The Nebraska Breviary

Ordinary Time

The Community of the Benedictine Way Incarnation Monastery Omaha, Nebraska

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You are God: we praise you You are the Lord: we acclaim you;

You are the eternal Father: All creation worships you.

To you all angels, all the powers of heaven, Cherubim and Seraphim, sing in endless praise:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

The glorious company of apostles praise you. The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.

Throughout the world the holy Church acclaims you:

[All] Father of majesty unbounded Your true and only Son, worthy of all worship, And the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.

You Christ, are the king of glory, The eternal Son of the Father.

When you became man to set us free You did not shun the Virgin's womb.

You overcame the sting of death And opened the Kingdom of heaven to all believers.

You are seated at God's right hand in glory. We believe that you will come and be our judge. Come then, Lord, and help your people, Bought with the price of your own blood,

And bring us with your saints To glory everlasting.

Sunday – Weeks 2 and 4: Colossians 3:13, 12-16

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Not on things that are on earth, for you have died,* And your life is hid with Christ in God.

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Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly * And with gratitude in your hearts, Sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God.

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You, O Christ, are the One: The light and grace of all blessed love; You are Trinity; you are Unity.

You, O Christ, are the One: The high sovereign goodness of all manner of things.

You are the One who makes us to love; You are the One who makes us to long.

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Through Jesus Christ, God destined us for adoption as children *

According to the good pleasure of the divine will.

Praise to God for that glorious grace * So freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

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And for this God raised him high * And gave him the name Which is above all other names;

So that all beings * In the heavens, on earth, and in the underworld Should bend the knee at the name of Jesus, And every tongue should acknowledge Jesus Christ as Savior * To the glory of God.

Friday – Weeks 2 and 4: Revelation 4:11, 5:9-10, 13

Splendor and honor and royal power * Are yours by right, O God most high,

You created everything that is, * And by your will they were created and have their being;

And yours by right, O Lamb that was slain * For with your blood you have redeemed for God,

From every family, language, people and nation * A royal priesthood to serve our God.

And so, to the One who sits upon the throne * And to Christ the Lamb

Be worship and praise, dominion and splendor * For ever and for evermore.

Saturday – Weeks 1 and 3: Sirach 39:13-16

Listen to me, my faithful children, * and blossom like a rose growing by a stream of water.

Send out fragrance like incense and sing a hymn of praise; *

bless our God for all creation.

Ascribe majesty to the Most High; give thanks with praise, *

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Glorify God, all you works of God, * sing praise and exalt God for ever.

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O all people everywhere, glorify God, * sing praise and exalt God for ever.

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Blessed are you, O God of Israel; * you have come to your people and set us free.

You have raised up for us a mighty Savior, * born of the house of your servant David.

Through your holy prophets you promised of old, that you would save us from our enemies, * from the hands of all who hate us.

You promised to show mercy to our forebears * and to remember your holy covenant.

This was the oath you swore to Sarah and Abraham, * to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

Free to worship you without fear, * holy and righteous before you all the days of our life.

And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, *

for you will go before the Promised One to prepare the way,

To give all people knowledge of salvation, * by the forgiveness of their sins.

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We commend to you, Almighty God, all for whom we pray - aloud or in the silence of our hearts - through Jesus, who taught us to pray, saying

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Collect

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Collect of the Day

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O Christ, our true and only Light: Receive our morning prayers and illumine the secrets of our hearts with your healing goodness, that no evil desires may possess us who are made new in the light of your heavenly grace, through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

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O God, our shield and armor of light, whom we adore with all the angelic host: Defend us from evil; watch over any who are in danger this day and give your angels charge over them; and grant that we may always rejoice in your heavenly protection and serve you bravely in the world; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

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Most holy God, the source of all good desires, all right judgements, and all just works: Give to us your servants that peace which the world cannot give, so that our minds may be fixed on the doing of your will, and that we, being delivered from the fear of all enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through the mercies of Christ Jesus our Savior. Amen.

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Almighty God, whose most dear One went not up to joy before suffering pain and entered not into glory before being crucified: Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

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O God in heaven, almighty and everlasting, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Let us bless our God.

To God be thanks for ever.

The grace of our Savior Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

The people bow to the altar and remain in place until the altar candle is extinguished.

