

**An Order for Night Prayer  
(Compline) in memory of:**

**The Prince Philip, The  
Duke of Edinburgh**



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is Peter Wyllie**

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Please ensure that you are all  
wearing your face masks.  
Thank you.

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***As we gather and prepare to  
join in worship together, music  
is played on the organ.***

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**Alleluia, Christ is risen  
He is risen indeed. Alleluia**

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

**Our help is in the name of the  
Lord  
Who made heaven and earth.**

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

***The following or other suitable  
words of penitence may be  
used***

**Most merciful God, we confess  
to you, before the whole  
company of heaven and one  
another, that we have sinned in  
thought, word and deed and in  
what we have failed to do.  
Forgive us our sins, heal us by  
your Spirit and raise us to new  
life in Christ. Amen.**

**O God, make speed to save us.  
O Lord, make haste to help us.**

***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.***

**Alleluia.**

**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.

From all ill dreams defend our  
eyes  
From nightly fears and  
fantasies;  
Tread underfoot our ghostly  
foe,  
That no pollution we may know.  
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.

### The Word of God

#### Psalmody

One or more of the following  
psalms may be used.

#### Psalm 4

1 Answer me when I call, O  
God of my righteousness; ♦  
**you set me at liberty when I  
was in trouble; have mercy on  
me and hear my prayer.**

2 How long will you nobles  
dishonour my glory; ♦

**how long will you love vain  
things and seek after  
falsehood?**

3 But know that the Lord has  
shown me his marvellous  
kindness; ♦  
**when I call upon the Lord, he  
will hear me.**

4 Stand in awe, and sin not;  
♦  
**commune with your own heart  
upon your bed, and be still.**

5 Offer the sacrifices of  
righteousness ♦  
**and put your trust in the Lord.**

6 There are many that say,  
'Who will show us any good?'  
♦  
**Lord, lift up the light of your  
countenance upon us.**

7 You have put gladness in  
my heart, ♦  
**more than when their corn and  
wine and oil increase.**

8 In peace I will lie down and  
sleep, ♦  
**for it is you Lord, only, who  
make me dwell in safety.**

#### Psalm 91

1 Whoever dwells in the  
shelter of the Most High ♦  
**and abides under the shadow  
of the Almighty,**

2 Shall say to the Lord, ‘My refuge and my stronghold, ♦  
my God, in whom I put my trust.’

3 For he shall deliver you from the snare of the fowler ♦  
and from the deadly pestilence.

4 He shall cover you with his wings and you shall be safe under his feathers; ♦  
his faithfulness shall be your shield and buckler.

5 You shall not be afraid of any terror by night, ♦  
nor of the arrow that flies by day;

6 Of the pestilence that stalks in darkness, ♦  
nor of the sickness that destroys at noonday.

7 Though a thousand fall at your side and ten thousand at your right hand, ♦  
yet it shall not come near you.

8 Your eyes have only to behold ♦  
to see the reward of the wicked.

9 Because you have made the Lord your refuge ♦

and the Most High your stronghold,

10 There shall no evil happen to you, ♦  
neither shall any plague come near your tent.

11 For he shall give his angels charge over you, ♦  
to keep you in all your ways.

12 They shall bear you in their hands, ♦  
lest you dash your foot against a stone.

13 You shall tread upon the lion and adder; ♦  
the young lion and the serpent you shall trample underfoot.

14 Because they have set their love upon me, therefore will I deliver them; ♦  
I will lift them up, because they know my name.

15 They will call upon me and I will answer them; ♦  
I am with them in trouble, I will deliver them and bring them to honour.

16 With long life will I satisfy them ♦  
and show them my salvation.

### Psalm 134

1 Come, bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord, ♦

**you that by night stand in the house of the Lord.**

**2 Lift up your hands towards the sanctuary ♦ and bless the Lord.**

**3 The Lord who made heaven and earth ♦ give you blessing out of Zion.**

**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.**

**Scripture Reading Matthew 5:1-12 read by Mike Appelbe**

**1 And seeing the multitudes, he went up into a mountain: and when he was set, his disciples came unto him:  
2 And he opened his mouth, and taught them, saying,  
3 Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

**4 Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.**

**5 Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.**

**6 Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.**

**7 Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.**

**8 Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.**

**9 Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.**

**10 Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

**11 Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake.**

**12 Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.**

**This is the word of the Lord**

**Thanks be to God**

**Reflection**

**The following responsory may be said**

**Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.**

**Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.**

**For you have redeemed me, Lord God of truth.**

**I commend my spirit.**

**Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.**

**Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.**

**Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.  
Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.**

**Alleluia, alleluia. Keep me as the apple of your eye.  
Hide me under the shadow of your wings.**

### **Gospel Canticle**

**The Nunc dimittis (The Song of Simeon) is said or sung**

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

- 1 Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace: ♦ your word has been fulfilled.**
- 2 My own eyes have seen the salvation ♦ which you have prepared in the sight of every people;**
- 3 A light to reveal you to the nations ♦ and the glory of your people Israel.**

**Luke 2.29-32**

**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.  
Save us, O Lord, while waking,  
and guard us while sleeping,  
that awake we may watch with**

