SOLEMN VESPERS FOR THE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION

Bishop: God, come to my assistance.

People: Lord, make haste to help me.

Bishop: Glory to the Father, and to the Son,

and to the Holy Spirit.

People: As it was in the beginning, is now,

and will be forever. Amen. Alleluia.

HYMN:

59 All Creatures of Our God and King

All Thy works shall praise Thee, O Lord. Psa. 145:10



GOD THE TRINITY

Holy God, We Praise Your Name



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GOD THE FATHER: HIS WORKS IN CREATION

Bishop and People: 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.

Bishop: O God, who cause the minds of the faithful to unite in a single purpose, grant your people to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, amid the uncertainties of this world, our hearts may be fixed on that place where true gladness is found. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People: Amen.

DISMISSAL:

Bishop: The Lord be with you. **People:** And with your Spirit.

Bishop: Blessed be the name of the Lord.

People: Now and forever.

Bishop: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

People: Who made heaven and earth.

Bishop: May almighty God bless you, + the Father, + and the Son,

+ and the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Deacon: Go in peace.

People: Thanks be to God.

PSALMODY:

PSALM I: PSALM 30

Psalm 30: I Will Praise You, Lord

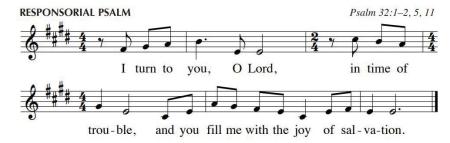


Verses

- I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me and have not let my enemies rejoice over me.
 O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead, restored me to life from those who sink into the grave.
- Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him, give thanks to his holy name.
 His anger lasts but a moment; his favor through life.
 At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn.
- The Lord listened and had pity.
 The Lord came to my help.
 For me you have changed my mourning into dancing;
 O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever.

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Psalm II: Psalm 32



Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven,

whose sin is remitted.
Blessed the man to whom the LORD

imputes no guilt, in whose spirit is no guile. R.

To you I have acknowledged my sin; my guilt I did not hide.

I said, "I will confess my transgression to the LORD."

And you have forgiven the guilt of my sin. R.

Rejoice in the Lord; exult, you just! Ring out your joy, all you upright of heart! R.

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INTERCESSIONS:

Our hope is in God, who gives us help. Let us call upon him, and say: Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord our God, you made an eternal covenant with your people, keep us ever mindful of your mighty deeds.

Lord hear our prayer.

Let your ordained ministers grow toward perfect love, and preserve your faithful people in unity by the bond of peace.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Be with us in our work of building the earthly city, that in building we may not labor in vain.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Send workers into your vineyard, and glorify your name among the nations.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Welcome into the company of your saints our relatives and benefactors who have died, may we share their happiness one day. Lord hear our prayer.

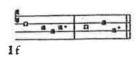
THE LORD'S PRAYER:

Bishop: At the savior's command, and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

CANTICLE OF MARY:

Antiphon: God has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly.

Weeks I and HI



Magnificat

y soul # proclaims the greatness of the Lord, * my spirit rejoices in God my savior for he has looked with favor * on his lowly servant.

From this day all generations * will call me blessèd:

he Almighty has done great things for me, * and holy is his Name.

He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation.

He has shown the strength of his arm, * he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

He has cast down the mighty from

their thrones, * and has lifted up

He has filled the hungry with good things, * and the rich he has sent away empty.

He has come to the help of his servant Israel * for he has remembered his promise of mercy,

the promise he made to our fathers,

* to Abraham and his children for
ever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,

* and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, *

and will be for ever. Amen.

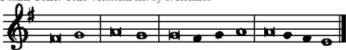
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Canticle:

Antiphon: The Father has given Christ all power, honor and kingship; all people will obey him.

Canticle Revelation 11:17-18; 12:10b-12a

Psalm Tone: Tone 4 Russian arr. by S. Rolando



Canticle Revelation 11:17-18; 12:10b-12a The judgement of God

We praise you, the Lord God al-<u>mighty</u>, who is and who <u>was</u>.

For you have assumed <u>your</u> great power and have be-<u>gun</u> your reign.

The nations have raged in <u>anger</u>, but then came your day of <u>wrath</u>, and the moment to judge the dead, and the time to reward your ser-<u>vants</u> the prophets and the holy ones who revere you, the great and the <u>small</u> alike.

Now have salvation and power <u>come</u>, and the reign of our God and the authority of his A-nointed One. For the accuser of our brothers <u>is</u> cast out, who night and day accused them <u>be</u>-fore God.

They defeated him by the blood of the <u>Lamb</u> and by the word of their <u>testimony</u>; love for life did not deter <u>them</u> from death. So rejoice, you heavens, and you that <u>dwell</u> them therein.

Glory to the Father, and to the <u>Son</u>, and to the Holy <u>Spirit</u>. As it was in <u>the</u> beginning, is now, and will be for e-<u>ver</u>. Amen.

Antiphon: The Father has given Christ all power, honor and kingship; all people will obey him.

GOSPEL: Mt. 6:24-34

Deacon: The Lord be with you. **People:** And with your Spirit.

Deacon: A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples:
"No one can serve two masters.
He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other.
You cannot serve God and mammon.

"Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds in the sky; they do not sow or reap, they gather nothing into barns, yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are not you more important than they? Can any of you by worrying add a single moment to your life-span? Why are you anxious about clothes? Learn from the way the wild flowers grow. They do not work or spin. But I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was clothed like one of them. If God so clothes the grass of the field, which grows today and is thrown into the oven tomorrow, will he not much more provide for you, O you of little faith? So do not worry and say, 'What are we to eat?' or 'What are we to drink?' or 'What are we to wear?' All these things the pagans seek. Your heavenly Father knows that you need them all.

But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given you besides.

Do not worry about tomorrow; tomorrow will take care of itself. Sufficient for a day is its own evil."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY:

Most Rev. Francis J. Kane

RESPONSE TO THE WORD OF GOD:

Bishop: The Lord is my shepherd, I shall want for nothing. **People:** The Lord is my shepherd, I shall want for nothing.

Bishop: He has brought me to green pastures.

People: I shall want for nothing.

Bishop: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

People: The Lord is my shepherd, I shall want for nothing.