



SATURDAY MORNING

HYMNS & PRAYER

18 January 2025

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Blessed Jesus, at your word we are gathered all to hear you;
let our hearts and minds be stirred now to seek and love and fear you;
by your gospel pure and holy teach us, Lord, to love you solely.

All our knowledge, sense and sight lie in deepest darkness shrouded,
till your spirit breaks our night with your beams of truth unclouded;
you alone to God can win us, you must work all good within us.

Glorious Lord, yourself impart, light of light from God proceeding;
open lips and ears and heart, help us by your Spirit's leading;
hear the cry your Church now raises; Lord, accept our prayers and praises.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Your words, Lord, are spirit and life.

COMMUNION REFLECTION

Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here;
come bow before him now with reverence and fear:
in him no sin is found we stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around;
he burns with holy fire, with splendour he is crowned;
how awesome is the sight our radiant king of light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place;
he comes to cleanse and heal, to minister his grace;
no work too hard for him in faith receive from him.
Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.

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,
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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

MARIAN PRAYER

*Blest be the Virgin Mary among women!
Blest be Jesus, her Child!
Supremely blest is God our Father,
source of all grace and all blessing!
When Mary visited her cousin Elizabeth,
she brought her the presence of Jesus,
and was for her the source of joy.
Each time that we meet our brothers and sisters,
we can likewise bring them the presence of Jesus Christ
and enlighten them by the radiance of his joy.
God our Father,
give us the same grace that you bestowed
through the Virgin Mary on the day of the Visitation.
We ask this of you in the name of the love that you have
for your only Son, Jesus Christ, and in memory of his beloved Mother.
Amen*