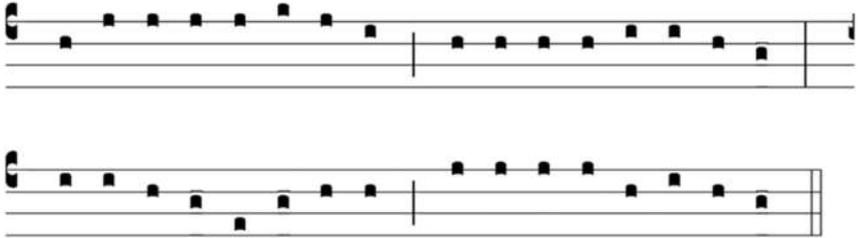


**The Church of St Mary Magdalene, Richmond  
Richmond Team Ministry**

An Order for COMPLINE  
Sunday 8 March, following the 6.30pm recital  
Minister: Rev'd Robert Stanier

Please stand

Hymn



**Before the ending of the day,  
Creator of the world, we pray,  
that with thy wonted favour thou  
wouldst be our guard and keeper now.**

**2 From all ill dreams defend our eyes,  
from nightly fears and fantasies;  
tread under foot our ghostly foe,  
that no pollution we may know.**

**3 O Father, that we ask be done,  
through Jesus Christ thine only Son,  
who, with the Holy Ghost and thee,  
doth live and reign eternally. Amen.**

John Mason Neale (1818-1866) based on Te lucis ante terminum, (Latin, before 11th century)  
CPI3

The Lord Almighty grant us a quiet night and a perfect end. **Amen.**

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion,  
walketh about, seeking whom he may devour : whom resist, steadfast in the  
faith.

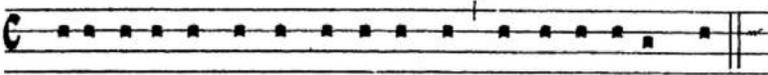
*1 Peter 5. 8, 9*

But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us;  
Thanks be to God.

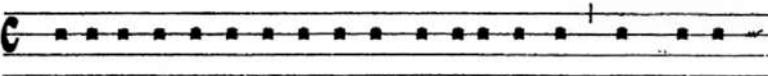
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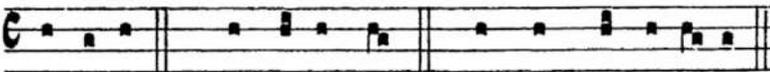
V. O God, make speed to save us; Rv. O Lord, make haste to help us.



V. Glory be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son: and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



Rv. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without



end. A-men. V. Praise ye the Lord; Rv. The Lord's name be prais-ed.

## Psalm 91

Ps. 91

*Qui habitat*

VIII. 1.



1 Whoso dwelleth under the defence of the Most *High*: shall abide under the shadow of the *Al-migh-ty*.

2 I will say unto the Lord, | Thou art my hope, and my *strong-hold*: my God, in *him* will I trust.

3 For he shall deliver thee from the snare of the *hun-ter*: and from the *noi-some pes-ti<sup>o</sup>lence*.

4 He shall defend thee under his wings, | and thou shalt be safe under his *feath-ers*: his faithfulness and truth shall be thy *shield* and buck-ler.

5 Thou shalt not be afraid for any terror by *night* : nor for the arrow that *flieth* by day;

6 For the pestilence that walketh in *dark-ness* : nor for the sickness that destroyeth *in* the noon-day.

7 A thousand shall fall beside thee, | and ten thousand at thy right *hand* : but it shall *not* come nigh thee.

8 Yea, with thine eyes shalt thou be-*hold* : and see the reward of *the* un-god-ly.

9 For thou, Lord, art my *hope* : thou hast set thine house of de-*fence* ve-ry<sup>^</sup>high.

10 There shall no evil happen unto *thee* : neither shall any plague come *nigh* thy dwel-ling.

11 For he shall give his angels charge over *thee* : to keep *thee* in all thy<sup>^</sup>ways.

12 They shall bear thee in their *hands* : that thou hurt not thy *foot* a-*gainst* a<sup>^</sup>stone.

13 Thou shalt go upon the lion and *ad-der* : the young lion and the dragon shalt thou tread *un-der* thy feet.

14 Because he hath set his love upon me, | therefore will I de-*li-ver*<sup>^</sup>him : I will set him up, because *he* hath known my<sup>^</sup>Name.

