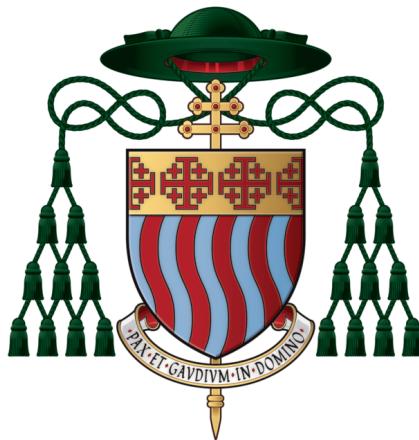


# WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL

## OFFICES BEFORE THE INSTALLATION

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of  
THE MOST REVEREND CHARLES PHILLIP RICHARD MOTH

*Twelfth Archbishop of Westminster*

Feast of Saint Cyril, Monk, and Saint Methodius, Bishop

Saturday 14 February 2026

## WELCOME TO WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL

The Metropolitan Cathedral of the Most Precious Blood, known as Westminster Cathedral, is the largest and the most important Roman Catholic church in England and Wales.

It is the seat of the Archbishop of Westminster, a house of prayer where the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and the Sacrament of Reconciliation are celebrated daily, and a Catholic presence at the heart of our country.

The building, the masterwork of John Francis Bentley, was inspired by the early Christian Byzantine style and opened for public worship in 1903. It is an architectural gem with its interior notable for rich marble decorations and the beautiful, but still incomplete, mosaics.

We hope that you will participate fully in these Offices, and that – along with so many others – you will experience the presence of God in this holy place.

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The public prayer of the people of God has always been considered among the first duties of the Church. Over the centuries, the traditional elements of Christian prayer were carefully arranged to sanctify the whole day in prayer in the Divine Office.

The *Office of Lauds* is designed to sanctify the morning, as is clear from many of its parts. Saint Basil the Great excellently described its character as morning prayer in these words: 'Matins consecrates to God the first movements of our minds and hearts; no other care should engage us before we have moved with the thought of God, as it is written, "I thought of God and sighed" (Psalm 76:4), nor should the body undertake any work before we have done what is said, "I say this prayer to you, Lord, for at day-break you listen for my voice and at dawn I hold myself in readiness for you, I watch for you' (Psalm 5:4-5).

In imitation of the Apostolic Church and from the earliest of times, Christians in their private devotions have, even in the midst of their work, dedicated various moments to prayer throughout the course of the day.

Liturgical custom in both East and West has especially retained *Terce*, *Sext* and *None*, principally because these hours commemorate the events of our Lord's Passion and the first preaching of the Gospel.



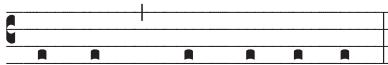
# THE OFFICE OF LAUDS

11.00am

Celebrated by the Chaplains of Westminster Cathedral

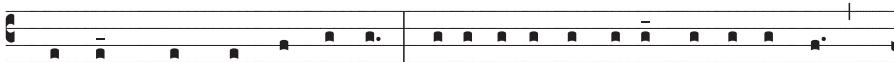
*All stand at the sound of the Sacristy bell.*

*The Celebrant sings:*



○ God, ☩ come to our aid.

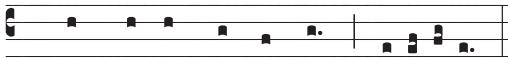
*All respond:*



R. O Lord, make haste to help us. Glory be 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. Al-le-lu-ia.

All sing:

### THE OFFICE HYMN



The saints who toiled from place to place, Spread-ing the Gos-pel of God's grace,



Now in their heav'n ly home-land dwell With Christ, whom here they served so well.

Alert at thy command to go,  
And everywhere thy word to sow,  
They went, O Master, far and wide,  
Eager; but yet unsatisfied.

Thine was the task they took in hand,  
Thine their good news for every land,  
Thine was their power; and thine again  
Their passion for the souls of men.

