

COMPLINE from Christ Church, Belper

Words in red are sung

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

Belovèd, be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour; whom resist steadfast in the faith.

But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us:

Thanks be to God.

Our help is in the name of the Lord;

Who hath made heaven and earth.

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

We confess to God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, before the whole company of heaven, that we have sinned exceedingly in thought, word and deed, through our fault, our own fault, our own most grievous fault: therefore we pray God to have mercy upon us. Almighty God have mercy upon us, forgive us all our sins and bring us to everlasting life.

The almighty and most merciful God † grant to us pardon, absolution and remission of all our sins, time for true repentance, amendment of life and the grace and comfort of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Turn us, O God our Saviour:

And let thine anger cease from us.

† O God make speed to save us:

O Lord, make help to help us.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

ANTIPHON:

Have mercy upon me, O God,
and harken to my prayer.

PSALM 4: *Cum in vocarem*

HEAR me when I call, O God of my righteousness: thou hast set me at liberty when I was in trouble: have mercy upon me, and hearken unto my prayer.

2. O ye sons of men, how long will ye blaspheme mine honour:

and have such pleasure in vanity, and seek after leasing?

3. Know this also, that the Lord hath chosen to himself the man that is godly:
when I call upon the Lord he will hear me.

4. Stand in awe, and sin not:
commune with your own heart, and in your chamber, and be still.

5 Offer the sacrifice of righteousness:
and put your trust in the Lord.

6. There be many that say:
Who will show us any good?

7. Lord, lift thou up:
the light of thy countenance upon us.

8. Thou hast put gladness in my heart:
yea, more than when their corn and wine and oil increase.

9. I will lay me down in peace, and take my rest:
for it is thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Repeat antiphon

CHAPTER *Jeremiah 14:9*

Thou, O Lord, art in the midst of us, and we are called by thy name: leave us not, O Lord our God.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORY

Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.
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For thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, thou God of truth:

I commend my spirit.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:

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

OFFICE HYMN: *Ferial tone*

**BEFORE the ending of the day,
Creator of the world, we pray,
that with thy wonted favour thou
wouldst be our guard and keeper now.**

**From all ill dreams defend our eyes,
from nightly fears and fantasies;
tread under foot our ghostly foe,
that no pollution we may know.**

**O Father, that we ask be done,
through Jesus Christ thine only Son,
who, with the Holy Ghost and thee,
doth live and reign eternally. Amen.**

Keep me, O Lord, as the apple of an eye:
Hide me under the shadow of thy wings.

ANTIPHON:

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

NUNC DIMITTIS:

1. † Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace:
according to thy word.
2. For mine eyes have seen:
thy salvation.
3. Which thou hast preparèd before the face of all people.
4. To be a light to lighten the Gentiles:
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son:
and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall
be:
world without end. Amen.**

Repeat antiphon.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy. Upon us.

Our Father,
**which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done,
in 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.**

We will lay us down and take our rest;
**For it is thou, Lord, only that makest us dwell in
safety.**

Blessèd art thou, Lord God of our fathers;
To be praised and glorified above all for ever.

Let us bless the Father, the Son and the Holy
Ghost;

Let us praise him and magnify him for ever.

Blessèd art thou, O Lord, in the firmament of
heaven;

To be praised and glorified above all for ever.

The almighty and most merciful Lord guard us
and give us his blessing.

Amen.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this night without
sin;

**O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon
us.**

O Lord, hear our prayer;

And let our cry come unto thee.

COLLECTS

FINAL RESPONSORY:

The Lord be with you;

And with thy spirit.

Let us bless the Lord

Thanks be to God

† May the souls of the faithful departed through the
mercy of God, rest in peace.

Amen.