



KEEP WATCH, DEAR LORD,

with those who work, or watch,
or weep this night, and give
your angels charge over
those who sleep.

Tend the sick, Lord Christ;
Give rest to the weary,
Bless the dying, Soothe the
suffering, Pity the afflicted,
Shield the joyous; and all
for your love's sake.

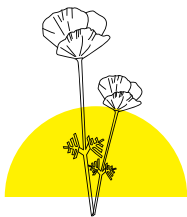
AMEN.



O HEAVENLY FATHER,
you give your children sleep for
the refreshing of soul and body:

Grant me this gift, I pray;
keep me in that perfect peace
which you have promised to
those whose minds are fixed on
you; and give me such a sense
of your presence, that in the
hours of silence I may enjoy
the blessed assurance of
your love; through Jesus
Christ our Lord.

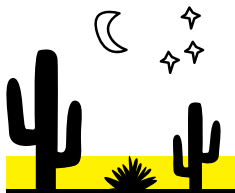
AMEN.



WE GIVE YOU THANKS,

most gracious God, for the beauty of earth and sky and sea; for the richness of mountains, plains, and rivers; for the songs of birds and the loveliness of flowers. We praise you for these good gifts, and pray that we may safeguard them for our posterity.

Grant that we may continue to grow in our grateful enjoyment of your abundant creation, to the honor and glory of your Name, now and for ever. **AMEN.**



**MAY THE GOD WHO
GOES BEFORE YOU**

through desert places by night
and by day be your companion
and guide; may your
journey be with
the saints;
may the Holy Spirit
be your strength,
and Christ your clothing of
light, in whose name we pray.
AMEN.



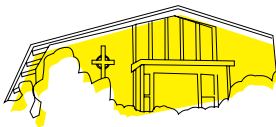
BLESSED JESUS,

in the comfort of your love,
I lay before you the memories
that haunt me, the anxieties that
perplex me, the despair that
frightens me, and my frustration
at my inability to think clearly.

Help me to discover your
forgiveness in my memories and
know your peace in my distress.

Strengthen me,
O Lord, and fill me with your
light and your hope.

AMEN.



COMPASSIONATE GOD,

We pray for our beloved parish.
That though we are apart, we be
united through our love of you
and our love of each other.

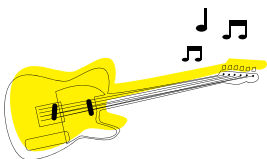
Grant that we may sense that
you are with each and every one
of us, until we are together once
again. May we never forget
the moments we have had in
community and let that be our
strength in the days ahead.

AMEN.



GOD OUR HEALER,
whose mercy is like a refining
fire: by the lovingkindness
of Jesus, heal us and those
for whom we pray; that being
renewed by you, we may witness
your wholeness to our broken
world; through Jesus Christ, in
the power of the Spirit.

AMEN.



OH GOD

whom saints and angels delight to worship in heaven: Be ever present with your servants who seek through art and music to perfect the praises offered by your people on earth; and grant to them even now glimpses of your beauty, and make them worthy at length to behold it unveiled for evermore; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

AMEN.



During this time when we are physically apart, may we feel close to one another knowing that we are all praying these prayers with each other and for each other.

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