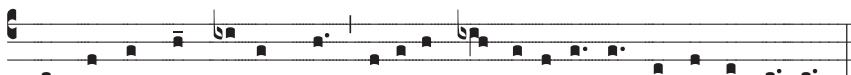
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adapted William Henry Havergal (1793-1870)

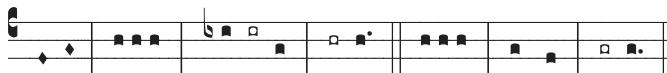
### PSALMODY

#### ANTIPHON I



You are the light of the world. A ci-ty built on a hill-top cannot be hidden.

#### PSALM 62(63):2-9



Cantor

I.      O God, | you are my God, for | you I | long; \*

for you my | soul is | thirsting,

All sit.



*All*

2. My body | pines for | you \*  
like a dry, weary land | without | water.

*Cantor*

3. So I gaze on you | in the | sanctuary \*  
to see your strength | and your | glory.

*All*

4. For your love is | better than | life, \*  
my lips will | speak your | praise.

5. So I will bless you | all my | life, \*  
in your name I will lift | up my | hands.

6. My soul shall be filled as | with a | banquet, \*  
my mouth shall praise | you with | joy.

7. On my | bed I re- | member you. \*  
On you I muse | through the | night.

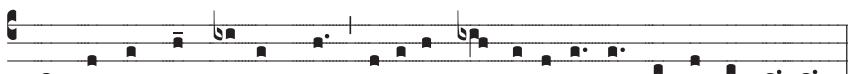
8. For you have | been my | help; \*  
in the shadow of your wings | I re- | joice.

9. My soul | clings to | you; \*  
your right hand | holds me | fast.

Glory be 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

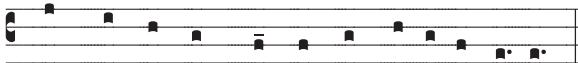


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## ANTIPHON II



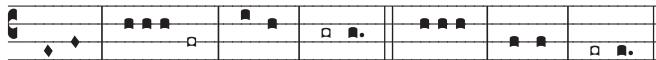
Your light must shine in the sight of men, so that, seeing your good works,



they may give the praise to your Father in heaven.

## CANTICLE

Daniel 3:57-88, 56



*Cantor* 1. **Qall | you works of the Lord, O | bless the | Lord. \***  
To him be highest glory and | praise for | ever.

*All* 2. **And you, angels of the Lord, O | bless the | Lord. \***  
To him be highest glory and | praise for | ever.

*Cantor* 3. And you, the heavens of the Lord, O | bless the | Lord. \*  
And you, clouds of the sky, O | bless the | Lord.

*All* 4. **And you, all armies of the Lord, O | bless the | Lord. \***  
To him be highest glory and | praise for | ever.

5. And you, sun and moon, O | bless the | Lord. \*  
And you, the stars of the heavens, O | bless the | Lord.

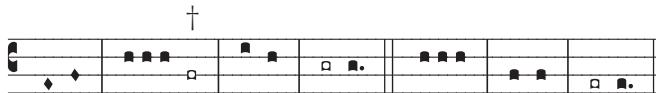
6. **And you, showers and rain, O | bless the | Lord. \***  
To him be highest glory and | praise for | ever.

7. And you, breezes and winds, O | bless the | Lord. \*  
And you, fire and heat, O | bless the | Lord.

8. **And you, cold and heat, O | bless the | Lord. \***  
To him be highest glory and | praise for | ever.

9. And you, showers and dew, O | bless the | Lord. \*  
And you, frosts and cold, O | bless the | Lord.

10. **And you, frost and snow, O | bless the | Lord. \***  
To him be highest glory and | praise for | ever.

