

# Shared Ministry in Exning and North Newmarket

## An Order for Night Prayer (Compline)



Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> May 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 121*

#### **Assurance of God's Protection**

##### **A Song of Ascents.**

- <sup>1</sup> I lift up my eyes to the hills—  
from where will my help come?
- <sup>2</sup> My help comes from the LORD,  
who made heaven and earth.
- <sup>3</sup> He will not let your foot be moved;  
he who keeps you will not slumber.
- <sup>4</sup> He who keeps Israel  
will neither slumber nor sleep.
- <sup>5</sup> The LORD is your keeper;  
the LORD is your shade at your right hand.
- <sup>6</sup> The sun shall not strike you by day,  
nor the moon by night.
- <sup>7</sup> The LORD will keep you from all evil;  
he will keep your life.
- <sup>8</sup> The LORD will keep  
your going out and your coming in  
from this time on and for evermore.

*Creator God,  
send your Holy Spirit to renew this living world,  
that the whole creation,  
in its groaning and striving,  
may know your loving purpose  
and come to reflect your glory;  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.*

**All** **Glory to the Father and to the Son**

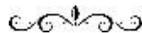
**and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning is now**

**and shall be for ever. Amen.**

*Scripture Reading*

12 As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. 13 Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord[a] has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. 14 Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. 15 And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. 16 Let the word of Christ[b] dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God.[c] 17 And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. *Colossians 3 : 12-17*



*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 Canticle*

*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*

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

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### **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.**