



SATURDAY MORNING HYMNS & PRAYER

11th March 2023

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

1. Again we keep this solemn fast,
a gift of faith from ages past,
this Lent which binds us lovingly
to faith and hope and charity.
2. More sparing, therefore let us make
the words we speak, the food we take,
our sleep, our laughter, ev'ry sense;
learn peace through holy penitence.
3. We pray, O blessed Three in One,
our God while endless ages run,
that this, our Lent of forty days,
may bring us growth and give you praise.

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord is kind and merciful.

COMMUNION RELECTION

There's a wideness in God's mercy like the wideness of the sea,
and forgiveness in his justice sealed for us on Calvary.
There is plentiful redemption through the blood that Christ has shed;
there is joy for all the members in the sorrows of the Head.

For the love of God is broader than the measures of our mind;
and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.
But we make his love too narrow by false limits of our own,
and we magnify his strictness with a zeal he will not own.

Restless souls, why do you scatter like a crowd of frightened sheep?
Foolish hearts, why do you wander from a love so true and deep?
If our love were but more simple we should take him at his word;
and our lives would be illumined by the goodness of the Lord.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

The ark which God has sanctified,
which he has filled with grace,
within the temple of the Lord
has found a resting place.

God-bearing Mother, Virgin chaste,
who shines in heaven's sight;
she wears a royal crown of stars
who is the door of light.

To Father, Son and Spirit blest
may we give endless praise
with Mary, who is queen of heav'n,
through everlasting days.

Saturday Morning Marian Prayer

*Mary, Mother of God,
We acclaim your grandeur.
Hail, Mother of the God-Man.
Hail, Mother most holy.
Hail, Mother of love and mercy.
Hail, Mother filled with kindness.
Hail, Mother of unending life.
We have a Father in God
and a Mother in you.
Most loving Mother,
watch over me every day
and at every moment.*

Amen.



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