

## BLESSING

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

## ANTIPHON

In honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Hail Mary, full of grace,  
the Lord is with thee.  
Blessed art thou among women  
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb,  
Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God,  
pray for us sinners now  
and at the hour of our death.

Amen.

Ave, María, grátia plena,  
Dóminus tecum.  
Benedicta tu in muliéribus,  
et benedíctus fructus ventris tui,  
Iesus.

Sancta María, Mater Dei,  
ora pro nobis peccatoribus  
nunc et in hora mortis nostrae.

Amen.

## SUNDAY NIGHT PRAYER *in* ORDINARY TIME



## INTROIT

God, come to my assistance.  
— Lord, make haste to help me.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
— as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

## HYMN

O Christ, you are the light and day  
which drives away the night,  
The ever-shining Sun of God  
and pledge of future light.

As now the evening shadows fall  
please grand us, Lord, we pray,  
a quiet night to rest in you  
until the break of day

Remember us, poor mortal men,  
we humbly ask, O Lord,  
and may your presence in our souls,  
be now our great reward.

*Text: Christe qui Lux es et Dies; Melody: St. Anne C.M. William Croft, 1708*

## PSALMODY

### Psalm 91: Safe in God's Sheltering Care

I have given you the power to tread upon serpents and scorpions (Luke 10:19).

***Antiphon 1: Night holds no terrors for me sleeping under God's wings.***

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High  
and abides in the shade of the Almighty  
says to the Lord: "My refuge,  
my stronghold, my God in whom I trust"

It is he who will free you from the snare  
of the fowler who seeks to destroy you;  
he will conceal you with his pinions  
and under his wings you will find refuge.

You will not fear the terror of the night  
Nor the arrow that flies by day,  
Nor the plague that prowls in the darkness  
Nor the scourge that lays waste at noon.

A thousand may fall at your side,  
Ten thousand fall at your right,  
you, it will never approach;  
his faithfulness is buckler and shield.

Your eyes have only to look  
to see how the wicked are repaid,  
you who have said: "Lord, my refuge!"  
and have made the Most High your dwelling.

Upon you no evil shall fall,  
no plague approach where you dwell.  
For you has he commanded his angels,  
to keep you in all your ways.

They shall bear you upon their hands  
lest you strike your foot against a stone.  
On the lion and the viper you will tread  
and trample the young lion and the dragon.

Since he clings to me in love, I will free him;  
protect him for he knows my name.  
When he calls I shall answer: "I am with you."  
I will save him in distress and give him glory.

With length of life I will content him;  
I shall let him see my saving power.

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.

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## READING

Revelation 22:4-5

They shall see the Lord face to face and bear his name on their foreheads. The night shall be no more. They will need no light from lamps or the sun, for the Lord God shall give them light, and they shall reign forever.

## 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 CANTICLE

Luke 2:29-32: Christ is the light of the nations and the glory of Israel

***Antiphon: 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.***

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.

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## CONCLUDING PRAYER

Lord,  
we have celebrated today  
the mystery of the rising of Christ to new life.  
May we now rest in your peace,  
safe from all that could harm us,  
and rise again refreshed and joyful,  
to praise you throughout another day.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
— Amen.