

Compline of The Blessed Virgin Mary

“*Compline* is the end of the day; and in the end of our life we have most need of Our Lady’s help, and therefore, in all thse Hours, we ought to do her veneration. Also, the pains that our Lord, Jesus Christ, suffered in His Holy Passion in all these seven hours, as is before siad, Our Lady, His Mother, suffered the same pain in her hert by compassion, and therefore it is convenient to honor her and do her service in all the same hours.” (Paraphrased from the *Mirror of Our Lady*.) O most blessed Virgin, as the day draws to a close, may your prayers be ever with us. Amen.

BEFORE COMPLINE

Preparatory Prayers

All kneel and pray silently. As you say the prayer Aperi, Domine, make the sign of the cross with your thumb first over your lips, and then over your heart.

Aperi, ✠ Dómine, os meum ad benedicendum nomen sanctum tuum: ✠ munda quoque cor meum ab ómnibus vanis, perversis et aliénis cogitationibus; intelléctum illúmina, afféctum inflámma, ut digne, attén-te ac devóte hoc Offícium beátæ Vírginis Mariæ recitáre váleam, et exaudíri mérear ante conspéc-tum divínæ Majestátis tuæ. Per Christum Dóminum nostrum. Amen.

Domine, in unióne illús divínæ intentiónis, qua ipse in terris laudes Deo persolvísti, has tibi Horas persólvo.

Ave María, grátia plena, Dóminus tecum. Benedíc-ta tu in muliéribus, et benedíctus fructus ventris tui, Jesus. Sancta María, Mater Dei, ora pro no-bis peccatóribus, nunc et in hora mortis nostræ. Amen.

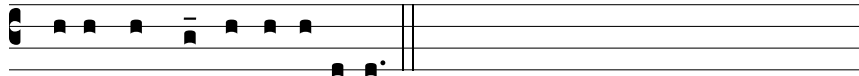
Open, ✠ O Lord, my mouth to bless Thy holy Name; ✠ cleanse also my heart from all vain, evil, and wan-dering thoughts; enlighten my understanding and kindle my affections; that I may worthily, attentively, and devoutly say this Office of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and so merit to be heard before the presence of Thy divine Majesty. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

O Lord, in union with that divine intention where-with thou, whilst here on earth, didst render praises unto God, I desire to offer this my Office of prayer unto thee.

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.

Blessing

The Lector/Cantor asks for the blessing:



℣. Jube Dómn-e be-ne-dí-ce-re

If the officiant is not a priest:

Pray, Father, a blessing.



℣. Jube Dómi-ne be-ne-dí-ce-re

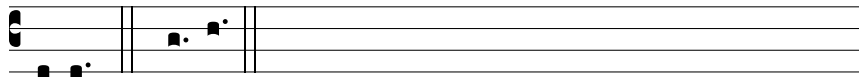
Pray, Lord, a blessing.

The Officiant gives the blessing:



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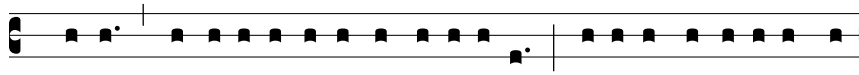
May the almighty Lord grant unto us a peaceful night and a perfect end. *R.* Amen.



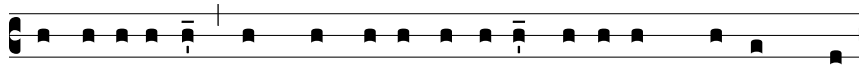
po- te ns *R.* Ame- n.

Short Lesson (1 Peter 5:8-9)

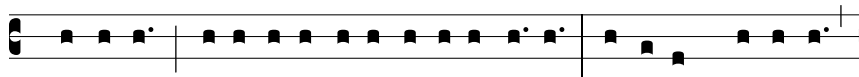
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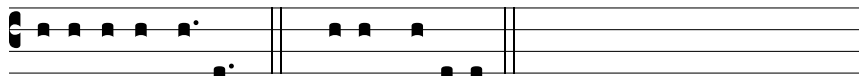
℣. Fratre s: Sóbri- i estó-te-, et vi-gi-lá-te : qui- a adversá-ri- us ve-



ster di- ábo- lu s tamquam le- o rú- gi- es, círcu- itt, quæ- rens que-



m dé-vo-re t: cu- i re-sí-sti-te fortes in fi-de . Tu autem Dómi-ne



mi-se-ré-re no-bi- s. *R.* De- o grá-ti- a- s.

