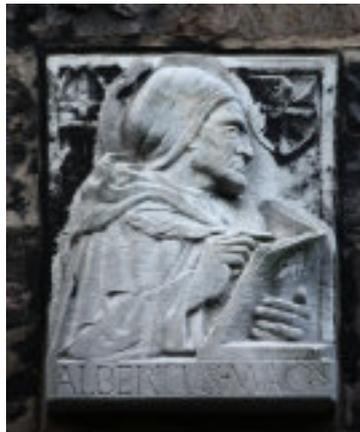


ST ALBERT'S CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY

Compline



23 -24 GEORGE SQUARE, EDINBURGH

SATURDAY & EVE OF SOLEMNITIES

(After Evening Prayer I)

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Hymn

A suitable hymn may be sung, or said.

Psalmody:

Antiphon: Lord, have mercy and hear me.

Easter tide: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm 4

When I call, answer me, O God of justice;
from anguish you released me, have mercy and hear me!

O men, how long will your hearts be closed,
will you love what is futile and seek what is false?

It is the Lord who grants favours to those whom he loves;
the Lord hears me whenever I call him.

Fear him; do not sin: ponder on your bed and be still.
Make justice your sacrifice and trust in the Lord.

'What can bring us happiness?' many say.
Let the light of your face shine on us, O Lord.

You have put into my heart a greater joy
than they have from abundance of corn and new wine.

I will lie down in peace and sleep comes at once
for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety.

Antiphon: Lord, have mercy and hear me.

Easter tide: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Antiphon: Bless the Lord through the night.
Easter tide: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm 133(134)

O come, bless the Lord,
all you who serve the Lord,
who stand in the house of the Lord,
in the courts of our God.

Lift up your hands to the holy place
and bless the Lord through the night.

May the Lord bless you from Sion,
he who made both heaven and earth.

Antiphon: Bless the Lord through the night.
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Scripture Reading

Hear, O Israel: the Lord your God is one Lord; and you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. And these words which I command you this day shall be upon your heart; and you shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down and when you rise.

Deuteronomy 6:4-7

Short Responsory

Outside Easter tide

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Easter Octave

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Easter tide

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The Nunc Dimittis

Luke 2:29-32

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Save us, Lord, while we are awake; protect us while we sleep; that we may keep watch with Christ and rest with him in peace. (Alleluia)

At last, all powerful Master,
you give leave to your servant
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For my eyes have seen your salvation
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and give glory to Israel, your people.

Antiphon:

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Concluding Prayer

Sundays:

Come to visit us, Lord, this night,
so that by your strength we may rise at daybreak to rejoice in the resurrection of Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Solemnities not occurring on Sundays:

Visit this house, we pray, you Lord:
drive far away from it all the snares of the enemy.
May your holy angels stay here and guard us in peace,
and let your blessing be always upon us.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

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

Anthem to our Blessed Lady

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SUNDAYS & SOLEMNITIES

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Hymn

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Psalmody:

Antiphon: He will conceal you with his wings; you will not fear the terror of the night.

Eastertide: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm 90 (91)

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High
and abides in the shade of the Almighty,
says to the Lord: "My refuge,
my stronghold, my God in whom I trust!"

It is he who will free you from the snare
of the fowler who seeks to destroy you;
he will conceal you with his pinions
and under his wings you will find refuge.

You will not fear the terror of the night,
nor the arrow that flies by day,
nor the plague that prowls in the darkness
nor the scourge that lays waste at noon.

A thousand may fall at your side,
ten thousand fall at your right,
you, it will never approach;
his faithfulness is buckler and shield.

Your eyes have only to look
to see how the wicked are repaid,
you who have said: "Lord, my refuge!"
and have made the Most High your dwelling.

Upon you no evil shall fall,
no plague approach where you dwell.
For you has he commanded his angels,
to keep you in all your ways.

They shall bear you upon their hands
lest you strike your foot against a stone.
On the lion and the viper you will tread
and trample the young lion and the dragon.

Since he clings to me in love, I will free him;
protect him for he knows my name.
When he calls I shall answer: "I am with you."
I will save him in distress and give him glory.

With length of life I will content him;
I shall let him see my saving power.

Antiphon: He will conceal you with his wings; you will not fear the terror of the night.
Eastertide: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Scripture Reading

They will see the Lord face to face, and his name will be written on their foreheads.
It will never be night again and they will not need lamplight or sunlight, because the Lord God
will be shining on them. They will reign for ever and ever. *Revelation 22:4-5*

Short Responsory

Outside Eastertide

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Concluding Prayer

Sunday and the Easter Octave

God our Father,
as we have celebrated today the mystery of the Lord's resurrection,
grant our humble prayer:
free us from all harm
that we may sleep in peace
and rise in joy to sing your praise.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Solemnities not on a Sunday, and during the Easter Triduum

Visit this house, we pray you, Lord:
drive far away from it all the snares of the enemy. May your holy angels stay here and guard us in
peace, and let your blessing be always upon us.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

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Anthem to our Blessed Lady

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MONDAY

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Hymn

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Psalmody:

Antiphon: You, Lord God, are slow to anger, abounding in love.

