

SATURDAY MORNING HYMNS & PRAYER

9th March 2024

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

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.

Let us avoid each harmful way that lures the careless mind astray; By watchful prayer our spirits free from scheming of the Enemy.

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

R It is steadfast love, not sacrifice, that God desires.

COMMUNION RELECTION

Shepherd of souls, in love, come feed us, life-giving bread for hungry hearts!

To those refreshing waters lead us where dwells that grace your peace imparts.

May we, the wayward in your fold, by your forgiveness rest consoled.

Sinful are we who stand before you, worthy of you are you alone; yet in your name we do implore you, rich are the mercies you have shown. Say but the word, your healing word, then are our hearts made pure, O Lord.

Father, who fed the Hebrew nation, giving them manna from the sky, give now the bread of our salvation, that we who eat shall never die.

We are your people, God, in need; may we on living bread now feed.

Help us, dear Lord, prepare a dwelling worthy of you who made us all; cleanse then our hearts, our guilt dispelling, purify us who heed your call.

"Take this and eat" were words you said, giving yourself to be our bread.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Salve Regina, Mater misericordiae, vita, dulcedo, et spes nostra, salve. ad te clamamus, exsules filii Hevae, ad te suspiramus, gementes et flentes in hac lacrimarum valle.

Eia, ergo, advocata nostra, illos tuos misericordes oculos ad nos converte; et Iesum, benedictum fructum ventris tui, nobis post hoc exsilium ostende.

O clemens, O pia, O dulcis Virgo Maria.

MARIAN PRAYER

Holy Virgin Mary, among all the women of the world, there is no one like you.

You are the daughter and handmaid of the most high King and Father in heaven, you are the Mother of our holy Lord, Jesus Christ, you are the Spouse of the Holy Spirit.

O Mary, we are your children; Pray for us along with St Michael the archangel and all the saints of heaven;
Mary, pray for us to your holy and beloved Son,
Our Lord and God.
Amen.

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