Brethren: be sober and watch, because your adversary, the devil, as a roaring lion, goeth about seeking whom he may devour, whom resist ye, strong in faith. But Thou, O Lord, have mercy on us. *R.* Thanks be to God.

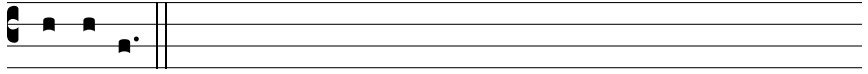
Examination of Conscience

All make the Sign of the Cross as the Officiant says:



℣. Adju- tó-ri- um nostrum i nómi-ne Dómi-ni- . *R.* Qui fe- cit cæ-lu-

Our help ✠ is in the name of the Lord. *R.* Who made heaven and earth.



m et terra-m.

All pray together silently:

Pater Noster, qui es in cælis, sanctificétur nomen tuum. Advéniat regnum tuum. Fiat volúntas tua, sicut in cælo et in terra. Panem nostrum quotidíanum da nobis hódie, et dimítte nobis débíta nostra, sicut et nos dimíttimus debitóribus nostris. Et ne nos indúcas in tentatióem: sed líbera nos a malo. Amen.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation: but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Confession (with a priest)

The priest makes his confession: Confíteor Deo omnipoténti. . . oráre pro me ad Dóminum, Deum nostrum.

I confess to almighty God. . .

All bow slightly towards the priest and respond:

Misereátur tui omnípotens Deus, et, dimíssis peccátis tuis, perdúcat te ad vitam ætérnam.

May almighty God have mercy on thee, forgive thee thy sins, and bring thee to life everlasting.

And the priest replies Amen.

Then all bow profoundly and make their confession:

Confíteor Deo omnipoténti, beátæ Mariæ semper Vírgini, beáto Michaéli Archángelo, beáto Joánni Baptistæ, sanctis Apóstolis Petro et Paulo, ómnibus Sanctis, et tibi, pater: quia peccávi nimis cogitatióne, verbo et ópere: (strike breast thrice) mea culpa, mea culpa, mea máxima culpa. Ideo precor beátam Mariám semper Vírginem, beátum Michaélem Archángelum, beátum Joánnem Baptistam, sanctos Apóstolos Petrum et Paulum, omnes Sanctos, et te, pater, oráre pro me ad Dóminum, Deum nostrum.

I confess to almighty God, to Blessed Mary ever Virgin, to blessed Michael the Archangel, to blessed John the Baptist, to the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, to all the Saints, and to thee, Father, that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed: through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault. Therefore I pray Blessed Mary ever Virgin, blessed Michael the Archangel, blessed John the Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, all the saints, and thee, Father, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Remain bowed as the priest responds:

Misereátur vestri omnípotens Deus, et, dimíssis peccátis vestris, perdúcat vos ad vitam ætérnam. R̃. Amen.

May almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you your sins, and bring you to life everlasting. R̃. Amen.

Arise and make the sign of the cross as he says:

Indulgéntiam, ✠ absolutiόnem, et remissiόnem

peccatorum nostrorum tríbuat nobis omnípotens et
miséricors Dóminus.
R̃. Amen.

*May the almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon
✠, absolution, and remission of our sins. R̃. Amen.*

Confession (without a priest)

All bow profoundly and say together:

Confíteor Deo omnípoténti, beátæ Mariæ semper
Vírini, beáto Michaéli Archángelo, beáto Joánni
Baptístæ, sanctis Apóstolis Petro et Paulo, et óm-
nibus Sanctis: quia peccávi nimis cogitatióne, verbo
et ópere: *(strike breast)* mea culpa, mea culpa, mea
máxima culpa. Ideo precor beátam Mariám semper
Vírinem, beátum Michaélem Archángelum, beá-
tum Joánnem Baptístam, sanctos Apóstolos Petrum
et Paulum, et omnes Sanctos, oráre pro me ad
Dóminum, Deum nostrum.

