

Morning Prayer with Mass
St Columba Day
2016



A Prayer of Columba

My dear - est Lord, be thou a bright flame be - fore - me, —
— be thou a guid - ing star a - bove me, be thou a smooth path be -
neath me, — be thou a kind - ly shep - herd be -
hind me, — to - day and ev - er more, to - day and ev - er more.

The last words: A Reading from Adamnan's Life of Columba

These, my children, are my last words to you:
That you have heartfelt love among yourselves.
If you thus follow the example of the holy fathers,
God, the comforter of the good, will be your helper.
And I, abiding with him, will intercede for you,
and he will not only give you sufficient
to supply the needs of this present life,
but will also give you the good and eternal rewards
which are laid up for those who keep his commandments.

Let us pray
We pray for peace and for refugees,
and for all who have the duty to seek peace,
to comfort and offer hospitality to those in need.

Lord, hear us: Lord graciously hear us.

O God, come to our aid: O Lord, make haste to help us.
Glory to the Father, glory to the Son,
glory to the Holy Spirit now and for ever.
Amen.

Psalm 62



O God, you are my God, for you I long.

O God, you are my God, for you I long, for you my soul is thirsting.
My body pines for you, my God, like a dry weary land without water.

O God, you are my God, for you I long.

I gaze on you in the sanctuary to see your strength and glory,
for your love is better than life itself; my lips will speak your praise.

O God, you are my God, for you I long.

On you I muse throughout the night, on my bed I remember you,
for you have been my refuge and your right hand holds me fast.

O God, you are my God, for you I long.

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the holy One,
You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
With the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Intercessions

Christ the Lord is the light of the world, the sun which never sets.
Lord, hear us

Creator of the stars, we offer you in gratitude the first-fruits of this day,
and we remember your resurrection.
Lord, hear us

May your Spirit guide us today to do what is pleasing to you:
may your Wisdom lead us always.
Lord, hear us

Enable us to look forward to that day
when all your children will be gathered
around the table of your word and the Eucharist.

Lord, hear us

As Christians give thanks for the life and goodness of St Columba,
let us all try to be like Columba in whole-heartedness,
let us pray for Pope Francis, and for the unity of all Christians
Lord, hear us

At the Preparation of the Gifts

Lord of life, I come to you.
Lord of all, my saviour be.
Lord of love, come bless me
with the light of your love.

St Gregory Sanctus

St Gregory Memorial:



We pro-claim your death, O Lord, and pro-fess your Re-sur-rec-tion un-til you come a-gain, un-til you come a-gain.

St Gregory Agnus Dei

Antiphon

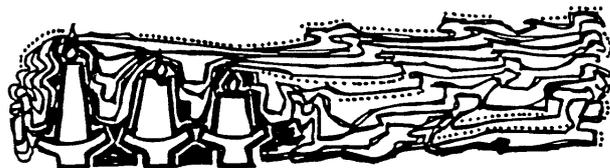
As we eat this bread and drink this cup
though many, we are one: one bread, one cup,
One faith, one Church, one Lord for ever more.

Benedictus (verse 1)

Blest be the Lord the God of Israel, who came to us;
and brought us back from sin.
God raised for us a Saviour who is mighty;
his Saviour-Son from David's house and line.
God promised this through holy men and women
who spoke for him down through the mists of time

sung

May the Lord bless us and keep us from all harm;
and may he lead us to eternal life.



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