



SATURDAY MORNING HYMNS & PRAYER

2nd September 2023

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

O Purest of creatures! sweet Mother, sweet Maid;
The one spotless womb wherein Jesus was laid.
Dark night hath come down on us, Mother, and we
Look out for thy shining, sweet star of the sea.

Deep night hath come down on this rough-spoken world,
And the banners of darkness are boldly unfurled;
And the tempest-tossed Church – all her eyes are on thee
They look to thy shining, sweet star of the sea.

He gazed on thy soul; it was spotless and fair;
For the empire of sin – it had never been there;
None ever had owned thee, dear, Mother, but he,
And he blessed thy clear shining, sweet star of the sea.

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

COMMUNION RELECTION

I come with joy, a child of God, forgiven, loved, and free,
the life of Jesus to recall, in love laid down for me.

As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, each proud division ends.
The love that made us, makes us one, and strangers now are friends.

The Spirit of the risen Christ, unseen, but always near,
is in such friendship better known, alive among us here.

Together met, together bound, by all that God has done,
we'll go with joy, to give the world the love that make us one.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Servant of the Word, handmaid of the Lord,
blest are you, O Mary!
Mother of God's only Son,
chosen as the holy one;
pray for us and lead us to the Son of God.

Bearer of God's Son, woman of great faith,
blest are you, O Mary!
Docile to the will of God, holy Mary
heart of love;
pray for us and lead us to the Son of God.

Mary full of grace, woman truly chaste,
blest are you, O Mary!
Mother of the Word made flesh,
guide the Church to holiness;
pray for us and lead us to the Son of God.

SATURDAY MORNING MARIAN PRAYER

Holy Mother of our Redeemer,
ever open gate of heaven and star of the sea,
come to the aid of your children
who have fallen and who seek to rise.
You gave birth, O Wonder, to your Creator,
remaining ever virgin.
Receive the greetings of the Angel Gabriel,
and have pity on us sinners.

Amen.



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