

# ST BOTOLPH

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## COMPLINE

**Wednesday 23rd September 2020 at 9.00pm**

Officiant  
Ben O'Neill, Chaplain, Stamford School

The Cantors will be Tim Brown, Simon Lovell-Jones and Naomi Bridges-Jones  
The reader will be Will Lyon Tupman  
The Respondent on behalf of the congregation will be Sarah Eastwood

Join Zoom Meeting  
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### Zoom Etiquette:

- 1) Please join a few minutes before the service begins at 9.00pm, **unmuted**, and await admittance from the 'Waiting Room'. Ensure that you activate '**start video**'.
- 2) Once we begin, please **mute** your link to avoid background noise being transmitted to all.

# COMPLINE

¶ *The ancient office of Compline derives its name from a Latin word meaning 'completion' (completorium). It is above all a service of quietness and reflection before rest at the end of the day. It is most effective when the ending is indeed an ending, without additions, conversation or noise. Those present go quietly to bed.*

## Preparation

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

**R Amen.**

Brethren, be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: whom resist, steadfast in the faith. *1 Peter V, vv.8,9*

But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

**R Thanks be to God.**

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

**R who hath made heaven and earth.**

O God, make speed to save us.

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

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

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



1. Be - fore the end - ing of the day, Cre - a - tor
2. From all ill dreams de - fend our eyes, From night - ly
3. O Fa - ther, that we ask be done, Through Je - sus

Praise ye the Lord.

**R The Lord's name be praised.**

## Office Hymn



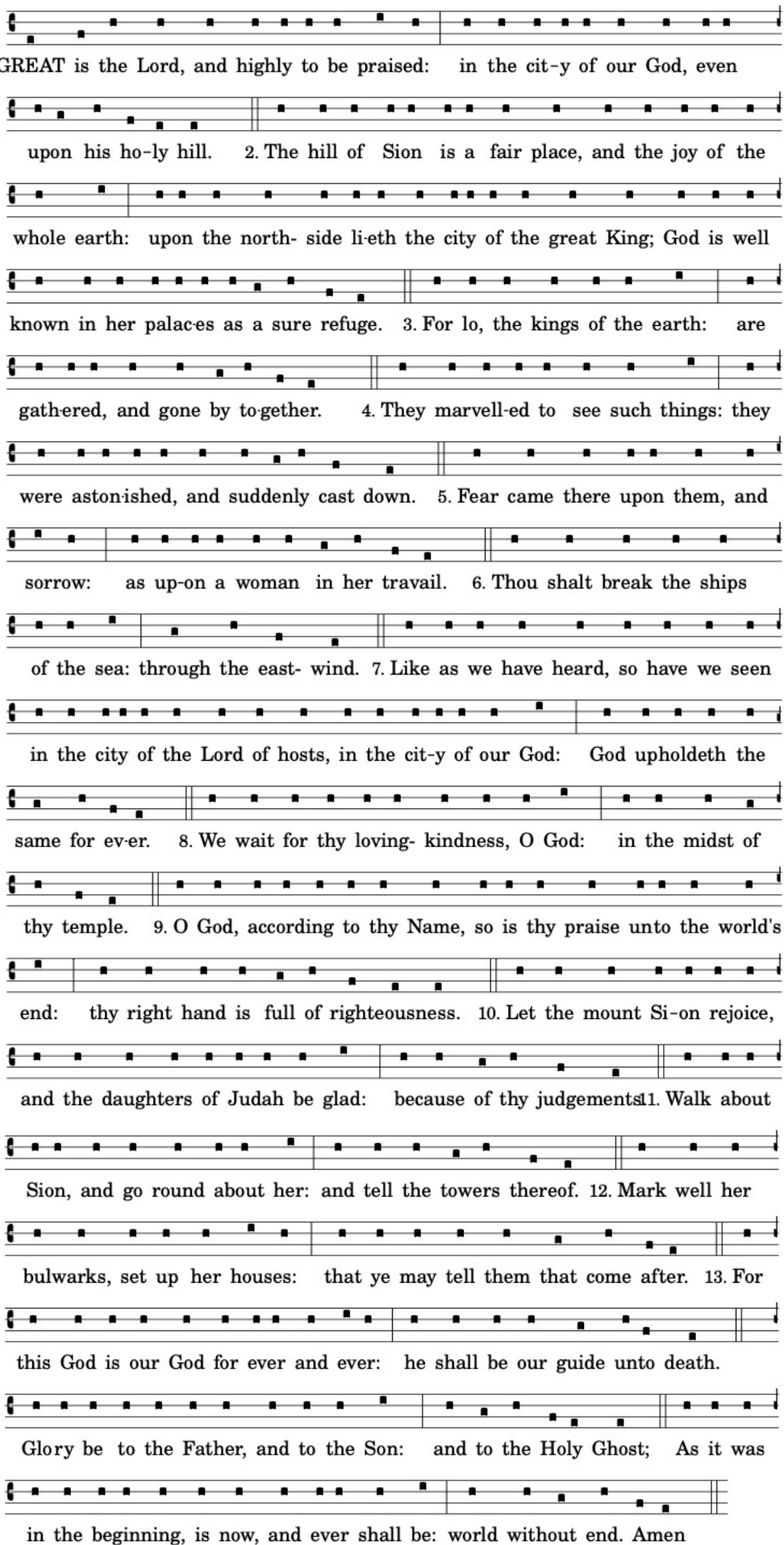
of the world, we pray That with thy won - ted  
fears and fan - ta - sies; Tread un - der foot our  
Christ, thine on - ly Son; Who, with the Ho - ly



