

The Lord's Prayer is said and introduced with the following

Uniting our prayers with the whole company of heaven,
as our saviours taught us, so we pray.

All Our Father, who art in heaven.....

May Christ who has opened the kingdom of heaven, bring us to reign
with him in glory.

All Amen.

Let us bless the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

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Evening Prayer

The Saxilby & Stow Groups of Parishes

All Saints to 1st Sunday in Advent

Words of welcome and notices are given.

O God, make speed to save us.

All O Lord, make haste to help us.

Your faithful servants bless you.

All They make known the glory of your kingdom.

A prayer of thanksgiving is spoken and a hymn may be sung .

This opening prayer may be said

That this evening may be holy, good and peaceful,
let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

As our evening prayer rises before you, O God,
so may your mercy come down upon us
to cleanse our hearts and set us free to sing your praise
now and for ever. **Amen.**

A Psalm is included.

At the end of the Psalm we all say

**All Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.**

We now read from the Old Testament.

This is followed by a Canticle.

All We have come before the throne of God to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.

- 1 We have come before God's holy mountain,
to the heavenly Jerusalem, the city of the living God.
- 2 We have come before countless angels making festival,
before the assembly of the firstborn citizens of heaven..
- 3 We have come before God, who is judge of all,
before the spirits of the just made perfect.
- 4 We have come before Jesus,
the mediator of the new covenant.
- 5 We are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken:
so let us give thanks and offer to God acceptable worship.
- 6 Full of reverence and awe;
for our God is a consuming fire.

**All Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.**

All We have come before the throne of God to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.

We read a passage from the New Testament.

We say The Magnificat (The Song of Mary) from Luke 1: 46-55

**All The righteous will shine like the sun
in the kingdom of their Father.**

- 1 My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,

- my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour;
he has looked with favour on his lowly servant.
- 2 From this day all generations will call me blessed;
the Almighty has done great things for me and holy is his name.
 - 3 He has mercy on those who fear him,
from generation to generation.
 - 4 He has shown strength with his arm
and has scattered the proud in their conceit,
 - 5 Casting down the mighty from their thrones
and lifting up the lowly.
 - 6 He has filled the hungry with good things
and sent the rich away empty.
 - 7 He has come to the aid of his servant Israel,
to remember his promise of mercy,
 - 8 The promise made to our ancestors,
to Abraham and his children for ever.

**All Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.**

**All The righteous will shine like the sun
in the kingdom of their Father.**

*A hymn may be sung during the lighting of the candle.
Prayers of Intercessions are offered .Silence may be kept..*

The Collect Prayer of the day or the following is said.

Almighty God,
you have knit together your elect
in one communion and fellowship
in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord:
Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints
in all virtuous and godly living
that we may come to those inexpressible joys
that you have prepared for those who truly love you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **All Amen.**