

ST BOTOLPH
C A M B R I D G E



COMPLINE
IN HOLY WEEK

Wednesday 31st March 2021 at 9.00pm

Officiant
Fr Stephen Anderson

The Cantors will be Marion Cobby, Graham Day and Richard Widdess

Reader and respondent (on behalf of the congregation): Tim Brown

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82223219862?pwd=Y0J5cFYraVJ2Q285c2c4SE82VTR2Zz09>

Meeting ID: **822 2321 9862**

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Zoom Etiquette:

- 1) The ZOOM room will be open from 8.45pm, which will give you the chance to socialise briefly with other members of the congregation before the service. Please join **unmuted**, and await admittance from the 'Waiting Room'. Ensure that you activate '**start video**'.
- 2) Once we begin, please **mute** your link to avoid background noise being transmitted to all, until the Creed, which we all say together, and the following Lord's Prayer, after which please mute yourself once more

¶ The ancient office of Compline derives its name from a Latin word meaning 'completion' (completorium). It is most effective when the ending is indeed an ending, without additions, conversation or noise. Those present go quietly to bed.

Welcome by Father Stephen

Preparation

Hymn NEH 91 *Sweet the moments, rich in blessing*

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zx_28UfNnxQ



SWEET the moments, rich in blessing,
Which before the Cross I spend,
Life, and health, and peace possessing
From the sinner's dying friend.

- 2 Here I stay, for ever viewing
Mercy streaming in his blood;
Precious drops, my soul bedewing,
Plead and claim my peace with God.
- 3 Truly blessed is this station,
Low before his Cross to lie,
While I see divine compassion
Floating in his languid eye.
- 4 Lord, in ceaseless contemplation
Fix our hearts and eyes on thee,
Till we taste thy full salvation,
And unveiled thy glories see.

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

R Amen.

Brethren, 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. *1 Peter V, vv.8,9*

But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

R Thanks be to God.

Our help is in the name of the Lord

R who hath made heaven and earth.

O God, make speed to save us.

R O Lord, make haste to help us.

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

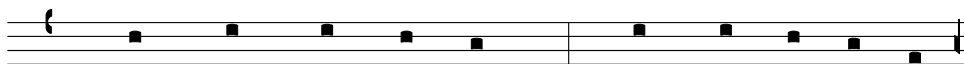
R as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Praise ye the Lord.

R The Lord's name be praised.



1. Be - fore the end - ing of the day, Cre - a - tor
2. From all ill dreams de - fend our eyes, From night - ly
3. O Fa - ther, that we ask be done, Through Je - sus



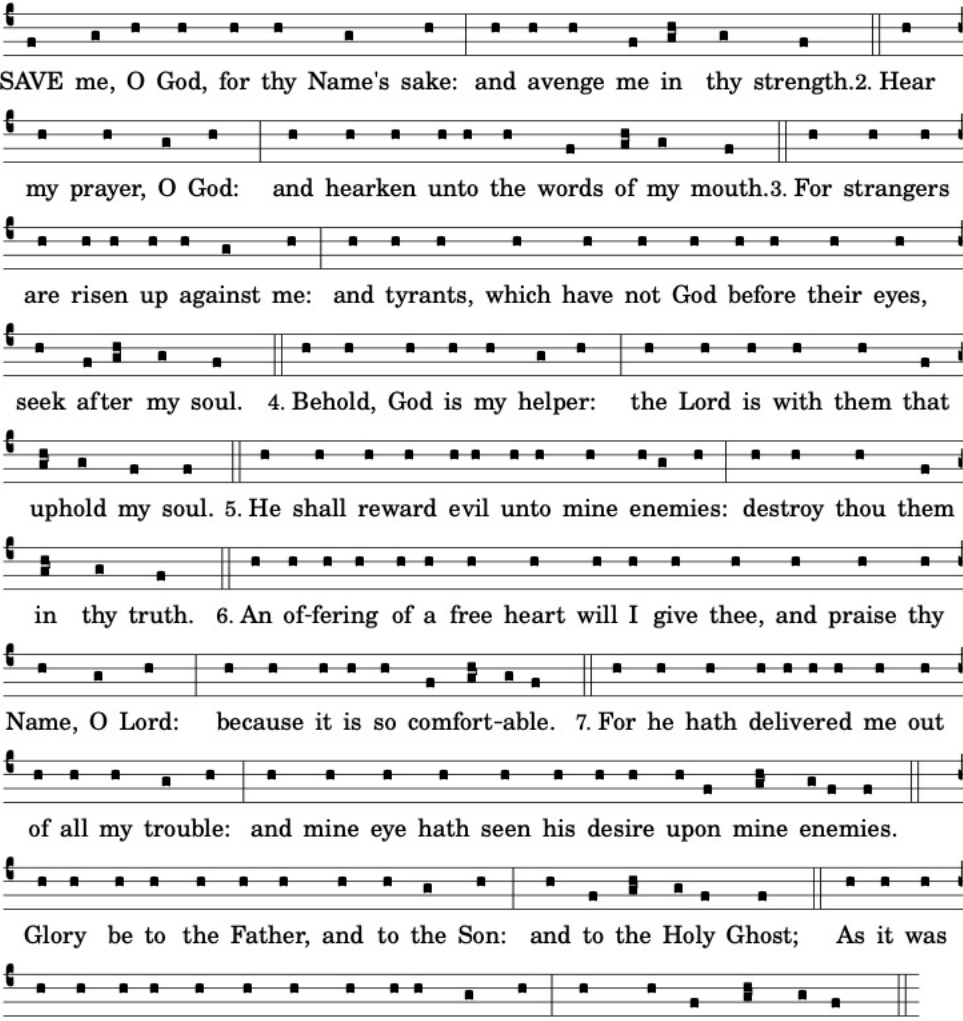
of the world, we pray That with thy won - ted
fears and fan - ta - sies; Tread un - der foot our
Christ, thine on - ly Son; Who, with the Ho - ly