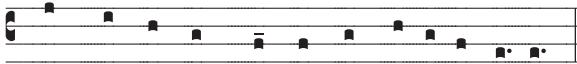


11. And you, night-time and day, O | bless the | Lord. \*  
And you, darkness and light, O | bless the | Lord.
12. **And you, lightning and clouds, O | bless the | Lord.\***  
To him be highest glory and | praise for | ever.
13. O let the earth | bless the | Lord. \*  
To him be highest glory and | praise for | ever.
14. **And you, mountains and hills, O | bless the | Lord.\***  
And you, all plants of the earth, O | bless the | Lord.
15. And you, fountains and springs, O | bless the | Lord. \*  
To him be highest glory and | praise for | ever.
16. **And you, rivers and seas, O | bless the | Lord.\***  
And you, creatures of the sea, O | bless the | Lord.
17. And you, every bird in the sky, O bless the Lord. +  
And you, wild beasts and tame, O | bless the | Lord. \*  
To him be highest glory and | praise for | ever.
18. **And you, children of men, O | bless the | Lord.\***  
To him be highest glory and | praise for | ever.
19. O Israel, bless the Lord. O | bless the | Lord. \*  
And you, priests of the Lord, O | bless the | Lord.
20. **And you, servants of the Lord, O | bless the | Lord.\***  
To him be highest glory and | praise for | ever.
21. And you, spirits and souls of the just, O | bless the | Lord. \*  
And you, holy and humble of heart, O | bless the | Lord.
22. **Ananias, Azarias, Mizael, O | bless the | Lord.\***  
To him be highest glory and | praise for | ever.
23. Let us praise the Father; the Son, and | Holy | Spirit: \*  
To you be highest glory and | praise for | ever.
24. **May you be blessed, O Lord, | in the | heavens. \***  
To you be highest glory and | praise for | ever.

## ANTIPHON

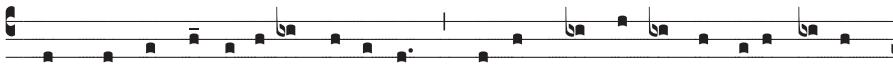


Your light must shine in the sight of men, so that, seeing your good works,



they may give the praise to your Father in heaven.

## ANTIPHON III



The word of God is a-live and active; it cuts more finely than a-ny double-



edged sword.

## PSALM 149



*Cantor* 1. Sing a | new song to | the | Lord, \*  
his praise in the assem- | bly of the | faithful.

*All* 2. Let Israel rejoice in | its | Maker, \*  
let Sion's sons ex- | ult in their | king.

*Cantor* 3. Let them praise his name | with | dancing \*  
and make music with | timbrel and | harp.

*All* 4. For the Lord takes delight in | his | people. \*  
He crowns the | poor with sal- | vation.

5. Let the faithful rejoice in | their | glory, \*  
shout for joy | and take their | rest.

6. Let the praise of God be on | their | lips \*  
and a two-edged | sword in their | hand.



7. To deal out vengeance to | the | nations \*  
and punishment | on all the | peoples;
8. To bind their kings | in | chains \*  
and their nobles in | fetters of | iron;
9. To carry out the sentence pre- | or- | dained: \*  
this honour is | for all his | faithful.  
**Glory be to the Father, and to | the | Son, \***  
**and to | the Holy | Spirit,**

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ev- | er | shall be, \*  
world with- | out end, A- | men.

#### ANTIPHON



The word of God is a-live and active; it cuts more finely than a-ny double-edged sword.

#### SCRIPTURE READING

Hebrews 13:7-9a

Remember your leaders, who preached the word of God to you, and as you reflect on the outcome of their lives, imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same today as he was yesterday and as he will be for ever. Do not let yourselves be led astray by all sorts of strange doctrines.

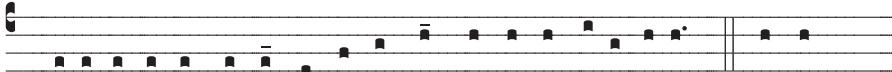
## SHORT RESPONSYORY



℣. I placed watchmen on your towers, Je-ru-sa-lem. ℥. I placed watchmen...



