

ST. DOMINIC SAVIO

MORNING PRAYER

Hymn

The Voice of God is raised once more, to guide us through the night and din;
“who’e’re would rest in timeless joy, must follow him that, still a boy,
Death’s self would choose eer sin.”

Thy life was like the Spring’s first rose, an hour in bloom, then lightly falls;
In death it wins more fragrant sway, as still thy little hour of day
The world from death recalls.

The Church of Christ thy crown proclaims, the prize of life that pure heart won:
The dew that on thy heart was shed fell from Angelic Wheat whose Bread
Enfolds the Virgin’s Son.

Pray, Dominic, for all who wend, the way of Sales thine own steps blessed;
And pray that God his clear light end, the souls thy fondest dreams caressed.

Ant 1. You remained faithful unto death and so the Lord has crowned you with glory, alleluia.

A soul thirsting for God

O God, you are my God, for you I long; for you my soul is thirsting.
My body pines for you like a dry, weary land without water
So I gaze on you in the sanctuary to see your strength and your glory.

For your love is better than life, my lips will speak your praise.
So I will bless you all my life, in your name I will lift up my hands.
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet my mouth shall praise you with joy.

On my bed I remember you. On you I muse through the night,
For you have been my help in the shadow of your wings I rejoice.
My soul clings to you; your right hand holds me fast

Ant 2. Sing hymns to the Lord, you his faithful, give thanks to his holy name. alleluia.

The Canticle of Daniel

O all you works of the Lord, O bless the Lord.
To him be highest glory and praise for ever.

And you, angels of the Lord, O bless the Lord.
To him be highest glory and praise for ever.

And you, the heavens of the Lord, O bless the Lord.
And you, clouds of the sky, O bless the Lord.
And you, all armies of the Lord, O bless the Lord.
To him be highest glory and praise for ever.

And you, sun and moon, O bless the Lord.
And you, the stars of the heav'ns, O bless the Lord.
And you, showers and rain, O bless the Lord.

To him be highest glory and praise for ever.

And you, all you breezes and winds, O bless the Lord.
And you, fire and heat, O bless the Lord.
And you, cold and heat, O bless the Lord.
To him be highest glory and praise for ever.

And you, showers and dew, O bless the Lord.
And you, frosts and cold, O bless the Lord.
And you, frost and snow, O bless the Lord.
To him be highest glory and praise for ever.

And you, night-time and day, O bless the Lord.
And you, darkness and light, O bless the Lord.
And you, lightning and clouds, O bless the Lord.
To him be highest glory and praise for ever.

O let the earth bless the Lord.
To him be highest glory and praise for ever.

And you, mountains and hills, O bless the Lord.
And you, all plants of the earth, O bless the Lord.
And you, fountains and springs, O bless the Lord.
To him be highest glory and praise for ever.

And you, rivers and seas, O bless the Lord.
And you, creatures of the sea, O bless the Lord.
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.

And you, children of men, O bless the Lord.
To him be highest glory and praise for ever.

O Israel, bless the Lord. O bless the Lord.
And you, priests of the Lord, O bless the Lord.
And you, servants of the Lord, O bless the Lord.
To him be highest glory and praise for ever.

And you spirits and souls of the just, O bless the Lord
And you holy and humble of heart, O bless the Lord.
Ananias, Azarias, Mizaël, O bless the Lord.
To him be highest glory and praise for ever.

Let us praise the Father, the Son, and Holy Spirit:
To you be highest glory and praise for ever.
May you be blessed, O Lord, in the heavens.
To you be highest glory and praise for ever.

Ant 3. My song and my strength is the Lord: he has been my salvation, alleluia.

The song of joy of the saints

Sing a new song to the Lord, his praise in the assembly of the faithful.
Let Israel rejoice in its Maker let Sion's sons exult in their king.
Let them praise his name with dancing and make music with timbrel and harp.

For the Lord takes delight in his people. He crowns the poor with salvation.
Let the faithful rejoice in their glory, shout for joy and take their rest.
Let the praise of God be on their lips and a two-edged sword in their hand,

To deal out vengeance to the nations and punishment on all the peoples;
To bind their kings in chains and their nobles in fetters of iron;
To carry out the sentence preordained: this honour is for all his faithful.

Scripture Reading [1]n 3: 1-2]

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is.

Responsory

R The law of God is in the heart of his holy ones, alleluia, alleluia
Their path is straight and pure. **R**
Glory be to the Father... **R**

Benedictus ant. Dominic, dedicated wholly to the Lord, you walked before him in holiness and justice, alleluia.

Intercession

Let us give praise to God our Father who deigned to reveal to little ones the mysteries of his Kingdom, and let us say;

R\ Glory and honour to you, O Lord!

Father, you brought Dominic Savio to birth in a family rich in Christian virtues: - bless our families, and help parents in their duties as educators. **R**

You inspired Dominic with the burning desire to become a saint: - grant that we too may offer our lives completely to you with joy. **R**

From his childhood you drew Dominic towards the Eucharistic mystery of your Son: - help us to celebrate the Eucharist with living faith and shared with joy in the gift of your love. **R**

You led Dominic to discover that to love you is the source of immense elation: - help us to find happiness in communion with you and in the generous service of our neighbour. **R**

As they awaited the coming of the Holy Spirit, the disciples were assiduous in common prayer with Mary, the Mother of Jesus: - may she extend her protection to all who strive to live in your friendship. **R**

Our Father...

Concluding Prayer

O God, the source of everything that is good, in St. Dominic Savio you have given to young people a wonderful example of charity and purity; grant that we too may grow as your children in joy and love, till we attain the full stature of Christ. He is God, and lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, forever and ever. **Amen**