

11th APRIL REFLECTION ON TODAY'S LITURGY - HOLY SATURDAY

Instead of a reflection, here is a short prayer based on the Divine Office for this day.

HYMN

words: St John Henry Newman

O loving wisdom of our God!
when all was sin and shame,
a second Adam to the fight
and to the rescue came.

O generous love! that he who came
as man to smite our foe,
the double agony for us
as man should undergo:

And in the garden secretly,
and on the cross on high,
should teach his brethren, and inspire
to suffer and to die.

Praise to the Holiest in the height,
and in the depth be praise;
in all his words most wonderful,
most sure in all his ways!

PSALM

Psalm 63(64)

They will mourn for him as for an only son, since it is the innocent one of the Lord who has been slain

Hear my voice, O God, as I complain,
Guard my life from dread of the foe.
Hide me from the band of the wicked,
From the throng of those who do evil.

He will search who searches the mind
And knows the depths of the heart.

They will understand God's deeds.
The just will rejoice in the Lord
And fly to him for refuge.
All the upright hearts will glory.

EASTER ANTIPHON

Christ humbled himself for us, and, in obedience, accepted death, even death on a cross. Therefore God raised him to the heights and gave him the name which is above all other names.

INTERCESSIONS

Christ, the new Adam, you went down into the world of the dead to free the just; may those who are dead in sin hear your voice and live. Resp.: Lord, have mercy on us

Son of the living God, we were buried with you in baptism; let us rise with you, alive to God for ever. Resp.: Lord, have mercy on us

OUR FATHER