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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 Monday After Proper 18

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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*

Opening Sentence

Let my prayer be set forth in your sight as incense, the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice. *Psalm 141:2*

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 Patri and closing antiphon.

Psalm 85 *Benedixisti, Domine*

Show us your mercy, O LORD, and grant us your salvation.

¹ You have been gracious to your land, O LORD, *
you have restored the good fortune of Jacob.

² You have forgiven the iniquity of your people *
and blotted out all their sins.

³ You have withdrawn all your fury *
and turned yourself from your wrathful indignation.

4 Restore us then, O God our Savior; *

let your anger depart from us.

5 Will you be displeased with us for ever? *

will you prolong your anger from age to age?

6 Will you not give us life again, *

that your people may rejoice in you?

7 Show us your mercy, O LORD, *

and grant us your salvation.

*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.

Show us your mercy, O LORD, and grant us your salvation.

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

Psalm 85 (cont.)

Righteousness shall go before him, and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

8 I will listen to what the LORD God is saying, *

for he is speaking peace to his faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to him.

9 Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, *

that his glory may dwell in our land.

10 Mercy and truth have met together; *

righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

11 Truth shall spring up from the earth, *

and righteousness shall look down from heaven.

12 The LORD will indeed grant prosperity, *

and our land will yield its increase.

13 Righteousness shall go before him, *

and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

*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.

Righteousness shall go before him, and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

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

Psalm 125 *Qui confidunt*

You have come to mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem.

¹ Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount Zion, *
which cannot be moved, but stands fast for ever.

² The hills stand about Jerusalem; *
so does the LORD stand round about his people, from this time forth for evermore.

³ The scepter of the wicked shall not hold sway over the land allotted to the just, *
so that the just shall not put their hands to evil.

⁴ Show your goodness, O LORD, to those who are good *
and to those who are true of heart.

⁵ As for those who turn aside to crooked ways, the LORD will lead them away with the evildoers; *
but peace be upon Israel.

*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.

You have come to mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem.

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 15:40-47 (NRSV)'

There were also women looking on from a distance; among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. These used to follow him and provided for him when he was in Galilee; and there were many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem. When evening had come, and since it was the day of Preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he

asked him whether he had been dead for some time. When he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. Then Joseph bought a linen cloth, and taking down the body, wrapped it in the linen cloth, and laid it in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Jesus saw where the body was laid.

Here ends the Reading.

Magnificat: The Song of Mary - 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.

God has looked with favor on me, a lowly servant. My spirit rejoices in God, my Savior.

(✠) 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.

God has looked with favor on me, a lowly servant. My spirit rejoices in God, my Savior.

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 [LINK](#).

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 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

Virtual Service: Prayed by an appointed member.

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

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

A Collect for Peace

Most holy God, the source of all good desires, all right judgements, and all just works: Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, so that our minds may be fixed on the doing of your will, and that we, being delivered from the fear of all enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through the mercies of Christ Jesus our Savior. Amen.

Prayer for Mission

O God and Father of all, whom the whole heavens adore: Let the whole earth also worship you, all nations obey you, all tongues confess and bless you, and men and women everywhere love you and serve you in peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

At convocation, a hymn may be sung here.

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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