

## Office of Compline (Tuesday)

### Introduction

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- V. God, ✠ come to my *assistance*;  
R. Lord, make haste to *help* me.  
V. Glory to the Father, and to the *Son*, \*  
and to the Holy *Spirit*  
R. as it was in the beginning, is *now*, \*  
and will be forever. *Amen*.

### Examination of Conscience

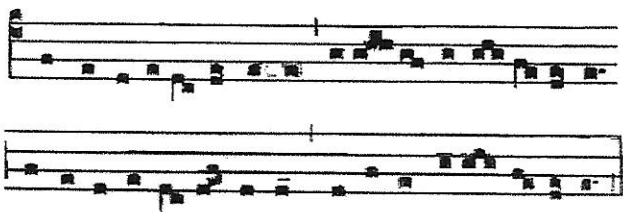
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[A brief period of silence is observed for an examination of conscience.]

- Lord, have mercy. (R. Lord, have mercy)  
Christ, have mercy. (R. Christ, have mercy)  
Lord, have mercy. (R. Lord, have mercy)

### Hymn

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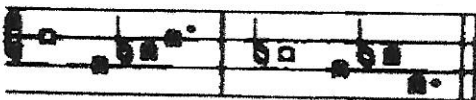
Before the ending of the day,  
Creator of the world, we pray,  
that with thy wonted favour thou  
wouldst be our guard and keeper now.

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.

### Psalmody (Psalm 143)

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- Ant. Do not hide your *face* from me; \*  
in you I *put* my trust.
- L. Lord, listen *to* my prayer; \*  
turn your ear to *my* appeal.  
You are faithful, you are just; give answer. †  
Do not call your *servant* to judgment  
for no one is just *in* your sight.
- R. The enemy *pursues* my soul; \*  
he has crushed my life *to* the ground.  
he has made me *dwell* in darkness \*  
like the dead, *long* forgotten.  
Therefore my *spirit* fails; \*  
my heart is *numb* within me.
- L. I remember the days *that* are past; \*  
I ponder *all* your works.  
I muse on what your hand has wrought †  
and to you I stretch *out* my hands; \*  
Like a parched land my soul *thirsts* for you.
- R. Lord, make *haste* and answer \*  
for my spirit *fails* within me.  
Do not *hide* your face \*  
lest I become like those *in* the grave.
- L. In the morning let me *know* your love \*  
for I put my *trust* in you.  
Make me know the way *I* should walk; \*  
to you I lift *up* my soul.
- R. Rescue me, Lord, *from* my enemies; \*  
I have fled to *you* for refuge.  
Teach me to *do* your will \*  
for you, O Lord, *are* my God.  
Let your good *spirit* guide me \*  
in ways that are *level* and smooth.
- L. For your name's sake, Lord, *save* my life; \*  
in your justice save my soul *from* distress.
- R. Glory to the Father, and *to* the Son, \* and to  
the *Holy Spirit*
- L. as it was in the *beginning*, is now, \*  
and will be forever. *Amen*.

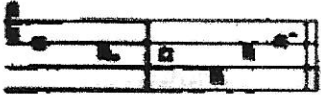
Ant. (ALL): Do not hide your *face* from me; \*  
in you I *put* my trust.

## Reading (1 Peter 5:8-9a)

Stay sober and alert. Your opponent the devil is prowling like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, solid in your faith.

[A brief period of silence is observed]

## Responsory



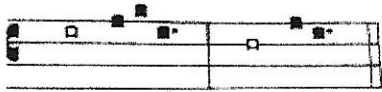
Into your hands, *Lord*,  
\*I commend my spirit.  
- Into your hands, *Lord*, \*  
I commend my spirit.

You have redeemed us, Lord God of truth.  
- I commend my spirit.

Glory to the Father, and to the *Son*, \*  
and to the *Holy Spirit*,  
- Into your hands, *Lord*, \*  
I commend my spirit.

## Gospel Cantic

(all stand)



**Ant.** Protect us, Lord, as we *stay* awake; \*  
watch over us as *we* sleep,  
that awake, we may keep *watch* with Christ \*  
and asleep, rest in *his* peace.

**ALL:**

Lord, ✠ now you let your servant *go* in peace; \*  
your word has been *fulfilled*  
my own eyes have seen *the* salvation \*  
which you have prepared in the sight of *every* people:  
a light to reveal you *to* the nations \*  
and the glory of your *people* Israel.  
Glory to the Father, and *to* the Son, \*  
and to the *Holy Spirit*:  
as it was in the *beginning*, is now \*  
and will be for ever. **Amen.**

**Ant. (All):** Protect us, Lord, as we *stay* awake; \*  
watch over us as *we* sleep,  
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## Prayer

Lord, fill this night with your radiance. May we sleep in peace and rise with joy to welcome the light of a new day in your name. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

- Amen

## Conclusion

+ May the all-powerful Lord grant us a restful night and a peaceful death.

- Amen

## Marian Antiphon

(If Benediction is to be celebrated, this antiphon is sung after the final hymn. When there is no Benediction, this antiphon is sung after the conclusion of Compline.)

**S** Alve Re-gí-na, \* ma-ter mi-se-ri-córdi-æ, Vi-ta, dul-  
cé-do, et spes nostra, salve. Ad te clamámus, éxsu-  
les, fí-li-i Hevæ. Ad te suspi-rámus, geméntes et flen-  
tes in hac lacrimá-rum valle. E-ia ergo, Advo-cá-ta  
nostra, illos tu-os mi-se-ri-córdes ó-cu-los ad nos con-  
vér-te. Et Je-sum, be-ne-díctum fructum ventris tu-i,  
no-bis post hoc exsí-li-um osténde. O cle-mens:  
O pí-a: O dulcis Virgo Ma-rí-a.