



**ST. ANDREW**  
ANGLICAN CHURCH

**BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER**

**AN ORDER FOR COMPLINE**

*All standing.*

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

Minister O God, make speed to save us;

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

Minister Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

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

Scripture Reading

Psalm

Lesson

**People Thanks be to God**

Minister Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit;

**Answer Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.**

Minister For thou has redeemed me, O Lord, thou God of truth;

**Answer I commend my spirit.**

Minister Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

**Answer Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.**

Minister Keep us as the apple of an eye;

**Answer Hide us under the shadow of thy wings.**

Anthem Preserve us, O Lord, waking, and guard us sleeping, that awake we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace.

Nunc Dimittis

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, / according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, / which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, / and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, / and to the Holy Ghost;

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

Anthem      Preserve us, O Lord, waking, and guard us sleeping, that awake we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace.

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 Catholic Church; the Communion of Saints; the Forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body, And the Life everlasting. Amen.

Minister      Let us pray

Lord, have mercy upon us.

**Christ have mercy upon us.**

Lord, have mercy upon us.

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 them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Minister      Blessed art thou, Lord God of our fathers;

**Answer      To be praised and glorified above all for ever.**

Minister      Let us bless the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost;

**Answer      Let us praise him and magnify him for ever.**

Minister      Blessed art thou, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven;

**Answer      To be praised and glorified above all for ever.**

Minister      The Almighty and most merciful Lord guard us and give us his blessing.

**Answer      Amen.**

We confess to God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, through our own grievous fault. Wherefore we pray God to have mercy upon us.

Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us all our sins and deliver us from all evil, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and bring us to life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*If a Priest be present, he/she shall stand and pronounce  
the following Absolution*

Priest            May the Almighty and merciful Lord grant unto you pardon and remission of all your sins, time for amendment of life, and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Minister        Wilt thou not turn again and quicken us;

**Answer        That thy people may rejoice in thee?**

Minister        O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;

**Answer        And grant us thy salvation.**

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

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

Minister        O Lord, hear our prayer;

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

Collect for Protection

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

Prayers

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 Ghost, one God, world without end.

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

*Other Prayers may be said*

*BPC pg. 732 For Relative and Friends*

O loving Father, we commend to thy gracious keeping all who are near and dear to us. Have mercy upon any who are sick, and comfort those who are in pain, anxiety, or sorrow. Awaken all who are careless about eternal things. Bless those who are young and in health, that they may give the days of their strength unto thee. Comfort the aged and infirm, that thy peace may rest upon them. Hallow the ties of kindred, that we may help, and not hinder, one another in all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*BCP pg. 733 For Children*

O Lord Jesu Christ, who didst take little children into thine arms, and bless them: Bless, we beseech thee, the children of this family; grant that they may grow up in thy fear and love; give unto them day by day thy strength and guidance, that so they may continue in thy love and service unto their lives' end. Grant this, O blessed Saviour, for thine own Name's sake. **Amen.**

*BCP pg. 733 For Absent Ones*

O God, who art present in every place: We pray thee to protect with thy loving care our dear ones who are away from us. Let thy fatherly hand direct them; prosper them in thy way; grant them daily strength for their daily needs; and inspire in them an unwavering faith in thee, that they may live always to thy honour and glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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

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

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

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



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