Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. Amen.

¶ If Compline is not to follow later in the evening, the Anthem of the Blessed Virgin Mary proper to the season may be said or sung.

¶ From Advent through Candlemas:

Alma Redemptoris Mater.
Gracious Mother of our Redeemer, for ever abiding, 
Heaven's gateway, and star of ocean, O succour the people, 
Who, though falling, strive to rise again. 
Thou Maiden who barest thy holy Creator, to the wonder of all nature; 
Ever Virgin, after, as before thou receivedst that Ave 
From the mouth of Gabriel; have compassion on us sinners.

¶ From First Evensong of Christmas to Candlemas:

V: After Childbearing, O Virgin, thou didst remain inviolate. 
R: Intercede for us, O Mother of God.

Let us pray.

O GOD, who by the fruitful virginity of Blessed Mary hast bestowed upon mankind the reward of eternal salvation: grant, we beseech thee, that we may know the help of her intercession, through whom we have been accounted worthy to receive the Author of our life, Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord. Amen.

Here endeth the Order of Evening Prayer.

The official Ordo for the Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter. We generally use the 30-day traditional Psalm cycle from the Prayer Book, as permitted by the Ordinariate Lectionary, but we list for reference the alternate Psalm cycle in the Lectionary. We use the Psalms from the Lectionary on Christmas, Epiphany, The Purification, Ash Wednesday, The Annunciation, Palm Sunday and Holy Week, Easter Day, Ascension Day, Whitsunday, Trinity Sunday, The Transfiguration, All Saints, Thanksgiving Day, and the Solemnity of Title or of the Patron of the Place. We may also use the Psalm from the lectionary at other times, especially Saturdays, Sundays, or the 31st day of the month at the discretion of the Officiant.

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Daily Evening Prayer
For the Means of Grace and for the Hope of Glory

¶ The officiant will read one of the opening sentences for Christmas below:

Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. St. Luke ii. 10, 11.

Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God. Rev. xxi. 3.

¶ Then the officiant will continue with the Penitential Rite, saying:

LET us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God. 
¶ (Or this affection, especially during Lent.)

¶ To be said by the whole Congregation, together with the Officiant, all kneeling.

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father; We have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; And we have done those things which we ought not to have done; But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare thou those who confess their faults. Restore thou those who are penitent; According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake; That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

¶ If a Priest or Deacon officiates, he says.

May the Almighty and merciful Lord grant us absolution and remission of all our sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. Amen.
The Evening Responsory.
Officiant: * O LORD, open thou our lips.
People: And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.
Officiant: * O GOD, make speed to save us.
People: O LORD, make haste to help us.
Officiant and people: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

† The canticles are recited by everyone in unison, concluding with the Gloria Patri, all continuing in unison.

† Then shall follow a portion of the Psalms, as appointed.

† The psalms are recited responsively by whole verse, with a distinct pause at the asterisk. The officiant recites the full first verse and the congregation follows with the second. The Gloria Patri follows each Psalm, except during the Holy Week Triduum.

The Psalms for the Evening of Day 31 in the traditional 30-day cycle. (Day 31 repeats Day 30.)
Alternatively Psalm 90 appointed for today in the lectionary.
† See below at the * for a note on our Psalm selection practice.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 147. Laudate Dominum.

O PRAISE the Lord, for it is a good thing to sing praises unto our God; * yea, a joyful and pleasant thing it is to be thankful.
2 The Lord doth build up Jerusalem, * and gather together the outcasts of Israel.
3 He healeth those that are broken in heart, * and giveth medicine to heal their sickness.
4 He telleth the number of the stars, * and calleth them all by their names.
5 Great is our Lord, and great is his power; * yea, and his wisdom is infinite.
6 The Lord setteth up the meek, * and bringeth the ungodly down to the ground.
7 O sing unto the Lord with thanksgiving; * sing praises upon the harp unto our God:
8 Who covereth the heaven with clouds, and prepareth rain for the earth; *

A Prayer for all Sorts and Conditions of Men.
O GOD, the Creator and Preserver of all mankind, we humbly beseech thee for all sorts and conditions of men; that thou wouldest be pleased to make thy ways known unto them, thy saving health unto all nations. More especially we pray for thy holy Church universal, that she may be so guided and governed by thy good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Finally, we commend to thy fatherly goodness all those who are any ways afflicted, or distressed, in mind, body, or estate; especially those for whom our prayers are desired; that it may please thee to comfort and relieve them, according to their several necessities; giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions. And this we beg for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

A Collect for the Departed
(DWM 375)

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, we pray for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear, especially NN.: and we bless thy holy Name for all who in life and death have glorified thee: chiefly the glorious and ever-Virgin Mary, Mother of thy Son Jesus Christ, our Lord and God, the holy Patriarchs, Prophets, Apostles and Martyrs, and all thy Saints; beseeching thee to give us grace that, rejoicing in their fellowship and prayers, we may follow their good examples, and with them be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

A General Thanksgiving.
(Officiant and people together.)

