

A Prayer before the Office may be said.

The Angelus

The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary, and she conceived by the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.

Blessèd 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 done unto me according to your word.

Hail Mary...

And the word was made flesh, and dwelt among us

Hail Mary...

Pray for us, O holy mother of God,

that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

Pour forth, we ask you, O Lord, your grace into our hearts,

that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ your Son

was made known by the message of an angel,

may by his passion and cross be brought to the glory

of his resurrection, through the same Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Preparation

✠ In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All **Amen.**

O God, make speed to save us.

All **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

All **O my God, in you I trust.**

Psalm 25:1a

Hymn

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds
In a believer's ear!
It soothes his sorrows, heals his wounds,
And drives away his fear

Jesus! my Shepherd, Brother, Friend,
My Prophet, Priest, and King,
My Lord, my Life, my Way, my End,
Accept the praise I bring

Weak is the effort of my heart,
and cold my warmest thought;
but when I see thee as thou art,
I'll praise thee as I ought

Text: John Newton (1725-1807)

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Music: Alexander Reinagle (1799-1877)

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The Word of God

Psalmody

The following Psalms are said or chanted:

<i>Week 1</i>	Psalm 16	<i>Week 3</i>	Psalm 36	<i>Or, on any Tuesday:</i>
<i>Week 2</i>	Psalm 25	<i>Week 4</i>	Psalm 39	Psalm 17:1-8

Each Psalm ends with:

**All Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now and shall be forever. Amen.**

The Reading

Week One

If you will only obey the Lord your God, by diligently observing all his commandments that I am commanding you today, the Lord your God will set you high above all the nations of the earth; all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you, if you obey the Lord your God: Blessed shall you be in the city, and blessed shall you be in the field. Blessed shall be the fruit of your womb, the fruit of your ground, and the fruit of your livestock, both the increase of your cattle and the issue of your flock. Blessed shall be your basket and your kneading-bowl.

Blessed shall you be when you come in, and blessed shall you be when you go out.

Deuteronomy 28.1-6

Week Two

They shall see the glory of the Lord, the majesty of our God. Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you.' Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert.

Isaiah 35.2c-6

Week Three

As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, 'Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?'

Jesus answered, 'Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him.

We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.'

John 9.1-5

Week Four

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations.

Revelation 22.1,2

Or, on any Tuesday

Great crowds came to Jesus, bringing with them the lame, the maimed, the blind, the mute, and many others. They put them at his feet, and he cured them.

Matthew 15.30

Silence or the Responsory may follow the reading.

Responsory

Jesus said, I am the light of the world.

All Whoever follows me will have the light of life.

John 8:12

A brief silence is kept before the Prayers.

Prayers

That this and all our days may be full of your praise:

All we pray to you, O Lord.

That we may walk before you in the paths of righteousness and peace:

All we pray to you, O Lord.

That you will bless your people and lift them up forever:

All we pray to you, O Lord.

That you will guide and protect us by your Holy Spirit
and bring us with your saints to glory everlasting:

All we pray to you, O Lord.

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray,
to the mercy and protection of God.

A brief silence is kept for people to add their own prayers and petitions.

The Collect of the day or the following prayer is then said:

Eternal God, the light of the minds that know you,
the joy of the hearts that love you, and the strength of the wills that serve you:
grant us so to know you that we may truly love you,
so to love you that we may truly serve you, whose service is perfect freedom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

after St. Augustine of Hippo (430)

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father,
who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
forever and ever.**

All Amen.

The Blessing

May Christ our Redeemer bring us healing and wholeness;
and the blessing of God, ✠ Father, Son and Holy Spirit
be with you and remain with you always.

All Amen.