Misereátur nostri omnípotens Deus, et, dimíssis
peccátis nostris, perdúcat nos ad vitam ætérrnam.
Amen.

All arise and make the sign of the cross as they say:

Indulgéntiam, ✠ absolutiónem, et remissionem
peccatorum nostrorum tríbuat nobis omnípotens et
miséricors Dóminus. Amen.

*I confess to almighty God, to Blessed Mary ever Vir-
gin, to blessed Michael the Archangel, to blessed John
the Baptist, to the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, and
to all the Saints, that I have sinned exceedingly in
thought, word, and deed: through my fault, through
my fault, through my most grievous fault. Therefore
I pray Blessed Mary ever Virgin, blessed Michael the
Archangel, blessed John the Baptist, the holy Apos-
tles Peter and Paul, all the saints, and thee, Father;
to pray for me to the Lord our God.*

*May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our
sins, and bring us to life everlasting. Amen.*

*May the almighty and merciful Lord grant us pardon
✠, absolution, and remission of our sins. Amen.*

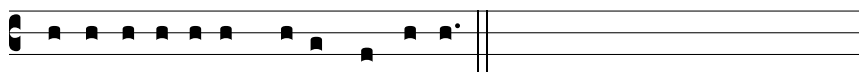
COMPLINE

Invitatory

Cross yourself over your heart with your thumb as the officiant begins:

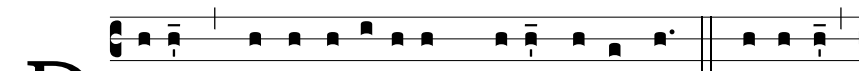


℣. Convérte nos , ✠ De- us, sa-lu-tá-ris noster.

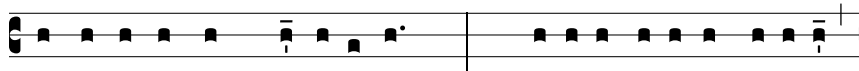


℟. Et a-vérte i-ram tu-am a no-bis.

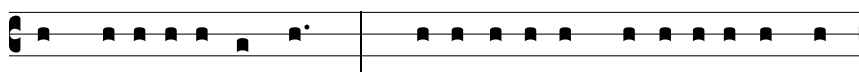
All make the Sign of the Cross as the Officiant says (All continue together with the entire “Gloria Patri” after the response):



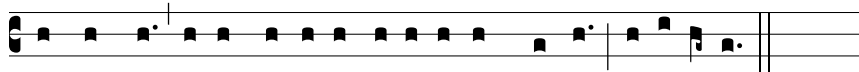
De- us, ✠ in adju-tó-ri- um me- um inténde. ℟. Dómi-ne,



ad adju-vándum me festí-na. (bow) Gló-ri- a Patri, et Fí-li- o



et Spi-rí-tu- i Sancto. (rise) Si-cut e-rat in princí-pi- o, et nunc,



et semper et in sǽcu-la sǽcu-ló-rum. Amen. Alle-lú-ia.

From Septuagesima until Easter, Alleluia is replaced with:



Laus ti-bi Dómi-ne, Rex æ-térné gló-ri- æ- .

Convert us, O God our Savior.

And turn away Thine anger from us.

O God, come to my assistance.

O Lord, make haste to help me.

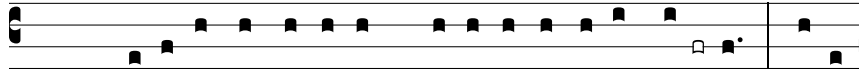
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Alleluia.

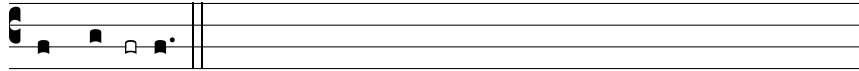
Praise to thee, O Lord, King of everlasting glory.

Psalms are recited in toni in directum (using the same tone), without antiphons.

