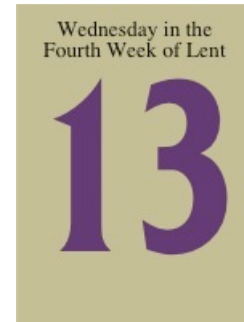


the alternate Psalm cycle in the Lectionary. We use the Psalms from the Lectionary on Christmas, Epiphany, The Purification, Ash Wednesday, The Annunciation, Palm Sunday and Holy Week, Easter Day, Ascension Day, Whitsunday, Trinity Sunday, The Transfiguration, All Saints, Thanksgiving Day, and the Solemnity 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



Wednesday, 13 March 2024
Wednesday in the Fourth Week of Lent

The Order for Evening Prayer

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

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *i John i. 8, 9.*

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise. *Psalm li. 17.*

Rend your hearts, and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God: for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil. *Joel ii. 13.*

I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, and am no more worthy to be called thy son. *St. Luke xv. 18, 19.*

To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him; neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in his laws which he set before us. *Daniel ix. 9, 10.*

Jesus said, "Whosoever will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me." *Mark vii. 34.*

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

LET us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

¶ *Or this exhortation, especially during Lent:*

DEARLY beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

¶ *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.

Officiant: Praise ye the Lord.

People: The Lord's Name be praised.

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

¶ *The following, or some other suitable hymn, may be sung or said.*

Phos hilaron.

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 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.*

¶ *After Candlemas and through Wednesday in Holy Week:*

Ave, Regina Coelorum.

QUEEN of the heavens, we hail thee,
Hail thee, Lady of all the Angels;
Thou the dawn, the door of morning
Whence the world's true light is risen:
Joy to thee, O Virgin glorious,
Beautiful beyond all other;
Hail, and farewell, O most gracious,
Intercede for us alway to Jesus.

V: Vouchsafe that I may praise thee, O holy Virgin.

R: Give me strength against thine enemies.

Let us pray.

GRANT us, O merciful God, protection in our weakness: that we who celebrate the memory of the holy Mother of God may, through the aid of her intercession, rise again from our sins. Through the same Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Here endeth the Order of Evening Prayer.

* The Lectionary is that specified in 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

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.*

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

O GRACIOUS Light,
pure brightness of the everliving Father
in heaven,
O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed!
Now as we come to the setting of the sun,
and our eyes behold the vesper light,
we sing thy praises, O God: Father,
Son, and Holy Spirit.
Thou art worthy at all times to be praised by
happy voices,
O Son of God, O Giver of life,
and to be glorified through all the
worlds.

HAIL, gladdening Light—of his pure
glory poured
Who is the immortal Father, heavenly,
blest,
Holiest of Holies—Jesus Christ our
Lord!
Now we are come to sun's hour of rest,
The lights of evening round us shine,
We hymn the Father, Son, and Holy
Spirit divine.
Worthing art thou at all times to be
sung
With undefiled tongue,
Son of our God, giver of life, alone:
Therefore in all the world thy glories,
Lord, they own.

(*No Gloria Patri after this canticle.*)

¶ *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.*

¶ *See below at the * for a note on our Psalm selection practice.*

[The Psalms for the Evening of Day 13](#) in the traditional 30-day cycle.

Alternatively [Psalm 119:XVI-XVIII](#) appointed for Wednesday in Week 6 of the 7-week cycle.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 69. *Salvum me fac.*

SAVE me, O God; * for the waters are come in, even unto my soul.

2 I stick fast in the deep mire, where no ground is; * I am come into deep waters, so that the floods run over me.

3 I am weary of crying; my throat is dry; * my sight faileth me for waiting so long upon my God.

4 They that hate me without a cause are more than the hairs of my head; * they that are mine enemies, and would destroy me guiltless, are mighty.

5 I paid them the things that I never took: * God, thou knowest my simpleness, and my faults are not hid from thee.

6 Let not them that trust in thee, O Lord God of hosts, be ashamed for my cause; * let not those that seek thee be confounded through me, O Lord God of Israel.

