

Early Evening Prayer

(Vespers - Short Form)

Using the Anglican Rosary

The Cross

O God, make speed to save us;
O Lord, make haste to help us.

The Invitatory Bead

O gracious Light, pure brightness of the ever-living Father with us, O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed!
Now as we come to the setting of the sun,
and our eyes behold the vesper light,
we sing Your praises O God: Father, Son, and Loving Spirit.
You are worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices,
O Son of God, O Giver of life,
and to be glorified through all the worlds.

Cruciform 1 Bead

We proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as His servants.

Week 1 Beads

Out of our darkness, let God's Light shine.
(Pause for reflection; Journal your thoughts, if helpful.)

Cruciform 2 Bead

He has caused His Light to shine within us, to give us love and wisdom.

Week 2 Beads

Out of our darkness, let God's Light shine.
(Pause for reflection; Journal your thoughts, if helpful.)

Cruciform 3 Bead

The Word is the real Light that gives love and understanding to everyone.

Week 3 Beads

Out of our darkness, let God's Light shine.
(Pause for reflection; Journal your thoughts, if helpful.)

Cruciform 4 Bead

Jesus is the Light that shines in darkness, and darkness cannot overpower it.

Week 4 Beads

Out of our darkness, let God's Light shine.
(Pause for reflection; Journal your thoughts, if helpful.)

Final Cruciform Bead

Your Light, O Lord, guides my way;
Remind me of this the rest of the day.
(Prayers for ourselves and others may follow.)

The Invitatory Bead

Our Father, who is in heaven; Hallowed be Your Name.
Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

The Cross

Lord Jesus, stay with us, for evening is at hand and day is past; be our companion in the Way, kindle our hearts, and awaken hope, that we may know You as You are revealed in Scripture and the breaking of bread. Grant this for the sake of Your love. Amen.