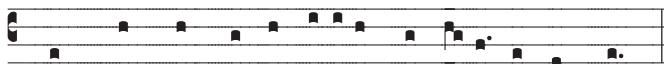
℣. They will never cease to tell of the name of the Lord. ℥. I placed watchmen...



℣. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. ℥. I placed...

*All stand.*

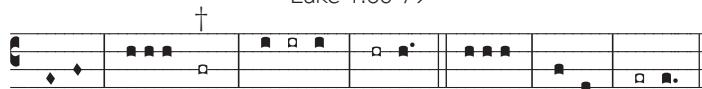
## BENEDICTUS ANTIPHON



They served the Lord in ho-liness and virtue all their days.

## BENEDICTUS

Luke 1:68-79

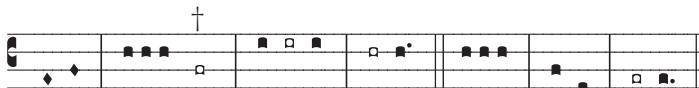


*Cantor* 1. Bless-ed | be the Lord, | the God of | Israel! \*  
He has visited his people | and re- | deemed them.

*All* 2. He has | raised up for us | a mighty | saviour \*  
in the house of Da- | vid his | servant,

*Cantor* 3. As he | promised by the lips | of holy | men, \*  
those who were his prophets | from of | old.

*All* 4. A sa - | viour who would free | us from our | foes, \*  
from the hands of | all who | hate us.



5. So his | love for our fa- | thers is ful- | filled \*  
and his holy coven- | ant re- | membered.

6. He swore | to Abraham our | father to | grant us, \*  
that free from fear, and saved from the hands | of our | foes,

7. We might | serve him in ho- | liness and | justice \*  
all the days of our life | in his | presence.

8. As for | you, little | child, \*  
you shall be called a prophet of God, | the Most | High.

9. You shall | go a- | head of the | Lord \*  
to prepare his | ways be- | fore him,

10. To make | known to his peo- | ple their sal- | vation \*  
through forgiveness of | all their | sins,

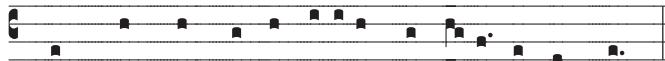
11. The lov- | ing-kindness of the | heart of our | God \*  
who visits us like the dawn | from on | high.

12. He will | give light to those in darkness, †  
those who dwell in the | shadow of | death, \*  
and guide us into the | way of | peace.

Glo-ry | be 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



They served the Lord in ho-liness and virtue all their days.

## INTERCESSIONS

Christ, the good shepherd, laid down his life for his sheep. Let us praise him with grateful hearts, as we pray.

R. **Lord, nourish the lives of your people.**

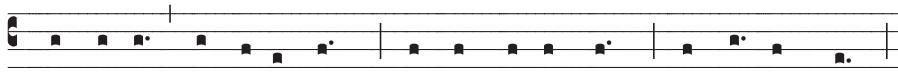
Christ our Lord, in the holy pastors you reveal your love for us; may we never be deprived of the care you show through them. R.

Through your sacred ministers you are present in our midst as the shepherd of our souls; never cease to guide us through their teaching and encouragement. R.

In the saints who lead your people, you manifest your power of healing souls and bodies; remain always with us to renew our lives in holiness.. R.

By the example of the saints you instruct your faithful in the ways of wisdom and love; through our pastors help us to grow to the full stature of perfection. R.

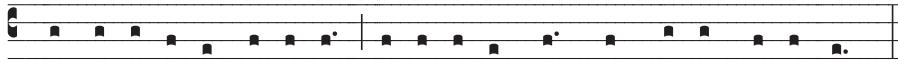
Let us pray with confidence to the Father in the words our Saviour gave us.