7 And why? for thy sake have I suffered reproof; * shame hath covered my face.

8 I am become a stranger unto my brethren, * even an alien unto my mother's children.

9 For the zeal of thine house hath even eaten me; * and the rebukes of them that rebuked thee are fallen upon me.

10 I wept, and chastened myself with fasting, * and that was turned to my reproof.

11 I put on sackcloth also, * and they jested upon me.

12 They that sit in the gate speak against me, * and the drunkards make songs upon me.

13 But, Lord, I make my prayer unto thee * in an acceptable time.

14 Hear me, O God, in the multitude of thy mercy, * even in the truth of thy salvation.

15 Take me out of the mire, that I sink not; * O let me be delivered from them that hate me, and out of the deep waters.

16 Let not the water-flood drown me, neither let the deep swallow me up; * and let not the pit shut her mouth upon me.

17 Hear me, O Lord, for thy loving-kindness is comfortable; * turn thee unto me according to the multitude of thy mercies.

18 And hide not thy face from thy servant; for I am in trouble: * O haste thee, and hear me.

19 Draw nigh unto my soul, and save it; * O deliver me, because of mine enemies.

20 Thou hast known my reproach, my shame, and my dishonour: * mine adversaries are all in thy sight.

21 Reproach hath broken my heart; I am full of heaviness: * I looked for some to have pity on me, but there was no man, neither found I any to comfort me.

22 They gave me gall to eat; * and when I was thirsty they gave me vinegar to drink.

23 Let their table be made a snare to take themselves withal; * and let the things that should have been for their wealth be unto them an occasion of falling.

24 Let their eyes be blinded, that they see not; * and ever bow thou down their backs.

25 Pour out thine indignation upon them, * and let thy wrathful displeasure take hold of them.

26 Let their habitation be void, * and no man to dwell in their tents.

27 For they persecute him whom thou hast smitten; * and they talk how they may vex them whom thou hast wounded.

28 Let them fall from one wickedness to another, * and not come into thy righteousness.

29 Let them be wiped out of the book of the living, * and not be written among the righteous.

The Collect of the Day

O GOD, who dost grant unto the righteous the reward of their godliness, and unto sinners that turn unto thee with fasting the pardon of their offences: have compassion, we pray thee, upon us thy humble servants; that we, confessing the sins which we have committed, may obtain of thee the remission of all our iniquities; 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.*

The Collect for Ash Wednesday may be said after the Collect of the Day:

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made and dost forgive the sins of all those who are penitent: create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; 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 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 Protection.

(Suitable on Monday and Wednesday)

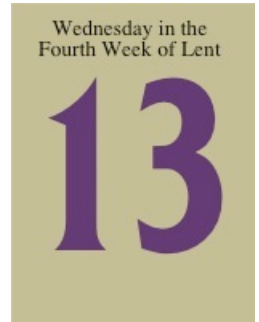
O GOD, who art the life of all who live, the light of the faithful, the strength of those who labour, and the repose of the dead: We thank thee for the timely blessings of the day, and humbly beseech thy merciful protection all the night. Bring us, we pray thee, in safety to the morning hours; through him who died for us and rose again, thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. *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 Caruaru, Pernambuco, Brazil, the Diocese of Enugu, Nigeria, the Diocese of Nkongsamba, Cameroon, and the Diocese of Rourkela, India.*

A Prayer for the Pope, Clergy, and People.



The Forgiveness of sins: The Resurrection of the body: ☩ And the Life everlasting.
Amen.

The Lesser Litany.

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

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 fighteth 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.**

30 As for me, when I am poor and in heaviness, * thy help, O God, shall lift me up.
31 I will praise the Name of God with a song, * and magnify it with thanksgiving.
32 This also shall please the Lord * better than a bullock that hath horns and hoofs.
33 The humble shall consider this, and be glad: * seek ye after God, and your soul shall live.
34 For the Lord heareth the poor, * and despiseth not his prisoners.
35 Let heaven and earth praise him: * the sea, and all that moveth therein.
36 For God will save Sion, and build the cities of Judah, * that men may dwell there, and have it in possession.
37 The posterity also of his servants shall inherit it; * and they that love his Name shall dwell therein.
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 70. *Deus, in adiutorium.*

HASTE thee, O God, to deliver me; * make haste to help me, O Lord.
2 Let them be ashamed and confounded that seek after my soul; * let them be turned backward and put to confusion that wish me evil.
3 Let them for their reward be soon brought to shame, * that cry over me, There! there!
4 But let all those that seek thee be joyful and glad in thee: * and let all such as delight in thy salvation say always, The Lord be praised.
5 As for me, I am poor and in misery: * haste thee unto me, O God.
6 Thou art my helper, and my redeemer: * O Lord, make no long tarrying.
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 First Lesson: Exodus 33

A Lesson from the Book of Exodus.

