

MASSES FOR THE DEAD - RESPONSORIAL PSALMS
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Psalm 23:1-3, 4, 5, 6

R/. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.
in verdant pastures he gives me repose;
Beside restful waters he leads me;
he refreshes my soul.
He guides me in right paths
for his name sake. **R/.**

Even though I walk in the dark valley
I fear no evil; for you are at my side
With your rod and your staff
that give me courage. **R/.**

You spread the table before me
in the sight of my foes;
You anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows. **R/.**

Only goodness and kindness follow me
all the days of my life;
And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord
for years to come. **R/.**

Psalm 25:6 and 7b, 17-18, 20-21

R/. To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

Remember that your compassion, O LORD,
and your kindness are from of old.
In your kindness remember me,
because of your goodness, O LORD. **R/.**

Relieve the troubles of my heart;
And bring me out of my distress.
Put an end to my affliction and my suffering;
and take away all my sins. **R/.**

Preserve my life and rescue me;
let me not be put to shame, for I take refuge in you.
Let integrity and uprightness preserve me,
Because I wait for you, O LORD. **R/.**

Psalm 27:1, 4, 7 and 8b and 9a, 13-14

R/. The Lord is my light and my salvation.

or:

R/. I believe that I shall see the good things of the Lord in the land of the living.

The LORD is my light and my salvation;

whom should I fear?

The LORD is my life's refuge;

of whom should I be afraid? **R/.**

One thing I ask of the LORD;

this I seek:

To dwell in the house of the LORD

all the days of my life.

That I may gaze on the loveliness of the LORD

and contemplate his temple. **R/.**

Hear, O LORD, the sound of my call;

have pity on me, and answer me.

Your presence, O LORD, I seek.

Hide not your face from me. **R/.**

I believe that I shall see the bounty of the LORD

in the land of the living.

Wait for the LORD with courage;

be stouthearted, and wait for the LORD. **R/.**

Psalm 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9

R/. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

O God, you are my God whom I seek;
for you my flesh pines and my soul thirsts
like the earth, parched, lifeless and without water. **R/.**

Thus have I gazed toward you in the sanctuary
to see your power and your glory,
For your kindness is a greater good than life;
my lips shall glorify you. **R/.**

Thus will I bless you while I live;
lifting up my hands, I will call upon your name.
As with the riches of a banquet shall my soul be satisfied,
and with exultant lips my mouth shall praise you. **R/.**

You are my help,
and in the shadow of your wings I shout for joy.
My soul clings fast to you;
your right hand upholds me. **R/.**

Psalm 103:8 and 10, 13-14, 15-16, 17-18

R/. The Lord is kind and merciful.

Merciful and gracious is the LORD,
slow to anger, and abounding in kindness.
Not according to our sins does he deal with us,
nor does he requite us according to our crimes. **R/.**

As a father has compassion on his children,
so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him.
For he knows how we are formed,
he remembers that we are dust. **R/.**

Man's days are like those of grass;
like a flower of the field he blooms;
The wind sweeps over him and he is gone,
and his place knows him no more. **R/.**

But the kindness of the LORD is from eternity,
to eternity toward those who fear him,
And his justice toward children's children
among those who keep his covenant
and remember to fulfill his precepts. **R/.**

Psalm 116:5, 6, 10-11, 15-16ac

R/. I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

Gracious is the LORD and just;
yes, our God is merciful. **R/.**

The LORD keeps the little ones;
I was brought low, and he saved me. **R/.**

I believed, even when I said,
"I am greatly afflicted";
I said in my alarm,
"No man is dependable." **R/.**

Precious in the eyes of the LORD
is the death of his faithful ones.
O LORD, I am your servant,
you have loosed my bonds. **R/.**

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