Daytime Prayer

Saturday, February 23, 2008

Saint Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr

OPENING

O God, come to my assistance.

Lord, make haste to help me.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

HYMN

> **Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days**
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> Lord, who throughout these forty days
> for us did fast and pray,
> teach us with you to mourn our sins
> and close by you to stay.

PSALMODY

Psalm 132 *How Good It Is for Brothers to Live Together (Part II)*

> *Ant. Do not forsake me, O Lord; be not far from me, O my God.*

Like the dew of Hermon, which descends upon Mount Zion.

For there the Lord has commanded blessing and life, forevermore.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

> *Ant. Do not forsake me, O Lord; be not far from me, O my God.*

Psalm 133 *Bless the Lord, All His Servants*

> *Ant. Do not forsake me, O Lord; be not far from me, O my God.*

Behold now, bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord,

who stand in the house of the Lord, in the courts of the house of our God.

Lift up your hands toward the sanctuary, and bless the Lord.

May the Lord bless you from Zion, he who made heaven and earth.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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SHORT READING

MATTHEW 6:6

But when you pray, go to your inner room, close the door, and pray to your Father in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will repay you.

RESPONSORY

V. We adore your cross, O Lord.

R. We praise your holy resurrection.

CONCLUDING PRAYER

O God, purify our intentions and direct our actions, that all we do this day may be a true offering to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

DISMISSAL

Let us praise the Lord.

And give him thanks.