



Holy Trinity Catholic Church
Braamfontein

20th August 2023

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Morning Prayer - Week I

All stand as the Ministers enter the church

V. O Lord, open *our* lips

R. And we shall praise *your* name

The Office Hymn is sung by all

Verse 1

Who is she a - scends so high, next the heavn' - ly King,
round a - bout whom an - gels fly and her prai - ses sing?

2.
Who is she, adorned with light,
makes the sun her robe,
at whose feet the queen of night
lays her changing globe?

3.
This is she in whose pure womb
Heaven's Prince remained;
therefore in no earthly tomb
can she be contained.

4.
Heav'n she was, which held that fire,
whence the world took light,
and to heav'n doth now aspire
flames with flames t' unite.

5.
She that did so clearly shine
when our day begun,
see how bright her beams decline:
sits she with the Sun.

The psalms follow

The assembly sings the verses in **BOLD TYPE**

Psalm 62 (63)

Tone: Westminster Cathedral

Antiphon 1

Blessed are you, O *Mary*,
for through you salvation came in-*to* the world;
now you are in *glory*
and rejoice be-*fore* the Lord.

O God, you are my God, for you I *long*. All sit
for you my *soul* is thirsting.
My body pines for you like a dry, +
weary land without *water*.
So I gaze on you in the sanctuary+
to see your strength *and* your glory.

**For your love is better than *life*,
my lips will speak *of* your praise.
So I will bless you all my life, +
in your name I will lift up my *hands*.
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet, +
my mouth shall praise *you* with joy.**

Antiphon 2

The Virgin Mary is exalted high above
the choirs of *an-gels*;
let all the faithful rejoice and *bless* the Lord.

O all you works of the Lord, O bless the *Lord*.
To him be highest glory and *praise* for ever.

**And you, angels of the Lord, O bless the *Lord*.
To him be highest glory and *praise* for ever.**

And you, the heavens of the Lord, +
O bless the *Lord*.
And you, clouds of the sky, O *bless* the Lord.

**And you, all armies of the Lord, +
O bless the *Lord*.
To him be highest glory and *praise* for ever.**

And you, sun and moon, O bless the *Lord*.
And you, the stars of the heavens, +
O *bless* the Lord.

**And you, showers and rain, O bless the *Lord*.
To him be highest glory and *praise* for ever.**

On my bed I re-*member* you.
On you I muse through the night +
for you have *been* my help;
in the shadow of your wings I re-*joice*.
My soul clings to you; +
your right hand *holds* me fast.

**Glory be to the Father and to the *Son*
and to the *Ho-ly* Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, +
is now, and ever *shall* be,
world without *end*.
Amen.**

Blessed are you, O *Mary*,
for through you salvation came in-*to* the world;
now you are in *glory*
and rejoice be-*fore* the Lord.

Plainchant Tone II

And you, all you breezes and winds, +
O bless the *Lord*.
And you, fire and heat, O *bless* the Lord.

**And you, cold and heat, O bless the *Lord*.
To him be highest glory and *praise* for ever.**

And you, showers and dew, O bless the *Lord*.
And you, frosts and cold, O *bless* the Lord.

**And you, frost and snow, O bless the *Lord*.
To him be highest glory and *praise* for ever.**

And you, night-time and day, O bless the *Lord*.
And you, darkness and light, O *bless* the Lord.

**And you, lightning and clouds, O bless the *Lord*.
To him be highest glory and *praise* for ever.**

O let the earth bless the *Lord*.
To him be highest glory and *praise* for ever.

And you, mountains and hills, +
O bless the *Lord*.
And you, all plants of the earth, +
O bless the *Lord*.

And you, fountains and springs, O bless the *Lord*.
To him be highest glory and *praise* for ever.

And you, rivers and seas, O bless the *Lord*.
And you, creatures of the sea, O bless the *Lord*.

And you, every bird in the sky, +
O bless the *Lord*. +
And you, wild beasts and tame, O bless the *Lord*.
To him be highest glory and *praise* for ever.