ALMIGHTY God, Father of all mercies, we, thine unworthy servants, do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men; particularly those who desire now to offer up their praises and thanksgivings for thy late mercies vouchsafed unto them. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom.
ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests; Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. Amen.

V: Let us bless the Lord.
R: Thanks be to God.

The Grace (2 Cor. xiii. 14.)
THE * grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the
her intercession, through whom we have been accounted worthy to receive the
Author of our life, Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord; who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

A Collect for Peace.
O GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do
proceed; Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that our
hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee, we, being
defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness;
through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

A Collect for Aid Against Perils.
LIGHTEN our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us
from all Perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour,
Jesus Christ. Amen.

A Collect for Saturdays.
O GOD, the source of eternal light: Shed forth thine unending day upon us who
watch for thee, that our lips may praise thee, our lives may bless thee, and our
worship on the morrow may give thee glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Collect for the Night.
KEEP watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give
thine angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the
weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and
all for thy love's sake. Amen.

¶ In the Cycle of Prayer, we pray especially for the clergy and faithful of the Diocese of
Lokossa, Benin, the Diocese of Moshi, Tanzania, the Syrian Catholic Archeparchy of
Mossul, Iraq, and the Diocese of Warangal, India.

A Prayer for the Pope, Clergy, and People.
ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift;
Send down upon N. our Pope, N. our Bishop, all bishops, priests, and deacons, and
upon the Congregations committed to their charge, the healthful Spirit of thy grace;
and, that they may truly please thee, pour upon them the continual dew of thy
blessing. Grant this, O Lord, for the honour of our Advocate and Mediator, Jesus
Christ. Amen.

¶ The officiant may close here or choose from the following or other approved
collects.

A Prayer for The President of the United States, and all in Civil Authority.
ALMIGHTY God, whose kingdom is everlasting and power infinite; Have mercy
upon this whole land; and so rule the hearts of thy servants THE PRESIDENT OF
THE UNITED STATES, The Governor of this State, and all others in authority, that
they, knowing whose ministers they are, may above all things seek thy honour and
glory; and that we and all the People, duly considering whose authority they bear,
may faithfully and obediently honour them, according to thy blessed Word and
ordinance; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth
and reigneth ever, one God, world without end. Amen.

and maketh the grass to grow upon the mountains, and herb for the use of
men;
9 Who giveth fodder unto the cattle, * and feedeth the young ravens that
call upon him.
10 He hath no pleasure in the strength of an horse; * neither delighteth he in
any man's legs.
11 But the Lord's delight is in them that fear him, * and put their trust in his
mercy.
12 Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem; * praise thy God, O Sion.
13 For he hath made fast the bars of thy gates, * and hath blessed thy
children within thee.
14 He maketh peace in thy borders, * and filleth thee with the flour of
wheat.
15 He sendeth forth his commandment upon earth, * and his word runneth
very swiftly.
16 He giveth snow like wool, * and scattereth the hoarfrost like ashes.
17 He casteth forth his ice like morsels: * who is able to abide his frost?
18 He sendeth out his word, and melteth them: * he bloweth with his wind,
and the waters flow.
19 He showeth his word unto Jacob, * his statutes and ordinances unto
Israel.
20 He hath not dealt so with any nation; * neither have the heathen
knowledge of his laws.
GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, * world without end. Amen.

Psalm 148. Laudate Dominum.

O PRAISE the Lord from the heavens: * praise him in the heights.
2 Praise him, sun and moon: * praise him, all ye stars and light.
3 Praise him, all ye heavens, * and ye waters that are above the heavens.
4 Let them praise the Name of the Lord: * for he spake the word, and they
were made; he commanded, and they were created.
5 He hath made them fast for ever and ever: * he hath given them a law
which shall not be broken.
6 Praise the Lord from the earth, * ye dragons and all deeps;
7 Fire and hail, snow and vapours, * wind and storm, fulfilling his word;
8 Mountains and all hills; * fruitful trees and all cedars;
9 Beasts and all cattle; * creeping things and flying fowls;
10 Kings of the earth, and all peoples; * princes, and all judges of the
world;
11 Young men and maidens, old men and children, praise the Name of the
Lord: * for his Name only is excellent, and his praise above heaven and earth.
13 He shall exalt the horn of his people: all his saints shall praise him; * even the children of Israel, even the people that serveth him.
GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, * world without end. Amen.

Psalm 149. Cantate Domino.

O SING unto the Lord a new song; * let the congregation of saints praise him.
2 Let Israel rejoice in him that made him, * and let the children of Sion be joyful in their King.
3 Let them praise his Name in the dance: * let them sing praises unto him with tabret and harp.
4 For the Lord hath pleasure in his people, * and helpeth the meek-hearted.
5 Let the saints be joyful with glory; * let them rejoice in their beds.
6 Let the praises of God be in their mouth; * and a two-edged sword in their hands;
7 To be avenged of the nations, * and to rebuke the peoples;
8 To bind their kings in chains, * and their nobles with links of iron;
9 To execute judgment upon them; as it is written, * Such honour have all his saints.
GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, * world without end. Amen.

