



**DAILY  
PRAYERS**

# PRAYER IN THE MORNING

## INTRODUCTION

O Lord, open our lips  
**And our mouth shall proclaim  
your praise.**

**I Bow before the Father  
Who made me  
I Bow before the Son Who  
saved me  
I bow before the Spirit Who  
guides me  
In love and adoration I give my  
lips  
I give my heart  
I give my mind  
I give my strength  
I bow and adore thee  
Sacred Three  
The Ever One The Trinity**

Blessèd are you, creator God; to you be glory and praise for ever. Your Spirit moved over the face of the waters to bring light and life to your creation. Pour out your Spirit on us this day, that we may walk as children of light and by your grace reveal your presence, Blessed be God Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

**Blessèd be God for ever :**

*other versions of this prayer are available*

## SONG OF PRAISE -

**Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,  
Be all else but naught to me,  
save that thou art,  
Be thou my best thought in the day and the night,  
Both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.**

**High King of heaven, thou  
heaven's bright Sun,  
O grant me its joys after vict'ry  
is won, Great Heart of my own  
heart, whatever befall, Still be  
thou my vision, O Ruler of all.**

*Other Hymns may be used*

The night has passed and the day lies open  
before us; let us pray with one heart and  
mind:

*Silence*

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day,  
so may the light of your presence, O  
God, set our hearts on fire with love for  
you; now and for ever. Amen.

## TRISAGION

*-Prayer of confession*

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**Holy God.  
Holy Mighty.  
Holy Immortal  
Have mercy on us.**



## THE WORD OF GOD

## PSALM READING GOSPEL

*A list will be published each week or month*

## CANTICLE

**Christ, as a light illumine and  
guide me.**

**Christ, as a shield  
overshadow me.**



**Christ under me; Christ  
over me;**

**Christ beside me on my  
left and my right.**

**This day be within and  
without me,**

**lowly and meek, yet all-powerful.**

**Be in the heart of each to whom I  
speak;**

**in the mouth of each who speaks  
unto me.**

**This day be within and without  
me,**

**lowly and meek, yet all-powerful.**

**Christ as a light; Christ as a shield;**

**Christ beside me on my left and  
my right.**

*Lorica St Patrick*

*or this canticle*

## BENEDICTUS

**Blessed be the Lord, the God of  
Israel;  
he has come to his people and set  
them free.**

**He has raised up for us a mighty  
saviour,  
born of the house of his servant  
David.**

**Through his holy prophets he  
promised of old  
that he would save us from our  
enemies,  
from the hands of all who hate us.**

**He promised to show mercy to  
our fathers  
and to remember his holy  
covenant.**

**This was the oath he swore to our  
father Abraham: to set us free**

**from the hands of our enemies,  
free to worship him without fear,  
holy and righteous in his sight all  
the days of our life.**

**You, my child, shall be called the  
prophet of the Most High; for you  
will go before the Lord to prepare  
his way, to give his people  
knowledge of salvation by the  
forgiveness of their sins.**

**In the tender compassion of our  
God the dawn from on high shall  
break upon us,  
to shine on those who dwell in  
darkness and the shadow of death,  
and to guide our feet into the way  
of peace.**

**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.**

## Luke Chapter 2

## PRAYERS FOR OTHERS

*We offer our prayers for ourselves and others in this or another form*

That this day may be holy, good and joyful:

**We pray to you O Lord**

That we may offer to you our worship and our work:

**We pray to you O Lord**

That we may strive for the well-being of all creation:

**We pray to you O Lord**

That in the pleasures and pains of life, we may know the love of Christ and be thankful:

**We pray to you O Lord**

That we may be bound together by your Holy Spirit, in communion with [N and with] all your saints, entrusting one another and all our life to Christ:

**We pray to you O Lord**

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray, to the mercy and protection of God.

