

Shared Ministry in Exning and North Newmarket

An Order for Night Prayer (Compline)



Wednesday 21st April 2021

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Greeting & Welcome

Preparation

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

All **Amen.**

Our help is in the name of the Lord

All **who made heaven and earth.**


A short period of silence for reflection on the past day



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.**

All **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.

Hymn, Read or Sung.

Before the ending of the day,
Creator of the world, we pray

That you, with steadfast love, would keep
Your watch around us while we sleep.

From evil dreams defend our sight,
From fears and terrors of the night;
Tread underfoot our deadly foe
That we no sinful thought may know.

O Father, that we ask be done
Through Jesus Christ, your only Son;
And Holy Spirit, by whose breath
Our souls are raised to life from death.

The Word of God

Psalmody.

Psalm 72

Refrain: The Lord is king; let the earth rejoice.

Give the king your judgements, O God, ♦
and your righteousness to the son of a king.

Then shall he judge your people righteously ♦
and your poor with justice.

May the mountains bring forth peace, ♦
and the little hills righteousness for the people.

May he defend the poor among the people, ♦
deliver the children of the needy and crush the oppressor. *R*

May he live as long as the sun and moon endure, ♦
from one generation to another.

May he come down like rain upon the mown grass, ♦
like the showers that water the earth.

In his time shall righteousness flourish, ♦
and abundance of peace
till the moon shall be no more. *R*

May his dominion extend from sea to sea ♦
and from the River to the ends of the earth.

May his foes kneel before him ♦
and his enemies lick the dust.

The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute; ♦
the kings of Sheba and Seba shall bring gifts.

All kings shall fall down before him; ♦
all nations shall do him service. *R*

For he shall deliver the poor that cry out, ♦
the needy and those who have no helper.

He shall have pity on the weak and poor; ♦

He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence, ♦
and dear shall their blood be in his sight. *R*

Long may he live;
unto him may be given gold from Sheba; ♦
may prayer be made for him continually
and may they bless him all the day long.

May there be abundance of grain on the earth,
standing thick upon the hilltops; ♦
may its fruit flourish like Lebanon
and its grain grow like the grass of the field.

May his name remain for ever
and be established as long as the sun endures; ♦
may all nations be blest in him
and call him blessed. *R*

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, ♦

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, ♦
who alone does wonderful things.

And blessed be his glorious name for ever. ♦
May all the earth be filled with his glory.
Amen. Amen.

***Refrain:** The Lord is king; let the earth rejoice.*

*May your kingdom come, O God,
with deliverance for the needy,
with peace for the righteous,
with overflowing blessing for all nations,*

*with glory, honour and praise
for Christ, the only Saviour*

**All 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.**

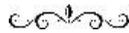
Scripture Reading

The servants of the Lamb shall see the face of God, whose name will be on their foreheads. There will be no more night: they will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, for God will be their light, and they will reign for ever and ever.

Revelation 22.4,5



Reflection / Talk



The following responsorial is said

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

Alleluia, alleluia.

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

Alleluia, alleluia.

For you have redeemed me, Lord God of truth.

All Alleluia, alleluia.

Glory to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit.

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

Alleluia, alleluia.

Keep me as the apple of your eye.

All Hide me under the shadow of your wings

Gospel Cantic

The Nunc dimittis (The Song of Simeon) is said or sung

Alleluia. The Lord is risen, alleluia,

as he promised to you. Alleluia, alleluia

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

***All* 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.**

**Alleluia. The Lord is risen, alleluia,
as he promised to you. Alleluia, alleluia**

Prayers

Intercessions and thanksgivings.

The Prayers end with

....Merciful Father accept these prayers

The Collect

Almighty God,
by triumphing over the powers of darkness
Christ has prepared a place for us in the new Jerusalem:
may we, who have this day given thanks for his resurrection,
praise him in the eternal city
of which he is the light;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

***All* Amen**

The Lord's Prayer .

Our Father who art in Heaven.....

The Conclusion

In peace we will lie down and sleep;

All for you alone, Lord, make us dwell in safety.

Abide with us, Lord Jesus,

All for the night is at hand and the day is now past.

As the night watch looks for the morning,

All so do we look for you, O Christ.

May the risen Lord Jesus bless us.

May he watch over us and renew us

as he renews the whole of creation.

May our hearts and lives echo his love.

All Amen.