St. Therese of Lisieux - October 1

Evening Prayer

HYMN

From clear high mansions of that shining palace Where you enjoy the light of God's dear presence, And plead our causes, mindful of your promise Shower down your roses.

Roses of faith to shed its light supernal, Roses of hope when obstacles surround us, And for our strengthening in daily living Roses of pure love.

Through your own childlike confidence and candor Send us the rose of quietly discerning Love of a Father, shining in each happening Both sweet and bitter.

This be our portion, God forever blessed,
Father eternal, Son and Holy Spirit,
Whose is the glory which through all creation
Resounds forever.

PSALMODY

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Psalm 112 (113)

Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord!
May the name of the Lord be blessed both now and for evermore!
From the rising of the sun to its setting praised be the name of the Lord!

High above all nations is the Lord, above the heavens his glory.
Who is like the Lord, our God, who has risen on high to his throne yet stoops from the heights to look down, to look down upon heaven and earth?

From the dust he lifts up the lowly,

from his misery he raises the poor to set him in the company of princes, yes, with the princes of his people. To the childless wife he gives a home and gladdens her heart with children.

- Ant. 1 There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends.
- Ant. 2 For their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be consecrated in truth.

Psalm 130 (131)

O Lord, my heart is not proud nor haughty my eyes. I have not gone after things too great nor marvels beyond me.

Truly I have set my soul in silence and peace.
As a child has rest in its mother's arms, even so my soul.

O Israel, hope in the Lord both now and for ever.

- Ant. 2 For their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be consecrated in truth.
- Ant. 3 God chooses those the world considers weak to confound the strong.

Canticle: Phil 2:6-11

Though he was in the form of God;

Jesus did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped.

He emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men.

And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross.

Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name.

That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth.

And every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Ant.3 God chooses those the world considers weak to confound the strong.

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Tim 2:1, 3-6a

First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all men. This is good, and it is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Jesus Christ, who gave himself as a ransom for all.

SHORT RESPONSORY

R. I will tell of your name to my friends: * in the midst of the assembly I will praise you. Repeat R.

V. For you have not despised the poor in their distress; in the midst of the assembly I will praise you. Glory . . . R.

MAGNIFICAT Lk 1:46-55

Ant. Father, I have made your name known to those you have given me: make them holy in the truth.

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, and from this day all generations will call me blessed.

The Almighty has done great things for me: 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 has sent the rich 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.

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INTERCESSIONS

Let us pray to God, our almighty Father, for his Church throughout the world:

R. Lord, remember your covenant with us.

May we be inspired by the example of Saint Thérése of the Child Jesus; - may your Church give itself to you in love. R.

May all contemplatives be faithful witnesses of your goodness; - so that the world may believe in you. R.

May we bear one another's burdens in a spirit of love; - so that your faithful people may see your face in us and imitate your Son. R.

Fill us with the faithful missionary spirit; - for you desire all the world to know the truth of Christ. R.

Grant to all the faithful departed the joy of seeing your face; - for Christ wants those you gave him to be with him where he reigns in glory. R.

Our Father . . .

PRAYER

God our Father, you have promised your kingdom to those who are willing to become like little children. Help us to follow the way of Saint Thérése with confidence so that by her prayers we may come to know your eternal glory. Grant this through our Lord.