

Short Morning and Evening Prayers for Personal Use

Morning Prayers

+In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

O Blessed Lord, I thank thee for rest and safety through the hours of night.
For this new day in which to serve thee,
For powers of mind and body new once more,
I worship and adore thy glorious Name. Amen.

Te Deum Laudamus (BCP 1662)

We praise Thee, O God: we acknowledge Thee to be the Lord.
All the earth doth worship Thee, the Father everlasting.
To Thee all Angels cry aloud: the Heavens and all the powers therein.
To Thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry:
"Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;
Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty of Thy Glory."

The glorious company of Apostles praise Thee.
The goodly fellowship of the prophets praise Thee.
The noble army of Martyrs praise Thee.
The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge Thee:
The Father of an infinite Majesty;
Thine honourable, true, and only Son;
Also the Holy Ghost: the Comforter. *(For a shortened version, end the Te Deum here.)*

Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ.
Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.
When Thou tookest upon Thee to deliver man:
Thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.
When Thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death,
Thou didst open the Kingdom of Heaven to all believers.
Thou sittest at the right hand of God in the glory of the Father.
We believe that Thou shalt come to be our Judge.
We therefore pray Thee, help Thy servants
whom thou hast redeemed with Thy precious blood.
Make them to be numbered with Thy Saints in glory everlasting.

O Lord, save Thy people: and bless Thine heritage.
Govern them and lift them up forever.
Day by day we magnify Thee and we worship Thy Name,
ever world without end.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin.
O Lord, have mercy upon us.
O Lord, let Thy mercy lighten upon us, as our trust is in Thee.
O Lord, in Thee have I trusted: let me never be confounded. *(This is the end of the Te Deum.)*

Most Holy Jesus, Friend and Master, who art ever near, keep me this day from sin in all I think and do and say.

Enable me to know that thou art by my side to give me strength when I am tempted, wisdom when I am puzzled or in doubt.

O Blessed Lord, I offer these hours to thee. Make me a blessing to others this day. Enable me to know that in doing my work I am doing thy will and that in serving others I am serving thee.

So may I be blessed of thee, my Master and my Friend. Amen.

Some intercessory prayers may be offered at this point.....

Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Evening Prayers

+In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Blessed be thou, O Lord God, for ever and ever. Thine, O Lord is the greatness and the power and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all that is in heaven and in the earth is thine; thine is the Kingdom, O Lord, and thou art exalted as head above all. Both riches and honour come of thee, and though reignest over all. Now, therefore, our God, we thank thee, and praise thy glorious name.

I will magnify thee, O God my King: and I will praise thy Name for ever and ever.

Jesu, my Lord, I thee adore.

O make me love thee more and more.

I confess to God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost; and before the whole company of heaven, that I have sinned in thought, word and deed through my own grievous fault. And specially I have failed in these ways.....

Wherefore I pray God to have mercy upon me, to forgive me my sins, and bring me to everlasting life.

The following verses from Psalm 51 may be added: Miserere mei, Deus (BCP1662)

Have mercy upon me, O God, after thy great goodness: according to the multitude of thy mercies do away mine offences.

Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness: and cleanse me from my sin.

For I acknowledge my faults: and my sin is ever before me.

Make me a clean heart, O God: and renew a right spirit within me.

Almighty and everlasting God, I praise and thank thee for all thy countless goodness and mercies towards me. Especially I bless thee for.....

Help me to be truly thankful for these and all thy good gifts by giving myself to thy service and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all my days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

Add some brief intercessory prayers here.

Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend myself and all for whom I have prayed this night. Keep us in thy loving care and bless us all, I beseech thee, Lord Jesus. Amen.