And you, children of men, O bless the *Lord*.
To him be highest glory and *praise* for ever.

O Israel, bless the *Lord*, O bless the *Lord*.
And you, priests of the *Lord*, O bless the *Lord*.

And you, servants of the *Lord*, +
O bless the *Lord*.
To him be highest glory and *praise* for ever.

And you, spirits and souls of the just, +
O bless the *Lord*.
And you, holy and humble of heart, +
O bless the *Lord*.

Ananias, Azarias, Mizael, O bless the *Lord*.
To him be highest glory and *praise* for ever.

Let us praise the Father, the Son, +
and Holy *Spi*-rit:
To you be highest glory and *praise* for ever.

May you be blessed, O *Lord*, in the *hea*-vens.
To you be highest glory and *praise* for ever.

The Virgin Mary is exalted high above
the choirs of *an*-gels;
let all the faithful rejoice and *bless* the *Lord*.

Psalm 149

Tone: C. Upchurch

Antiphon 3

Your name has been so exalted by the *Lord*
that your praises will never cease
on the lips of *men*.

Sing a new song to the *Lord*,
his praise in the assembly of the *faithful*.
Let Israel rejoice in its maker, +
let Sion's sons exult in their *king*.
Let them praise his name with dancing +
and make music with timbrel and *harp*.

**For the *Lord* takes delight in his *people*.
He crowns the poor with *sal*-vation.
Let the faithful rejoice in their *glory*,
shout for joy and take their *rest*.**

Let the praise of God be on their *lips*
and a two-edged sword in their *hand*,
to deal out vengeance to the *nations*
and punishment on all the *peoples*;

**to bind their kings in *chains*
and their nobles in fetters of *iron*;
to carry out the sentence preor-dained:
this honour is for all his *faithful*.**

Glory be to the Father and to the *Son*
and to the Holy *Spirit*,
as it was in the beginning, +
is now, and ever *shall be*,
world without end. +
A-men.

**Your name has been so exalted by the *Lord*
that your praises will never cease
on the lips of *men*.**

Scripture Reading: Cf. Is. 61: 10

Responsory

R. *Today the Virgin Mary was assumed into heaven* R.
 V. For ever she will share in the victory of Christ R.
 V. Glory be... R.

All stand

Benedictus

The canticle is alternated by schola and assembly
 Tone: C. Upchurch

Antiphon

See the beauty of the daughter of Jerusalem,
 who ascended to heaven +
 like the rising sun at dawn.

To make known to his people *their* salvation
 Through forgiveness of *all* their sins,
 The loving kindness of our God
 Who visits us like the *dawn from* on high.

Blessed be the Lord, the *God* of Israel!
 He has visited his people *and* redeemed them.
 He has raised up for us a *migh-ty* saviour
 In the house of *David* his servant,

**He will give light___
 to those in darkness,
 Those who dwell in the shadow of death,
 And guide us into the way of peace.**

**As he promised by the lips of *ho-ly* men,
 Those who were his prophets *from* of old.
 A saviour who would free us *from* our foes,
 From the hands of *all* who hate us.**

Glory be to the Father and *to* the Son,
 and to the *Ho-ly* Spirit.
 As it was in the beginning, +
 is now and *e-ver* shall be,
 world without *end*.
 Amen.

So his love for our fathers *is* fulfilled,
 And his holy *covenant* remembered.
 He swore to Abraham our father to grant us +
 That free from fear, +
 and saved from the hands of our foes,
 We might serve him in holiness and justice +
 All the days of our life *in* his presence.

**See the beauty of the daughter of Jerusalem,
 who ascended to heaven +
 like the rising sun at dawn.**

**As for you, *li-ttle* child,
 You shall be called a prophet of
 God the most High.
 You shall go *a-head* of the Lord
 To prepare his *ways* before him.**

Intercessions R. *Lord, may your Mother pray for us.* Our Father.

Concluding Prayer, Blessing and Dismissal

Anthem to Our Lady *Ave regina caelorum* [see insert]