



**Diocesan Commission for Liturgy, Vasai**  
**The Most Holy Trinity - Solemnity**  
**Evening Prayer (Vespers)**

*Note: Liturgy of the hours is the official prayer of the Church. In view of the recent spread of Covid-19 we hereby request the faithful to pray this prayer in their family.*

**Introduction**

O God, come to our aid.

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. Amen.

**Hymn**

O Trinity of blessed light,  
O Unity of princely might,  
The fiery sun now goes his way;  
Shed thou within our hearts thy ray.

To thee our morning song of praise,  
To thee our evening prayer we raise;  
Thy glory humbly we adore  
For ever and for evermore.

All laud to God the Father be;  
All praise, eternal Son, to thee;  
All glory, as is ever meet,  
To God the Holy Paraclete.

**Antiphon 1 :** O true, highest and everlasting Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!

Psalm 109 (110)

The Messiah, king and priest

The Lord's revelation to my Master:

'Sit on my right:  
your foes I will put beneath your feet.'

The Lord will wield from Sion  
your sceptre of power:  
rule in the midst of all your foes.

A prince from the day of your birth  
on the holy mountains;  
from the womb before the dawn I begot you.

The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change.  
'You are a priest for ever,  
a priest like Melchizedek of old.'

The Master standing at your right hand  
will shatter kings in the day of his wrath.

He shall drink from the stream by the wayside  
and therefore he shall lift up his head.

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. Amen.

**Antiphon 1 :** O true, highest and everlasting Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!

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**Antiphon 2 :** Give us freedom, salvation and life, O blessed Trinity.

Psalm 113A (114)

Israel set free from Egypt

When Israel came forth from Egypt,  
Jacob's sons from an alien people,

Judah became the Lord's temple,  
Israel became his kingdom.

The sea fled at the sight:  
the Jordan turned back on its course,  
the mountains leapt like rams  
and the hills like yearling sheep.

Why was it, sea, that you fled,  
that you turned back, Jordan, on your course?  
Mountains, that you leapt like rams;  
hills, like yearling sheep?

Tremble, O earth, before the Lord,  
in the presence of the God of Jacob,  
who turns the rock into a pool  
and flint into a spring of water.

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and to the Holy Spirit,  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen.

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**Antiphon 3 :** Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God almighty, who was, who is, and who is to come.

**Canticle**

**Apocalypse 19**

The wedding of the Lamb

Alleluia.

Salvation and glory and power belong to our God,  
his judgements are true and just.

Alleluia.

Alleluia.

Praise our God, all you his servants,  
you who fear him, small and great.

Alleluia.

Alleluia.

The Lord our God, the Almighty, reigns,  
let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory.

Alleluia.

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The marriage of the Lamb has come,  
and his bride has made herself ready.

Alleluia.

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and to the Holy Spirit,  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen.

**Antiphon 3 :** Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God almighty, who was, who is, and who is to come.

### **Short Reading**

**Ephesians 4:3-6**

Do all you can to preserve the unity of the Spirit by the peace that binds you together. There is one Body, one Spirit, just as you were all called into one and the same hope when you were called. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God who is Father of all, over all, through all and within all.

### **Short Responsory**

Let us bless the Father and the Son with the Holy Spirit.

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To God alone be all honour and glory.

– Let us bless the Father and the Son with the Holy Spirit.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

– Let us bless the Father and the Son with the Holy Spirit.

**Antiphon :** With our heart and lips we praise you, we worship you and we bless you, God the Father unbegotten, only-begotten Son, and Holy Spirit Paraclete: all glory is yours for ever.

**Canticle**

**Magnificat**

My soul rejoices in the Lord

My soul glorifies the Lord,  
my spirit rejoices in God, my Saviour.  
He looks on his servant in her lowliness;  
henceforth all ages will call me blessed.

The Almighty works marvels for me.  
Holy his name!  
His mercy is from age to age,  
on those who fear him.

He puts forth his arm in strength  
and scatters the proud-hearted.  
He casts the mighty from their thrones  
and raises the lowly.

He fills the starving with good things,  
sends the rich away empty.

He protects Israel, his servant,  
remembering his mercy,  
the mercy promised to our fathers,  
to Abraham and his sons for ever.

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and to the Holy Spirit,  
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## **Prayers and intercessions**

**Response :** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Father, through your Holy Spirit you gave Christ your Son to us in the flesh, so that we might have life through him. Filled now with that life, we raise our hearts in praise of the Holy Trinity, saying:

**Response :** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Father almighty, eternal God, in the name of your Son send your Holy Spirit upon the Church: may the Comforter preserve us in unity, harmony and the fullness of truth.

**Response :** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Lord, send your labourers into the harvest to teach all nations and baptize them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit: strengthen them all in the faith.

**Response :** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Lord, support all those who suffer persecution on account of their faith in your Son: give them the Spirit of truth who will, according to his promise, speak through them.

**Response :** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Father almighty, all acknowledge that you, the Word and the Spirit are one: as we believe in one God, so may we hope in you and love you.

**Response :** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Father of the living, bring those who have died to share your glory: with your Son and the Holy Spirit may they reign eternally with you in heaven.

**Response :** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Our Father, who art in heaven, .....

## **Concluding Prayer :**

God our Father,

you revealed the great mystery of your godhead to men  
when you sent into the world  
the Word who is Truth  
and the Spirit who makes us holy.

Help us to believe in you and worship you,

as the true faith teaches:

three Persons, eternal in glory,

one God, infinite in majesty.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,

who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

(one) God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Lord bless us, and keep us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.

Amen.