fa - vour thou Wouldst be our guard and kee - per now.
ghost - ly foe, That no pol - lu - tion we may know.
Ghost and thee, Doth live and reign e - ter - nal - ly. A - men.

The Word of God

Psalm 54



SAVE me, O God, for thy Name's sake: and avenge me in thy strength.² Hear my prayer, O God: and hearken unto the words of my mouth.³ For strangers are risen up against me: and tyrants, which have not God before their eyes, seek after my soul. 4. Behold, God is my helper: the Lord is with them that uphold my soul. 5. He shall reward evil unto mine enemies: destroy thou them in thy truth. 6. An of-fering of a free heart will I give thee, and praise thy Name, O Lord: because it is so comfort-able. 7. For he hath delivered me out of all my trouble: and mine eye hath seen his desire upon mine enemies.

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


A reading from the twenty-second chapter of the Gospel according to St Luke, beginning at the fifty-fourth verse.

Then took they him, and led *him*, and brought him into the high priest's house. And Peter followed afar off. And when they had kindled a fire in the midst of the hall, and were set down together, Peter sat down among them. But a certain maid beheld him as he sat by the fire, and earnestly looked upon him, and said, This man was also with him. And he denied him, saying, Woman, I know him not. And after a little while another saw him, and said, Thou art also of them. And Peter said, Man, I am not. And about the space of one hour after another confidently affirmed, saying, Of a truth this *fellow* also was with him: for he is a Galilaean. And Peter said, Man, I know not what thou sayest. And immediately, while he yet spake, the cock crew. And the Lord turned, and looked upon Peter. And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said unto him, Before the cock crew, thou shalt deny me thrice. And Peter went out, and wept bitterly.

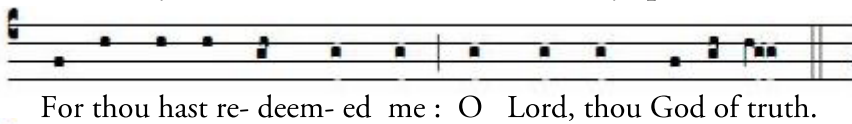
R Thanks be to God.



In-to thy hands, O Lord : I com-mend my spi-rit.



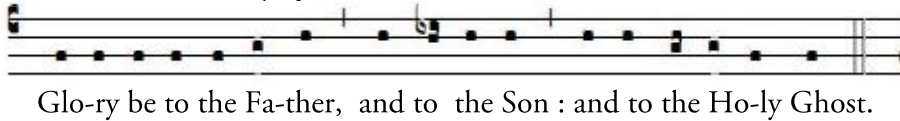
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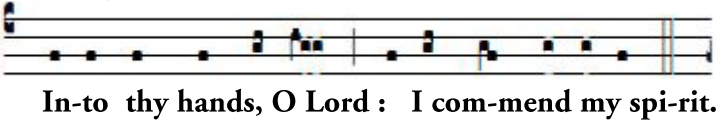
For thou hast re-deem-ed me : O Lord, thou God of truth.



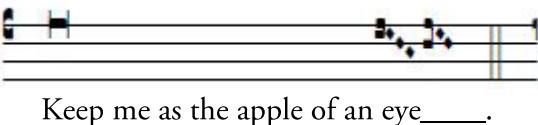
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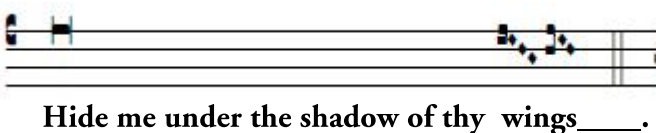
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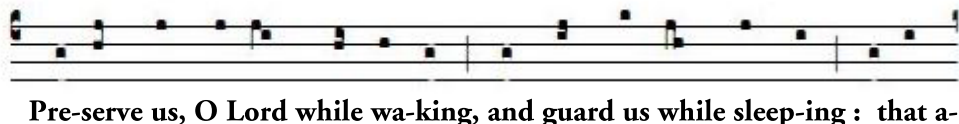
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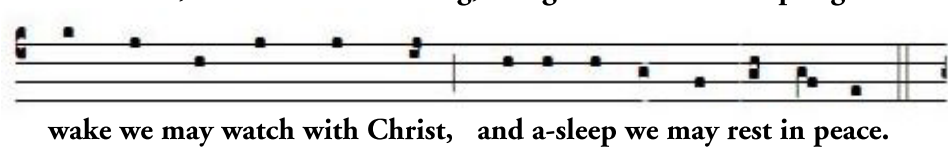
Keep me as the apple of an eye_____.



