

Visit our homes, and the homes of those we love,
O Lord, we pray,
and drive far from them the snares of the enemy;
may your holy angels dwell with us and guard us in peace,
and may your blessing be always upon us;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **All: Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer.

All 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.
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

The Conclusion

In peace we will lie down and sleep;
All for you alone, Lord, make us dwell in safety.

Abide with us, Lord Jesus,
All for the night is at hand and the day is now past.

As the night watch looks for the morning,
All so do we look for you, O Christ.

May the living waters of Christ cleanse us,
may the Spirit descend upon us,
and the blessing of God be with us
this night and always.
Amen

An Order for Night Prayer in Epiphany Season

Preparation

The Lord almighty grant us a quiet night and a perfect end.
All Amen.

Our help is in the name of the Lord
All who made heaven and earth.

A period of silence for reflection on the past day may follow.

All Lord, it is night.

The night is for stillness.
Let us be still in the presence of God.

It is night after a long day.
What has been done has been done;
what has not been done has not been done;
let it be.

The night is dark.
Let our fears of the darkness of the world
and of our own lives rest in you.

The night is quiet.
Let the quietness of your peace enfold us, all dear to us,
and all who have no peace.

The night heralds the dawn.
Let us look expectantly to a new day, new joys,
new possibilities.

In your name we pray. Amen

Scripture Reading

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of the Father's only son, full of grace and truth.

John 1:14

Psalm 16

6. I will bless the Lord who has given me counsel,
and in the night watches he instructs my heart.
7. I have set the Lord always before me;
he is at my right hand; I shall not fall.
8. Wherefore my heart is glad and my spirit rejoices;
my flesh also shall rest secure.
9. For you will not abandon my soul to Death,
nor suffer your faithful one to see the Pit.
10. You will show me the path of life;
in your presence is the fullness of joy
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore.

**All Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

The Nunc Dimittis (Song of Simeon) is said

**All Alleluia. Christ the light of the world
has manifested his glory. Alleluia.**

**Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace:
your word has been fulfilled.**

**My own eyes have seen the salvation
which you have prepared in the sight of every people;**

**A light to reveal you to the nations ♦
and the glory of your people Israel.**

Luke 2.29-32

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Collect

King of kings and Lord of lords,
making the true light to shine:
lighten our darkness now and evermore
that with our lips and in our lives
we may praise you;
for you are our God, now and for ever.

Vacancy Prayer

Prayer for people facing tough times

We give you thanks, O Lord our God,
in sickness and in health,
in suffering and in joy,
through Christ our Saviour and Redeemer,
who as the Good Samaritan
tends the wounds of body and spirit.
We pray for all who suffer in any way.
May they know that Jesus stands by them and pours out for their
healing the oil of consolation and the wine of renewed hope,
turning the darkness of their pain
into the dawning light of his kingdom.
Amen.