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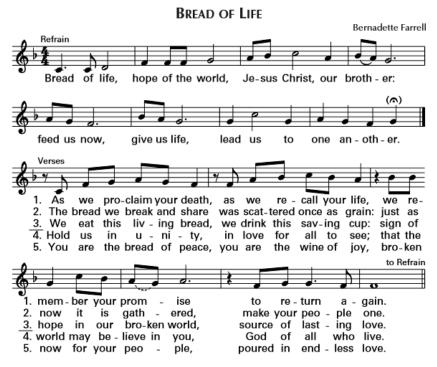
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Thursday



BREAD FOR THE WORLD

Friday



Saturday



Peace

The Priest says,

The peace of the Lord be always with you. And also with you.

All exchange a sign of peace. The priest continues with the Eucharistic Prayer:

Eucharistic Prayer (B)

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

The Priest says the Preface of the Incarnation unless it is a Principal (Proper Preface from the BCP) or Major Feast (Of a Saint, as below.)

Preface of the Incarnation

Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect human of the flesh of the Virgin Mary his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children.

Preface of a Saint

Because you are greatly glorified in the assembly of your saints. All your creatures praise you, and your faithful servants bless you, confessing before the rulers of this world the great Name of your only Son.

Preface of The Blessed Virgin Mary

Because as blessed Mary consented to become God-bearer for the world you call us to bear your Word to all whom our lives touch.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said,

"Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said,

"Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Ever-Blessed Virgin Mary, Saint Benedict, Saint Scholastica, Saint _____ and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

The Priest breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. [Alleluia.] Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; **Therefore let us keep the feast.** [Alleluia.]

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Communion

The assembly communes one another and the Priest. Silence for reflection follows the Communion.

Post-Communion Prayer

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

The Priest blesses the People.

Dismissal

The Deacon, or the Priest, dismisses the People with these words:

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

The people bow to the altar. All remain in place until the altar candle is extinguished.

Diurnum

Invitatory

All stand when the sound of the chime dissipates.

O God, make speed to save us. O God, make haste to help us. Glory to God, Source of All Being, Incarnate Word, and Holy Spirit: As it was in the beginning, is now, And will be forever. Amen. [Alleluia]

Advent

The angel Gabriel said to Mary* Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you, blessed are you among women.

Christmastide

Mary kept in mind all these things,* pondering them in her heart.

Epiphany

Your light has come, Jerusalem, the glory of the Lord shines upon you.* Nations shall walk by your light, alleluia.

Lent

Let us prove ourselves through patient endurance* The armor of righteousness with the power of God.

Eastertide

Alleluia.* Alleluia. Alleluia.

Season of Pentecost

I call with my whole heart;* Answer me, O God, that I may keep your statutes.

Psalter

The Psalms are found in the Saint Helena's Psalter (small blue book) and are recited according to the following schedule:

	I	II	III	IV
Su	119: 1-8	119: 57-64	119: 113-120	121
М	119: 9-16	119: 65-72	119: 121-128	122
Т	119:17-24	119: 73-80	119: 129-136	123
W	119: 25-32	119: 81-88	119: 137-144	124
Th	119: 33-40	119: 89-96	119: 145-152	125
F	119: 41-48	119: 97-104	119: 153-160	120, 126
Sa	119:49-56	119: 105- 112	119: 161-176	127, 128

This doxology follows the last psalm:

Glory to God, Source of All Being, Incarnate Word, and Holy Spirit: As it was in the beginning, is now, And will be forever. Amen. [Alleluia]

Reading:

Sunday

Some women in our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that Jesus was alive. - *Luke 24:23*

Monday

The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. - *Romans 5:5*

Tuesday

Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body. - *1 Corinthians 6:19-20*

Wednesday

Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. - *Galatians 6:2*

Thursday

If anyone is in Christ, they are a new creation; the old has passed away, behold the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation. - 2 Corinthians 5:17-18

Friday

It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit." Having said this, he breathed his last. - *Luke 23:44-46*

Saturday

Mary said: "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." - *Luke 1:38*

Officiant: Jesus, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples. Jesus says to us, when you pray, say:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

A ten-minute period of silent meditation

Collect

Sunday

Almighty Savior, who at noonday called your servant Saint Paul to be an apostle to the Gentiles: We pray you to illumine the world with the radiance of your glory, that all nations may come and worship you; for you live and reign for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Monday & Wednesday

Loving God send your Holy Spirit into our hearts, to direct and rule us according to your will, to comfort us in all our afflictions, to defend us from all error, and to lead us into all truth; through Jesus Christ our Savior. *Amen.*

Tuesday & Friday

Blessed Savior, at this hour you hung upon the cross, stretching out your loving arms: Grant that all the people of the earth may look to you and be saved; for your tender mercies' sake. *Amen.*

