

ST BOTOLPH

C A M B R I D G E



COMPLINE

Wednesday 7th July 2021 at 9.00pm

Officiant
Fr Stephen

Cantors: Tim Brown, Miranda Zwalf and Clarke Brunt

Reader: Alan Rayden

Respondent (on behalf of the congregation): Eleanor Rayden

Join Zoom Meeting

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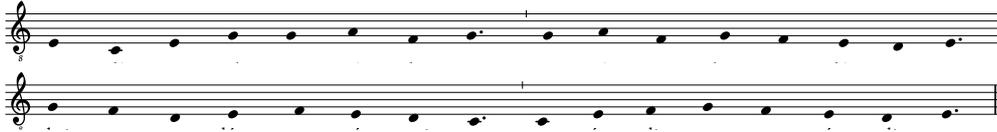
- 1) The ZOOM room will be open from 8.45pm, which will give you the chance to socialise briefly with other members of the congregation before the service. Please join **unmuted**, and await admittance from the 'Waiting Room'. Ensure that you activate '**start video**'.
- 2) Once we begin, please **mute** 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 Fr Stephen

Preparation

Hymn NEH 150 O blest Creator of the light



O BLEST Creator of the light,
Who makest day with radiance bright,
And o'er the forming world didst call
The light from chaos first of all;

2 Whose wisdom joined in meet array
The morn and eve, and named them Day:
Night comes with all its darkling fears;
Regard thy people's prayers and tears:

3 Lest, sunk in sin and whelm'd with strife,
They lose the gift of endless life;
While, thinking but the thoughts of time,
They weave them chains of guilt and crime.

4 But grant them grace that they may strain
The heavenly gate and prize to gain:
Each harmful lure aside to cast,
And purge away each error past.

5 O Father, that we ask be done,
Through Jesus Christ, thine only Son,
Who with the Spirit and with thee
Doth live and reign eternally. Amen.

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;

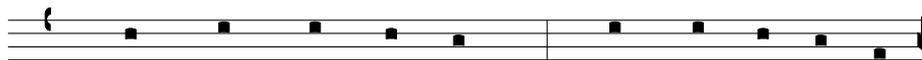
R as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

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

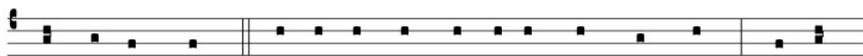
Psalm 106 vv. 1–12



O GIVE thanks un-to the Lord, for he is gracious: and his mercy endureth



for ev - er. 2. Who can express the no - ble acts of the Lord: or shew



forth all his praise? 3. Blessed are they that alway keep judgement: and do



righteousness. 4. Remember me, O Lord, according to the favour that thou



bearst unto thy people: O vis - it me with thy sal - vation; 5. That I may see



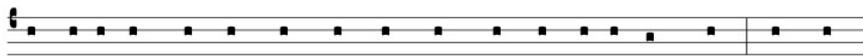
the felic - ity of thy chosen: and rejoice in the gladness of thy people, and



give thanks with thine in - heritance. 6. We have sinned with our fathers:



we have done amiss, and dealt wickedly. 7. Our fathers regarded not thy won -



ders in Egypt, *neither kept they thy great goodness in remembrance: but were

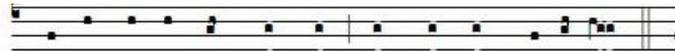
disobe-dient at the sea, ev-en at the Red sea. 8. Nevertheless, he helped
 them for his Name's sake: that he might make his power to be known. 9. He
 rebuked the Red sea also, and it was dried up: so he led them through the
 deep, as through a wilderness. 10. And he saved them from the ad-versa-ry's
 hand: and delivered them from the hand of the en-emy. 11. As for those that
 troubled them, the waters o-verwhelmed them: there was not one of them
 left. 12. Then believ-ed they his words: and sang praise un-to him. 13. But
 men. 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 fourth chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, beginning at the nineteenth verse.

BUT Peter and John answered and said unto them, Whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto God, judge ye. For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard. So when they had further threatened them, they let them go, finding nothing how they might punish them, because of the people: for all men glorified God for that which was done. For the man was above forty years old, on whom this miracle of healing was shewed. And being let go, they went to their own company, and reported all that the chief priests and elders had said unto them. And when they heard that, they lifted up their voice to God with one accord, and said, Lord, thou art God, which hast made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all that in them is: And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness. And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul:

R Thanks be to God.

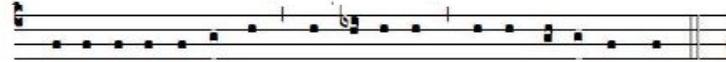
In-to thy hands, O Lord : I com-mend my spi-rit.
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For thou hast re-deem-ed me : O Lord, thou God of truth.



I com-mend my spi-rit.



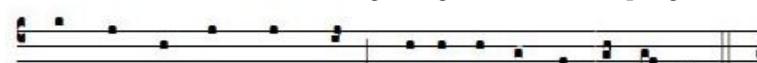
Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son : and to the Ho-ly Ghost.



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



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)



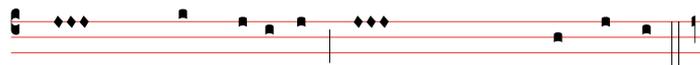
Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace ;



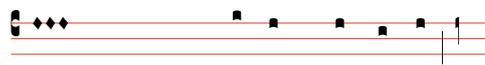
according to thy word.



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.



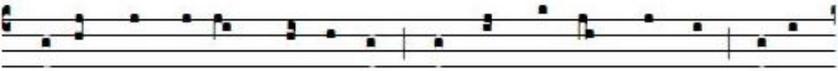
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The Apostle's Creed

(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.

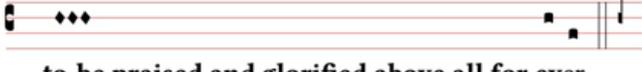
The Lord's Prayer

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.**

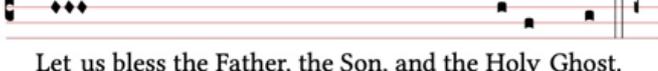
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Blessed art thou, Lord God of our fathers:



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.**

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The Confession

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. Amen.

GRANT, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace; that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

R Amen.

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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 1 *Creator of the stars of night*



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| 1 | Creator of the starry height,
thy people's everlasting light,
Jesu, redeemer of us all,
hear thou thy servants when they call. | 4 | At thy great name, exalted now,
all knees in lowly homage bow;
all things in heaven and earth adore,
and own thee King for evermore. |
| 2 | Thou, sorrowing at the helpless cry
of all creation doomed to die,
didst come to save our fallen race
by healing gifts of heavenly grace. | 5 | To thee, O Holy One, we pray,
our judge in that tremendous day,
ward off, while yet we dwell below,
the weapons of our crafty foe. |
| 3 | When earth was near its evening hour,
thou didst, in love's redeeming power,
like bridegroom from his chamber, come
forth from a virgin-mother's womb. | 6 | To God the Father, God the Son,
and God the Spirit, Three in One,
praise, honour, might, and glory be
from age to age eternally. Amen |

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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*

Music for private reflection

Tomás Luis de Victoria *Conditor alme siderum*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nSL-lGu2RZY>