



## Prayer

Holy and immortal God,  
banish from our hearts those fears and desires  
which lead us to betray you in our lives,  
and so fill us with the faithfulness of Jesus  
that the world may know your wisdom, love and power.

Amen.

## Antiphon 1

Zeal for your house has eaten me up; the scorn of those who scorn you has fallen upon me.

## Psalm 27 *Dominus illuminatio*

*The psalms are prayers that Jesus used and cover every mood of humanity's relationship with God and one another. Sung by all as introduced by the cantor.*



God is my light and my salvation; of whom then / shall I / fear?\*

God is the strength of my life; of whom then / shall I / be a- / fraid?

One thing I have asked of you, O God, one / thing I / seek;\*

that I may dwell in your house / all the / days of ● my / life;

To behold your fair / beauty, ● O / God,\*

and to / seek you / in your / temple.



For in the day of trouble you will keep me / safe in ● your / shelter;\*  
 you will hide me in the secrecy of your dwelling  
 and set me / high u- / pon a / rock.

Even now you / lift up / my head\*  
 above my / ene-mies / round a- / bout me.

Therefore I will offer in your dwelling  
 an oblation with / sounds of ● great / gladness;\*  
 I will sing and make / music / to my / God.

Hearken to my voice, O God, / when I / call;\*  
 have mercy on / me and / answer / me.

You speak in my heart and say, / “Seek my / face.”\*  
 Your / face, O / God, ● I will / seek.

Hide not your / face from / me,\*  
 nor turn away your / servant / in dis- / pleasure.

You have been my helper; cast me / not a- / way;\*  
 do not forsake me, O / God of / my sal- / vation.

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 / A- / men

## Antiphon 1

Zeal for your house has eaten me up; the scorn of those who scorn you has fallen upon me.

V. Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked:  
**R. From the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.**

## The Lamentation

*text selected by Dean Milner-White*

*set to music by Edward C. Bairstow*

### THE PROPHET MOURNS FOR THE SINS OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD.

How doth the city sit solitary, that was full of people:\*  
how is she become as a widow.

She that was great among the nations, and princess among the provinces:\*  
how is she become tributary.

She weepeth sore in the night, and her tears are on her cheeks:\*  
among all her lovers, she hath none to comfort her.

The ways of Zion do mourn,\*  
because none come to the solemn assembly

All her gates are desolate,\*  
and she herself is in bitterness.

The Lord hath afflicted her for the multitude of her transgressions:\*  
her children are gone into captivity before the enemy.

All they that go by clap their hands at her:\*  
they hiss, and wag their head at the daughter of Jerusalem saying,

“Is this the city that men called the perfection of beauty;\*  
the joy of the whole earth?”

**Jerusalem, Jerusalem, return to the Lord thy God!**

### Responsory I

*In monte Oliveti*

Healey Willan

On the mount of Olives he prayed to his Father: Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.

*V. Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.*

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### PART II – CHRIST RECALLS US TO GOD BY HIS PASSION

For these things I weep:\*  
mine eye, mine eye runneth down with water.

From on high hath the Lord sent fire into my bones,  
and it prevailleth against them:\*  
he hath made me desolate and faint all the day.

My flesh and my skin hath he made old:  
he hath broken my bones.

He hath builded against me,\*  
and compassed me with gall and travail.

He hath made me to dwell in dark places:  
as those that have been long dead.

I am become a derision to all my people:\*  
and their song all the day.

Let him give his cheek to him that smiteth him:\*  
let him be filled full with reproach.

Is it nothing to you, all ye that pass by:\*  
behold and see if there be any sorrow like unto my sorrow.

Remember mine affliction and my misery:\*  
the wormwood and the gall.

**Jerusalem, Jerusalem, return unto the Lord thy God.**

### Responsory II

*Tristis est anima mea*

Healey Willan

My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death: tarry ye here, and watch with me.  
Now shall ye see the multitude come about me: ye shall flee, and I go to be  
sacrificed for you.

*V. Behold, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Ye shall flee, and I go to be sacrificed for you.*

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### **PART 3 – THE CHURCH REPENTS AND TURNS AGAIN TO GOD**

Remember O Lord what is come upon us:\*  
    behold and see our reproach.

The joy of our heart is ceased:\*  
    our dance is turned into mourning.

The crown is fallen from our head:\*  
    woe unto us, for we have sinned.

For this our heart is faint:\*  
    for these things our eyes are dim.

Let us search and try our ways:\*  
    and turn again unto the Lord.

Turn thou unto thee O Lord, and we shall be turned:  
    renew our days as of old.

It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed:\*  
    because his compassions fail not.

They are new every morning:\*  
    great is thy faithfulness.

The Lord is my portion, saith my soul;\*  
    therefore will I hope in him.

O Lord, thou hast pleaded the causes of my soul:\*  
    thou hast redeemed my life.

