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FEAST
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MARY THERESA
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PRAYER
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Lauds

INVITATORY

Come, let us praise God on the feast of Blessed Mother Mary Theresa.

HYMN

(This may be taken from the *Common of Holy Women* or may be any other appropriate hymn.)

1. ANTIPHON

God's kindness knows no bounds.

Psalm 63:2-9

God, my God, you I crave; my soul thirsts for you,
my body aches for you, like a dry and weary land.
Let me gaze on you in your temple,--a vision of strength and
glory.

Your love is better than life; my speech is full of praise.
I give you a lifetime of worship; my hands lifted in prayer.
I feast at a rich table; my lips sing out your praise.

On my bed I lie awake; your memory fills the night.
You have been my help; I rejoice beneath your wings.
Yes, I cling to you; your right hand holds me fast.

Let those who want me dead end up deep in the grave!
They will die by the sword; their bodies food for jackals.
But let the king find joy in God.
All who swear the truth be praised; every lying mouth be
shut.
Glory ...

Psalm-prayer

Creator of unfailing light, you are a light in our darkness;
you are refreshment for our aching hearts.
May our speech be full of praise
and our lives celebrate your strength and glory.

PRAYERS OF PETITION

The world was created by the Word of God, re-created by his redemption, and it is continually renewed by his love. Rejoicing in him we call out:

--Renew the wonders of your love, Lord.

We give thanks to God whose power is revealed in nature,
and whose providence is revealed in history

--Renew the wonders of your love, Lord.

Through your Son, the herald of reconciliation, the victor of
the cross, free us from empty fear and hopelessness.

--Renew the wonders of your love, Lord.

May all those who love and pursue justice, work together
without deceit to build a world of true peace.

--Renew the wonders of your love, Lord.

Be with the oppressed, free the captives, console the sorrow-
ing, free the hungry, strengthen the weak, in all people reveal
the victory of your cross.

--Renew the wonders of your love, Lord.

After your Son's death and burial you raised him up again in
glory, grant that the faithful departed may live with him.

--Renew the wonders of your love, Lord.

OUR FATHER

PRAYER

Merciful God, through the life and work of Blessed Mary
Theresa you made the riches of your mercy visible to the
world. You taught her to recognize the signs of the time and
with her community of sisters to help those in physical and
spiritual need. Through the power of your Spirit also teach us
to serve those for whom your Son, Jesus Christ, died on the
cross. Amen.

SHORT READING

Tit 3,4-6

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of deeds done by us in righteousness, but in virtue of his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal in the Holy Spirit, which he richly poured out upon us through Jesus Christ our Savior.

RESPONSORY

R The Lord has chosen her,
* he has chosen her above all others ..

V" She dwells in his tent.
* He has chosen her above all others.

Glory R

MAGNIFICAT ANTIPHON

Give thanks to the Lord who has exalted us; he has done great things for us.

MAGNIFICAT

I acclaim the greatness of the Lord, I delight in God my savior,
who regarded my humble state. Truly from this day on
all ages will call me blest.

For God, wonderful in power, has used that strength for me.
Holy the name of the Lord! whose mercy embraces the faithful,
one generation to the next.

The mighty arm of God scatters the proud in their conceit,
pulls tyrants from their thrones, and raises up the humble.
The Lord fills the starving and lets the rich go hungry.

God rescues lowly Israel, recalling the promise of mercy,
the promise made to our ancestors, to Abraham's heirs for ever.

Glory....

2. ANTIPHON

With God and for God we can do many things.

Canticle Daniel 3:56-88

(Song of the Three Young Men)

Leader: Bless God beyond the stars.

All: Give praise and glory.

Leader: Bless God across the earth.

All: Give praise and glory for ever.

etc. Bless God, angels of God.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, highest heavens.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, waters above.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, spirits of God.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, sun and moon.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, stars of heaven.
Give praise and glory for ever,

Bless God, rainstorm and dew.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, gales and winds.
Give praise --and glory.

Bless God, fire and heat.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, frost and cold.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, dew and snow,
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, ice and cold.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, frost and sleet.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, night and day.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, light and darkness.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, lightning and clouds.
Give praise and glory for ever.

Bless God, earth and sea.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, mountains and hills.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, trees and plants.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, fountains and springs.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, rivers and seas
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, fishes and whales.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God; birds of the air
Give praise and glory-

Bless God, beasts of the earth.
Give praise and glory for ever.

Bless God, children of earth.
Give praise and glory.

Bless God, Israel
Give praise and glory

Bless God, priests, of God.
Give praise and glory

"How foolish to rise early and slave until night for bread.
Those who please God receive as much even as they sleep.