fa - vour thou Wouldst be our guard and kee - per now.  
ghost - ly foe, That no pol - lu - tion we may know.  
Ghost and thee, Doth live and reign e - ter - nal - ly. A - men.

## The Word of God

## Psalm 48



GREAT is the Lord, and highly to be praised: in the cit-y of our God, even  
upon his ho-ly hill. 2. The hill of Sion is a fair place, and the joy of the  
whole earth: upon the north- side li-eth the city of the great King; God is well  
known in her palaces as a sure refuge. 3. For lo, the kings of the earth: are  
gathered, and gone by to-gether. 4. They marvell-ed to see such things: they  
were astonished, and suddenly cast down. 5. Fear came there upon them, and  
sorrow: as up-on a woman in her travail. 6. Thou shalt break the ships  
of the sea: through the east- wind. 7. Like as we have heard, so have we seen  
in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the cit-y of our God: God upholdeth the  
same for ever. 8. We wait for thy loving- kindness, O God: in the midst of  
thy temple. 9. O God, according to thy Name, so is thy praise unto the world's  
end: thy right hand is full of righteousness. 10. Let the mount Si-on rejoice,  
and the daughters of Judah be glad: because of thy judgements. 11. Walk about  
Sion, and go round about her: and tell the towers thereof. 12. Mark well her  
bulwarks, set up her houses: that ye may tell them that come after. 13. For  
this God is our God for ever and ever: he shall be our guide unto death.  
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

## Scripture Reading

¶ *A Reading from the Letter to the Romans, chapter 12*

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God. For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith. For as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office: So we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another. Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith; Or ministry, let us wait on our ministering: or he that teacheth, on teaching; Or he that exhorteth, on exhortation: he that giveth, let him do it with simplicity; he that ruleth, with diligence; he that sheweth mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be without dissimulation. Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good. Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another; Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord; Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer; Distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality. Bless them which persecute you: bless, and curse not. Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep. Be of the same mind one toward another. Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate. Be not wise in your own conceits. Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men. If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord. Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

**R** **Thanks be to God.**

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

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

For thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, thou God of truth.

**R** **I commend my spirit.**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

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

Keep me as the apple of an eye.

**R** **Hide me under the shadow of thy wings.**

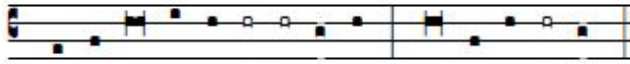
### Nunc Dimittis (Song of Simeon)



Pre-serve us, O Lord while wa-king, and guard us while sleep-ing : that a-



wake we may watch with Christ, and a-sleep we may rest in peace.



1 Lord, now | lettest thou thy ser-vant de-part in peace :  
according to thy word.

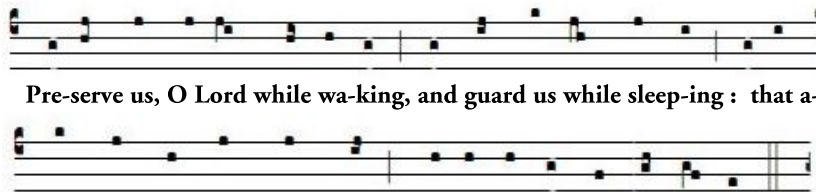
2 **For mine eyes ( ) ( ) have seen :**  
**thy sal-va-tion.**

3 Which thou hast pre- ( ) ( ) par-ed :  
before the face of all peo-ple.

4 **To be a light to light-en the Gen-tiles**  
**and to be the glory of thy peo-ple Is-ra-el.**

*Luke 2: 29–32*

Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son :  
and to the Ho-ly Ghost;  
**as it was in the beginning, is now, and ev-er shall be :**  
**world with-out end. A-men.**



Pre-serve us, O Lord while wa-king, and guard us while sleep-ing : that a-

wake we may watch with Christ, and a-sleep we may rest in peace.

