

Give praise to the Father Almighty, to His Son Jesus Christ our Lord,  
To the Spirit who dwells in our hearts, both now and forever, Amen.

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### INTERCESSIONS

We express before God our longing for unity and our desire to work together with our fellow Christians to hasten the day of unity. In faith we pray:

**Response: You, Lord, are our light and our help.**

1. For all who work and pray and suffer to bring Christians closer together: in faith we pray: **R.**
2. For a renewal in our own parish of a desire for Christian unity: in faith we pray: **R.**
3. For a new commitment to take seriously to heart all that Christians have shared for centuries: in faith we pray: **R.**
4. For a new commitment to take seriously to heart the new agreements Christians are now able to reach: in faith we pray: **R.**
5. For Christians in our area, that God may keep us faithful to the gospel of our Lord: in faith we pray: **R.**
6. For all who work to bring light and understanding where there have been darkness or discord: in faith we pray: **R.**
7. *Pause for those who wish to add an intercession* **R.**
8. Grant to our beloved dead the gift of eternal life: in faith we pray: **R.**

We are united in our baptismal consecration as we pray the prayer that Jesus gave us: **OUR FATHER**

### CONCLUDING PRAYER

God our Father, you sent your Son to be the Lamb slain for us and because he is risen and present with us we have the assurance of your love. Hear these prayers which we offer that we may be signs of his reconciling presence in our world, through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. **R. Amen.**

### BLESSING

The Lord bless us, and keep us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life. **R. Amen.**

### SALVE REGINA

Salve Regina, Mater misericordiae:  
vita dulcedo, et spes nostra, salve.  
Ad te clamamus exsules filii Hevae.  
Ad te suspiramus, gementes et flentes in hac lacrimarum vale.  
Eia ergo, Advocata nostra,  
illos tuos misericordes oculos ad nos converte.  
Et Jesum, benedictum fructum ventris tui  
nobis post hoc exsilium ostende.  
O clemens, O pia, O dulcis Virgo Maria!

## WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY EVENING PRAYER - Saturday

V. O God, come to our aid

**R. O Lord, make haste to help us.**

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.

### HYMN: CHRIST BE OUR LIGHT

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.  
Longing for truth, we turn to you.  
Make us your own, your holy people,  
Light for the world to see.

*Refrain:* Christ be our light!  
Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.  
Christ, be our light!  
Shine in your church gathered today.

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.  
Longing for hope, many despair.  
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.  
Make us your living voice.

Many the gifts, many the people,  
many the hearts that yearn to belong.  
Let us be servants to one another,  
making your Kingdom come.

### PSALMODY

**Ant. 1:** From the rising of the sun to its setting, great is the name of the Lord.

**Praised be the name of the Lord**

**Psalm 112 (113)**

*He put down princes from their thrones and exalted the lowly (Lk 1:52)*

Práise, O sérvants of the Lórd,\*  
práise the náme of the Lórd!  
May the náme of the Lórd be bléssed\*  
both nów and for évermóre!  
From the rising of the sún to its sétting\*  
práised be the náme of the Lórd!

Hígh above all nátions is the Lórd,\*  
abóve the héavens his glóry.  
Whó is like the Lórd, our Gód,\*  
who has risen on hígh to his thróne  
yet stóops from the héights to look dówn,\*  
to look dówn upon héaven and éarth?

From the dúst he lífts up the lówly,\*  
from his mísery he ráises the póor  
to sét him in the cómpány of prínces,\*  
yés, with the prínces of his péople.  
To the childless wífe he gíves a hóme\*  
and gláddens her héart with children.

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**Ant:** From the rising of the sun to its setting, great is the name of the Lord.

**Ant. 2:** I will take the chalice of salvation, and I will call on the name of the Lord.

**Thanksgiving in the temple**

**Psalm 115 (116)**

*Through him (Christ), let us offer God an unending sacrifice of praise (Heb 13:15)*

I trústed, éven when I sáid:\*  
'I am sórely afflícted,'  
and whén I sáid in my alárm:\*  
'No mán can be trústed.'

How cán I repáy the Lórd\*  
for his góodness to mé?  
The cúp of salvátion I will ráise,\*  
I will cáll on the Lórd's name.

My vóws to the Lórd I will fulfil\*  
befóre all his péople.  
O précíous in the éyes of the Lórd\*  
is the déath of his fáithful.

Your sérvant, Lord, your sérvant am Í;\*  
you have lóosened my bónds.  
A thánksgiving sácrífice I máke:\*  
I will cáll on the Lórd's name.

My vóws to the Lórd I will fulfil\*  
befóre all his péople,  
in the cóúrts of the hóuse of the Lórd,\*  
in your mídst, O Jerúsalem.

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.

**Ant:** I will take the chalice of salvation, and I will call on the name of the Lord.

**Ant. 3:** The Lord Jesus humbled himself, but God exalted him on high for ever.

**Christ, the servant of God**

**Canticle: Phil 2:6-11**

Though he was in the form of God,  
Jesus did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped.

He emptied himself,  
taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men.

And being found in human form,  
he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross.

Therefore God has highly exalted him  
and bestowed on him the name which is above every name,

That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,  
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

And every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.

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**SCRIPTURE READING**

**Heb 13:20-21**

I pray that the God of peace, who brought our Lord Jesus back from the dead to become the great Shepherd of the sheep by the blood that sealed an eternal covenant, may make you ready to do his will in any kind of good action; and turn us all into whatever is acceptable to himself through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever, Amen.

**SHORT RESPONSORY**

**R.** How great are your works, O Lord. **Repeat R.**

**V.** In wisdom you have made them all. **R.** Glory be. **R.**

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My soul glorifies the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God, my Saviour.  
He looks on his servant in her lowliness; henceforth all ages will call me blessed.  
The Almighty works marvels for me. Holy his name!  
His mercy is from age to age, on those who fear him.  
He puts forth his arm in strength and scatters the proud-hearted.  
He casts the mighty from their thrones and raises the lowly.  
He fills the starving with good things, sends the rich away empty.  
He protects Israel, his servant, remembering his mercy,  
The mercy promised to our fathers, to Abraham and his sons for ever.