



St. Charles
Borromeo
Church

Vespers

Friday Evening Prayer
July 22, 2022
Feast of St. Mary Magdalene



INTRODUCTION

Leader: God, + come to my assistance.

All: Lord, make haste to help me.

Leader: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

All: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

PSALMODY

Psalm 122: Holy city, Jerusalem

You have come to Mount Zion, to the city of the living God, heavenly Jerusalem

(Hebrews 12:22)

Antiphon:

Leader: Jesus said to Mary: Woman, why are you weeping?

All: **Whom do you seek?**

Leader: I rejoiced when I heard them say:

“Let us go to God’s house.”

And now our feet are standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem.

All: **Jerusalem is built as a city
strongly compact.**

**It is there that the tribes go up,
the tribes of the Lord.**

For Israel’s law it is,
there to praise the Lord’s name.

There were set the thrones of judgment
of the house of David.

For the peace of Jerusalem pray:

“Peace be to your homes!

**May peace reign in your walls,
in your palaces, peace!”**

For love of my brethren and friends

I say: “Peace upon you.”

For love of the house of the Lord

I will ask for your 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.**

Antiphon:

Leader: Jesus said to Mary: Woman, why are you weeping?

All: **Whom do you seek?**

Psalm Prayer

Leader: When you rose from the dead, Lord Jesus, you formed the Church into your new body, and made of it the new Jerusalem, united in your Spirit. Give us peace in our day. Make all nations come to your Church to share in your gifts in fellowship, that they may render you thanks without end and come to your eternal city.

Psalm 127: Apart from God our labors are worthless
You are God's building (1 Corinthians 3:9)

Antiphon:

Leader: They have taken my Lord away,

All: **and I do not know where they have put him.**

If the Lord does not build the house,
in vain do its builders labor;
if the Lord does not watch over the city,
in vain do the watchers keep vigil.

**In vain is your earlier rising,
your going later to rest,
you who toil for the bread you eat,
when he pours gifts on his beloved while they slumber.**

Truly sons are a gift from the Lord,
a blessing, the fruit of the womb.
The sons of youth
are like arrows in the hand of a warrior.

**O the happiness of the man
who has filled his quiver with these arrows.
He will have no cause for shame
when he disputes with his foes in the gateways.**

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.

Antiphon:

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Psalm Prayer

Leader: You command the seed to rise, Lord God, though the farmer is unaware. Grant that those who labor for you may trust not in their own work but in your help. Remembering that the land is brought to flower not with human tears but with those of your Son, may the Church rely only upon your gifts.

Canticle: Revelation 15:3-4: Hymn of adoration

Antiphon

Leader: Jesus said: Mary. She turned to him and said:

All: **Rabboni, which means teacher.**

Mighty and wonderful are your works,
Lord God Almighty!
Righteous and true are your ways,
O King of the nations!

**Who would dare refuse you honor,
or the glory due your name, O Lord?**

Since you alone are holy,
all nations shall come
and worship in your presence.
Your mighty deeds are clearly seen.

**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.**

Antiphon

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READING: Romans 8:28-30

We know that God makes all things work for the good for those who have been called according to his decree. Those whom he foreknew he predestined to share the image of his Son, so the Son might be the first-born among many brothers. Those he predestined he likewise called; those he called he also justified; and those he justified he also glorified.

RESPONSORY

Reader: Mary, do not weep; the Lord is risen from the dead.
– **Mary, do not weep; the Lord is risen from the dead.**

Go to my brothers and say to them:
– **The Lord is risen from the dead.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
– **Mary, do not weep; the Lord is risen from the dead.**

GOSPEL CANTICLE

Canticle of Mary: Luke 1:46-55

The soul rejoices in the Lord

Leader: Mary ran and told the disciples
All: **that she had seen the Lord, alleluia.**

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.

**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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INTERCESSIONS

Through the intercession of holy women, let us pray for the Church in these words:

Be mindful of your Church, Lord.

Through all the women martyrs who conquered bodily death by their courage, strengthen your Church in the hour of trial.

Be mindful of your Church, Lord.

Through married women who have advanced in grace by holy matrimony, make the apostolic mission of your Church fruitful.

Be mindful of your Church, Lord.

Through widows who eased their loneliness and sanctified it by prayer and hospitality, help your Church reveal the mystery of your love to the world.

Be mindful of your Church, Lord.

Through mothers who have borne children for the kingdom of God and the human community, help your Church bring all men and women to a rebirth in life and salvation.

Be mindful of your Church, Lord.

Through all your holy women who have been worthy to contemplate the light of your countenance, let the deceased members of your Church exult in that same vision for ever.

Be mindful of your Church, Lord.

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.

CONCLUDING PRAYER

Father,
your Son first entrusted to Mary Magdalene
the joyful news of his resurrection.
By her prayers and example
may we proclaim Christ as our living Lord
and one day see him in glory,
for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
God, forever and ever.
– Amen.

DISMISSAL

If a priest or deacon presides, he dismisses the people:

The Lord be with you.
– **And with your spirit.**

May almighty God bless you,
the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
– **Amen.**

Go in peace.
– **Thanks be to God.**

*In the absence of a priest or deacon and in individual
recitation, Evening Prayer concludes:*

Leader: May the Lord + bless us,
protect us from all evil
and bring us to everlasting life.
– **Amen.**