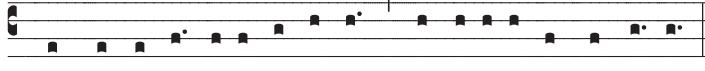
Our Father, who art in heav'n, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come;



thy will be done on earth, as it is in heav'n. 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 e- vil.

## COLLECT

O God, who enlightened the Slavic peoples  
through the brothers Saints Cyril and Methodius,  
grant that our hearts may grasp the words of your teaching,  
and perfect us as a people of one accord  
in true faith and right confession.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

R: Amen.

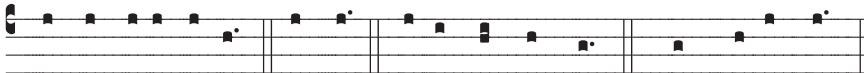
## BLESSING



The Lord be with you. And with your spi-rit.



May almighty God bless you, the Father, ☧ and the Son,



and the Holy Spi-rit. A-men. Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.

*All sit.*

# THE OFFICE OF TERCE

11.30am

Celebrated by the Canons of the Metropolitan Chapter of  
Westminster Cathedral

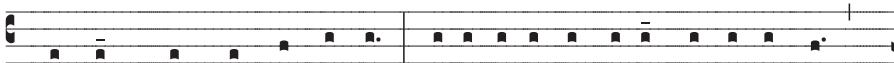
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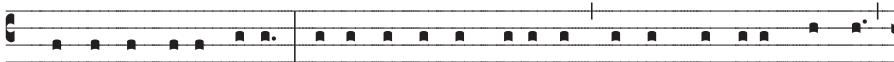


O God,  $\text{\texttilda{X}}$  come to our aid.

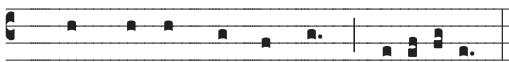
*All respond:*



*Rx. O Lord, make haste to help us. Glory be 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. Al-le-lu-ia.*

*All sing:*

### THE OFFICE HYMN



Now, Ho - ly Spi - rit, come, de - scand, one with the Fa - ther and the Son;  
come swift - ly in and fill our hearts with your full blood of ho - li - ness.

In mind and mouth, with heart and tongue,  
with strength and sense, may praise resound.  
May charity with ardour blaze  
and kindle others with its flame.

Now through your presence may we know  
and love the Father and the Son,  
and you, the Spirit of them both,  
may we profess throughout all time.

*Nunc, Sancte, nobis, Spiritus*  
attributed to St Ambrose (c.339-397)

*Tallis' Canon*  
Thomas Tallis (c.1505-85)

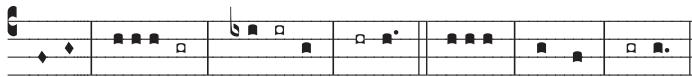
### PSALMODY

#### ANTIPHON I



Lead me, Lord, in the path of your commands.

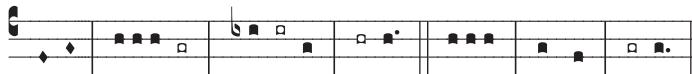
#### PSALM 118(119):33-40



*Cantor*

I. Teach me | the demands | of your | precepts \*  
and I will keep them | to the | end.

*All sit.*



*All* 2. Train me to ob- | serve your | law, \*  
to keep it | with my | heart.

*Cantor* 3. Guide me in the path of | your com- | mands; \*  
for there is | my de- | light.

*All* 4. Bend my | heart to your | will \*  
and not to | love of | gain.

5. Keep my eyes from | what is | false: \*  
by your word, | give me | life.

6. Keep the promise | you have | made \*  
to the ser- | vant who | fears you.

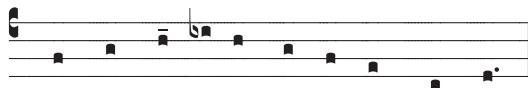
7. Keep me from the | scorn I | dread, \*  
for your de- | crees are | good.