Psalm 128



8. G 1. Sæpe expugna-vé-runt me a ju-ventú-te **me-** a, * di-cat



nunc Isra-ël:

2. Sæpe expugnavérunt me a juventúte **mea**: *
étenim non potuérunt **mihi**.
3. Supra dorsum meum fabricavérunt peccatóres: *
prolongavérunt iniquitátem **suam**.
4. Dóminus justus concídit cervíces peccatórum: *
confundántur et convertántur retrórsum omnes, qui odérunt **Sion**.
5. Fiant sicut fœnum tectórum: *
quod priúsqvam evellátur exáruit:
6. De quo non implévit manum suam qui **metit**: *
et sinum suum qui manípulos **cólligit**.
7. Et non dixerunt qui præteríbant: Benedíctio Dómini **super** vos: *
benedíximus vobis in nómine Dómini.
8. Glória Patri, et Fílio, *
et Spirítui **Sancto**.
9. Sicut erat in princípíio, et nunc, et **semper**, *
et in sæcula sæculórum. Amen.

Psalm 129

1. De profúndis clamávi ad te, Dómine: *
Dómine, exáudi vocem **meam**:
2. Fiant aures tuæ **intendéntes**: *
in vocem deprecatiónis **meæ**.
3. Si iniquitátes observáveris, Dómine: *
Dómine, quis **sustinébit**?
4. Quia apud te propitiátio est: *
et propter legem tuam sustínui te, Dómine.
5. Sustínuit ánima mea in verbo ejus: *

1. Often have they fought against me from my youth, let Israel now say.

2. Often have they fought against me from my youth: but they could not prevail over me.

3. The wicked have wrought upon my back: they have lengthened their iniquity.

4. The Lord who is just will cut the necks of sinners: Let them all be confounded and turned back that hate Sion.

5. Let them be as grass on the tops of houses: which withered before it be plucked up.

6. Wherewith the mower filleth not his hand: nor he that gathereth sheaves his bosom.

7. And they that have passed by have not said: The blessing of the Lord be upon you: we have blessed you in the name of the Lord.

8. Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

9. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

1. Out of the depths I have cried to thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice.

2. Let thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.

3. If thou, O Lord, wilt mark iniquities: Lord, who shall stand it?

4. For with thee there is merciful forgiveness: and by reason of thy law, I have waited for thee, O Lord.

5. My soul hath relied on his word:

sperávit ánima mea in **Dómino**.

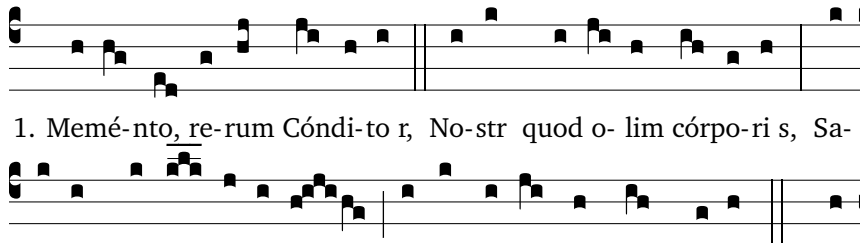
6. A custódia matutína usque **ad noctem**: *
speret **Israël in Dómino**.
7. Quia apud **Dóminum misericórdia**: *
et copiósa apud **eum redemptio**.
8. Et ipse **redimet Israël**: *
ex **ómnibus iniquitatibus ejus**.
9. Glória Patri, **et Fílio**, *
et **Spirítui Sancto**.
10. Sicut erat in **princípio**, et nunc, **et semper**, *
et in **sæcula sæculórum**. Amen.

Psalm 130

1. **Dómine**, non est exaltátum **cor meum**: *
neque eláti sunt **óculi mei**.
2. Neque ambulávi in **magnis**: *
neque in **mirábilibus super me**.
3. Si non **humíliter sentiébam**: *
sed exaltávi **ánimam meam**.
4. Sicut ablactátus est super **matre sua**: *
ita retribútio in **ánima mea**.
5. Speret **Israël in Dómino**: *
ex hoc nunc et usque in **sæculum**.
6. Glória Patri, **et Fílio**, *
et **Spirítui Sancto**.
7. Sicut erat in **princípio**, et nunc, **et semper**, *
et in **sæcula sæculórum**. Amen.

Hymn

All rise.



1. Memé-nto, re-rum Cón-di-to r, No-str quod o- lim córpo-ri s, Sa-
crá-ta ab alvo Virgi-ni- s Nascéndo, formam sumpse-ri s 2. Ma-

my soul hath hoped in the Lord.

