

## Saturday Night Prayer

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.**

### Hymn

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,  
Whose trust, ever childlike, no cares can  
destroy,  
Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,  
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of  
the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,  
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane  
and the lathe,  
Be there at our labours, and give us, we pray,  
Your strength in our hearts, Lord at the noon  
of the day.

Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,  
Your hands swift to welcome, your arms to  
embrace,  
Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,  
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of  
the day.

Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,  
Whose voice is contentment, whose presence  
is balm,  
Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,  
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of  
the day.

### Psalm 4

#### Thanksgiving

*Lord, have mercy and hear me.*

When I call, answer me, O God of justice;  
from anguish you released me, have  
mercy and hear me!

O men, how long will your hearts be  
closed,  
will you love what is futile and seek what  
is false?

It is the Lord who grants favours to those  
whom he loves;  
the Lord hears me whenever I call him.

Fear him; do not sin: ponder on your bed  
and be still  
Make justice your sacrifice, and trust in  
the Lord.

‘What can bring us happiness?’ many say.  
Lift up the light of your face on us, O  
Lord.

You have put into my heart a greater joy  
than they have from abundance of corn  
and new wine.

I will lie down in peace and sleep comes at  
once  
for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in  
safety.

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.

*Lord, have mercy and hear me.*

### Psalm 133 (134)

#### Evening prayer in the Temple

“Praise our God, all you his servants, and  
all who revere him, both great and small”  
(Rev 19:5).

*Bless the Lord through the night.*

O come, bless the Lord,  
all you who serve the Lord,  
who stand in the house of the Lord,  
in the courts of the house of our God.

Lift up your hands to the holy place  
and bless the Lord through the night.

May the Lord bless you from Soon,

he who made both heaven and earth.

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.

*Bless the Lord through the night.*

### Short Reading

#### Deuteronomy 6:4-7

Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God is one Lord;  
and you shall love the Lord your God with all  
your heart, and with all your soul, and with all  
your might. And these words which I  
command you this day shall be upon your  
heart; and you shall teach them diligently to  
your children, and shall talk of them when  
you sit in your house, and when you walk by  
the way, and when you lie down, and when  
you rise.

### Short 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.*

### Canticle

#### Nunc Dimittis

#### Christ is the light of the nations and the glory of Israel

*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.*

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.

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.

*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.*

### Let us pray.

Come to visit us, Lord, this night,  
so that by your strength we may rise at  
daybreak  
to rejoice in the resurrection of Christ,  
your Son,  
who lives and reigns for ever and ever.  
**Amen**

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

**Amen.**

### Marian Anthem

Salve Regina mater miseri cordiae, vita,  
dulcedo et spes nostra salve  
Ad te clamamus, exsules filii Hevae  
Ad te suspiramus gementes et flentes in hac  
lacrimarum valle  
Eia ergo advocata nostra, illos tuos miseri  
cordes oculos ad nos converte  
Et Jesum benedictum fructum ventris tui  
nobis post hoc exsilium ostende  
O clemens, o pia, o dulcis virgo Maria