Children are the Lord's gift, a blessing to those who bear them,
like arrows in the hand of an archer. Happy those with a full
quiver:

facing their enemies at the gate, they stand without shame!

Glory...

Psalm-prayer

Source of all giftedness, without you we labor in vain. You give
meaning to all we do. Grant that we trust not in our own work
but in the faithful outpouring of your gifts.

3. ANTIPHON

Praise the Lord, for he is good. Give thanks to the Lord for he is
good.

Canticle

(Ephesians 1:3-10)

Bless God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who blessed us in heaven through Christ
with every blessing of the Spirit.

Before laying the world's foundation,
God chose us in Christ to live a pure and holy life.

God determined out of love to adopt us through Jesus Christ
and took delight in our praise for the lavish gift of that beloved
Son.

By Christ's blood we were redeemed,
our faults forgiven
through extravagant love.

With pleasure, wisdom and insight God displayed the mystery
of what heaven always intended: in the fullness of time
to unite the entire universe through Christ.

Glory ...

Feast of Blessed Mary Theresa Scherer

VESPERS

HYMN'

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1. ANTIPHON

The Lord is good, his-mercy endures forever.

Psalm 122

With joy I heard them say, "We must go to God's house!"
And now, Jerusalem, we stand inside your gates.
Jerusalem, the city so built that city and temple are one.
To you the tribes go up, every tribe of the Lord.

It is the law of Israel to honor God's name.
The seats of law are here, the thrones of David's line.

Pray peace for Jerusalem: happiness for your homes,
safety inside your walls, peace in your great houses.

For love of family and friends I say, "Peace be with you!"
For love of God's own house I pray for your good.

Glory ...

Psalm-prayer

Abiding God, you sustain the Church, the new Jerusalem, by
your loving presence. Guide us on the journey of life and gift
us with peace.

2. ANTIPHON

O Lord, I will praise your mercy forever.

Psalm 127

If God does not build the house, the builders work in vain.

If God does not watch over the city, the guards watch in vain.

Bless God, servants of God,
Give praise and glory

Bless God, just and faithful souls.
Give praise and glory

Bless God, holy and humble hearts.
Give praise and glory for ever.

Bless God, Hananiah, Azariah, and Mishael
Give praise and glory forever.

Glory ...

3. ANTIPHON

We want to do everything in order to live in peace.

Psalm 149

Sing a new song, you faithful praise God in the assembly.
Israel, rejoice in your Maker, Zion, in your king.
Dance in the Lord's name, sounding harp and tambourine.

The Lord delights in saving a helpless people.
Revel in God's glory, join in clan by clan.
Shout praise from your throat, sword flashing in hand

to discipline nations and punish the wicked,
to shackle the mighty and chain the proud,
and execute God's sentence. This is your glory.

Glory ...

Psalm-prayer

We praise you, O God, for in love you created us and
in mercy you saved us. Help us overcome evil with good;
make us sharers in the victory of salvation and embrace
us with your loving kindness.

SHORT READING Phil 2:1-2

So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any incentive of love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind.

RESPONSORY

R. Be of one mind in mutual harmony and sisterly love;

* since you are called to attain sanctification. R.

V. In your zeal, are you not on fire in the Spirit, do you not serve the Lord?

* since you are called to attain sanctification.

Glory....

R.

BENEDICTUS ANTIPHON

All will know that you are my disciples if you-love one another.

BENEDICTUS

Blessed are you, Lord, the God of Israel,*
you have come to your people and set them free.

You have raised up for us a mighty Savior,*
born of the house of your servant, David.

Through your holy prophets, you promised of old*
to save us from our enemies,

--from the hands of all who hate us,

To show mercy to our forebears,*

and to remember your holy covenant.

This was the oath you swore to our father, Abraham,*

to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

Free to worship you without fear,*

holy and righteous before you,--all the days of our life.

And you, child, --shall be called the prophet of the Most High,*

for you will go before the Lord to prepare the way,

To give God's people knowledge of salvation*

by the forgiveness of their sins.

In the tender compassion of our God*
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
To shine on those who dwell in darkness
--and the shadow of death,*
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Glory . . .

PRAYERS OF PETITION

God, you sent the Holy Spirit to enlighten the hearts of all, hear us as we pray:

--Enlighten your people, Lord.

Blessed are you, O God, our light, you have given us a new day
resplendent with your glory.

--Enlighten your people, Lord.

You enlightened the world through the resurrection of your Son,
through your Church shed this light on all.

--Enlighten your people, Lord.

You gave the disciples of your only-begotten Son the Spirit's
gift of understanding, through the same Spirit keep the Church
faithful to you.

--Enlighten your people, Lord.

Light of nations, remember those who remain in darkness, open
their eyes and let them recognize you, the only true God.

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