## LORDS PRAYER

### COLLECT

*The collect of the day and/or this*

Eternal God and Father, you create and redeem us by the power of your love: guide and strengthen us by your Spirit, that we may give ourselves in love and service to one another and to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

May Christ walk with us today and kindle in us the fire of God love.  
**Amen.**

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

## BLESSING

**May the peace of the Lord  
Christ go with you, wherever  
He may send you.**

**May He guide you through the  
wilderness, protect you  
through the storm.**

**May He bring you home  
rejoicing at the wonders He  
has shown you.**

**May He bring you home  
rejoicing once again into our  
doors.**

*Northumbrian Community*

PRAYER AT MIDDAY OR LATER IN THE  
AFTERNOON

**Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all  
faith,  
Whose strong hands were skilled  
At the plane and the lathe,  
Be there at our labours,  
And give us, we pray,  
Your strength in our hearts, Lord,  
At the noon of the day**

**Lord of all kindness, Lord of all  
grace,  
Your hands swift to welcome,  
Your arms to embrace,  
Be there at our homing,  
And give us, we pray,  
Your love in our hearts, Lord,  
At the eve of the day.**

**Lord**

**Your Presence is in my Life  
Your Presence is all around me  
Your Presence is Peace**

**Your presence is in my Mind  
Your Presence is all around me  
Your Presence is Peace**

**Your presence is in My Heart  
Your Presence is all around me  
Your Presence is Peace**

PSALM

*Psalm 139.1–11, 16, 17 or Ps 23 or another*

**Lord, you have searched me out  
and known me; you know my  
sitting down and my rising up; you  
discern my thoughts from afar.**

**You trace my journeys and my  
resting-places  
and are acquainted with all my  
ways.**

**Indeed, there is not a word on my  
lips,  
but you, O Lord, know it  
altogether.**

**You press upon me behind and  
before  
and lay your hand upon me.**

**Such knowledge is too wonderful  
for me;  
it is so high that I cannot attain to  
it.**

**Where can I go then from your  
Spirit?  
where can I flee from your  
presence?  
If I climb up to heaven, you are  
there;  
if I make the grave my bed, you  
are there also.**

**If I take the wings of the morning  
and dwell in the uttermost parts  
of the sea,**

**Even there your hand will lead me**

**and your right hand hold me fast.**

**If I say, 'Surely the darkness will  
cover me,  
and the light around me turn to  
night',**

**Darkness is not dark to you; the  
night is as bright as the day;  
darkness and light to you are both  
alike.**

**How deep I find your thoughts, O  
God!  
how great is the sum of them!**

**If I were to count them, they  
would be more in number than the  
sand; to count them all, my life  
span would need to be like yours.**

**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.**

## SCRIPTURE

Jesus said come to me you who are weary and carry heavy burdens and I will give you rest

Matthew 11\*28

## MAGNIFICAT

*this may be used later in the afternoon*

**My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for he has looked with favour on his humble 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 in every generation. He has shown the strength of his arm, he has scattered the proud in their conceit.**

**He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the humble.**

**He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty.**

**He has come to the help of his servant Israel for he has remembered his promise of mercy, the promise he made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children for ever.**

**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.**

*Luke Chapter 2*

**LORDS PRAYER**

**Circle me Lord  
Keep protection near And danger  
afar**

**Circle me Lord  
Keep hope within keep doubt  
without**

**Circle me Lord  
Keep light near And darkness afar**

**Circle me  
Lord Keep peace within Keep evil  
out**



## PRAYER LATER IN THE EVENING OR BEFORE SLEEP

*a lit candle is placed centrally*

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

**Amen**

**Calm me, O Lord, as you stilled  
the storm, Still me, O Lord, keep  
me from harm,**

**Let all the tumult within me  
cease, Enfold me, Lord, in your  
peace,**

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## THE BRINGING OF LIGHT

**Now in the fading light of day,  
maker of all to you we pray,  
that in your ever watchful love  
you'll guide and keep us from  
above.**

**Help and protect us through the  
night, danger and terror put to  
flight.**

**Never let evil have its way.  
Preserve us for another day.**

**Father Almighty this be done,  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord  
your Son, whom in the Spirit we  
adore,  
who reigns with you forever more.**

