



Morning Prayer
March 24 – March 30
Matins

- L: O Lord, open my lips,
C: and my mouth shall declare your praise
- C: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen
- L: The Lord is near to those who call on him.
C: Oh, come, let us worship him.
- C: Oh, come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.
For the Lord is a great God, and a great king above all gods.
In his hand are the caverns of the earth,
the heights of the hills are also his,
The sea is his, for he made it,
and his hands have molded the dry land.
Oh, come, let us bow down and bend the knee,
and kneel before the Lord our maker.
For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.
- Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- L: The Lord is near to those who call on him.
C: Oh, come, let us worship him.

Psalms

Mar 24 Monday: 6

Lord God, You love mercy and tenderness; You give life and overcome death. Look upon the weakness and grief of Your Church; restore it to health by Your risen Son, so that it may sing a new song in Your praise; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Mar 25 Tuesday: 91

Lord Jesus Christ, when tempted by the devil, You remained true to your Father, who commanded His angels to watch over You. Guard your Church from the plague of sin, so that we may remain faithful to You until the day when we enjoy the fullness of Your salvation; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Mar 26 Wednesday: 51

Almighty and merciful Father, You freely forgive those who, as David of old, acknowledge and confess their sins. Create in us pure hearts, and wash away all our sins in the blood of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mar 27 Thursday: 102

Lord, while our days vanish like shadows and our lives wear out like a garment, You remain undisturbed by change. Although our earthly lives come to an end, help us to live in Christ's endless life, and at length attain our home, the heavenly Jerusalem, where He lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Mar 28 Friday: 130

God of might and compassion, You sent Your Word into the world as a watchman to announce the dawn of salvation. Do not leave us in the depths of our sins, but listen to Your Church pleading for the fullness of Your redeeming grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mar 29 Saturday: 143

Lord Jesus, You bring the first light of dawn to those who dwell in darkness and make Your love known to them. Enter not into judgment against Your servants, but let Your Spirit guide us into the land of justice, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit You live and reign, now and forever. Amen.

Mar 30 Sunday: 32

Lord God, You desired to keep from us Your wrath and so did not spare Your holy servant Jesus Christ, who was wounded for our sins. We are Your prodigal children, but we come back to You confessing our sins. Embrace us, that we may rejoice in Your mercy together with Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lessons:

Mar 24 Monday

Jeremiah 7:1-15

Romans 4:1-12

John 7:14-36

Mar 25 Tuesday **The Annunciation of Our Lord**

Isaiah 52:7-12

Hebrews 2:5-10

John 1:9-14

Mar 26 Wednesday

Jeremiah 8:4-7, 18-9:6

Romans 5:1-11

John 8:12-20

Mar 27 Thursday

Jeremiah 10:11-24

Romans 5:12-21

John 8:21-32

Mar 28 Friday

Jeremiah 11:1-8, 14-17

Romans 6:1-11

John 8:33-47

Mar 29 Saturday

Jeremiah 13:1-11

Romans 6:12-23

John 8:47-59

Mar 30 Sunday **Lent 4**

Jeremiah 14:1-22

Galatians 4:21-5:1

Mark 8:11-21

- L: In many and various ways God spoke to his people of old by the prophets.
- C: But now in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son.
- C: Let justice roll down like water,
And righteousness like an overflowing stream.
- C: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel;
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 servant David.
Through his holy prophets he promised of old that
he would save us from our enemies,
from the hands of all who hate us.
He promised to show mercy to our fathers
and to remember his holy covenant.
This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham:
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
free to worship him without fear,
holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.
- L: You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High,
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
to give his people knowledge of salvation
by the forgiveness of their sins.
In the tender compassion of our God,
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of
death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace.
- C: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- C: Let justice roll down like water,
And righteousness like an overflowing stream.

Prayer of the day:

Mar 24 Monday

God of Mercy, free Your Church from sin and protect it from evil. Guide us, for we cannot be saved without You. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Mar 25 Tuesday **The Annunciation of Our Lord**

Pour Your grace into our hearts, O Lord, that we who have known the incarnation of Your Son Jesus Christ, announced by an angel to the Virgin Mary, may by His cross and passion be brought to the glory of His resurrection; who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Mar 26 Wednesday

Lord, during this Lenten season nourish us with Your word of life and make us one in love and prayer. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Mar 27 Thursday

Father, help us to be ready to celebrate the great paschal mystery. Make our love grow each day as we approach the feast of our salvation. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Mar 28 Friday

Merciful Father, fill our hearts with Your love and keep us faithful to the gospel of Christ. Give us the grace to rise above our human weakness. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Mar 29 Saturday

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, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Mar 30 Sunday **Lent 4**

Father of peace, we are joyful in Your Word, Your Son Jesus Christ who reconciles us to You. Let us hasten toward Easter with the eager ness of faith and love. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

L: O Lord, almighty and everlasting God, You have brought us in safety to this new day; preserve us with You mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome in adversity; in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of Your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed by 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,
forever and ever. Amen.

L: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

L: The Lord almighty bless us,
and direct our days and our deeds in his peace.

C: Amen.

Morning Prayer from LBW and *For All the Saints*

*For 200 years St. John's has been a
bright beacon of Christ's light and life
for the world.*

*200 years and the work continues:
That all might know
Christ's Love.*

*AS WE REFLECT ON JESUS'
DEATH/RESURRECTION AND GOD'S
UNMATCHED GENEROSITY
TOWARDS US AND ALL CREATION,
WE REALIZE IT'S ONLY BY HIS
GRACE/FORGIVENESS THAT I CAN
EVEN WRITE OR SPEAK ABOUT
GENEROSITY—FOR HIS GENEROSITY
IS BOTH PERFECT AND COMPLETE
IN EVERY WAY.*

**God Loves you
so very much!**

*ST. JOHN'S IS A GROUP OF SINNERS
WHO HAVE BEEN CLAIMED BY GOD
TO GATHER IN THIS PLACE TO
WORSHIP HIM,
TO LEARN ABOUT HIM,
TO BASK IN HIS LOVE,
TO SHARE HIS LOVE WITH EACH
OTHER, AND TO SPREAD THAT LOVE
WITH THE WORLD.*

GRACE
happens



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