Come, O Spirit of God, and make within us your dwelling place and home. May our darkness be dispelled by your light, and our troubles calmed by your peace; may all evil be redeemed by your love, all pain transformed through the suffering of Christ, and all dying glorified in his risen life. Amen.

or

Visit this place, O Lord, we pray
And drive from it 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

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 bread.

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

NIGHT PRAYER IN ADVENT



A simple service for the evening, which can be prayed on your own, or with those you live with.

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

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

Silence is kept as we reflect on the day

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 each one 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.

Psalm 134

Come bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord, You that by night stand in the house of the Lord. Lift up your hands towards the sanctuary And bless the Lord. 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 forever. Amen

Keep awake – for you do not know when the master of the house will come,
In the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn,
or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly.
And what I say to you all: Keep awake.

Mark 13: 35 to end

Nunc Dimittis

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

Intercessions and thanksgivings may be offered here for the world and the church our parish, our families and neighbours, for the sick and the recently departed