



# SATURDAY MORNING HYMNS & PRAYER

6<sup>th</sup> May 2023

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN

That Easter day with joy was bright,  
the sun shone out with fairer light,  
Alleluia, Alleluia!  
when to their longing eyes restored,  
the glad apostles saw their Lord.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! alleluia, alleluia!

O Jesus, King of gentleness,  
who with your grace our hearts possess,  
Alleluia, Alleluia!  
that we may give you all our days  
the willing tribute of our praise.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! alleluia, alleluia!

All praise to you, O risen Lord,  
from death to endless life restored;  
Alleluia, Alleluia!  
to God the Father equal praise,  
and Spirit blest our songs we raise.  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! alleluia, alleluia!

## Responsorial Psalm

*All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God*

## COMMUNION RELECTION

“Take up your cross”, the Saviour said,  
“If you would my disciple be;  
take up your cross, deny yourself,  
and humbly follow after me.”

Take up your cross, heed not the shame,  
and let your foolish heart be still;  
the Lord for you accepted death  
upon a cross, on Calv'ry's hill.

Take up your cross, and follow Christ,  
nor think till death to lay it down;  
for only those who bear the cross  
may hope to wear the glorious crown.

## RECESSIONAL HYMN

Bring flow'rs of the fairest, bring flow'rs of the rarest,  
From garden and woodland and hillside and vale;  
Our full hearts are swelling, our glad voices telling  
The praise of the loveliest Rose of the vale.

*Chorus* O Mary, we crown thee with blossoms today,  
Queen of the Angels, Queen of the May,  
O Mary, we crown thee with blossoms today,  
Queen of the Angels, Queen of the May.

Our voices ascending, in harmony blending,  
Oh! thus may our hearts turn dear Mother, to thee;  
Oh! thus shall we prove thee how truly we love thee,  
How dark without Mary life's journey would be. *Chorus*

O Virgin most tender, our homage we render,  
Thy love and protection, sweet Mother, to win;  
In danger defend us, in sorrow befriend us,  
And shield our hearts from contagion and sin. *Chorus*

Of Mothers the dearest, oh, wilt thou be nearest,  
When life with temptation is darkly replete?  
Forsake us, O never! our hearts be they ever  
As pure as the lilies we lay at thy feet. *Chorus*

### *Saturday Morning Marian Prayer*

Blessed Mary,  
you are the Mother of God, the Mother of Jesus  
and our Mother, Mother of the Church.  
We ask this day that you make our hearts meek and humble,  
as your Son's was.  
For it is so very easy to be proud and harsh and selfish – so easy;  
but we have been created for greater things.  
How much we can learn from you!  
You were so humble because you were entirely for God  
and full of grace.  
Say to your Son: "They have no wine; they need the wine of humility  
and meekness, of kindness and sweetness."  
And you are sure to tell us: "Do whatever he tells you."  
Mother Mary, the hope of humankind, come into our lives,  
into the life of the world to bring joy and peace;  
to lead us back to God. Amen.



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