15 He shall call upon me, and I will *hear* him : yea, I am with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and bring *him* to hon-our.

16 With long life will I satis-*fy* him : and shew him *my* sal-va-tion.

Glory be to the Father, and to the *Son* : and *to* the Ho-ly<sup>^</sup>Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever *shall* be : world with-*out* end. A-men.

*Please sit*

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; and your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God: praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints; and for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in bonds: that therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.

Forbes L'Estrange Drop, drop, slow tears

**Anthem**

*Drop, drop, slow tears, and bathe those beautiful feet,  
which brought from heaven the news and Prince of Peace.*

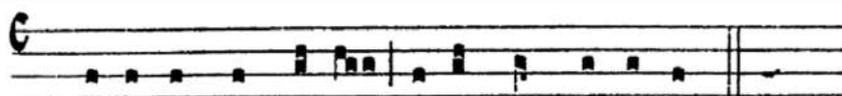
*Cease not, wet eyes, his mercies to entreat;  
to cry for vengeance sin doth never cease.*

*In your deep floods drown all my faults and fears;  
nor let his eye see sin, but through my tears.*

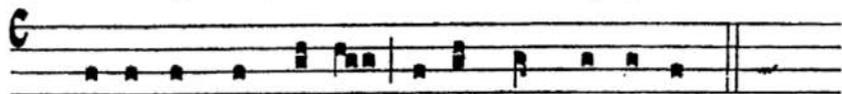
Text: Phineas Fletcher 1582-1650  
Music: Joanna Forbes L'Estrange b.1971

A short period of silent prayer and personal reflection follows the anthem.

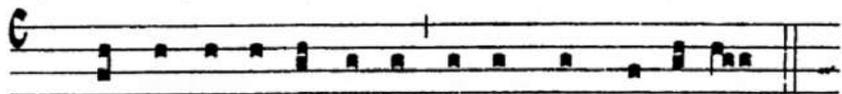
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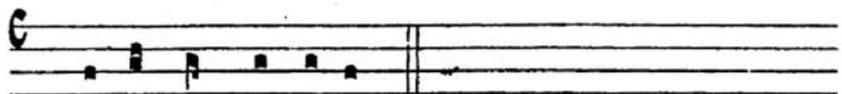
Ÿ. In-to thy hands, O Lord, I com-mend my spi-rit;



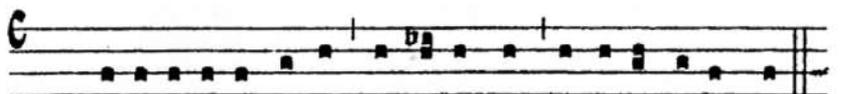
Ry. In-to thy hands, O Lord, I com-mend my spi-rit:



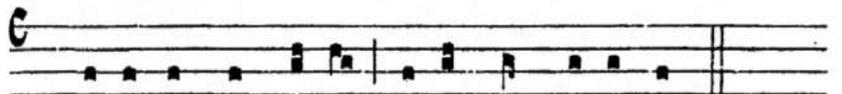
Ÿ. For thou hast re-deem-ed me, O Lord, thou God of truth;



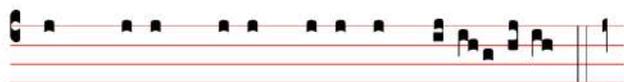
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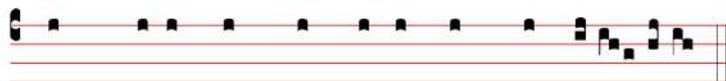
Ÿ. Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



Ry. In-to thy hands, O Lord, I com-mend my spi-rit.

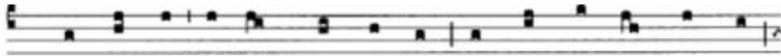


Keep me as the apple of an eye.

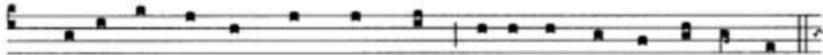


Hide me under the shadow of thy wings.

