

## Daily Morning Prayer:

### Rite One

*Wednesday, December 30, 2020*

*The Sixth Day of Christmas*

*The Feast of Frances Joseph Gaudet*

Today's parish prayer list is available [here](#) for you to download and use later during Morning Prayer.

### The Invitatory and Psalter

*Officiant* O Lord, open thou our lips.

*People* And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

*Officiant and People*

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. Alleluia.

*Officiant* Alleluia. Unto us a child is born.

*People* O come, let us adore him. Alleluia.

### **Venite** *Psalm 95:1-7*

O come, let us sing unto the Lord; \*

let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \*

and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, \*

and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are all the corners of the earth, \*

and the strength of the hills is his also.

The sea is his, and he made it, \*

and his hands prepared the dry land.

O come, let us worship and fall down, \*

and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is the Lord our God, \*

and we are the people of his pasture

and the sheep of his hand.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; \*

let the whole earth stand in awe of him.

For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth, \*

and with righteousness to judge the world

and the peoples with his truth.

**Psalm 20**     *Exaudiat te Dominus*

- 1    May the LORD answer you in the day of trouble, \*  
      the Name of the God of Jacob defend you;
- 2    Send you help from his holy place \*  
      and strengthen you out of Zion;
- 3    Remember all your offerings \*  
      and accept your burnt sacrifice;
- 4    Grant you your heart's desire \*  
      and prosper all your plans.
- 5    We will shout for joy at your victory  
      and triumph in the Name of our God; \*  
      may the LORD grant all your requests.
- 6    Now I know that the LORD gives victory to his anointed; \*  
      he will answer him out of his holy heaven,  
      with the victorious strength of his right hand.
- 7    Some put their trust in chariots and some in horses, \*  
      but we will call upon the Name of the LORD our God.
- 8    They collapse and fall down, \*  
      but we will arise and stand upright.
- 9    O LORD, give victory to the king \*  
      and answer us when we call.

**Psalm 21**     *Domine, in virtute tua*

- 1    The king rejoices in your strength, O LORD; \*  
      how greatly he exults in your victory!
- 2    You have given him his heart's desire; \*  
      you have not denied him the request of his lips.

- 3 For you meet him with blessings of prosperity, \*  
and set a crown of fine gold upon his head.
- 4 He asked you for life, and you gave it to him: \*  
length of days, for ever and ever.
- 5 His honor is great, because of your victory; \*  
splendor and majesty have you bestowed upon him.
- 6 For you will give him everlasting felicity \*  
and will make him glad with the joy of your presence.
- 7 For the king puts his trust in the LORD; \*  
because of the loving-kindness of the Most High, he  
will not fall.
- 8 Your hand will lay hold upon all your enemies; \*  
your right hand will seize all those who hate you.
- 9 You will make them like a fiery furnace \*  
at the time of your appearing, O LORD;
- 10 You will swallow them up in your wrath, \*  
and fire shall consume them.
- 11 You will destroy their offspring from the land \*  
and their descendants from among the peoples of the earth.
- 12 Though they intend evil against you  
and devise wicked schemes, \*  
yet they shall not prevail.
- 13 For you will put them to flight \*  
and aim your arrows at them.
- 14 Be exalted, O LORD, in your might; \*  
we will sing and praise your power.

*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.*

## The Lesson

*Officiant*      A Reading from the Book of Revelation  
*Chapter 1 verses 9 through 20*

I John, your brother, who share with you in Jesus the tribulation and the kingdom and the patient endurance, was on the island called Patmos on account of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet saying, "Write what you see in a book and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Per'gamum and to Thyati'ra and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to La-odice'a." Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden girdle round his breast; his head and his hair were white as white wool, white as snow; his eyes were like a flame of fire, his feet were like burnished bronze, refined as in a furnace, and his voice was like the sound of many waters; in his right hand he held seven stars, from his mouth issued a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength. When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand upon me, saying, "Fear not, I am the first and the last, and the living one; I died, and behold I am alive for evermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades. Now write what you see, what is and what is to take place hereafter. As for the mystery of the seven stars which you saw in my right hand, and the seven golden lampstands, the seven stars are the angels of the seven churches and the seven lampstands are the seven churches.

*Officiant*      The Word of the Lord.  
*People*          Thanks be to God.

## **10 The Second Song of Isaiah**      *Quaerite Dominum* *Isaiah 55:6-11*

Seek the Lord while he wills to be found; \*  
    call upon him when he draws near.  
Let the wicked forsake their ways \*  
    and the evil ones their thoughts;  
And let them turn to the Lord, and he will have compassion, \*  
    and to our God, for he will richly pardon.  
For my thoughts are not your thoughts, \*  
    nor your ways my ways, says the Lord.  
For as the heavens are higher than the earth, \*

so are my ways higher than your ways,  
and my thoughts than your thoughts.  
For as rain and snow fall from the heavens \*  
and return not again, but water the earth,  
Bringing forth life and giving growth, \*  
seed for sowing and bread for eating,  
So is my word that goes forth from my mouth; \*  
it will not return to me empty;  
But it will accomplish that which I have purposed, \*  
and prosper in that for which I sent it.

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.

### **The Apostles' 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,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

### **The Prayers**

*Officiant*      The Lord be with you.  
*People*          And with thy spirit.  
*Officiant*      Let us pray.

#### *Officiant 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.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

### **Suffrages A**

V. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;  
R. And grant us thy salvation.  
V. Endue thy ministers with righteousness;  
R. And make thy chosen people joyful.  
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
R. For only in thee can we live in safety.  
V. Lord, keep this nation under thy care;  
R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.  
V. Let thy way be known upon earth;  
R. Thy saving health among all nations.  
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;  
R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.  
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
R. And sustain us with thy Holy Spirit.

*The Officiant then says one or more Collects*

#### Collect of the Day

Merciful God, who didst raise up thy servant Frances Joseph Gaudet to work for prison reform and the education of her people: Grant that we, encouraged by the example of her life, may work for those who are denied the fullness of life by reasons of incarceration and lack of access to education; through Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

#### A Collect for Grace on p. 57

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day: Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of

danger; but that we, being ordered by thy governance, may do always what is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Collect for Mission on p. 58

Lord Jesus Christ, who didst stretch out thine arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of thy saving embrace: So clothe us in thy Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know thee to the knowledge and love of thee; for the honor of thy Name. *Amen.*

A Collect for the Unity of the Human Family

O God, thou hast made us in thine own image and redeemed us through thy Son Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace: Give us grace seriously to lay to heart the great dangers we are in by our unhappy and unjust divisions; look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; and work through our struggles and confusion to accomplish thy purposes on earth; that we may be united in one holy bond of truth, and justice, peace and love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### **The Parish Prayer List**

We pray for all those on our [Parish Prayer List](#) either aloud or in silence. We also make our personal prayers here as well. Please use the Pause Button for whatever amount of time needed.

*After a moment of silence...*

*Officiant*      Lord in thy mercy  
*All*              Hear our prayer.

### **The General Thanksgiving**

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.  
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 honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.

*All* Thanks be to God.

*Officiant* Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. *Amen.*