Our Father
Concluding Prayer
Dismissal

May the Divine be with you. And with your spirit.

May almighty God bless you, the Creator, the Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen! Amen!

Go in peace. Thanks be to God.

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Evening Prayer I
Feast of St. Teresa of Avila

Call to Worship
Please Stand

Presider: O God, come to our assistance.

ALL: O God, make haste to help us.

Glory to You, Source of all Being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. AMEN
Lucernarium/Service of Light

Leader:

Jesus Christ, you are the light of the world;

All:

the light no darkness can overcome;

Leader:

Stay with us now, for it is evening,

All:

and the day is almost over.

Leader:

Let your light scatter the darkness,

All:

and shine within your people here.

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Intercessions

Presider: O God, You empowered Teresa to reform the Carmelite Order;

All: Bless all those who seek to reform institutions; grant that they walk before you in sincerity and truth.

Presider: Your daughter, Teresa, had a great love for the humanity of Jesus and cherished him as her friend;

All: May our friendship with Jesus enable us to cherish our friendships with one another.

Presider: Teresa taught her daughters to embrace humility, detachment, and love for one another;

All: Help us to grow in self-knowledge, to be free of hidden expectations, and to love those with whom we work and live.

Presider: You gifted Teresa with the ability to articulate the spiritual journey and the stages of prayer;

All: Through her writings, may many come to a personal experience of you and be consoled when the journey seems dark and prayer is dry.

Presider: The depth of her knowledge of the spiritual life resulted in Teresa being proclaimed a Doctor of the Church;

All: Grant that women who study theology and spirituality may gift the Church with wisdom and insight.
Hymn

Teresa, Holy Woman

Holy woman, mystic, author,
    loving leader, sister, friend;
Facing torment, trial, and trouble
    You transformed Church in the end.
Giving counsel, courage, wisdom,
    And with humor, you did tend
To the Church then and tomorrow
    Seeing God now as a friend.

Yours, you made me; Yours, you saved me;
    Yours, you called me; Savior sweet;
Through the mansions of my spirit;
    Trav’ling in t’ward You to meet.
I will be Your eyes to see now;
    I will be Your hands and feet;
I will be your body wholly,
    Being Christ to all I greet.

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Tune: BEACH SPRING
Please be seated for the Psalmody and Readings

Psalm 141

I Lift My Hands

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I lift my hands, I lift my hands like an evening offering; as day-light fades, I give myself to you.

Psalm Prayer

Canticle

Sing to God with the Tambourine

Song of Judith

Silent Contemplation

The ringing of the bell will start and complete a time of silence for you to listen to the voice of God within.

For your reflection:

- Transformation was likened by Teresa to a silkworm building a cocoon and dying from worm-form to butterfly. Is this your experience?
- What do you hear when God answers Teresa’s question “What do you want of me?”

Response

Nada Te Turbe

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First Reading

Second Reading