

## *A Celtic Compline*

*(Sources: Northumbria Community and Oxford Prayer Book)*

*O Christ, Son of the living God,  
may Your holy angels guard our sleep,  
may they watch over us as we rest  
and hover around our beds.*

*Let them reveal to us in our dreams  
visions of Your glorious truth,  
O High Prince of the universe,  
O High Priest of the mysteries.*

*May no dreams disturb our rest  
and no nightmares darken our dreams.  
May no fears or worries delay  
our willing, prompt repose.*

*May the virtue of our daily work  
hallow our nightly prayers.  
May our sleep be deep and soft  
so our work be fresh and hard.*

*I will lie down and sleep in peace  
for You alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety.  
My dear ones, O God, bless Thou and keep,  
in every place where they are.*

*Into Your hands I commit my spirit;  
I give it to You with all the love of my heart.*

*How precious to me are Your thoughts, O God!  
How vast is the sum of them!  
Were I to count them,  
they would outnumber the grains of sand.*

*Now into the keeping of God we put all doings of today. All disappointments, hindrances,  
forgotten things, negligences. All gladness and beauty, love, delight, achievement.*

*All that people have done for us,  
All that we have done to them.  
And we commit all the people whom we love  
To His shepherding,  
To his healing and restoring,  
To his calling and making. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

*Lord it is night. The night is for stillness.  
Let us be still in the presence of God.  
It is night after a long day. What has been done has been done; what has not been done  
has not been done. Let it be.  
The night is quiet. Let the quietness of your peace enfold us, all dear to us, and all who  
have no peace.*

*Circle me, Lord,  
Keep protection near  
And danger afar.*

*Circle me, Lord,  
Keep light near  
And darkness afar.*

*Circle me, Lord,  
Keep peace within;  
Keep evil out.*

*The peace of all peace  
be mine this night  
+ in the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.*

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*Let us look expectantly to a new day, new joys, and new possibilities. Amen*

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