Compline: Night Prayer for Wednesdays S. Martin, Bishop of Tours

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The Gathering ...

Welcome and introduction

O God, come to our aid,
O Lord, make haste to help us

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

From our cycle of prayer for this dispersed worshipping community: Tonight's Office Prayer is offered alongside and for

- the priest, clergy team, people and community of the Box River Benefice in the S. Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocese
- and for the Llandaff Diocese.

Hymn

This little light of mine,
I'm gonna let it shine.
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This little light of mine,
I'm gonna let it shine,
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

The light that shines is the light of love, lights the darkness from above, it shines on me and it shines on you, and shows what the power of love can do. I'm gonna shine my light both far and near, I'm gonna shine my light both bright and clear.

Where there's a dark corner in this land, I'm gonna let my little light shine.

This little light of mine.....

On Monday he gave me the gift of love, Tuesday peace came from above, on Wednesday he told me to have more faith, on Thursday he gave me a little more grace, on Friday he told me to watch and pray, on Saturday he told me just what to say, on Sunday he gave me the power divine to let my little light shine

This little light of mine....

Text and music: trad (HON Liturgical 849)

Psalmody

O God, be my protector and my refuge.

In you, O Lord, I take refuge.* Let me never be put to shame.

In your justice, set me free, hear me and speedily rescue me.

Be a rock of refuge for me,*
a mighty stronghold to save me,
for you are my rock, my stronghold.
For your name's sake, lead me and guide me.

Release me from the snares they have hidden* for you are my refuge, Lord. Into your hands I commend my spirit.* It is you who will redeem me, Lord.

Psalm 31: 1-6

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O God, be my protector and my refuge.

Psalm Prayer

Full of trust we run to you, Lord, and put our lives into your hands. You are our strength in times of trouble and our refuge along the way.

May you be our joy at the turning points of life and our reward at its end. Amen

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord, Lord, hear my voice!
O let your ears be attentive*
to the voice of my pleading.
If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt, Lord, who would survive?
But with you is found forgiveness:*
for this we revere you.

My soul is waiting for the Lord,*
I count on his word.
My soul is longing for the Lord*
more than watchman for daybreak.
Let the watchman count on daybreak*
and Israel on the Lord.

Because with the Lord there is mercy* and fulness of redemption, Israel indeed he will redeem* from all its iniquity.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord

Scripture reading

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love.

If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love.

I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

This is my commandment that you love one another as I have loved you.

John 15: 9-12

From the Anglican Lectionary for the Lesser Festival of S. Martin of Tours, NRSV

Responsory

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

You have redeemed us, Lord God of truth. Into your hands, Lord, I commend my spirit

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit Into your hands, Lord, I commend my spirit

Intercession...

.... Bringing to mind those whom we pray for and holding them in God's love..., bringing the needs of the world, the church, and those who have no-one to pray for them...

Collect for S. Martin

God all powerful, who called Martin from the armies of this world to be a faithful solider of Christ: give us grace to follow him in his love and compassion for the needy, and enable your Church to claim for all people their inheritance as 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 for ever Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father,
which art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy Kingdom come,
thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive them
that trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Nunc Dimittis (Gospel Canticle)

Save us Lord, while we are awake; protect us while we sleep; that we may keep watch with Christ, and rest with him in peace. Alleluia

At last, all-powerful Master, you give leave to your servant to go in peace, according to your promise. For my eyes have seen your salvation which you have prepared for all nations, the light to enlighten the Gentiles and give glory to Israel, your people.

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Blessing and departure

Lord Jesus Christ,
meek and humble of heart,
you offer to those who follow you
a yoke that is good to bear,
a burden that is light.
Accept, we beg you,
our prayer and work of this day,
and grant us the rest we need
that we may be
ever more willing to serve you,
who live and reign for ever and ever.

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

May the Lord bless us, protect us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.

Salve Regina

Hail holy Queen, mother of mercy; our life, our sweetness and our hope. To you do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to you do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears; Turn then, most gracious advocate, your eyes of mercy toward us, and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus O clement, O loving, O sweet virgin Mary. Amen.

Pray for us, holy mother of God.