Eastertide: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm 85(86)

Turn your ear, O Lord, and give answer
for I am poor and needy.

Preserve my life, for I am faithful:
save the servant who trusts in you.

You are my God, have mercy on me,
Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.
Give joy to your servant, O Lord,
for to you I lift up my soul.

O Lord, you are good and forgiving,
full of love to all who call.
Give heed, O Lord, to my prayer and
attend to the sound of my voice.

In the day of distress I will call
and surely you will reply.
Among the gods there is none like you,
O Lord; nor work to compare with yours.

All the nations shall come to adore you
and glorify your name, O Lord:
for you are great and do marvellous deeds,
you who alone who are God.

Show me, Lord, your way
so that I may walk in your truth.
Guide my heart to fear your name.

I will praise, Lord my God, with all my heart
and glorify your name for ever;
for your love to me has been great:
you have saved me from the depths of the grave.

The proud have risen against me;
ruthless men seek my life:
to you they pay no heed.

But you, God of mercy and compassion,
slow to anger, O Lord,
abounding in love and truth,
turn and take pity on me.

O give your strength to your servant
and save your handmaid's son.
Show me a sign of your favour
that my foes may see to their shame
that you console me and give me your help.

Antiphon: You, Lord God, are slow to anger, abounding in love.
Eastertide: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Scripture Reading

God choose us to possess salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us in order that we might live together with him, whether we are alive or dead when he comes. *1Thessalonians 5:9-10*

Short Responsory

Outside Eastertide

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Easter Octave

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Eastertide

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Concluding Prayer

Lord,
give our bodies restful sleep;
and let the work we have done today be sown for an eternal harvest.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

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Anthem to our Blessed Lady

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TUESDAY

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Hymn

A suitable hymn may be sung, or said.

Psalmody:

Antiphon: Do not hide your face from me, for in you have I put my trust.

Easter tide: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm 142(143)

Lord, listen to my prayer:

turn your ear to my appeal.

You are faithful, you are just; give answer.

Do not call your servant to judgement

for no one is just in your sight.

The enemy pursues my soul;
he has crushed my life to the ground;
he has made me dwell in darkness
like the dead, long forgotten.
Therefore my spirit fails;
my heart is numb within me.

I remember the days that are past:
I ponder all your works.
I muse on what your hand has wrought
and to you I stretch out my hands.
Like a parched land my soul thirsts for you.

Lord, make haste and answer;
for my spirit fails within me.
Do not hide your face
lest I become like those in the grave.

In the morning let me know your love
for I put my trust in you.
Make me know the way I should walk:
to you I lift up my soul.

Rescue me, Lord, from my enemies;
I have fled to you for refuge.
Teach me to do your will

for you, O Lord, are my God.
Let your good spirit guide me
in ways that are level and smooth.

For your name's sake, Lord, save my life;
in your justice save my soul from distress.

Antiphon: Do not hide your face from me, for in you have I put my trust.
Eastertide: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Scripture Reading

be calm but vigilant, because your enemy the devil is prowling round like a roaring lion, looking for someone to eat. Stand up to him, strong in faith. *1 Peter 5:8-9*

Short Responsory

Outside Eastertide

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Antiphon:

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Concluding Prayer

In your mercy, Lord,

dispel the darkness of this night.

Let your household so sleep in peace, that at the dawn of a new day, they may, with joy, waken in your name. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing

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WEDNESDAY

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Hymn

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Psalmody:

Antiphon: O God, be my protector and my refuge.

Eastertide: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm 30(31)

In you, O Lord, I take refuge.
Let me never be put to shame.
In your justice, set me free,
hear me and speedily rescue me.

Be a rock of refuge for me,
a mighty stronghold to save me,
for you are my rock, my stronghold.
For your name's sake, lead me and guide me.

Release me from the snares they have hidden
for you are my refuge, Lord.
Into your hands I commend my spirit.
It is you who will redeem me, Lord.

Glory be to the Father . . .

Antiphon: O God, be my protector and my refuge.

Eastertide: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Antiphon: Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

Eastertide: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalm 129(130)

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord,
Lord, hear my voice!
O let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my pleading.

If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt,
Lord, who would survive?
But with you is found forgiveness:
for this we revere you.

My soul is waiting for the Lord,
I count on his word.
My soul is longing for the Lord
more than watchman for daybreak.
Let the watchman count on daybreak
and Israel on the Lord.

Because with the Lord there is mercy
and fullness of redemption,
Israel indeed he will redeem
from all its iniquity.