6. From the morning watch even until night, let Israel hope in the Lord.
7. Because with the Lord there is mercy: and with him plentiful redemption.
8. And he shall redeem Israel from all his iniquities.
9. Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
10. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be world without end. Amen.

1. Lord, my heart is not exalted: nor are my eyes lofty.
2. Neither have I walked in great matters, nor in wonderful things above me.
3. If I was not humbly minded, but exalted my soul:
4. As a child that is weaned is towards his mother, so reward in my soul.
5. Let Israel hope in the Lord, from henceforth now and for ever.
6. Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
7. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be world without end. Amen.

1. Remember, Make of all things, That once the form of our flesh, From the Virgin's sacred womb, Being born, Thou didst assume.
2. Mary, Mother of grace, Sweet parent of clemency, Thou protect us from the enemy, And receive us at the hour of death.



ri- a, ma-ter grá-ti-æ , Dulcis pa-rens cleménti-æ , Tu nos ab ho-
 ste pró-te-ge- , Et mortis ho-ra súsci-pe . 3. Je-su-, ti-bi si-
 t gló-ri-a , Qui na-tu-s es de Vi-rgi ne , Cum Patre et almo Spi-ri-
 tu In sempi- térna sæ-cu-la . A-me-n.

3. *Jesus, to Thee be glory, Who
 wast born of the Virgin, With the
 Father, and the loving Spirit, Unto
 sempiternal ages. Amen.*

THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

IN ADVENT

IN CHRISTMASTIDE

IN EASTERTIDE

CONCLUDING PRAYERS

All kneel and pray silently.

Sacrosánctæ et indivíduæ Trinitáti, Crucifíxi Dómini nostri Jesu Christi humanitáti, beatíssimæ et gloriosíssimæ sempérque Vírginis Maríæ fecúndæ integritáti, et ómnium Sanctórum universitáti sit sempitérna laus, honor, virtus et glória ab omni creatúra, nobisque remíssio ómnium peccatórum, per infiníta sæcula sæculórum. Amen.

℣. Beáta víscera Maríæ Vírginis, quæ portavérunt ætéрни Patris Fílium.

℟. Et beáta úbera quæ lactavérunt Christum Dóminum.

Pater Noster, qui es in cælis, sanctificétur nomen tuum. Advéniat regnum tuum. Fiat volúntas tua, sicut in cælo et in terra. Panem nostrum quotidíanum da nobis hódie, et dimítte nobis débíta nostra, sicut et nos dimíttimus debitóribus nostris. Et ne nos indúcas in tentatiónem: sed líbera nos a malo. Amen.

Ave María, grátia plena, Dóminus tecum. Benedícta tu in muliéribus, et benedíctus fructus ventris tui, Jesus. Sancta María, Mater Dei, ora pro nobis peccatóribus, nunc et in hora mortis nostræ. Amen.

Credo in Deum, Patrem omnipoténtem, Creatórem cæli et terræ. Et in Jesum Christum, Fílium ejus únicum, Dóminum nostrum: qui concéptus est de Spíritu Sancto, natus ex María Vírgine, passus sub Póntio Piláto, crucifíxus, mórtuus, et sepúltus: descendit ad íferos; tértia die resurrexit a mórtuis; ascendit ad cælos; sedet ad dexteram Dei Patris omnipoténtis: inde ventúrus est judicáre vivos et mórtuos. Credo in Spíritum Sanctum, sanctam Ecclésiám catholicám, Sanctórum communiónem, remissiónem peccatórum, carnis resurrectiόnem, vi-

Everlasting praise, honor, power, and glory be given by all creatures to the most holy and undivided Trinity, to the Humanity of our crucified Lord Jesus Christ, to the fruitful purity of the most blessed and most glorious Mary ever Virgin, and to the company of all the Saints; and may we obtain the remission of all our sins through all eternity. Amen.

℣. Blessed is the womb of the Virgin Mary, that bore the Son of the eternal Father.

℟. And blessed are the paps that gave suck to Christ our Lord.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation: but deliver us from evil. Amen.

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.

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He will come 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 resur-

tam ætérnam. Amen.

| *rection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.*