

Introduction O God, come to our assistance. Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever, Amen, Alleluia.

L: I am the Lord: I search the mind and probe the heart; I give to each one as his needs deserve.

Reading

Canticle of Zachariah

Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel, he has come to his people and redeemed them.

He has raised up for us a mighty savior, born of the house of his servant David.

Through his holy prophets he promised of old, that he would save us from our foes, from the hands of all who hate us.

He promised to show mercy to our fathers, and to remember his holy covenant

This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, to set us free from the hands of our foes.

Free to worship him without fear, holy and righteous in his sight, all the days of our life. You my child shall be called the prophet of the most high, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way.

To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the ways of peace. Amen.

Responsory L: Keep us, O Lord as the apple of your eye.

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Personal Intercessions Repeated as necessary R: Let all who hope in you rejoice, Lord.

May the Lord Bless us, Protect us from all evil And bring us to everlasting life, Amen

