

## Prayers of Intercession

### *This responses may be used*

Lord, in your mercy  
**hear our prayer**

### *Silence may be kept.*

### *The Collect of the day or the following is said*

Lord, you have taught us  
that all our doings without  
love are nothing worth:  
send your Holy Spirit  
and pour into our hearts  
that most excellent gift of love,  
the true bond of peace and of all virtues,  
without which whoever lives  
is counted dead before you.  
Grant this for your only Son  
Jesus Christ's sake,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen.**

### *The Lord's Prayer is said*

Rejoicing in God's new creation,  
as our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and for ever.  
Amen.**

## The Conclusion

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

## Evening Prayer in Lent

O God, make speed to save us.  
**O Lord, make haste to help us.**

Hear our voice, O Lord,  
according to your faithful love,  
**according to your judgement give us life.**

That this evening may be holy,  
good and peaceful,  
let us pray with one heart and mind.

### *Silence is kept.*

As our evening prayer rises  
before you, O God,  
so may your mercy come down upon us  
to cleanse our hearts  
and set us free to sing your praise  
now and for ever.  
**Amen**

## The Word of God

### *Psalmody*

*Each psalm or group of psalms may end with*

**Glory to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning is now  
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

### *Canticle*

**Refrain:  
Christ committed no sin,  
no guile was found on his lips.**

Christ suffered for you,  
leaving you an example, •  
that you should follow in his steps.

He committed no sin,  
no guile was found on his lips, •  
when he was reviled,  
he did not revile in turn.



When he suffered, he did not threaten, •  
but he trusted himself to God  
who judges justly.

Christ himself bore our sins  
in his body on the tree, •  
that we might die to sin  
and live to righteousness.

By his wounds, you have been healed,  
for you were straying like sheep, •  
but have now returned to the shepherd  
and guardian of your souls.

*1Peter 2:21b-25*

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and to the Holy Spirit;  
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and shall be for ever. Amen.**

**Christ committed no sin,  
no guile was found on his lips.**

### ***Scripture Reading***

#### ***NT Reading***

***The reading may be followed by silence  
and a reflection***

Trust in the Lord with all your heart;  
and be not wise in your own sight.

**Trust in the Lord with all your heart;  
and be not wise in your own sight.**

In all your ways acknowledge him  
and he will make straight your paths.

**Trust in the Lord with all your heart.**

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the  
Holy Spirit.

**Trust in the Lord with all your heart;  
and be not wise in your own sight.**

*from Proverbs 3*

### ***Gospel Canticle The Magnificat***

**You have mercy on those who fear you,  
from generation to generation.**

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,  
my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour; •  
he has looked with favour on his lowly  
servant.

From this day all generations will call me  
blessed; •  
the Almighty has done great things for me  
and holy is his name.

He has mercy on those who fear him, •  
from generation to generation.

He has shown strength with his arm •  
and has scattered the proud in their conceit,

Casting down the mighty from their thrones •  
and lifting up the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things •  
and sent the rich away empty.

He has come to the aid of his servant Israel, •  
to remember his promise of mercy,

The promise made to our ancestors, •  
to Abraham and his children for ever.

*Luke 1.46-55*

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and to the Holy Spirit;  
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and shall be for ever. Amen.**

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from generation to generation.**