

# Compline: Night Prayer for Tuesday in Ordinary Time

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## **The Gathering ...**

Welcome and introduction

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

- *the priest, people and community of S.  
Michael and all Angels Episcopal Church,  
Indiana USA*
- *and for the S. David's 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.**

*A period of reflection on the past day...*

**Holy God,  
holy and strong,  
holy and immortal:  
have mercy on us.**

○ God make speed to save us,  
**○ 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. Alleluia**

## **Hymn**

Fill thou my life, O Lord my God,  
in ev'ry part with praise,  
that my whole being may proclaim  
thy being and thy ways.

Not for the lip of praise alone,  
nor e'en the praising heart,  
I ask, but for a life made up  
of praise in ev'ry part.

Praise in the common things of life,  
its goings out and in;  
praise in each duty and each deed,  
however small and mean.

So shall each fear, each fret, each care,  
be turn-ed into song;  
and ev'ry winding of the way  
the echo shall prolong

*Text: Horatius Bonar*

*Music: "Richmond" adapted from Thomas Haweis  
(HON New Anglican 129)*

## **Psalmody**

**Show me, O Lord,  
the way that I should walk in**

Hear my prayer, O Lord,  
and in your faithfulness  
give ear to my supplications; \*  
answer me in your righteousness.

Enter not into judgement with your servant,\*  
for in your sight  
shall no one living be justified.

For the enemy has pursued me,  
crushing my life to the ground,\*  
making me sit in darkness  
like those long dead.

My spirit faints within me; \*  
my heart within me is desolate.

I remember the time past; I muse upon all  
your deeds; \*  
I consider the works of your hands.

I stretch out my hands to you;\*  
my soul gasps for you like a thirsty land.

O Lord, make haste to answer me;  
my spirit fails me;\*  
hide not your face from me  
lest I be like those who go down to the Pit.

Let me hear of your loving-kindness  
in the morning,  
for in you I put my trust; \*  
show me the way I should walk in,  
for I lift up my soul to you.

Deliver me, O Lord, from my enemies,\*  
for I flee to you for refuge.

Teach me to do what pleases you,  
for you are my God;\*  
let your kindly spirit lead me on a level path.

Revive me, O Lord, for your name's sake,\*  
for your righteousness' sake,  
bring me out of trouble.

*Psalm 143: 1-11*

**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.**

**Show me, O Lord,  
the way that I should walk in**

## **Scripture reading**

**Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you tithe mint, dill, and cumin, and have neglected the weightier matters of the law: justice and mercy and faith. It is these you ought to have practised without neglecting the others.**

*Matthew 23: 23*

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

*2 Thessalonians 2: 16 -17*

## **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  
**Into your hands, O Lord,  
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 Cantic)**

**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...**

Holy God, in whom we live and move  
and have our being,  
we make our prayer to you, saying,  
Lord hear us.

*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*

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**

Goodnight....

## **Collect**

Lighten our darkness, Lord, we pray;  
and in your mercy defend us  
from all perils and dangers of this night;  
for the love of your only Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ.

**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.**