*or earlier in the evening*

**Hail gladdening light Lord Jesus  
Christ,  
In you the Fathers glory shone.  
Immortal, Holy blest is he,  
And blest are you, his holy Son**

**Now sunset comes, but light  
shines forth  
The lamps are lit to pierce the  
night, Praise Father, Son and  
Spirit, God Who in the darkness  
gives us light.**

**Worthy are you of endless praise,  
O Son of God, life giving Lord  
Wherefore you are through all the  
earth  
And in the highest heaven adored.**

**PSALM 134**  
*or some other*

**Come, bless the Lord, all you  
servants of the Lord, you that by  
night stand in the house of the  
Lord.**

**Lift up your hands towards the  
sanctuary and bless the Lord.**

**The Lord who made heaven and  
earth give you blessing out of  
Zion.**

**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.**

### **BIBLE READING**

*One of the following short lessons or another suitable  
passage is read*

You, O Lord, are in the midst of us and we  
are called by your name; leave us not, O  
Lord our God.

*Jeremiah 14.9*

Be sober, be vigilant, because your  
adversary the devil is prowling round like a  
roaring lion, seeking for someone to  
devour. Resist him, strong in the faith.

*1 Peter 5.8, 9*

The servants of the Lamb shall see the face  
of God, whose name will be on their  
foreheads. There will be no more night: they  
will not need the light of a lamp or the light  
of the sun, for God will be their light, and  
they will reign for ever and ever.

*Revelation 22.4, 5*

## NUNC DIMITTUS

**Now, Lord, 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 shall be  
for ever Amen .**

## PRAYERS FOR OTHERS

Watch thou, dear Lord, with those who wake, or watch, or weep tonight, and give thine angels charge over those who sleep. Tend thy sick ones, Lord Christ. Rest thy weary ones. Bless thy dying ones. Soothe thy suffering ones. Pity thine afflicted ones. Shield thy joyous ones. And all, for thy love's sake. **Amen.**

## LORDS PRAYER

### COLLECT

Lighten our darkness, Lord, we pray; and in your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of your only Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**

## CLOSING PRAYERS

In peace I will lie down and sleep  
**For it is you Lord who make me  
dwell in safety**

**The Lord bless us and keep us  
The Lord make his face to shine  
upon us, and be gracious unto us  
The Lord lift up the light of his  
countenance upon you and give  
you peace  
Amen**

**May the peace and love of Christ  
enfold us this night**

**✠ In the name of the Father, the  
Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen**

## PRAYERS AND BLESSINGS

**I weave silence on to my lips  
I weave silence on to my mind..  
I weave silence on to my heart  
Calm me O Lord, as you stilled the  
storm.**

**Still me O Lord, keep me from  
harm.**

**Let all the tumult within me  
cease.**

**Enfold me, Lord, in your peace.**

**Visit this home we pray O Lord  
and drive far from it all assaults of  
the enemy.**

**May your holy angels stay here  
and guard us in peace and may  
your blessing be always upon us**

**Deep Peace of the Running Wave  
to you. Deep Peace of the flowing  
Air to you**

**Deep Peace of the quiet Earth to  
you**

**Deep Peace of the shining Stars to  
you**

**Deep Peace of the Son of Peace to  
you**

**The Love of Christ: Surround us**

**The Light of Christ: Lead us**

**The Peace of Christ: Fill us**

**The Power of Christ: Aid us**

**The Joy of Christ: Thrill us**

**The Presence of Christ:**

**Be with us ever more**

*David Adam*

*Three Prayers for those with little time*

**Lord you are in this place,  
Fill us with your power Cover us with  
your peace**

**Show us your presence**

**Lord help us to know**

**We are in your hands We are under  
your protection We are covered by  
your love**

**Lord we ask you today,  
To deliver us from evil To guide us in  
our travels To defend us from all  
harm**

**Lord give us now**

**Eyes to see the invisible Ears to hear  
your call**

**Hands to do your work**

**And hearts to respond to your love**

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**Your presence is in my Mind  
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**Your presence is in My Heart  
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