

## **Order for Compline Epiphany 24 to 28 January 2022**

### **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.**

O God, make speed to save us.

**All O Lord, make haste to help us.**

From the rising of the sun to its setting

**All your glory is proclaimed in all the world**

**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.**

May Almighty God grant us/you  
forgiveness of all y/our sins,  
and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit.

**All Amen.**

*We praise the Splendour of God's name*

O worship the Lord in the beauty of Holiness!  
Bow down before him, His glory proclaim;  
with gold of obedience, and incense of lowliness  
kneel and adore him, the Lord is his name !

**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.**

### **The Word of God**

*We have waited on your loving-kindness, O God.*

**Monday – Psalm 122.1-3**

*How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts.*

- 1 I was glad when they said to me, ◆  
Let us go to the house of the Lord.
- 2 And now our feet are standing ◆  
within your gates, O Jerusalem;
- 3 Jerusalem, built as a city ◆  
that is at unity in itself.

*How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts.*

**Wednesday – Psalm 122.4-6**

*How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts.*

- 4 Thither to Jerusalem the tribes go up, ◆  
the tribes of the Lord, as is decreed for Israel,  
to give thanks to the name of the Lord.
- 5 For there are set the thrones of judgement, ◆  
the thrones of the house of David.
- 6 O pray for the peace of Jerusalem: ◆  
'May they prosper who love you.

*How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts.*

**Friday – Psalm 122.4-6**

*How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts.*

- 7 'Peace be within your walls, O Jerusalem ◆  
and tranquillity within your palaces.
- 8 For my kindred and companions' sake, ◆  
I will pray that peace be with you.
- 9 For the sake of the house of the Lord our God ◆  
I will seek to do you good.

*How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts.*

**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.**

**Monday – Luke 4:29**

They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the  
brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they  
might hurl him off the cliff. But he passed through the  
midst of them and went on his way.

**Wednesday – Matthew 15:26-28**

He answered, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and  
throw it to the dogs. 'She said, 'Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs

eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.' And her daughter was healed instantly.

*Friday – Acts 10 15*

The voice spoke to him a second time, "Do not call anything impure that God has made clean."

*Reflections on the readings*

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

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

For you have redeemed me, Lord God of truth.

**All** I commend my spirit.

Glory to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit.

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

Keep me as the apple of your eye.

**All** Hide me under the shadow of your wings.

*Nunc Dimittis (Song of Simeon)*

**All** Alleluia, Christ the light of the world, alleluia,  
has manifested his glory. 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*

**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.

**All** Alleluia, Christ the light of the world, alleluia,  
has manifested his glory. Alleluia, alleluia.

*Prayers*

*Intercessions and thanksgivings may be offered here.*

God of our pilgrimage,  
bring us with joy to the eternal city  
founded on the rock,  
and give to our earthly cities  
the peace that comes from above;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord..

**All** Amen.

Look down, O God, from your heavenly throne,  
illuminate the darkness of this night  
with your celestial brightness,  
and from the children of light  
banish the deeds of darkness.  
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

**All** Amen.

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.

**All** Amen.

Rejoicing in God's presence with us, let us pray  
with confidence as our Saviour has taught us.

**All** Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and for ever. Amen.

## *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 living waters of Christ cleanse us,

may the Spirit descend upon us

and the blessings of God be with us

this night and always.

**All Amen.**