Antiphon



Pre-serve us, † O Lord, while wa-king, and guard us while sleep-ing,

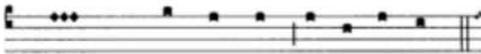


that a-wake we may watch with Christ, and a-sleep we may rest in peace.

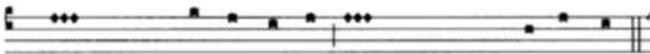
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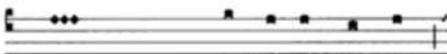
1 Lord, now lettest thou thy ser-vant de-part in peace: according to thy word.



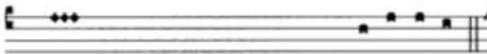
2 For mine eyes have seen: thy sal-va-tion;



3 Which thou hast pre-par-ed; before the face of all peo-ple;



4 To be a light to light-en the Gen-tiles:



and to be the glory of thy peo-ple Is-ra-el.

*Luke 2.29-32*



Glory be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son: and to the Ho-ly Ghost;



as it was in the beginning, is now and ev-er shall be:



world with-out end. A-men.

The **Antiphon** is repeated

**The Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
 Maker of heaven and earth:  
 And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,  
 Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
 Born of the Virgin Mary,  
 Suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
 Was crucified, dead, and buried,  
 He descended into hell;  
 The third day he rose again from the dead,  
 He ascended into heaven,  
 And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
 From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
 I believe in the Holy Ghost;  
 The holy Catholick Church;  
 The Communion of Saints;  
 The Forgiveness of sins;  
 The Resurrection of the body;  
 And the life everlasting. Amen.**

*Please sit or kneel*

**Responses**



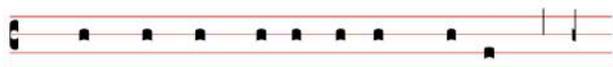
Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.



Lord, have mercy upon us.



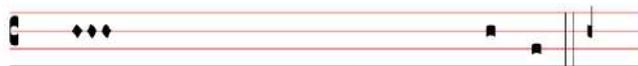
**O**UR Father, which art in heaven,  
 hallowed be thy name;  
 thy kingdom come;  
 thy will be done,  
 on earth as it is in heaven.  
 Give us this day our daily bread.  
 And forgive us our trespasses,  
 as we forgive them that trespass against us.



**And lead us not into temptation;**



**but de-liver us from evil. Amen.**



Blessed art thou, Lord God of our fathers:



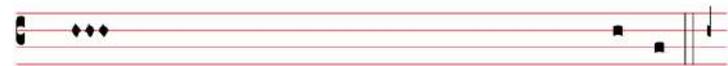
**to be praised and glorified above all for ever.**



Let us bless the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.



**let us praise and magnify him for ever.**



Blessed art thou, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven:



**to be praised and glorified above all for ever.**



The almighty and most merciful Lord guard us



and give us his blessing. **Amen.**



Wilt thou not turn again and quicken us;



**that thy people may rejoice in thee?**



O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us;



**and grant us thy salvation.**



Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this night without sin;



**O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.**

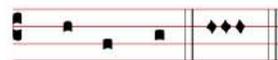


O Lord, hear our prayer;



**And let our cry come unto thee.**

*The following Collects are sung.*



Let us pray.

One or more of the following Collects is said:

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Be present, O merciful God, and protect us through the silent hours of this night, so that we, who are wearied by the changes and chances of this fleeting world, may repose upon thy eternal changelessness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Look down, O Lord, from thy heavenly throne, illuminate the darkness of this night with thy celestial brightness, and from the children of light banish the deeds of darkness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God, who at this evening hour didst rest in the sepulchre, and didst thereby sanctify the grave to be a bed of hope to thy people: make us so to abound in sorrow for our sins, which were the cause of thy passion, that when our bodies lie in the dust, our souls may live with thee: who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God world without end. **Amen.**

Visit, we beseech thee, O Lord, this place (*our homes*), and drive away all the snares of the enemy; let thy holy angels dwell herein (*therein*) to preserve us in peace; and may thy blessing be upon us evermore; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

We will lay us down in peace and take our rest;  
**For it is thou, Lord, only, that makest us dwell in safety.**

The Lord be with you;  
**And with thy spirit.**

Let us bless the Lord;  
**Thanks be to God.**

The Almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, bless and preserve us this night and for evermore. **Amen.**