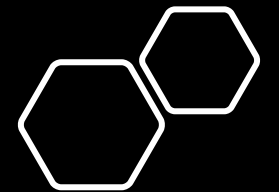




St. Charles
Borromeo
Church

Novena and Vespers

Friday Evening Prayer
January 6, 2023



Novena to St. Agnes

Week 7, Friday, January 6, 2023

The Temptation of Satan

Leader: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit,

All: Amen.

Leader: Saint Agnes, who readied yourself each day for death, and, with joy, suffered death by martyrdom for the One who died for all of us, we ask you humbly, deign to intercede for us in every minute of this week, and obtain for us these graces that we ask of you.

Let your prayer give us comfort in times of trials and torments. Be our friend in times of loneliness and abandonment, and obtain for us from your Spouse, Jesus Christ, eternal happiness in Heaven. Holy innocent virgin, who paid the greatest price for preserving fidelity to Christ, obtain for us the grace of complete purity of the soul and the body. Amen.



Our Father ...

Hail Mary ...

Glory be ...

**In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit,
Amen.**

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 116:1-9 Thanksgiving

*We must endure many trials before entering God's kingdom
(Acts 14:21)*

Antiphon:

Leader: Lord, keep my soul from death,

All: **never let me stumble.**

Leader: I love the Lord for he has heard
the cry of my appeal;
for he turned his ear to me
in the day when I called him.

All: **They surrounded me, the snares of death, with the
anguish of the tomb;
they caught me, sorrow and distress.
I called on the Lord's name.**

O Lord, my God, deliver me!

**How gracious is the Lord, and just;
our God has compassion.
The Lord protects the simple hearts;
I was helpless so he saved me.**

Turn back, my soul, to your rest
for the Lord has been good;
he has kept my soul from death,
my eyes from tears
and my feet from stumbling.

**I will walk in the presence of the Lord
in the land of the living.**

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: Lord, keep my soul from death,

All: **never let me stumble.**

Psalm Prayer

Leader: God of power and mercy, through your Son's passion and resurrection you have freed us from the bonds of death and the anguish of separation from you. Be ever with us on our pilgrimage; then we shall sing rather than weep. Keep our feet from stumbling, so that we may be able to follow you until we come to eternal rest.

Psalm 121: Guardian of his people
Never again will they hunger and thirst, never again know scorching heat
(Revelation 7:16)

Antiphon:

Leader: My help comes from the Lord,

All: **who made heaven and earth.**

I lift up my eyes to the mountains:
from where shall come my help?
My help shall come from the Lord
who made heaven and earth.

May he never allow you to stumble!
Let him sleep not, your guard.
No, he sleeps not nor slumbers,
Israel's guard.

The Lord is your guard and your shade;
at your right side he stands.
By day the sun shall not smite you
nor the moon in the night.

**The Lord will guard you from evil,
he will guard your soul.**
**The Lord will guard your going and coming both now
and 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.

Antiphon:

Leader: My help comes from the Lord,

All: **who made heaven and earth.**

Psalm Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, you have prepared a quiet place for us
in your Father's eternal home. Watch over our welfare
on this perilous journey, shade us from the burning heat
of day, and keep our lives free of evil until the end.

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

Antiphon

Leader: King of all the ages

All: **your ways are perfect and true.**

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

Leader: King of all the ages

All: **your ways are perfect and true.**

READING: Acts 10:37–39

I take it you know what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem.

RESPONSORY

Reader: The Word was made flesh, alleluia, alleluia.

– **The Word was made flesh, alleluia, alleluia.**

He lived among us.

– **Alleluia, alleluia.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

– **The Word was made flesh, alleluia, alleluia.**

GOSPEL CANTICLE

Canticle of Mary: Luke 1:46-55

The soul rejoices in the Lord

Leader: From heaven the Father's voice proclaimed:

All: **you are my Son, my beloved, in whom I take delight.**

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.

Antiphon:

Leader: From heaven the Father's voice proclaimed:

All: **you are my Son, my beloved, in whom I take delight.**

INTERCESSIONS

Reader: At the birth of Jesus, angels proclaimed peace to the world. We worship him now with joy, and we pray with hearts full of faith:

May your birth bring peace to all.

Lord, fill your holy people with whatever good they need,
– let the mystery of your birth be the source of our peace.

May your birth bring peace to all.

You came as chief shepherd and guardian of our lives,
– let the pope and bishops be faithful channels of your many gifts of grace.

May your birth bring peace to all.

King from all eternity, you desired to be born within time and to experience the day-to-day life of men and women,
– share your gift of unending life with us, weak people doomed to death.

May your birth bring peace to all.

Awaited from the beginning of the world, you came only in the fullness of time,
– now reveal your presence to those who are expecting you.

May your birth bring peace to all.

You became one of us and gave new life to our human condition in the grip of death,
– now give the fullness of life to all who have died.

May your birth bring peace to all.

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

Lord,
fill our hearts with your light.
May we always acknowledge Christ as our Savior
and be more faithful to his Gospel,
for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever 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.**