Compline : Night Prayer following First Vespers of Trinity

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The Gathering ...

Welcome and introduction

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

- the Priest, Fr. Philip Masson, church family, and community, of S. David, All Saints and John the Baptist, Porthcawl, Llandaff Diocese
- and for the Worcester Diocese

Preparation

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

Amen.

Our help is in the Name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.

Words of sorrow, love, mercy and forgiveness....

Time of silence

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy

O God make speed to save us.

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 ever shall be.
World without end. Amen. Alleluia.

Song

Father, we adore you, lay our lives before you, how we love you

Jesus, we adore you, lay our lives before you, how we love you

Spirit, we adore you, lay our lives before you, how we love you

Text and music : Terrye Coelho (HON New Anglican, 125)

Psalmody

Psalm 104 vv. 1, 21-26, 29-33

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live

Bless the Lord, O my soul.*
O Lord my God,
how excellent is your greatness!

You appointed the moon to mark the seasons,* and the sun knows the time for its setting.

You make darkness that it may be night,* in which all the beasts of the forest creep forth.

The lions roar for their prey* and seek their food from God.

The sun rises and they are gone* to lay themselves down in their dens.

People go forth to their work* and to their labour until the evening.

O Lord, how manifold are your works!* In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

All of these look to you* to give them their food is due season. When you give it them, they gather it; you open your hand and they are filled with good.

When you hide your face they are troubled;* when you take away their breath, they die and return again to the dust.

When you send forth your spirit, they are created,* and you renew the face of the earth.

May the glory of the Lord endure for ever;* may the Lord rejoice in his works;

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.

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live

Scripture reading

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Mark 1: 9-11 Taken from the Anglican Evening Prayer Lectionary, NRSV

Responsory

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

For you have redeemed me, Lord God of truth.

I commend my spirit.

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

Into your hands, O Lord,

Into your hands, O Lord I commend my spirit.

Keep me as the apple of your eye, Hide me under the shadow of your wings.

Nunc Dimittis (Gospel Canticle)

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

Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace* your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the salvation* which you have prepared in the sight of every people;

A light to reveal you to the nations* and the glory of your people, Israel.

Glory be 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, world without end. Amen

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

Intercession...

holding each other in God's love ..., bringing the needs of the world, the church, and those who have no-one to pray for them... prayers for those who are unwell, those who have died, and those who mourn

Collect

Trinity of Love, deposing the powers of hate and isolation; gathering creation in bonds of mutual care: through the waters of baptism may our relatedness be reborn in justice, mercy and peace; through Jesus Christ, who is with us always.

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

Blessing and departure

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

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

Amen