



St Oswald's Norbury  
**Morning Prayer**  
**during Passiontide**

**Preparation**

O Lord, open our lips  
**and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**  
Let your ways be known upon earth,  
**your saving power among the nations.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of our salvation,  
to you be praise and glory for ever.  
As a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief  
your only Son was lifted up  
that he might draw the whole world to himself.  
May we walk this day in the way of the cross  
and always be ready to share its weight,  
declaring your love for all the world.  
Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.  
**Blessed be God for ever.**

***A Song of Lamentation is said by all***  
*Lamentations 1.12,16a,b; 3.19,21-26,31-33*

- 1 Is it nothing to you, all you who pass by? ♦  
Look and see if there is any sorrow like my  
sorrow,
- 2 Which was brought upon me, ♦  
which the Lord inflicted  
on the day of his fierce anger.
- 3 For these things I weep;  
my eyes flow with tears; ♦  
for a comforter is far from me,  
one to revive my courage.
- 4 Remember my affliction and my bitterness, ♦  
the wormwood and the gall!
- 5 But this I call to mind, ♦  
and therefore I have hope:
- 6 The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, ♦  
his mercies never come to an end;
- 7 They are new every morning; ♦  
great is your faithfulness.
- 8 'The Lord is my portion,' says my soul, ♦  
'therefore I will hope in him.'
- 9 The Lord is good to those who wait for him, ♦  
to the soul that seeks him.
- 10 It is good that we should wait quietly ♦  
for the salvation of the Lord.
- 11 For the Lord will not reject for ever; ♦  
though he causes grief, he will have  
compassion,

12 According to the abundance of his steadfast  
love; ♦ for he does not willingly afflict or grieve  
anyone.

**All** 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.

*This opening prayer may be said*

The night has passed,  
and the day lies open before us;  
let us pray with one heart and mind.

*Silence is kept.*

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day,  
so may the light of your presence, O God,  
set our hearts on fire with love for you;  
now and for ever. **Amen.**

**The Word of God**

***Psalmody***

*The appointed psalms are said quietly and prayerfully.*

*At the end, we all say together:*

**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.**

***Old Testament Reading***

***Canticle: A Song of the Lord's Gracious Deeds***

*I will recount the gracious deeds of the Lord,  
the praises of the Most High.*

- 1 Who is this that comes from Edom, ♦  
coming from Bozrah, his garments stained  
crimson?
- 2 Who is this in glorious apparel, ♦  
marching in the greatness of his strength?
- 3 'It is I, who announce that right has won the  
day, ♦  
it is I,' says the Lord, 'for I am mighty to save.'
- 4 Why are your robes all red, O Lord, ♦  
and your garments like theirs who tread the  
winepress?
- 5 'I have trodden the winepress alone, ♦  
and from the peoples no one was with me.'
- 6 I will recount the gracious deeds of the Lord, ♦  
the praises of the Most High;
- 7 All that God has done for us in his mercy, ♦  
by his many acts of love.
- 8 For God said, 'Surely, they are my people, ♦  
my children who will not deal falsely,' ♦  
and he became their Saviour in all their distress.

9 So God redeemed them by his love and pity; ♦  
he lifted them up and carried them  
through all the days of old.

**All** 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.

**All** I will recount the gracious deeds of the Lord,  
the praises of the Most High.

### **New Testament Reading**

**Responsory.** *from 1 Cor. 1 and Gal. 6*

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you;

**All** by your holy cross, you have redeemed the  
world.

God chose what is weak in the world to shame the  
strong.

**All** We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

We preach Christ crucified,  
the power of God and the wisdom of God.

**All** By your holy cross, you have redeemed the  
world.

God forbid that I should glory,  
save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**All** We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you;  
by your holy cross, you have redeemed the world.

### **Gospel Canticle: The Benedictus**

*The word of the cross is folly to those who are  
perishing, but to those who are being saved  
it is the power of God.*

1 Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel, ♦  
who has come to his people and set them free.

2 He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour. ♦  
born of the house of his servant David.

3 Through his holy prophets God promised of  
old ♦  
to save us from our enemies,  
from the hands of all that hate us,

4 To show mercy to our ancestors, ♦  
and to remember his holy covenant.

5 This was the oath God swore to our father  
Abraham: ♦  
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

6 Free to worship him without fear, ♦  
holy and righteous in his sight  
all the days of our life.

7 And you, child, shall be called the prophet of  
the Most High, ♦  
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his  
way,

8 To give his people knowledge of salvation ♦  
by the forgiveness of all their sins.

9 In the tender compassion of our God ♦  
the dawn from on high shall break upon us

10 To shine on those who dwell in darkness and  
the shadow of death, ♦  
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

**All** Glory to the Father and to the Son ...

**All** The word of the cross is folly to those who are  
perishing, but to those who are being saved  
it is the power of God.

### **Intercessions are offered**

**The Collect of the day** or this collect is said  
*(from the Fifth Sunday of Lent)*

Most merciful God,

who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus

Christ delivered and saved the world:

grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross  
we may triumph in the power of his victory;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. **All** Amen.

*(or, from Palm Sunday)*

Almighty and everlasting God,

who in your tender love towards the human race

sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ

to take upon him our flesh

and to suffer death upon the cross:

grant that we may follow the example of his  
patience and humility,

and also be made partakers of his resurrection;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Standing at the foot of the cross,  
as our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,**

**your kingdom come,**

**your will be done,**

**on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins**

**as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Lead us not into temptation**

**but deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,**

**and the glory are yours**

**now and for ever. Amen.**

### **The Conclusion**

May Christ, who bore our sins on the cross,  
set us free to serve him with joy.

**All** Amen.

Let us bless the Lord.

**All** Thanks be to God.

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	<b>Psalms</b>	<b>Old Testament</b>	<b>New Testament</b>
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>73</b> , 121	Exodus 8.1-19	Hebrews 11.17-31
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	<b>35</b> , 123	Exodus 8.20-end	Hebrews 11.32-12.2
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	<b>55</b> , 124	Exodus 9.1-12	Hebrews 12.3-13
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	<b>40</b> , 125	Exodus 9.13-end	Hebrews 12.14-end
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Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>23</b> , 127	Exodus 11	Hebrews 13.17-end
Palm Sunday (5 <sup>th</sup> April )	61,62	Zechariah 9.9-12	Luke 16.19-31
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> April	41	Lamentations 1.1-12a	Luke 22.1-23
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> April	27	Lamentations 3.1-18	Luke 22.[24-38]39-53
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> April	102	Wisdom 1.16-2.1, 2.12-22 <i>or Jeremiah 11.18-20</i>	Luke 22.54-end
Maundy Thursday (9 <sup>th</sup> April)	42,43	Leviticus 16.2-24	Luke 23.1-25
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