

The Assisi Project
A Franciscan Night Prayer
Saturday

In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

O God, come to my assistance.
Lord, make haste to help me.

Glory to the Father,
to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

A Prayer for Mercy

Lord Jesus, think on me
and purge away my sins.
From earthborn passions, set me free
and make me pure within.

Lord Jesus, think on me
with care and woe oppressed.
Let me your loving servant be
and taste your promised rest.

Lord Jesus, think on me,
amid the battle's strife.
In all my pain and misery,
be my health and my life.

Lord Jesus, think on me,
don't let me go astray.
Through darkness and perplexity,
point me toward the heavenly way.

Psalm 4: A Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Blessed are those who endure in peace,
for by you, Most High, they will be crowned.*

When I call, answer me,
O God of justice;
from anguish you released me,
have mercy and hear me!

O men, how long
will your hearts be closed,
will you love what is futile
and seek what is false?

It is the Lord who grants favors
to those he loves;
the Lord hears me
whenever I call him.

Fear him, do not sin;
ponder on your bed and be still.
Make justice your sacrifice
and trust in the Lord.

'What can bring us happiness?' many say.
Let the light of your face shine upon us, Lord.
You have put into my heart a greater joy
than they have from an abundance
of corn and new wine.

I will lie down in peace
and sleep comes at once,
for you alone, Lord,
make me dwell in safety.

Glory to the Father,
to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

*Blessed are those who endure in peace,
for by you, Most High, they will be crowned.*

Psalm 134 - A Prayer of Blessing

*Praise and bless the Lord and give thanks;
and serve him with great humility.*

O come, bless the Lord,
all you who serve the Lord,
who stand in the house of the Lord,
in the courts of the house of our God.

Lift up your hands to the holy place
and bless the Lord through the night.
May the Lord bless you from Sion,
he who made both heaven and earth.

Glory to the Father,
to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

*Praise and bless the Lord and give thanks;
and serve him with great humility.*

The Word of God
From the Book of Deuteronomy (6:4-7)

Hear, O Israel:
The Lord our God is one Lord;
and you shall love the Lord your God
with all your heart,
with all your soul,
and with all your strength.

And these words
which I command you this day
will be upon your heart;
and you will teach them diligently to your children,
and you will talk of them
when you sit in your house,
and when you walk by the way,
and when you lie down,
and when you rise.

The Franciscan Spirit
From the Writings of Saint Francis of Assisi

Let us love the Lord God
with all our hearts
and all our souls,
with all our minds,
and all our strength,
with fortitude
and total understanding,
with all of our powers,
with every effort,
ever affection, every emotion,
every desire, and every wish.

Glory to the Father,
to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

The Canticle of Simeon

*Protect us, Lord, as we stay awake.
Watch over us as we sleep;
that awake, we may keep watch with Christ
and asleep, rest in his peace.*

Lord, now 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.

Glory to the Father,
to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

*Protect us, Lord, as we stay awake.
Watch over us as we sleep;
that awake, we may keep watch with Christ
and asleep, rest in his peace.*

The Closing Prayer

Most High and Glorious God,
bring light to the darkness of my heart.
Give me right faith,
certain hope, and perfect charity.
O Lord, give me insight and wisdom,
so that I might always discern
your holy and true will. Amen.

May the Lord grant us a quiet night
and a peaceful end. Amen.

**A Salutation to Our Lady
By Saint Francis of Assisi**

O Lady, O Holy Queen,
God's Holy Mother Mary!
You are the virgin made church,
chosen by the Most Holy Father in heaven.
He consecrated you with his Holy Beloved Son,
with the Holy Spirit the Paraclete.

In you there was and is
all fullness of grace and all goodness.
Hail, His Palace! Hail, His Tabernacle!
Hail, His Home! Hail, His Garment!
Hail, His Servant! Hail, His Mother!

And hail all the holy virtues
which through the grace and light of the Holy Spirit
are poured into the hearts of the faithful,
so that from their faithless souls,
you may make them faithful to God. Amen.

Saint Francis of Assisi, pray for us!
Saint Clare of Assisi, pray for us!
Our Lady of the Angels, pray for us!

About the Assisi Project

Founded in 2007, the Assisi Project is a Fellowship of Franciscans in Spirit, with friends and followers throughout the world. We are dedicated to helping believers of all ages more faithfully live the Gospel of Christ in the spirit of Saint Francis and Saint Clare of Assisi.

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