# Compline : Night Prayer on Monday

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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, people and community of S. Gabriel, Weoley Castle in the Birmingham Diocese
- and for the Durham 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.

#### Hymn

God is love: let heav'n adore him; God is love: let earth rejoice; let creation sing before him, and exalt him with one voice. He who laid the earth's foundation, he who spread the heavn's above, he who breathes through all creation, he is love, eternal love.

God is love: and he enfoldeth all the world in one embrace; with unfailing grasp he holdeth ev'ry child of ev'ry race.

And when human hearts are breaking under sorrow's iron rod, then they find that self-same aching deep within the heart of God.

Text: Timothy Rees Music: 'Abbots Leigh' Cyril Vincent Taylor.

# **Psalmody**

#### In peace I will lie down and sleep

Answer me when I call,
O God of my righteousness;\*
you set me at liberty when I was in trouble:
have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

How long will you nobles dishonour my glory; how long will you love vain things and seek after falsehood?

But know that the Lord has shown me his marvellous kindness;\* when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.

Stand in awe, and sin not;\*
commune with your own heart
upon your bed, and be still.

Offer the sacrifices of righteousness;\* and put your trust in the Lord.

There are many that say, 'Who will show us any good?'\* Lord, lift up the light of your countenance upon us. You have put gladness in my heart,\* more than when their corn and wine and oil increase.

In peace I will lie down and sleep,\* for it is you Lord, only, who make me dwell in safety.

Psalm 4

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.

In peace I will lie down and sleep

### Scripture reading

While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples.

Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well."

Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well.

When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread throughout that district.

Matthew 9: 18-26 from the Anglican Eucharistic Lectionary for the day, 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,
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...

..... 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... prayers for those who are unwell, those who have died, and those who mourn

#### 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.

#### **Collect**

Be present, O merciful God, and protect us through the silent hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of this fleeting world, may rest upon your eternal changelessness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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