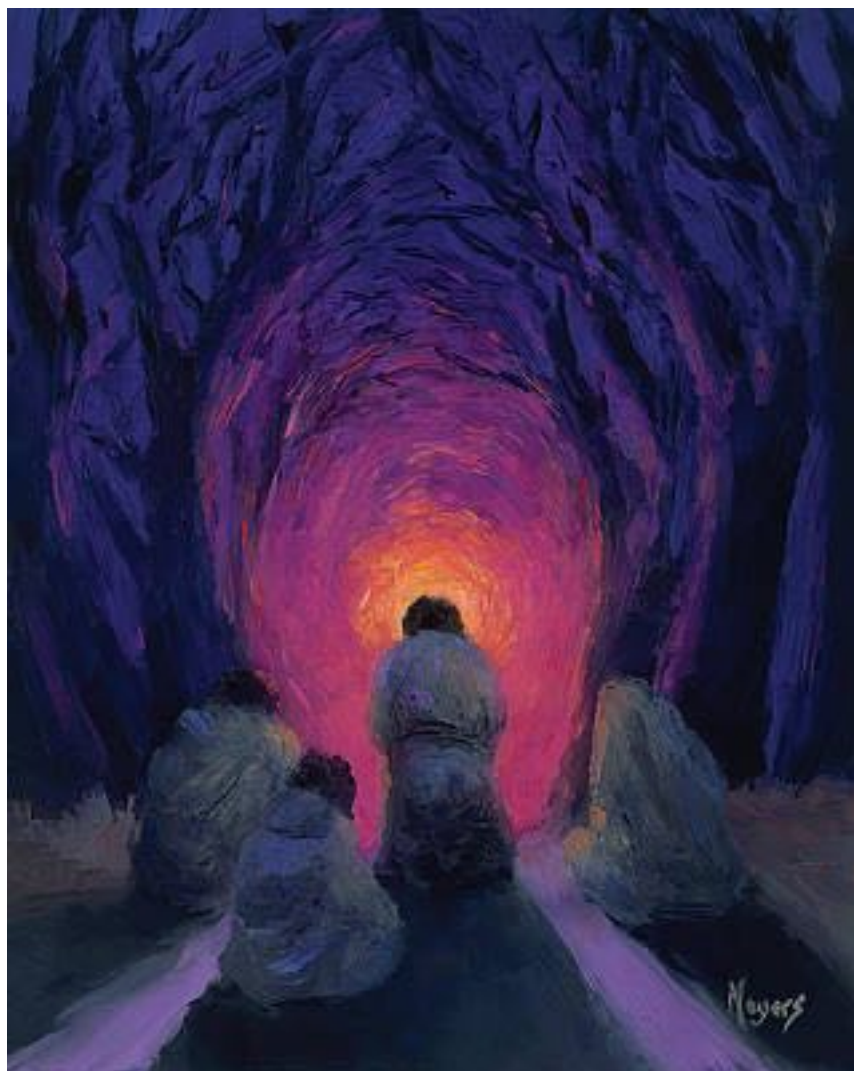


# **St Peter's Church Formby**



## **Compline**



## PREPARATION

### Hymn

**T**he Lord Almighty grant us a quiet night and a perfect end.  
**Amen**

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 has made heaven and earth**

*A period of silence for reflection on the past day may follow.*

**W**e confess 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.

**Almighty God, have mercy upon us,  
forgive us all our sins and deliver us from all evil,  
confirm and strengthen us in all goodness,  
and bring us to life everlasting;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

*A priest may say*

**M**ay 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.

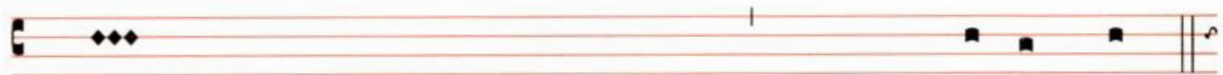
**Amen**



O God, make speed to save us.



O Lord, make haste to help us.



Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,



world without end. A-men.



Praise ye the Lord. The Lord's name be prais-ed.

# Office Hymn



1 Be-fore the end-ing of the day, † Cre-a-tor of the world we pray,



That with thy wont-ed fa-vour thou Wouldst be our guard and keep-er now.

- 1 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.
- 2 From all ill dreams defend our eyes,  
From nightly fears and fantasies;  
Tread underfoot our ghostly foe,  
That no pollution we may know.
- 3 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.



[A - men.]

## THE WORD OF GOD

*[Antiphon]*



[Have mer-cy † up-on me, O God, and heark-en un-to my prayer.]



## Psalm

*(on a separate sheet)*

*[Antiphon]*



[Have mer-cy † up-on me, O God, and heark-en un-to my prayer.]

## Reading

## Anthem

## Reflection

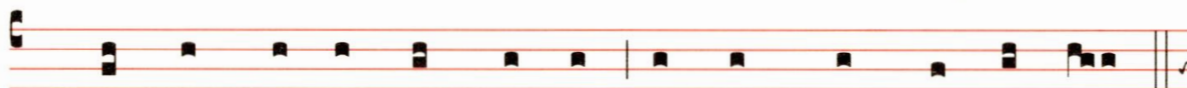
*The following responsory may be said or sung*



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



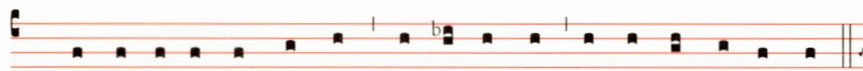
In-to thy hands, O Lord, I com-mend my spi-rit.



