

Prayer during the Day

Easter Wednesday

Introduction

Be swift, O God, to save us.

Come quickly, Lord, to help us.

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever. Amen.

Psalm 114

When Israel went out from Egypt,

the house of Jacob from a people of strange language,

Judah became God's sanctuary,

Israel his dominion.

The sea looked and fled;

Jordan turned back.

The mountains skipped like rams,

the hills like lambs.

Why is it, O sea, that you flee?

O Jordan, that you turn back?

O mountains, that you skip like rams?

O hills, like lambs?

Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord,

at the presence of the God of Jacob,

who turns the rock into a pool of water,

the flint into a spring of water.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit
As it was in the beginning, is now and shall be for ever. Amen.

Matthew 28:16-20

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

Let us pray.

Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, brings new life to us and to all the world. By his resurrection he has made known to us the life that lasts for ever. With faith and joy we cry out to him: **Hear us, risen Lord!**

By your resurrection, show us today the light of life. **Hear us, risen Lord!**

By your resurrection, speak to us the word of life. **Hear us, risen Lord!**

By your resurrection, nourish us with the bread of life. **Hear us, risen Lord!**

By your resurrection, pour out on us the Spirit of life. **Hear us, risen Lord!**

By your resurrection, prepare for us the crown of life. **Hear us, risen Lord!**

By your resurrection, give life to those who have died. Shine your light on them, for ever and ever.
Hear us, risen Lord!

Concluding Prayer

Lord of all life and power,
who through the mighty resurrection of your Son
overcame the old order of sin and death
to make all things new in him;
grant that we, being dead to sin,
and alive to you in Jesus Christ,
may reign with him in glory;
to whom with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit
be praise and honour, glory and might,
now and in all eternity. **Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!