Psalm 150. Laudate Dominum.

O PRAISE God in his sanctuary: * praise him in the firmament of his power.
2 Praise him in his noble acts: * praise him according to his excellent greatness.
3 Praise him in the sound of the trumpet: * praise him upon the lute and harp.
4 Praise him in the timbrels and dances: * praise him upon the strings and pipe.
5 Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals: * praise him upon the loud cymbals.
6 Let every thing that hath breath * praise the Lord.

GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, * world without end.


The Lesser Litany.

¶ Whenever the officiant is a layperson: ¶ Only if the officiant is a priest or deacon:
Lay O Lord hear our prayer. Priest or Deacon: The Lord be with you.
Officiant: And let our cry come unto thee. People: And with thy spirit.

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Lord's Prayer.

OUR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done. On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

The Suffrages.

V. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.
R. And grant us thy salvation.
V. O Lord, save the State.
R. And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.
V. Endue thy ministers with righteousness.
R. And make thy chosen people joyful.
V. O Lord, save thy people.
R. And bless thine inheritance.
V. Give peace in our time, O Lord.
R. Because there is none other that figheth for us, but only thou, O God.
V. O God, make clean our hearts within us.
R. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

THE EVE OF THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

The Collect of the Day (from Divine Worship: The Missal)

O GOD, who by the fruitful virginity of Blessed Mary hast bestowed upon mankind the reward of eternal salvation: grant, we beseech thee, that we may know the help of
imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat, * and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things; * and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel; * as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, * world without end. Amen.

Antiphon: God, for his great love wherewith he loved us: * hath sent his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, alleluia.

The Second Lesson: Revelation 21:1-6

A Lesson from the Book of Revelation.

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband; and I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling of God is with men. He will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain any more, for the former things have passed away." And he who sat upon the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the fountain of the water of life without payment.

Here endeth the Lesson.


LORD, * now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, * according to thy word.
For mine eyes have seen * thy salvation,
Which thou hast prepared * before the face of all people;
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, * and to be the glory of thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, * and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, * world without end. Amen.

¶ The Nunc Dimittis is always the last canticle of the day. If Compline is to follow, here the Christus Jesus cum esset is sung instead.

The Apostle's Creed.
I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary: Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead: He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty: From thence he shall come to Judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost: The holy Catholic Church; The Communion of Saints:
Amen.

The First Lesson: Isaiah 65:15b-25

A Lesson from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.

You shall leave your name to my chosen for a curse, and the Lord God will slay you; but his servants he will call by a different name. So that he who blesses himself in the land shall bless himself by the God of truth, and he who takes an oath in the land shall swear by the God of truth; because the former troubles are forgotten and are hid from my eyes. "For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth; and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind. But be glad and rejoice for ever in that which I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem a rejoicing, and her people a joy. I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and be glad in my people; no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old man who does not fill out his days, for the child shall die a hundred years old, and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the Lord, and their children with them. Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; and dust shall be the serpent's food. They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain, says the Lord."
Corde natus ex Parentis.

v.

1 Of the Fa- ther’s love be- got- ten
2 At His word the worlds were fram- ed,
3 O that birth for ev- er bless- ed!
4 This is He whom seers in old time
5 O ye heights of heav’n, a- dore Him;
6 Christ, to Thee, with God the Fa- ther,

1 Ere the worlds be- gan to be,
2 He com- mand- ed, it was done:
3 When the Vir- gin, full of grace,
4 Chant- ed of with one ac- cord;
5 An- gel- hosts, His prais- es sing;
6 And, O Ho- ly Ghost, to Thee,

1 He is Al- pha and O- me- ga,
2 Heav’n and earth and depths of o- cean
3 By the Ho- ly Ghost con- ceiv- ing,
4 Whom the voic- es of the proph- ets
5 All do- min- ions, bow be- fore Him,
6 Hymn, and chant, and high thanks- giv- ing,

1 He the Source, the End- ing He,
2 In their three- fold or- der one;
3 Bare the Sav- iour of our race,
4 Pro- mis’d in their faith- ful word;
5 And ex- tol our God and King;
6 And un- wea- ri’d prais- es be,

Antiphon: God, for his great love wherewith he loved us: * hath sent his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, alleluia.

MY * soul doth magnify the Lord, * and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. For he hath regarded * the lowliness of his handmaiden. For behold, from henceforth * all generations shall call me blessed. For he that is mighty hath magnified me; * and holy is his Name. And his mercy is on them that fear him * throughout all generations. He hath showed strength with his arm; * he hath scattered the proud in the