeed, our heart rejoices in him, * for in his holy Name we put our trust.
- Let your loving-kindness, O LORD, be upon us, * as we have put our trust in you.

Members bow their heads while praying the phrase before * in the Gloria Patri

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 your loving kindness, O LORD, be upon us, as we have put our trust in you.

There is to be a short pause before moving to the Lessons

The Lessons

For the virtual service, the lesson is read by a selected reader At convocation, Sit for the reading

A reading from 'Mark 6:30-46 (NRSV)'

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. When it grew late, his disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now very late; send them away so that they may go into the surrounding country and villages and buy something for themselves to eat." But he answered them, "You give them something to eat." They said to him, "Are we to go and buy two hundred denarii worth of bread, and give it to them to eat?" And he said to them, "How many loaves have you? Go and see." When they had found out, they said, "Five, and two fish." Then he ordered them to get all the people to sit down in groups on the green grass. So they sat down in groups of hundreds and of fifties. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to his disciples to set before the people; and he divided the two fish among them all. And all ate and were filled; and they took up twelve baskets full of broken pieces and of the fish. Those who had eaten the loaves numbered five thousand men. Immediately he made his disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. After saying farewell to them, he went up on the mountain to pray.

Here ends the Reading.

The Song of Mary Magnificat Luke 1:46-55

For the virtual service, the leader or a selected reader prays the entire canticle including the opening antiphon and the Gloria Patri, and the closing antiphon.

At convocation, the leader prays the opening antiphon and the first verse of the canticle and the people pray the rest of the Canticle, the Gloria Patri and the closing antiphon together.

All generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me.

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.

All generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me.

For the virtual service and the service at convocation, A second reading may be inserted here by the leader using the "Readings from the Desert" and can be accessed using this <u>LINK</u>.

The Rite of Naming and Clothing of Novices may begin here. To access the Rite, click the link below.

Naming and Clothing of Novices

The Rite of Full Oblation

The Prayers

At Convocation, All remain standing

V: The Lord be with you.

R: And also with you.

Let us pray.

The virtual service: the leader or a reader prays the Lord's Prayer.

Convocation service, the leader and the people say the Lord's Prayer together

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.

For the virtual service, the first reader begin and a second reader say the response.

For the convocation service, All remain standing for the all Prayers following. The leader begins and the members respond.

Suffrages B

That this evening may be holy, good, and peaceful,

We entreat you, O Lord.

That your holy angels may lead us in paths of peace and goodwill,

We entreat you, O Lord.

That we may be pardoned and forgiven for our sins and offenses,

We entreat you, O Lord.

That there may be peace to your Church and to the whole world,

We entreat you, O Lord.

That we may depart this life in your faith and fear, and not be condemned before the great judgment seat of Christ,

We entreat you, O Lord.

That we may be bound together by your Holy Spirit in the communion of [the glorious and ever-blessed Virgin Mary, St. Michael the Defender, _____ and] all your saints, entrusting one another and all our life to Christ, We entreat you, O Lord.

Collect of the Day

Virtual Service: Prayed by an appointed member.

For the convocation service, The collects are prayed by the leader.

Merciful God, whose servant Joseph of Arimathea with reverence and godly fear prepared the body of our Lord and Savior for burial and laid it in his own tomb: Grant to us, your faithful people, grace and courage to love and serve Jesus with sincere devotion all the days of our life; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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The kingdom of heaven is like a net thrown into the sea when it is full, they drag it ashore and sort the catch all that is good is put into baskets but the bad is thrown away.

V. Let my prayer, O Lord, be set forth.

R. In your sight as incense.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

A Collect for Aid against Perils

Be our light in the darkness, O Lord, and in your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of your only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

Prayer for Mission

O God, you manifest in your servants the signs of your presence: Send forth upon us the spirit of love, that in companionship with one another your abounding grace may increase among us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Pause and add prayers for healing, and intercessory and thanksgiving prayers here.

For both the virtual and convocation services, these prayers are said by the leader. Members will have an opportunity to offer personal prayer requests.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

For the virtual service, prayed by an appointed member.

For the convocation service, prayed by all members together.

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. *Amen*.

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

For both the virtual service and at convocation, this is prayed by the leader:

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. *Amen. Ephesians* 3:20

The Angelus

In the virtual service, the leader appoints a member to begin praying the Angelus and a second person and pray the response. In convocation, the leader begins the prayer, and the responses are said by all.

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.

For all services, members bow their heads here

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.

In convocation, this prayer is said by all.

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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