

# Advent Compline

May the Lord, when he comes, find us watching and waiting.

**Amen. Come Lord Jesus**

## Collect

God of power and mercy,  
who put aside your heavenly glory  
and entered creation to restore all things to yourself,  
enlighten our minds and enliven our hearts  
to the miracle of Word made flesh.  
Remove those things which hinder love of you,  
that when you come,  
you may find us waiting in awe and wonder  
for him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

## Responsive Reading: Mary's Song

My soul magnifies the Lord,  
*and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour.*  
For he has regarded the lowliness of his servant.  
*For behold, from now on, all generations shall call me blessed.*  
For he who is mighty has magnified me;  
*and holy is his name.*  
And his mercy is on those who fear him  
*throughout all generations.*  
He has shown strength with his arm;  
*he has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.*  
He has put down the mighty from their seat,  
*and has exalted the humble and meek.*  
He has filled the hungry with good things;  
*and the rich he has sent empty away.*  
He remembering his mercy has helped his servant Israel.  
*As he promised to our forefathers,*  
Abraham and his descendants forever.



## **Apostles Creed**

Let us confess the faith of our baptism as we say,

**I believe in God,**

**The Father almighty,**

**creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ,**

**his only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again  
to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
+the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.**

## **Prayers**

We bring to God someone whom we have met or remembered  
this week, or someone for whom we want to pray . . .

We bring to God someone who is hurting tonight and needs  
our prayer . . .

We bring to God those in our lives who do not yet follow Jesus . . .

We bring to God our families, friends, schools, and churches,  
that they be kept safe and nourished by his wisdom . . .

We bring ourselves to God, knowing he hears us, knows us,  
and loves us . . .

## **Lord's Prayer**

As our Saviour taught us, let us 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.**

**Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen**

## **Prayer of John Chrysostom**

Almighty God,

**you have given us grace at this time with one accord**

**to make our common supplications unto you;**

**and you have promised through your well-beloved Son  
that when two or three are gathered together in his Name  
you will be in the midst of them:**

**Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions  
as may be best for us; granting us in this world  
knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come  
life everlasting. Amen.**

## **Doxology**

Glory to God,

**whose power, working in us,**

**can do infinitely more**

**than we can ask or imagine.**

**Glory to God from generation to generation,  
in the Church and in Christ Jesus,  
forever and ever. Amen.**