Antiphon: Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.
Eastertide: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Scripture Reading

Do not let resentment lead you into sin; the sunset must not find you still angry.
Do not give the devil his opportunity. *Ephesians 4:26-27*

Short Responsory

Outside Eastertide

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Concluding Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ,
meek and humble of heart,
you offer to those who follow you
a yoke that is good to bear,
a burden that is light.
Accept, we beg you,
our prayer and work of this day,
and grant us the rest we need
that we may be ever more willing to serve you,
who live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.

Blessing

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THURSDAY

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Hymn

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Antiphon: My body shall rest in safety.

Easter tide: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalmody:

Psalm 15(16)

Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.

I say to the Lord: "You are my God.

My happiness lies in you alone."

He has put into my heart a marvellous love
for the faithful ones who dwell in his land.
Those who choose other gods increase their sorrows.
Never will I offer their offerings of blood.
Never will I take their name upon my lips.

O Lord, it is you yourself who are my portion and cup;
it is you yourself who are my prize.
The lot marked out for me is my delight:
welcome indeed the heritage that falls to me!

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel,
who even at night directs my heart.
I keep the Lord ever in my sight:
since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm.

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;
even my body shall rest in safety.
For you will not leave my soul among the dead,
nor let your beloved know decay.

You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence,
at your right hand happiness for ever.

Antiphon: My body shall rest in safety.

Easter tide: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Scripture Reading

May the God who gives us peace make you completely his, and keep your whole being, spirit, soul and body, free from all fault, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Thessalonians 5:23

Short Responsory

Outside Eastertide

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Concluding Prayer

Lord our God,
restore us again by the repose of sleep after the fatigue of our daily work:
so that, continually renewed by your help, we may serve you in body and soul. Through Christ our
Lord. Amen.

Blessing

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FRIDAY

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Hymn

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Antiphon: Lord, my God, I call for help by day; I cry at night before you.

Easter tide: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Psalmody:

Psalm 87(88)

Lord my God, I call for help;

I cry at night before you.

Let my prayer come into your presence.

O turn your ear to my cry.

For my soul is filled with evils;
my life is on the brink of the grave.
I am reckoned as one in the tomb:
I have reached the end of my strength,

like one alone among the dead;
like the slain lying in their graves;
like those you remember no more,
cut off, as they are, from your hand.

You have laid me in the depths of the tomb,
in places that are dark, in the depths.
Your anger weighs down upon me:
I am drowned beneath your waves.

You have taken away my friends
and made me hateful in their sight.
Imprisoned, I cannot escape;
my eyes are sunken with grief.

I call to you, Lord, all the day long;
to you I stretch out my hands.
Will you work your wonders for the dead?
Will the shades stand and praise you?

Will your love be told in the grave
or your faithfulness among the dead?
Will your wonders be known in the dark
Or your Justice in the land of oblivion?

As for me, Lord, I call to you for help:
in the morning my prayer comes before you.
Lord, why do you reject me?
Why do you hide your face.

Wretched, close to death from my youth,
I have borne your trials; I am numb.
Your fury has swept down upon me;
your terrors have utterly destroyed me.

They surround me all the day like a flood,
they assail me all together.
Friend and neighbour you have taken away:
my one companion is darkness.

Antiphon: Lord, my God, I call for help by day; I cry at night before you.
Eastertide: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Scripture Reading

Lord, you are in our midst, we are called by your name.
Do not desert us, O Lord our God. *Jeremiah 14:9*

Short Responsory

Outside Eastertide

Response Into your hands, Lord I commend my spirit. R/
Verse You have redeemed us, Lord God of truth. R/
Verse Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. R/

Holy Thursday

Christ humbled himself for us, and, in obedience, accepted death.

Good Friday

Christ humbled himself for us, and, in obedience, accepted death,
even death on a cross.

Holy Saturday

Christ humbled himself for us, and, in obedience, accepted death, even death on a cross.
Therefore God raised him to the heights and gave him the name which is above all other names.

Easter Octave

This is the day which was made by the Lord: let us rejoice and be glad, alleluia.

Eastertide

Response Into your hands, Lord I commend my spirit, alleluia, alleluia. R/
Verse You have redeemed us, Lord God of truth. R/
Verse Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. R/

The Nunc Dimittis

Luke 2:29-32

Antiphon:

Save us, Lord, while we are awake; protect us while we sleep;
that we may keep watch with Christ and rest with him in peace. (Alleluia)

At last, all powerful Master,
you give leave to your servant
to go in peace, according to your promise.

For my eyes have seen your salvation
which you have prepared for all nations,
the light to enlighten the Gentiles
and give glory to Israel, your people.

Antiphon:

Save us, Lord, while we are awake; protect us while we sleep; that we may keep watch
with Christ and rest with him in peace. (Alleluia)

Concluding Prayer

Give us grace, almighty God,
so to unite ourselves in faith with your only Son,
who underwent death and lay buried in the tomb
that we may rise with again in newness of life with him,
who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

Blessing

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

Anthem to our Blessed Lady

The Office usually concludes with an anthem to our Lady, such as the Salve Regina or the Flos Carmeli.