

The Collects for Compline

One or more shall be chanted or spoken
if spoken the Amen shall be said

1. Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord, and by thy great mercy defend us from all the perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Quire:



A - men.

2. 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.

Quire:



A - men.

3. Look down, O Lord from thy heavenly throne. Illumine 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.

Quire:



A - men.

4. Visit we beseech thee, O Lord this place, and drive from it all the snares of the enemy, let thy holy angels dwell herein to preserve us in peace; and may thy blessing be upon us evermore, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Quire:



A - men.

5. Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give thine 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 thy love's sake.

Quire:



A - men.