

Readings and hymns for Sunday 12th July 2020
Animal Service

First Reading

Psalm 65: 6-13

You set the mountains in place by your strength,
showing your mighty power.

You calm the roar of the seas
and the noise of the waves;
you calm the uproar of the peoples.

The whole world stands in awe
of the great things that you have done.

Your deeds bring shouts of joy
from one end of the earth to the other.

You show your care for the land by sending rain;
you make it rich and fertile.

You fill the streams with water;
you provide the earth with crops.

This is how you do it:

You send abundant rain on the ploughed fields
and soak them with water;

you soften the soil with showers
and cause the young plants to grow.

What a rich harvest your goodness provides!

Wherever you go there is plenty.

The pastures are filled with flocks;
the hillsides are full of joy.

The fields are covered with sheep;
the valleys are full of wheat.

Everything shouts and sings for joy.

For the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

All creatures of our God and King

- 1 All creatures of our God and King
lift up your voice and with us sing,
Alleluia, alleluia.
Thou burning sun with golden beam,
thou silver moon with softer gleam,
*O praise him, O praise him,
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

- 2 Thou rushing wind that art so strong,
ye clouds that sail in heaven along,
O praise him, alleluia.
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,
ye lights of evening, find a voice;
Chorus

- 3 Thou flowing water, pure and clear,
make music for thy Lord to hear,
Alleluia, alleluia.
Thou fire so masterful and bright,
that givest us both warmth and light:
Chorus

- 4 Let all things their creator bless,
and worship him in humbleness;
O praise him, alleluia.
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, Three in One;
Chorus

William Henry Draper (1855-1933)

based on Laudato sii, O me signore St Francis of Assisi's Canticle of the Sun

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Second Reading

Genesis 1:20-25

And God said, "Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let the birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky." So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let the birds multiply on the earth." And there was evening and there was morning the fifth day.

And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

For the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

How great thou art

1 O Lord my God! when I in awesome wonder
consider all the works Thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
thy power throughout the universe displayed:

*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God to thee,
How great thou art! How great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee,
How great thou art! How great thou art!*

2 When through the woods and forest glades I wander
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur,
and hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze;
Refrain

3 And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in.
that on the cross my burden gladly bearing,
he bled and died to take away my sin:
Refrain

4 When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
and take me home – what joy shall fill my heart!
Then shall I bow in humble adoration
and there proclaim, my God, how great thou art!
Refrain

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