Thursday & Saturday

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:" Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that Heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and forever. *Amen.*

A Benedictine Litany (chanted)

God the Father of heaven Have mercy on us God the Son, Redeemer of the world Have mercy on us God the Holy Spirit Have mercy on us

Holy Mary, Mother of God **Pray for us** *(and after each saint)* Holy Mary, Daughter of the Poor Saint Joseph

Archangel Michael Archangel Gabriel Archangel Raphael

All you holy Cherubim All you holy Seraphim All you holy Angels

All you holy Patriarchs and Matriarchs All you holy Prophets and Apostles All you holy Martyrs and Confessors

St. John the Baptist St. Anthony of the Desert Holy Father, St. Benedict

St. Maurus and St. Placid

- St. Benedict of Aniane
- St. Meinrad
- St. Scholastica
- St. Walburga
- St. Hildegard
- St. Brigid of Kildare
- St. Columba of Iona
- St. Augustine of Canterbury
- St. Romuald
- St. Bernard
- All you holy Monastics
- St. Columba Marmion
- St. Thomas Merton
- St. Christian de Charge and companions

Be merciful to us Hear us O Lord For those who hunger and thirst for holiness Hear us O Lord For those who hunger and thirst for food and water Hear us O Lord For those who seek to find peace Hear us O Lord For those who seek peace among nations and peoples Hear us O Lord For Migrants, Refugees, and Immigrants

Hear us O Lord

For the sick, and those suffering with addictions Hear us O Lord For the lonely, the despairing and the hopeless hear us O Lord For the poor and forgotten Hear us O Lord

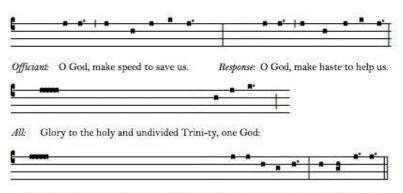
(*straight-tone chant*) Loving God, at mid-day we turn our gaze to you, confident that, like monks and nuns who have gone before us, you will guide us ever more deeply into obedience, stability, and conversion. Grant this through our Savior, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

St. Benedict Pray for us.

Let us bless our God. **To God be thanks for ever.**

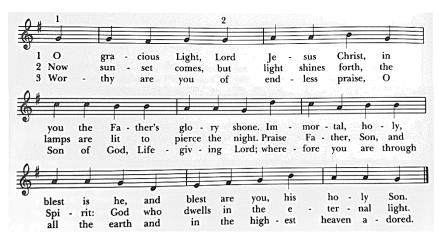
The people bow to each other across the choir and then bow to the altar.

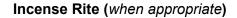
Vespers



as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A-men. Al - le - lu - ia.

Phos Hilaron







Psalter

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		II		IV
Sa	54, 71	33, 114	35, 1	86, 94
Su	78 pt. 1, 150	12, 18 pt. 1, 150	73, 150	13, 14, 150
М	78 pt. 2	18 pt. 2	74	36, 97
Т	104	111, 115	107	82
W	37	61, 34	47, 49	31, 133
Th	30, 66	2, 109, vs 1- 4 & 20-30	135	62, 90
F	137, vs 1-6	11, 16, 20	69, vs 1-23 & 31-38	131, 136

This doxology follows each psalm:

Glory to God, Source of All Being, Incarnate Word, and Holy Spirit: As it was in the beginning, is now, And will be forever. Amen.

Reading

A pause for reflection follows.

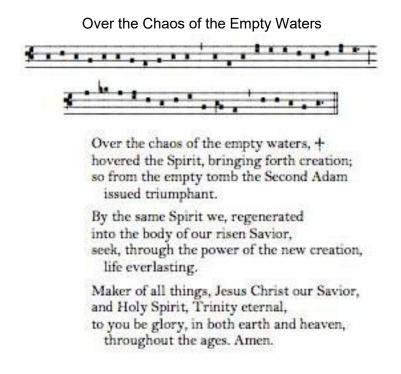
Hymn

The daily hymn, as follows, is sung unless another is appointed for a Principal or Major Feast.

