

Thursday Night Prayer

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 for ever. Amen.

Alleluia

PSALMODY

Ant. In you, my God, my body will rest in hope.

Psalm 16

God is my portion, my inheritance

The Father raised up Jesus from the dead and broke the bonds of death (Act 2:24).

Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.

I say to the Lord: "You are my God.

My happiness lies in you alone."

*He has put into my heart a marvelous love
for the faithful ones who dwell in his land.*

Those who choose other gods increase their sorrows.

Never will I offer their offerings of blood.

Never will I take their name upon my lips.

O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup;

it is you yourself who are my prize.

The lot marked out for me is my delight:

welcome indeed the heritage that falls to me!

*I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel,
who even at night directs my heart.*

I keep the Lord ever in my sight:

since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm.

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;

even my body shall rest in safety.

For you will not leave my soul among the dead,

nor let your beloved know decay.

*You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence,
at your right hand happiness for ever.*

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Reading

1 Thessalonians 5:23

May the God of peace make you perfect in holiness. May he preserve you whole and entire, spirit, soul, and body, irreproachable at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

RESPONSORY

Into your hands, Lord, I commend my spirit.

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You have redeemed us, Lord God of truth.

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GOSPEL CANTICLE

Luke 2:29-32

Christ is the light of the nations and the glory of Israel

**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**

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Prayer

Lord God,
send peaceful sleep
to refresh our bodies.
May your help always renew us
and keep us strong in your service.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Conclusion

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

Salve Regina

Salve, Regina, mater misericordiae;
vita, dulcedo et spes nostra, salve,
Ad te clamamus, exsules filii Evae.
Ad te suspiramus, gementes et flentes
in hac lacrimarum valle.

Eia ergo, advocate nostra,
illus tuo misericordes oculos
ad nos converte.
Et Iesum, benedictum fructum ventris tui,
nobis post hoc exsilium ostende.
O Clemens, o pia, o dulcis Virgo Maria.