¶ *Please unmute sound*

### The Apostle's Creed

*(said by all; please speak quietly to accommodate the niceties of Zoom)*

I believe in God,

**All 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 Catholick Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen.**

### Prayers

Lord, have mercy upon us.

**R Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Lord, have mercy upon us.

### The Lord's Prayer

*(said by all; please speak quietly to accommodate the niceties of Zoom)*

Our Father

**All which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done, in 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.**

¶ *Please mute sound*

Blessed art thou, Lord God of our fathers:

**R to be praised and glorified above all for ever.**

Let us bless the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost:

**R let us praise him and magnify him for ever.**

Blessed art thou, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven:

**R to be praised and glorified above all for ever.**

The almighty and most merciful Lord guard us and give us his blessing.

**R Amen.**

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

### **Confession**

We confess

**R 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.**

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.

**R Amen.**

Wilt thou not turn again and quicken us;

**R that thy people may rejoice in thee?**

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us;

**R and grant us thy salvation.**

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

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

O Lord, hear our prayer;

**R and let our cry come unto thee**

Let us pray.

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.

**R 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.

**R Amen.**

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who wake, or watch, or weep this night and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, give rest to the weary, sustain the dying, calm the suffering and pity the distressed; all for your love's sake, O Christ our Redeemer.

**R Amen.**

## The Conclusion

We will lay us down in peace and take our rest.

**R** For it is thou, Lord, only that makest us dwell in safety.

Abide with us, O Lord,

**R** for it is toward evening and the day is far spent.

As the watchmen look for the morning,

**R** so do we look for thee, O Christ.

The Lord be with you

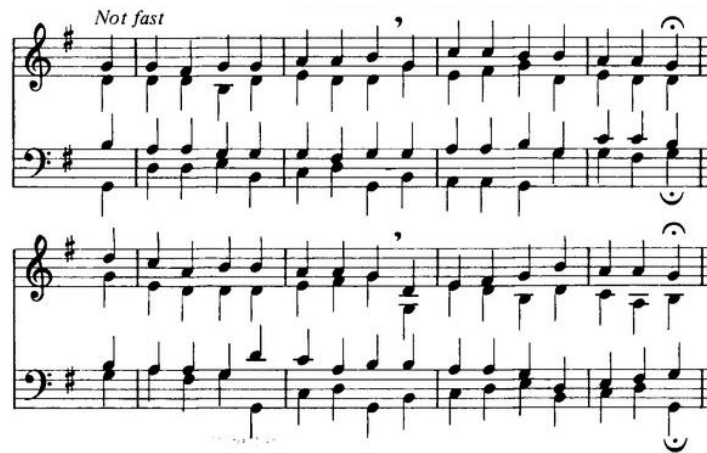
**R** and with thy spirit.

Let us bless the Lord.

**R** Thanks be to God.

### Hymn NEH 244 *Glory be to thee, my God, this night*

The congregation is encouraged to sing the hymn, but **muted** please!



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| 1  | Glory to thee, my God, this night<br>For all the blessings of the light;<br>Keep me, O keep me, King of kings,<br>Beneath thine own almighty wings.    | 3 | Teach me to live, that I may dread<br>The grave as little as my bed;<br>Teach me to die, that so I may<br>Rise glorious at the awful day.          |
| 2  | Forgive me, Lord, for thy dear Son,<br>The ill that I this day have done,<br>That with the world, myself and thee,<br>I, ere I sleep, at peace may be. | 4 | O may my soul on thee repose,<br>And with sweet sleep mine eyelids close,<br>Sleep that may me more vigorous make<br>To serve my God when I awake. |
| 5 Praise God from whom all blessings flow,<br>Praise him all creatures here below,<br>Praise him above, ye heavenly host,<br>Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. |  |   |  |

The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, bless us and preserve us.

**All** Amen.

¶ *The congregation departs in silence*

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*Music for private reflection*

**John Ireland** *Greater Love*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ojHoU00rWDk>