



Revised Common Lectionary

Saint Mary the Virgin: Mother of Our Lord Jesus Christ

The Collect:

Rite I:

O God, who hast taken to thyself the blessed Virgin Mary, mother of thy incarnate Son: Grant that we, who have been redeemed by his blood, may share with her the glory of thine eternal kingdom; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Rite II:

O God, you have taken to yourself the blessed Virgin Mary, mother of your incarnate Son: Grant that we, who have been redeemed by his blood, may share with her the glory of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Old Testament: Isaiah 61:10-11

¹⁰ I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. ¹¹For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations.

Psalms: Psalm 34 or 34:1-9

¹ I will bless the Lord at all times; *
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

² I will glory in the Lord; *
let the humble hear and rejoice.

³ Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; *
let us exalt his Name together.

- ⁴ I sought the Lord, and he answered me *
and delivered me out of all my terror.
- ⁵ Look upon him and be radiant, *
and let not your faces be ashamed.
- ⁶ I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me *
and saved me from all my troubles.
- ⁷ The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear him, *
and he will deliver them.
- ⁸ Taste and see that the Lord is good; *
happy are they who trust in him!
- ⁹ Fear the Lord, you that are his saints, *
for those who fear him lack nothing.
- ¹⁰ [The young lions lack and suffer hunger, *
but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.
- ¹¹ Come, children, and listen to me; *
I will teach you the fear of the Lord.
- ¹² Who among you loves life *
and desires long life to enjoy prosperity?
- ¹³ Keep your tongue from evil-speaking *
and your lips from lying words.
- ¹⁴ Turn from evil and do good; *
seek peace and pursue it.
- ¹⁵ The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, *
and his ears are open to their cry.
- ¹⁶ The face of the Lord is against those who do evil, *
to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.
- ¹⁷ The righteous cry, and the Lord hears them *
and delivers them from all their troubles.
- ¹⁸ The Lord is near to the brokenhearted *
and will save those whose spirits are crushed.
- ¹⁹ Many are the troubles of the righteous, *
but the Lord will deliver him out of them all.
- ²⁰ He will keep safe all his bones; *
not one of them shall be broken.
- ²¹ Evil shall slay the wicked, *
and those who hate the righteous will be punished.
- ²² The Lord ransoms the life of his servants, *
and none will be punished who trust in him.]

Epistle: Galatians 4:4-7

⁴ But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, ⁵in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. ⁶And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!” ⁷So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Gospel: Luke 1:46-55

⁴⁶ And Mary said, “My soul magnifies the Lord, ⁴⁷and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, ⁴⁸for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; ⁴⁹for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. ⁵⁰His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. ⁵¹He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. ⁵²He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; ⁵³he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. ⁵⁴He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, ⁵⁵according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever.”

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