**Christ and asleep may rest in peace.**

**Prayers led by Yo Reynolds**

**Prayers of Thanksgiving for the Life of The Prince Philip, The Duke of Edinburgh**

**Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us all with the gift of this earthly life  
and has given to The Prince Philip, The Duke of Edinburgh his span of years and gifts of character and personality.  
God our Father, we thank you now for all his life,  
for every memory of love and joy,  
for every good deed done by him  
and every sorrow shared with us.  
We thank you for his life and for his death,  
we thank you for the rest in Christ he now enjoys,  
we thank you for giving him to us,  
we thank you for the glory we shall share together.  
Hear our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

**Merciful Father and Lord of all life,**

we praise you that we are  
made in your image  
and reflect your truth and light.  
We thank you for the life of  
your child The Prince Philip,  
The Duke of Edinburgh  
for the love he received from  
you  
and showed among us.  
Above all, we rejoice at your  
gracious promise  
to all your servants, living and  
departed,  
that we shall rise again at the  
coming of Christ.  
And we ask that in due time  
we may with The Prince Philip,  
The Duke of Edinburgh  
share that clearer vision,  
when we shall see your face in  
the same Christ our Lord.  
**Amen**

and grace to let go into new  
life;  
through Jesus Christ.  
**Amen**

### Prayers for Readiness to Live in the Light of Eternity

Support us, O Lord,  
all the day long of this  
troublous life,  
until the shadows lengthen  
and the evening comes,  
the busy world is hushed,  
the fever of life is over  
and our work is done.  
Then, Lord, in your mercy  
grant us a safe lodging,  
a holy rest, and peace at the  
last;  
through Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

### Prayer for Those who Mourn

O God, who brought us to  
birth,  
and in whose arms we die,  
in our grief and shock  
contain and comfort Queen  
Elizabeth  
and all members of the Royal  
family;  
embrace them with your love,  
give them hope in their  
sadness, sorrow and mourning

Grant us, Lord,  
the wisdom and the grace  
to use aright the time  
that is left to us on earth.  
Lead us to repent of our sins,  
the evil we have done  
and the good we have not  
done;  
and strengthen us to follow the  
steps of your Son,  
in the way that leads to the  
fullness of eternal life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

God, our Father,  
we thank you that you sent  
your Son Jesus Christ  
to die for us and rise again.  
His cross declares your love to  
be without limit;  
His resurrection, that death our  
last enemy is doomed.  
By His victory we are assured  
of the promise  
that you will never leave us or  
forsake us;  
that neither death nor life,  
nor things present nor things  
to come,  
can separate us from your love  
in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Amen

#### Prayers of Entrusting and Commending

Lord Jesus, our redeemer,  
you willingly gave yourself up  
to death,  
so that all might be saved and  
pass from death to life.  
By dying you unlocked the  
gates of life  
for all those who believe in  
you.  
So we commend The Prince  
Philip, The Duke of Edinburgh  
into your arms of mercy,  
believing that, with sins  
forgiven,  
he will share a place of  
happiness, light and peace

in the kingdom of your glory  
for ever.  
**Amen.**

The Prince Philip, The Duke of  
Edinburgh  
has fallen asleep in the peace  
of Christ.  
We entrust him with faith and  
hope in everlasting life,  
to the love and mercy of our  
Father  
and surround him with our  
love and prayer.  
In baptism, he was made by  
adoption a child of God.  
At the Eucharist he was  
sustained and fed.  
God now welcomes him to his  
table in heaven  
to share in eternal life with all  
the saints.

**Amen**

#### For people of our nation

Lord Jesus Christ, in these dark  
and difficult days, we turn our  
hearts to you. In ages past, you  
have delivered our nation from  
disaster. Do it again, we pray.  
Give wisdom beyond human  
wisdom to our leaders, Give  
strength beyond human  
strength to the NHS and all our  
frontline workers. Give comfort  
beyond human comfort to the

elderly and all who grieve. Lord Jesus Christ, in these challenging and fearful days, turn your face towards us, have mercy upon us, and heal our land, we pray. **Amen.**

We keep a moment of silence.....

God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, we give you ourselves. Be with us in all that we say, think and do so that our lives might reflect your unlimited love. **Amen**

### The Collect

Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Silence may be kept.*

Visit our homes, O Lord, we pray, and drive far from them all 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. **Amen.**

### The Lord's Prayer

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 those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

### The Conclusion

In peace we will lie down and sleep;

**For you alone, Lord, make us dwell in safety.**

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

As the night watch looks for the morning,

**So do we look for you, O  
Christ.**

**Come with the dawning of the  
day**

**And make yourself known in  
the breaking of the bread.**

**The Lord bless us and watch  
over us;  
the Lord make his face shine  
upon us and be gracious to us;  
the Lord look kindly on us and  
give us peace. Amen.**

**Hymn**

**Praise, my soul, the King of  
heaven;  
to his feet your tribute bring.  
Ransomed, healed, restored,  
forgiven,  
evermore his praises sing.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Praise the everlasting King!**

**Praise him for his grace and  
favor  
to his people in distress.  
Praise him, still the same as  
ever,  
slow to chide, and swift to  
bless.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Glorious in his faithfulness!**

**Fatherlike he tends and spares  
us;  
well our feeble frame he  
knows.  
In his hand he gently bears us,**

**rescues us from all our foes.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Widely as his mercy flows!**

**Angels, help us to adore him;  
you behold him face to face.  
Sun and moon, bow down  
before him,  
dwellers all in time and space.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Praise with us the God of  
grace!**