

## ***An Order for Night Prayer (Compline)*** ***Wednesday, 1 July 2020***

### ***Preparation***

The Lord almighty grant us a quiet night and a perfect end.

***All*** Amen.

Our help is in the name of the Lord  
Who made heaven and earth.

***A period of silence for reflection on the past day may follow.***

***The following or other suitable words of penitence may be used.***

***All*** Most merciful God,  
we confess to you,  
before the whole company of heaven and one another,  
that we have sinned in thought, word and deed  
and in what we have failed to do.  
Forgive us our sins,  
heal us by your Spirit  
and raise us to new life in Christ. Amen.

O God, make speed to save us.

***All*** O 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 shall be for ever. Amen.

### ***We listen to the Compline Hymn – Before the ending of the day***

Before the ending of the day,  
creator of the world, we pray,  
that with thy wonted favour thou  
wouldst be our guard and keeper now.

From all ill dreams defend our eyes,  
from nightly fears and fantasies;  
tread under foot our ghostly foe,  
that no pollution we may know.

O Father, that we ask be done,  
through Jesus Christ thine only Son,  
who, with the Holy Ghost and thee,  
dost live and reign eternally.

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## *The Word of God*

### *Psalmody*

#### *We listen to Psalm 25*

*Remember Lord, your compassion and love*

*Free us, God of mercy, from all that keeps us from you;  
Relieve the misery of the anxious and ashamed,  
And fill us with the hope of peace;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord*

### *Scripture Reading*

Thus, said the Lord God, the Holy One of Israel; In returning and rest, you shall be saved; in quietness and trust shall be your strength Isaiah 30:15

#### *The following responsory may be said*

Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

**All Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.**

For you have redeemed me, Lord God of truth.

**All I commend my spirit**

Glory to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit.

**All Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.**

Keep me as the apple of your eye.

**All Hide me under the shadow of your wings.**

### *Gospel Cantic*

*The Nunc Dimittis (Song of Simeon) is said or sung.*

**All Save us, O Lord while waking,  
and guard us while sleeping  
that awake we may watch with Christ**

**and asleep may rest in peace**

1 Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace: ♦  
your word has been fulfilled.

2 My own eyes have seen the salvation ♦  
which you have prepared in the sight of every people;

3 A light to reveal you to the nations ♦  
and the glory of your people Israel.

*Luke 2.29-32*

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and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning is now  
and shall be for ever. Amen.

**All Save us, O Lord while waking,  
and guard us while sleeping  
that awake we may watch with Christ  
and asleep may rest in peace**

## ***Prayers***

***Intercessions and thanksgivings may be offered here.***

## ***The Collect***

***Silence may be kept.***

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Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin  
and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts  
whereby we call you Father:  
give us grace to dedicate our lives to your service  
that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God;  
through Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever

**Amen.**

Stir up your power, O God  
And come among us,  
Heal our wounds, calm our fears and give us peace  
through Jesus our Redeemer.

**All Amen.**

Visit this place, O Lord, we pray,  
and drive far from it the snares of the enemy;  
may your holy angels dwell with us and guard us in peace,  
and may your blessing be always upon us;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All Amen.**

### ***The Lord's Prayer***

We pray in humility and obedience

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name

**All Thy will be done**

Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven

**All Thy will be done**

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those  
who trespass against us

**All Thy will be done**

And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.

**All Thy will be done**

**All For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory  
For ever and ever. Amen**

### ***The Conclusion***

In peace we will lie down and sleep;  
for you alone, Lord, make us dwell in safety.

Abide with us, Lord Jesus,  
for the night is at hand and the day is now past.

As the night watch looks for the morning,  
so do we look for you, O Christ.

Come with the dawning of the day  
and make yourself known in the breaking of the bread.

The Lord bless us and watch over us;  
The lord make his face shine upon us and be gracious to us  
The Lord look kindly upon us and give us peace

**Amen.**

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