Hide me under the shadow of thy wings_____.

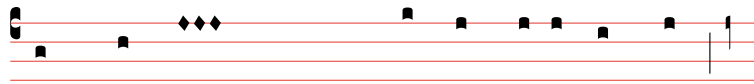


Pre-serve us, O Lord while wa-king, and guard us while sleep-ing : that a-



wake we may watch with Christ, and a-sleep we may rest in peace.

Nunc Dimittis (Song of Simeon)



Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace ;



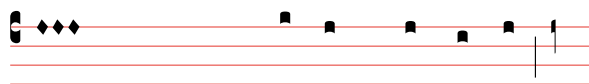
according to thy word.



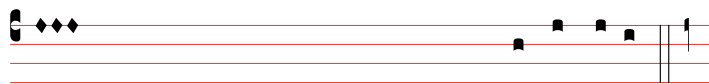
For mine eyes have seen : thy salvation;



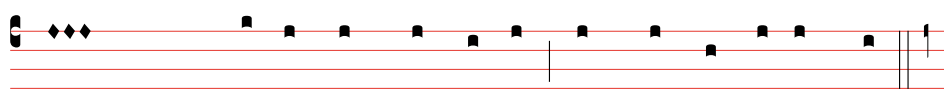
Which thou hast prepar-ed; before the face of all people;



To be a light to lighten the Gentiles:



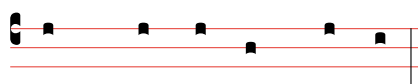
and to be the glory of thy peo-ple Isra-el.



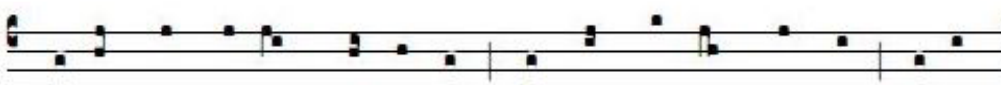
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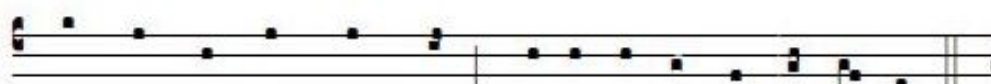
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The Apostle's Creed

(said by all; please speak quietly to accommodate the niceties of Zoom)

I BELIEVE in God,
The Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried, He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead, He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholick Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers

Lord, have mercy upon us.

All **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Lord's Prayer

OUR Father
All **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. Amen.**

¶ *Please mute sound*

Blessed 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 and magnify him for ever.
Blessed 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.**

The Confession

¶ Please *unmute* sound

We confess

All to God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, through our own grievous fault. Wherefore we pray God to have mercy upon us.

May the Almighty and merciful Lord grant unto you + pardon and remission of all your sins, time for amendment of life, and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

¶ Please *mute* sound

Wilt thou not turn again and quicken us;

R that thy people may rejoice in thee?

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us;

R and grant us thy salvation.

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

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

O Lord, hear our prayer;

R and let our cry come unto thee.

Let us pray.

LOOK down, O Lord, from thy heavenly throne, illuminate the darkness of this night with thy celestial brightness, and from the sons of light banish the deeds of darkness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

R 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 repose upon thy eternal changelessness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

R Amen.

KEEP watch, dear Lord, with those who wake, or watch, or weep this night and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, give rest to the weary, sustain the dying, calm the suffering and pity the distressed; all for your love's sake, O Christ our Redeemer.

R Amen.

The Conclusion

We will lay us down in peace and take our rest.

R For it is thou, Lord, only that makest us dwell in safety.

Abide with us, O Lord,

R for it is toward evening and the day is far spent.

As the watchmen look for the morning,
R so do we look for thee, O Christ.

The Lord be with you
R and with thy spirit.

Let us bless the Lord.
R Thanks be to God.

HYMN NEH NEH 80 *Servant of God*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yg6dRlRqWxA>

- 1 Servant of God, remember
The stream thy soul bedewing,
The grace that came upon thee
Anointing and renewing.
- 2 When kindly slumber calls thee,
Upon thy bed reclining,
Trace thou the Cross of Jesus,
Thy heart and forehead signing.
- 3 The Cross dissolves the darkness,
And drives away temptation;
It calms the wavering spirit
By quiet consecration.

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THE almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, bless us
and preserve us.

All Amen.

¶ *The congregation departs in silence*



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