

150th Anniversary Prayer

Evening Prayer for Sunday, March 19th

(Sr. Patricia Burke)

Honoring our ministries of: Alfred Fortin Orphanage, Denver Retirement Home, St. Catherine's Village, St. Monica's Home for Unwed mothers, Prison Ministries, Prevention of Sex Trafficking, and Internal Ministries

Light of Christ: Thanks be to God

Hymn: BB 605, vs. 3

Psalm

O Loving Presence, I cherish your dwelling place in my heart.
O, that I might radiate love divine.

Help me to dwell in the heart of love all the days of my life.
To behold the beauty of my Beloved and to know your plan.

Teach me to be love as You are love.
Guide me as I walk through each day.

Glory to God throughout all the ages,
Three in one and one in three.
Now and in eternity. Amen. Amen.

A reading from the Gospel of St. John

Jesus rose from the meal and took off his cloak. He poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet. After Jesus had washed their feet, he put his cloak back on and reclined at table. He said to them, "Do you understand what I just did for you? What I just did was give you an example: as I have done, so you must do."

(Please pause for five minutes of contemplative silence.)

Magnificat Antiphon: I give you a new commandment.
Love one another as I have loved you.

Magnificat: My being proclaims the greatness of God. / My spirit rejoices in God
my Savior.

Who has looked lovingly on me in my affliction. / From this day all
generations will call me blessed.

For God, wonderful in power, / has done great things for me.

Holy God's name! Whose mercy from generation to generation/
is to those who stand in awe.

The strong arm of God scatters the arrogant of heart / brings down
the powerful from their thrones / and lifts the afflicted.

Those who hunger are filled with good things; the rich are sent away
empty.

God rescues servant Israel / remembering the mercy promised
to our ancestors Abraham and Sarah /
and to their descendants evermore.

Praise, glory, and wisdom / thanksgiving, honor, and strength,
be to our God most holy, now and forever. Amen!

Intercession Response: Lord, hear us, we beseech you.

For orphans, that they may be blessed with loving parents, we pray!

For all those in retirement homes and nursing facilities, that they may be
blessed with loving care, we pray!

For unwed mothers, that they may be blessed with a future full of hope for
themselves and their babies, we pray!

For all the incarcerated, that they may be blessed with justice and mercy,
we pray!

For all those who work for the prevention of sex trafficking, that their
efforts may be blessed with success, we pray!

For all those in internal ministries, that their service is given with joy and graciousness, we pray!

With longing for the coming of God's kingdom, we pray: **Our Father**

Closing Prayer

God, bless all those who have served, or are currently serving, in our social service ministries. May they know that they are your eyes and hands here on earth. Give them an abundance of every virtue they need to establish your kingdom. Surrounded by the cloud of faithful witnesses who have gone before, may they run the race with their eyes fixed on you. Amen.