**Jerusalem, Jerusalem, return to the Lord thy God!**

## Responsory III

*Ecce vidimus eum*

Healey Willan

Behold, we have seen him without form or comeliness, his form is gone from him: he hath borne our sins and his sorrows are for us, he was wounded for our transgressions, and with his stripes we are healed.

*V. Surely, he hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows: And with his stripes we are healed.*

## Word (*Mark 12: 1-11*)

*This reading is taken from one of the four Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John), which depict the life, teachings, death, resurrection, and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. We stand for the Gospel reading to show the particular importance placed on Jesus' words and actions.*

Then he began to speak to them in parables. "A man planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a pit for the wine press, and built a watchtower; then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the season came, he sent a slave to the tenants to collect from them his share of the produce of the vineyard. But they seized him, and beat him, and sent him away empty-handed. And again he sent another slave to them; this one they beat over the head and insulted. Then he sent another, and that one they killed. And so it was with many others; some they beat, and others they killed. He had still one other, a beloved son. Finally he sent him to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But those tenants said to one another, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and the inheritance will be ours. So they seized him, killed him, and threw him out of the vineyard. What then will the owner of the vineyard do? He will come and destroy the tenants and give the vineyard to others. Have you not read this scripture:

The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone;  
this was the Lord's doing,  
and it is amazing in our eyes?"

## Psalm 51 *Miserere mei, Deus*

### Antiphon 2

Create in me a clean heart, O God,\* and renew a right spirit within me.



Have mercy on me, O God, according to your / loving / kindness;\*  
in your great compassion / blot out / my of- / fences.

Wash me through and through / from my / wickedness,\*  
and / cleanse me / from my / sin

For I know / my trans- / gressions,\*  
and my / sin is / ever • be- / fore me.

Against you only / have I / sinned\*  
and done what is / evil / in your / sight

And so you are justified / when you / speak\*  
and / upright / in your / judgment.

Indeed, I have been wicked / from my / birth,\*  
a sinner / from my / mother's / womb

For behold, you look for truth / deep with- / in me,\*  
and will make me / under- • stand / wisdom / secretly.

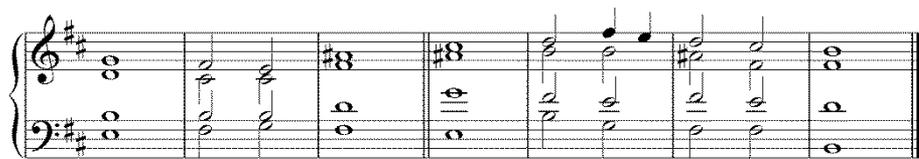
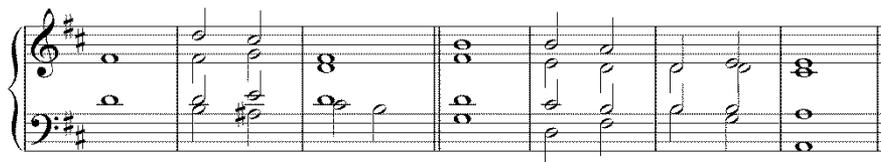
Purge me from my sin, and I / shall be / pure;\*  
wash me, and I / shall be / clean in- / deed.

Make me hear of / joy and / gladness,\*  
that the body you have / broken / may re- / joice.

Hide your face / from my / sins,\*  
and blot out / all my in- / i-qui- / ties.

Create in me a clean / heart, O / God,\*  
and re- / new a • right / spirit • with- / in me.

Cast me not away / from your / presence,\*  
and take not your / Holy / Spirit • from / me.



Give me the joy of your saving / help a- / gain\*  
and sustain me / with your / bounti-● ful / Spirit.

I shall teach your ways / to the / wicked,\*  
and sinners / shall re- / turn to / you.

Deliver me from / death, O / God,\*  
and my tongue shall sing of your righteousness, O / God of / my sal- / vation.

Open my / lips, O / Lord,\*  
and my mouth / shall pro- / claim your / praise.

Had you desired it, I would have / offered / sacrifice,\*  
but you take / no de- / light in ● burnt / offerings.

The sacrifice of God is a / troubled / spirit,\*  
a broken and contrite heart, O God, / you will / not des- / pise.

Be favourable and / gracious ● to / Zion,\*  
and re- / build the / walls of ● Je- / rusalem.

Then you will be pleased with the appointed sacrifices, with burnt-offerings  
/ and ob- / lations;\*  
then shall they offer young / bullocks up- / on your / altar.

Glory 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.

## Antiphon 2

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## COLLECT

Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross.

*Nothing further is said; but a noise is made,*

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FRIDAY, APRIL 2

THE WAY OF THE CROSS IN MUSIC AND SCRIPTURE  
EVENING OF GOOD FRIDAY

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