The Lord said to Moses, "Depart, go up hence, you and the people whom you have brought up out of the land of Egypt, to the land of which I swore to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, saying, 'To your descendants I will give it.' And I will send an angel before you, and I will drive out the Canaanites, the Amorites, the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. Go up to a land flowing with milk and honey; but I will not go up among you, lest I consume you in the way, for you are a stiff-necked people." When the people heard these evil tidings, they mourned; and no man put on his ornaments. For the Lord had said to Moses, "Say to the people of Israel, 'You are a stiff-necked people; if for a single moment I should go up among

you, I would consume you. So now put off your ornaments from you, that I may know what to do with you." Therefore the people of Israel stripped themselves of their ornaments, from Mount Horeb onward. Now Moses used to take the tent and pitch it outside the camp, far off from the camp; and he called it the tent of meeting. And every one who sought the Lord would go out to the tent of meeting, which was outside the camp. Whenever Moses went out to the tent, all the people rose up, and every man stood at his tent door, and looked after Moses, until he had gone into the tent. When Moses entered the tent, the pillar of cloud would descend and stand at the door of the tent, and the Lord would speak with Moses. And when all the people saw the pillar of cloud standing at the door of the tent, all the people would rise up and worship, every man at his tent door. Thus the Lord used to speak to Moses face to face, as a man speaks to his friend. When Moses turned again into the camp, his servant Joshua the son of Nun, a young man, did not depart from the tent. Moses said to the Lord, "See, thou sayest to me, 'Bring up this people'; but thou hast not let me know whom thou wilt send with me. Yet thou hast said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.' Now therefore, I pray thee, if I have found favor in thy sight, show me now thy ways, that I may know thee and find favor in thy sight. Consider too that this nation is thy people." And he said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." And he said to him, "If thy presence will not go with me, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favor in thy sight, I and thy people? Is it not in thy going with us, so that we are distinct, I and thy people, from all other people that are upon the face of the earth?" And the Lord said to Moses, "This very thing that you have spoken I will do; for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name." Moses said, "I pray thee, show me thy glory." And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you my name 'The Lord'; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But," he said, "you cannot see my face; for man shall not see me and live." And the Lord said, "Behold, there is a place by me where you shall stand upon the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen."

Here endeth the Lesson.

Magnificat. St. Luke i. 46.

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
 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.

The Second Lesson: 1 Timothy 3

A Lesson from the First Letter of Saint Paul to Timothy.

The saying is sure: If any one aspires to the office of bishop, he desires a noble task. Now a bishop must be above reproach, the husband of one wife, temperate, sensible, dignified, hospitable, an apt teacher, no drunkard, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, and no lover of money. He must manage his own household well, keeping his children submissive and respectful in every way; for if a man does not know how to manage his own household, how can he care for God's church? He must not be a recent convert, or he may be puffed up with conceit and fall into the condemnation of the devil; moreover he must be well thought of by outsiders, or he may fall into reproach and the snare of the devil. Deacons likewise must be serious, not double-tongued, not addicted to much wine, not greedy for gain; they must hold the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience. And let them also be tested first; then if they prove themselves blameless let them serve as deacons. The women likewise must be serious, no slanderers, but temperate, faithful in all things. Let deacons be the husband of one wife, and let them manage their children and their households well; for those who serve well as deacons gain a good standing for themselves and also great confidence in the faith which is in Christ Jesus. I hope to come to you soon, but I am writing these instructions to you so that, if I am delayed, you may know how one ought to behave in the household of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and bulwark of the truth. Great indeed, we confess, is the mystery of our religion: He was manifested in the flesh, vindicated in the Spirit, seen by angels, preached among the nations, believed on in the world, taken up in glory.

Here endeth the Lesson.

Nunc dimittis. St. Luke ii. 29.

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 Gratias agamus Deo Patri 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: