

# Prayer Service



**Sister Rita Kramer**

**December 1, 1943 — January 26, 2023**

**Nazareth Center Chapel  
February 2, 2023  
11:00 a.m.**

**Welcome/Opening Song:** *Morning Has Broken* **BB #637**

**Leader:** God of faithfulness, you have called Sister Rita into your loving presence. May she be united with all the saints and rest in your peace forever. **Amen.**

**Antiphon:** <sup>All</sup> From the rising of the sun to its setting, my soul waits for you!

**Psalm 33**

1 Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you righteous;  
for praise is fitting from the upright.  
Give thanks to the Lord upon the harp;  
with a ten-stringed lute sing songs to God.

2 O sing a song that is new;  
play skillfully, with shouts of joy.  
For the word of the Lord is upright,  
and all God's words are to be trusted.

1 The Lord loves justice and right;  
God's faithful love fills the earth.

2 Behold the eyes of the Lord  
are on those who fear him,  
who hope in God's faithful love,  
to rescue their soul from death,  
to keep them alive in famine.

1 Our soul is waiting for the Lord,  
our God, our help, and our shield.  
In you do our hearts find joy;  
we trust in your holy name.  
May your faithful love be upon us,  
as we hope in you, O Lord.

**Antiphon:** *All* From the rising of the sun to its setting, my soul waits for you!

**Scripture Reading:** Matthew 25: 31—40

**Song Response:** *The Servant Song* BB #391 vs. 1—5

**Sharing of Memories/Stories**

**Prayer to St. Agnes:**

Behold, what I long coveted, I already see; what I hoped for I now hold safe. To God alone I am associated in Heaven, whom on earth I loved with all devotedness.

**Leader:** Pray for us, St. Agnes.

**All:** That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

**Let us pray:** Almighty and eternal God, who choose the weak of the world to confound the strong, mercifully grant that we, who are placed under the patronage of your virgin and martyr, Agnes, may feel the benefit of her intercession with you. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Closing Song:** *Canticle of the Sun* BB #429 vs: 1, 5, 6



## Tender Brother

by Bernadette Farrell

Joining hands, joining hearts.

You know me like no other.

My secrets slipped inside your ear.

My dreams tucked into your heart.

My every joy linked with yours.

With you I can enter life's woes.

With you I can laugh heartily.

With you I can accept challenge.

In all my moods and voices

I know you will listen and advise.

Taken from the book: *Fragments of Your Ancient  
Name: 365 Glimpses of the Divine for Daily  
Meditation*

By Joyce Rupp