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.

*After the responsory*



Keep me as the ap-ple of an eye.



Hide me un-der the sha-dow of thy wings.

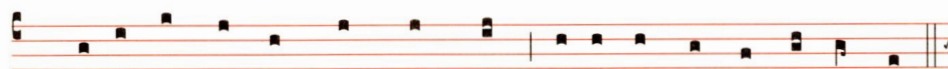
## Gospel Canticle

*The Nunc dimittis (The Song of Simeon) is said or sung.*

*The antiphon is sung.*



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.



1 Lord, now lettest thou thy ser-vant de-part in peace: according to thy word.



2 For mine eyes have seen: thy sal-va-tion;



3 Which thou hast pre-par-ed; before the face of all peo-ple;



4 To be a light to light-en the Gen-tiles:

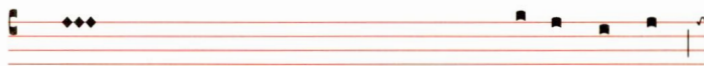


and to be the glory of thy peo-ple Is-ra-el.

*Luke 2.29-32*



Glory be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son: and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



as it was in the beginning, is now and ev-er shall be:



world with-out end. A-men.

*The antiphon is repeated.*



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.

## *The Apostles' Creed*

**I** believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
**I** believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.



# PRAYERS



Lord, have mer-cy up-on us. **Christ, have mer-cy up-on us.**



Lord, have mer-cy up-on us.



**O**ur 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 in-to temp-ta-tion;



but de-liv-er us from e-vil. A-men.



Blessed art thou, Lord God of our fa-thers:



to be praised and glorified above all for ev-er.



Let us bless the Father, the Son, and the Ho-ly Ghost:



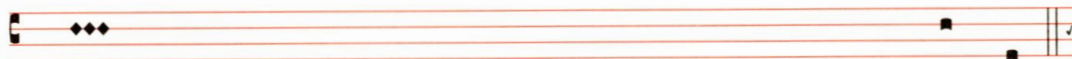
let us praise and magnify him for ev-er.



Blessed art thou, O Lord, in the firmament of hea-ven:



to be praised and glorified above all for ev-er.



The almighty and most merciful Lord guard us and give us his bless-ing.



**A-men.**



[Wilt thou not turn again and quick-en us;



that thy people may rejoice in thee?



O Lord, shew thy mercy up-on us;



and grant us thy sal-va-tion.



Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this night with-out sin;



O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy up-on us.



O Lord, hear our prayer;



And let our cry come un-to thee.]

*One or more of the following Collects is said or sung*



Let us pray.

**V**isit, we beseech thee, O Lord, this place,  
and drive from it all the snares of the enemy;  
let thy holy angels dwell herein to preserve us in peace;  
and may thy blessing be upon us evermore;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**L**ighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord;  
and by thy great mercy defend us  
from all perils and dangers of this night;  
for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

**O** Lord Jesus Christ, son of the Living God,  
who at this evening hour didst rest in the sepulchre,  
and didst thereby sanctify the grave  
to be a bed of hope to thy people:  
makes us so to abound in sorrow for our sins,  
which were the cause of thy passion,  
that when our bodies lie in the dust,  
our souls may live with thee;  
who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, world without end. **Amen.**

**L**ook 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. **Amen.**

**B**e present, O merciful God,  
and protect us through the silent hours of this night,  
so that we who are wearied  
by the changes and changes of this fleeting world,  
may response upon thy eternal changelessness;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**O** Lord,  
who by triumphing over the powers of darkness  
didst prepare our place in the new Jerusalem;  
grant us, who have this day given thanks for thy resurrection,  
to praise thee in that city, whereof thou are the light;  
where with the Father and the Holy Spirit  
thou livest and reignest  
one God, world without end. **Amen.**



... Jesus Christ our Lord. **A-men.**



... Saviour Je-sus Christ. **A-men.**



... world with-out end. **A-men.**

Hymn

# THE CONCLUSION



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



For it is thou, Lord, only that makest us dwell in safe-ty.



Abide with us, O Lord,



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



As the watchmen look for the morn-ing,



so do we look for thee, O Christ.



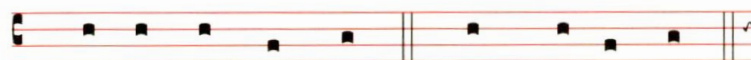
[Come with the dawning of the day



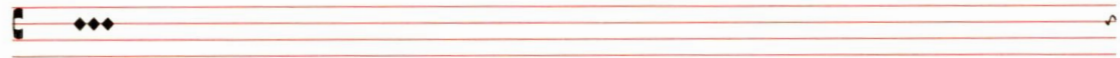
and make thyself known in the breaking of bread.]



The Lord be with you **And with thy spi-rit.**



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



The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost,



bless us and preserve us. **A - men.**



*Then shall follow without note*

**A**bide with us, O Lord,  
**for it is toward evening and the day is far spent.**

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

[Come with the dawning of the day  
**and make thyself known in the breaking of bread.]**

The Lord be with you  
**and with thy spirit.**

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

**T**he almighty and merciful Lord,  
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,  
bless us and preserve us.  
**Amen.**

The Lord bless us and watch over us;  
the Lord make his face shine upon us and be gracious to us;  
the Lord look kindly on us and give us peace.  
**Amen**

[May the souls of the faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.  
**Amen.]**



