

*Lenten  
Morning Prayer*

*Saturday Week  
III*

*Saint Peter Cathedral  
Erie, Pennsylvania*

## MORNING PRAYER

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### Invitatory: *(please stand)*

*All make the sign of the cross as the Priest intones:*

*Presider:* O God, + come to my as-sist-ance.      *Assembly:* Lord, make haste to help me.

*All:* Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Spir-it:

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



Hymn: *(sung by all)*      When From Bondage We Are Summoned



1. When from bon - dage we are sum - moned Out of dark - ness in - to light,
2. When our God names us his peo - ple, Then he leads us by the hand
3. At all sta - ges of the jour - ney God is with us, night and day,



We must go in hope and pa - tience, Walk by faith and not by sight.  
Through a lone - ly, bar - ren des - ert, To a great and glo - rious land.  
With com - pas - sion for our weak - ness Ev - 'ry step a - long the way.



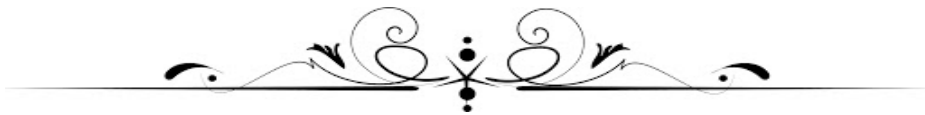
Let us throw off all that hin - ders; Let us run the race to win!



Let us has - ten to our home - land And, re - joic - ing, en - ter in.

*(please sit)*

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Psalmody: (sung antiphonally)

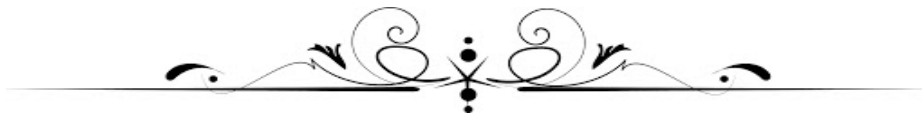
Psalm 119: 145-152



ANTIPHON: (cantor/all)

Lord, you are near to us,  
(f) and all your ways are TRUE.

- 1 I call with all my heart; Lord, hear me,  
I will keep your com-MANDS.  
I call upon you, SAVE me  
and I will do your WILL.  
I rise before dawn and cry for HELP,  
I hope in your WORD.
  
- 2 my eyes watch through the night  
to pon-der your PROM-ise.  
In your love hear my voice, O LORD;  
give me life by your de-CREES.  
Those who harm me unjustly draw NEAR:  
they are far from your LAW. (cont.)

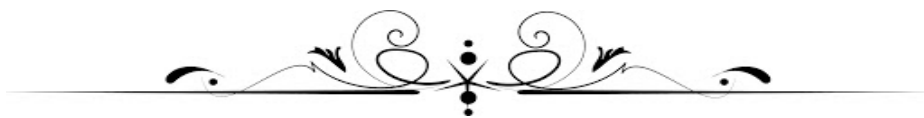




**All** Glory be to the Father,  
and to the SON,  
and to the Ho-ly SPIR-it,  
as it was in the be-GIN-ning,  
is now, and ever shall BE,  
world without end, a-MEN.

**ANTIPHON:** (*sung by all*)

(*f*) Lord, you are near to us,  
and all your ways are TRUE.



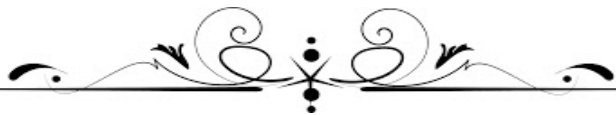
## Canticle: Wisdom 9: 1-6, 9-11



**ANTIPHON:** (cantor/all)

Wisdom of God, be with ME,  
(d) always at work in ME.

- 1 God of my fathers, Lord of MER-cy,  
you who have made all things by your WORD  
and in your wisdom have estab-lished US  
to rule the creatures pro-duced by YOU.
- 2 To govern the world in holi-ness and JUS-tice,  
and to render judgement in integri-ty of HEART:  
Give me Wisdom, the attendant at your THRONE,  
and reject me not from a-mong your CHILD-ren.
- 1 For I am your SER-vant,  
the son of your HAND-maid,  
a man weak and short-LIVED  
and lacking in comprehension of judgement and of LAWS.
- 1 Indeed, though one be perfect among the sons of MEN,  
if Wisdom, who comes from you, be not WITH him,  
(d) he shall be held in no es-TEEM. (cont.)





2 Now with you is Wisdom, who knows your WORKS  
and was present when you made the WORLD;  
who understands what is pleasing in your EYES  
and what is comfortable with your com-MANDS.

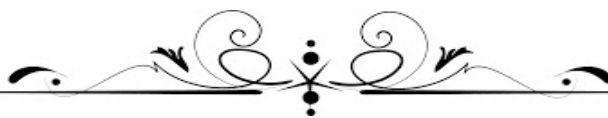
1 Send her forth from your HEA-vens  
and from your glorious throne dis-PATCH her  
that she may be with me and work with ME,  
that I may know what is your PLEAS-ure.

2 For she knows and under-stands all THINGS,  
and will guide me discreetly in my af-FAIRS  
(d) and safeguard me by her GLO-ry.

