VESPERS OF THE DEAD



from the Liturgia horarum (usus recentior)

according to the usage of the Toronto Oratory

OPENING VERSICLE



HYMN





PSALMODY



1	I will lift up mine eyes unto the / hills:
	from whence / cometh my help?
2	My help cometh even from the / Lord:
	who hath made / heaven and earth.
3	He will not suffer thy foot to be / moved:
	and he that keep- / eth thee will not sleep.
4	Behold, he that keepeth / Israel:
	shall neither / slumber nor sleep.
5	The Lord himself is thy / keeper:
	he is thy defence up- / on thy right hand;
6	So that the sun shall not burn thee by / day:
	nei- / ther the moon by night.
7	The Lord shall preserve thee from all / evil:
	yea, it is even he / that shall keep thy soul.
8	The Lord shall preserve thy going out, and thy coming / in:
	from this time / forth for evermore.
	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 with- / out end. Amen.





1	Out of the deep have I called / unto Thee, O Lord:
	Lord, hear my / voice.
2	O let thine / ears consider well:
	the voice of my com- / plaint.
3	If thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark / what is done amiss:
	O Lord, who may abide / it?
4	For there is / mercy with thee:
	therefore shalt thou be / feared.
5	I look for the Lord, my / soul doth wait for him;
	in his word is my / trust:
6	My soul fleeth unto the Lord be- / fore the morning watch:
	I say, before the morning / watch.
7	O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord / there is mercy:
	and with him is plenteous redemp- / tion.
8	And he shall / redeem Israel:
	from all his / sins.
	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. A- / men.



Canticle: Phil 2:6-11

1	Christ Jesus, though he was / in the form of God:
	did not count equality with God / a thing to be grasped,
2	But emptied himself, taking the form / of a servant:
	being born in / the likeness of men.
3	And being found in human form he humbled himself,
	and became o- / bedient unto death:
	e- / ven death on a cross.
4	Therefore God hath high- / ly exalted him:
	and given him the name which / is above every name,
5	That at the name of Jesus / every knee should bow,
	in heaven and on earth / and under the earth,
6	And every tongue confess that / Jesus Christ is Lord,
	to the glory / of God the Father.
	Glory be to the Father, and / to the Son:
	and / to thë Holy Ghost;
	As it was in the beginning, is now, and / ever shall be:
	world / without end, Amen.

SHORT READING

O death, where is thy victory? O death, where is thy sting? The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. (1 Cor 15:55-57)

R? Thanks be to God.



SHORT RESPONSORY

MAGNIFICAT



- 1 Magnificat: anima mea Dominum.
- 2 Et exsultavit spiritus meus:
 - in Deo salutari meo.
- 3 Quia respexit humilitatem ancillae suae: ecce enim ex hoc beatam me dicent omnes generationes.
- 4 Quia fecit mihi magna qui potens est: et sanctum nomen eius.
- 5 Et misericordia ejus a progenie in progenies: timentibus eum.
- 6 Fecit potentiam in bracchio suo: dispersit superbos mente cordis sui.
- 7 Deposuit potentes de sede:
 - et exaltavit humiles.
- 8 Esurientes implevit bonis: et divites dimisit inanes.
- 9 Suscepit Israel puerum suum: recordatus misericordiae suae.
- 10 Sicut locutus est ad patres nostros:

Abraham et semini eius in saecula.

Gloria Patri et Filio: et Spiritui Sancto:

Sicut erat in principio, et nunc et semper: et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

INTERCESSIONS

Let us pray to Christ who gives us the hope that our mortal bodies will become like his in glory:

That Christ, son of the living God, who raised his friend Lazarus from the dead will grant life and glory to the faithful departed, redeemed by his precious blood:

Lord, hear our prayer. And let our cry come unto thee.

That our compassionate Saviour who wiped away all tears when he gave back to the widow of Naim her only son will comfort those who mourn because the one they love has died:

Lord, hear our prayer. And let our cry come unto thee.

That Christ our Redeemer will destroy the reign of sin in our mortal bodies that we may not receive the wages of death but the reward of eternal life:

Lord, hear our prayer. And let our cry come unto thee.

That Christ, our Saviour, will look upon those who live without hope and do not know him, that they may believe in the resurrection and the life of the world to come:

Lord, hear our prayer. And let our cry come unto thee.

That Christ who restored sight to the man born blind and opened the eyes of his faith will reveal his face to the dead who have not seen his glory:

Lord, hear our prayer. And let our cry come unto thee.

That the Lord will be merciful to us when we leave this earthly dwelling and make for us a home in heaven that will last for ever:

Lord, hear our prayer. And let our cry come unto thee.

Let us pray.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

COLLECT

God our Father, by whose Son's death and resurrection we have been redeemed, you are the glory of your faithful, the life of your saints: have mercy on your servant N, and as he professed his faith in the mystery of our resurrection, so may he gain possession of eternal joy. We make our prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

℣ Dominus vobiscum.℟ Et cum spiritu tuo.

DISMISSAL



℣ Fidelium animae per misericordiam Dei requiescant in pace.
℟ Amen.