8. See, I | long for your | precepts: \*  
then in your justice, | give me | life.

Glory be 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



Lead me, Lord, in the path of your commands.

#### ANTIPHON II



Those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

PSALM 33(34):2-11



*Cantor* 1. I will | bless the Lord at | all | times, \*  
his praise al - | ways on my | lips;

*All* 2. in the Lord my soul shall make | its | boast. \*  
The humble shall | hear and be | glad.

*Cantor* 3. Glorify the Lord | with | me. \*  
Together let | us praise his | name.

*All* 4. I sought the Lord and | he | answered me; \*  
from all my terrors | he set me | free.

5. Look towards him and | be | radiant; \*  
let your faces | not be a- | bashed.

6. The poor man called; the | Lord | heard him \*  
and rescued him from | all his dis- | tress.

7. The angel of the Lord is | en- | camped \*  
around those who revere him, | to rescue | them.

8. Taste and see that the Lord | is | good. \*  
He is happy who seeks | refuge in | him.

10. Revere the Lord, you | his | saints. \*  
They lack nothing, | those who re- | vere him.

11. Strong lions suffer want and | go | hungry \*  
but those who fear the | Lord lack no | blessing.

Glory be to the Father; and to | the | Son, \*  
and to | the Holy | Spirit.

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## ANTIPHON



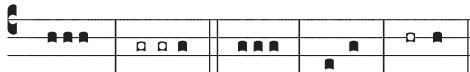
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## ANTIPHON III



Let peace be all your quest and aim.

## PSALM 33(34):12-23



*Cantor* 1. Come, children, and | hear me \*  
that I may teach you the fear | of the | Lord.

*All* 2. Who is he who longs for | life \*  
and many days, to enjoy | his pros- | perity?

*Cantor* 3. Then keep your tongue from | evil \*  
and your lips from speak- | ing de- | ceit.

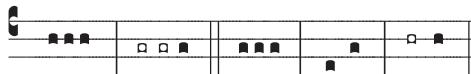
*All* 4. Turn aside from evil and do | good; \*  
seek and strive | after | peace.

5. The Lord turns his face against the | wicked \*  
to destroy their remembrance | from the | earth.

6. The Lord turns his eyes to the | just \*  
and his ears to | their ap- | peal.

7. They call and the Lord | hears \*  
and rescues them in all | their dis- | tress.

8. The Lord is close to the broken- | hearted; \*  
those whose spirit is crushed | he will | save.

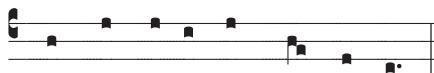


9. Many are the trials of the | just man \*  
but from them all the | Lord will | rescue him.
10. He will keep guard over all his | bones, \*  
not one of his bones | shall be | broken.
11. Evil brings death to the | wicked; \*  
those who hate the | good are | doomed.
12. The Lord ransoms the souls of his | servants. \*  
Those who hide in him shall not | be con- | demned.

Glory be 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



Let peace be all your quest and aim.

## SCRIPTURE READING

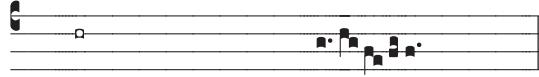
I Kings 8:60-61

May all the peoples of the earth know that the Lord is God; there is no other. Let your heart therefore be wholly true to the Lord our God, walking in his statutes and keeping his commandments.

## VERSICLE AND RESPONSE



¶ You are my God, teach me your paths.



R: Make me walk in your truth.

*All stand.*

## COLLECT

Let us pray.

Send forth the light of the Holy Spirit on us,  
Lord God, almighty Father,  
subject as we are to your divine majesty:  
so that safe from every foe,  
we may always rejoice as we celebrate your praise.  
Through Christ our Lord.

R: Amen.

## DISMISSAL



Let us bless the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*All sit.*

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