**All** Glory be to the Father, the Son and Ho-ly SPIR-it,  
as it was in the be-GIN-ning,  
is now, and ever shall BE,  
world without end, a-MEN.

**ANTIPHON:** (*sung by all*)

Wisdom of God, be with ME,  
(d) always at work in ME.



**Psalm 117**

(d) St. Meinrad Abbey



**ANTIPHON:** *(cantor/all)*

The Lord re-mains FAITH-ful  
(d) to his pro-mise for-EV-er.

- 1 O praise the Lord, all you NA-tions,  
Acclaim him, all you PEO-ples!
- 2 Strong is his love for US;  
He is faith-ful for-EV-er.

**All** Glory be to the Father, the Son and Ho-ly SPIR-it,  
as it was in the be-GIN-ning,  
is now, and ev-er shall BE,  
world without end, a-MEN.

**ANTIPHON:** *(sung by all)*

The Lord re-mains FAITH-ful  
(d) to his pro-mise for-EV-er.





# Reading

Isaiah 1: 16-18

Wash yourselves clean! Put away your misdeeds from before my eyes; cease doing evil; learn to do good. Make justice your aim; redress the wronged, hear the orphan's plea, defend the widow. Come now, let us set things right, says the Lord: Though your sins be like scarlet, they may become white as snow; Though they may be crimson red, they may become white as wool.

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# Homily

# Responsory

Rossi (b. 1962)

*(cantor/all repeat)*  
God him - self will set us free, from the hunt - er's snare.

*(cantor: chant-like & expressively)* *(all)*  
God him - self will set me free, from the hunt - er's snare.

*(cantor)* (♩ = ♪) 3 3  
Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it.

*(all)*  
God him - self will set us free, from the hunt - er's snare.



## Benedictus: *(please stand)*

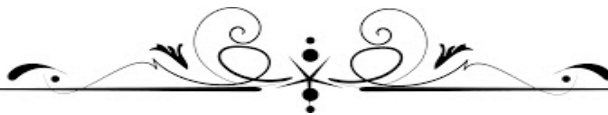


### Luke 1:68-79

#### ANTIPHON: *(cantor/all)*

The tax collector stood far a-WAY  
And would not even raise his eyes to HEAV-en.  
He struck his breast and prayed:  
God, have mercy on me, a SIN-ner.

- 1 Blessed + be the Lord, the God of IS-rael,  
he has come to his people and set them FREE.  
He has raised up for us a mighty Savior,  
born of the house of his ser-vant DAV-id
- 2 Through his holy PROH-ets  
he prom-ised of OLD  
that he would save us from our enemies,  
from the hands of all who HATE us.
- 1 He promised to show mercy to our FA-thers  
and to remember his ho-ly COV-enant.  
This was the oath he swore  
to our fa-ther A-braham: *(cont.)*

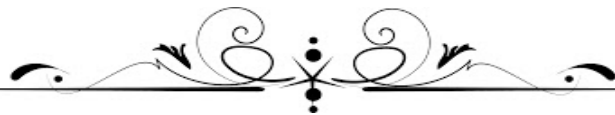




- 2 to set us free from the hands of our EN-emies,  
free to worship him with-out FEAR,  
holy and righteous in his sight  
all the days of our LIFE.
- 1 You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the most HIGH;  
for you will go before the Lord to pre-pare his WAY,  
to give his people knowledge of salvation  
by the forgiveness of their SINS.
- 2 In the tender compassion of our GOD,  
the dawn from on high shall break up-ON us,  
to shine on those who dwell in darkness  
and the shadow of death,  
and to guide our feet into the way of PEACE.
- All** Glory be to the Father, the Son and Holy SPI-rit,  
as it was in the be-GIN-ning,  
is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end, a-MEN.

**ANTIPHON:** (*sung by all*)

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And would not even raise his eyes to HEAV-en.  
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## Intercessions

To make us his new creation, Christ the Lord gave us the waters of rebirth and spread the table of his body and his word.

Let us call upon him and say:

*all respond:* **Lord, renew us in your grace.**

Jesus, meek and humble of heart, clothe us with compassion, kindness and humility, make us want to be patient with everyone.

*all respond:* **Lord, renew us in your grace.**

Teach us to be true neighbors to all in trouble and distress, and so imitate you, the Good Samaritan.

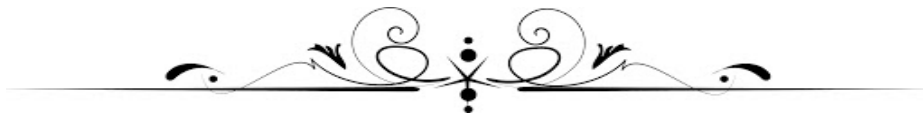
*all respond:* **Lord, renew us in your grace.**

May the blessed Virgin, your Mother, pray for all those vowed to a life of virginity, that they may deepen their dedication to you and to your Church.

*all respond:* **Lord, renew us in your grace.**

Grant us the gift of your mercy, forgive our sins and remit their punishment.

*all respond:* **Lord, renew us in your grace.**



## The Lord's Prayer

### Final Prayer:

Lord, make this Lenten observance of the suffering, death and resurrection of Christ bring us to the full joy of Easter. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

*all respond: Amen.*

## Blessing and Dismissal

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