Saturday



Sunday



Tuesday



Wednesday

PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS Sebastian Temple Verses 1, 2, 4 Where there is ha-tred, 1. Make me a chan-nel of your peace. 2. Make me a chan-nel of your peace. Where there's de-spair in 4. Make me a chan-nel of your peace. lt is in par-don-1. let me bring your love. 2. life, let me bring hope. Where there is in - ju -Where there is dark-ness_ 4. ing that we are par-doned, In giv-ing of our-7 ry, your par-don, Lord, And where there's doubt, true 1. And where there's sad - ness 2. light, on - ly 4. selves that we re - ceive, And in dy - ing that we're 1, Final 1st time: to Verse 2 2 (Fine) to Verse 3 ø 1. faith in you. 2. ev er 2. joy. 4. born to e - ter - nal life. Verse 3 3. O Mas-ter, grant that I may nev-er seek So much to be con-To be 3. soled, as to con-sole, un-der-stood, as to un-derto Verse 4 ø 3. stand, To be loved, as to love, with all my soul.

Thursday



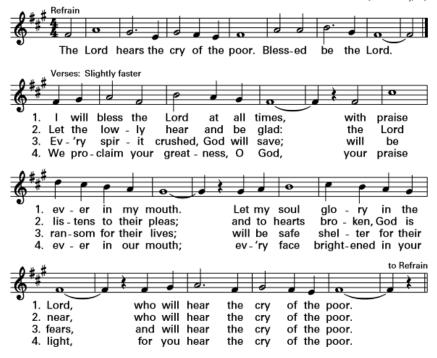
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Friday

THE CRY OF THE POOR

Psalm 34

John Foley, S.J.



The Magnificat Antiphon

The Officiant begins the antiphon.

<u>Sunday</u>

The angel Gabriel was sent to a town called Nazareth*

to a virgin named Mary who was engaged to Joseph of the house of David.

<u>Tuesday</u>

The angel said to her 'Do not be afraid Mary'* **For you have found favor with God.**

Wednesday The Holy Spirit will come upon you* And the power of the Most High will encompass you.

<u>Thursday</u> Know that your elderly relative Elizabeth has conceived a son* **For nothing is impossible with God.**

<u>Friday</u> Here I am, the servant of the Lord * **Let it be with me according to your word.**

<u>Saturday</u>

When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed *

'Blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb.

The Magnificat



A My soul proclaims the greatness\of our God

- *B* my whole being finds joy in\God my Savior.
- A God has looked on the lowliness\of God's servant
- *C* all generations to come will\call me blessed.
- A For me has God\done great deeds,
- B God, the mighty, whose\name is holy.
- A God's mercy is on all\who revere God,
- C from one generation\to the next.
- A God has put forth God's\arm in strength
- *B* And thwarted the plans\of the proud.
- A God has cast down the mighty\from their thrones
- B to high places God has\raised the lowly
- A With good things God has\filled the hungry,
- *C* and sent away the rich\empty handed.
- A God has upheld God's\servant Israel,
- *B* remembering the prom\ise of mercy
- A which God made to our people\long a-go:
- C to Abraham, Sarah, and God's\seed for-ever.
- A Give glory to\God our Creator
- B God has fulfilled God's prom\ise in Mary;
- A She gave birth to\Christ our Savior
- C by the power of the\Holy Spirit.

The antiphon is repeated.



Intercessions

The Prior offers an opening prayer. The People offer their intercessions silently or aloud. The Officiant concludes with these words:

We commend to you, Almighty God, all for whom we pray - aloud or in the silence of our hearts - through Jesus, who taught us to pray, saying

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect

Sunday

Almighty God, our Savior Jesus Christ triumphed over the powers of death and prepared a place for us in the new Jerusalem: Grant that we, who have this day given thanks for the Resurrection, may praise you in the City of which Christ is the light; and where you live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.

Tuesday

O holy God, whom the whole heavens adore: Let the whole earth also worship you, all nations obey you, all tongues confess and bless you, and people everywhere love you and serve you in peace; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Wednesday

Most loving God: Preserve us from faithless fears and worldly anxieties, that no clouds of this mortal life may hide from us the light of that love which is immortal, and which you have manifested to us in Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Thursday

Sun of Righteousness, so gloriously risen: Shine in our hearts as we celebrate our redemption, that we may see the way to our eternal home; where you live and reign, one holy and undivided Trinity, now and forever. Amen.

Friday

O Jesus Christ, by your death you took away the sting of death: Grant to us your servants so to follow in faith where you have led the way, that at the last we may fall asleep peacefully in you and wake up in your likeness; for your tender mercies' sake. Amen.

Saturday

O God, the source of eternal light: Shed forth your unending day upon us who watch for you, that our lips may praise you, our lives may bless you, and our worship on the morrow give you glory; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Let us bless our God. **To God be thanks forever.**

The grace of our Savior Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.

OR

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The people bow to the altar. All remain in place until the altar candle is extinguished.