



Taizé Prayer on the Wednesday after the Seventh Sunday of Easter

20 May 2026



Welcome and Opening Reflection

Opening Prayer

O God the King of glory,
you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ
with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven:
we beseech you, leave us not comfortless,
but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us
and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Chant I: Sanctum nomen Domini

(My soul magnifies the holy name of the Lord)

San-ctum no-men Do-mi-ni mag-ni-fi-cat a-ni-ma me-a.

mag-ni-fi-cat a-ni-ma me-a.

Psalm: 68.1-10

Let God arise and let his enemies be scattered;
let those that hate him flee before him.
As the smoke vanishes, so may they vanish away;
as wax melts at the fire,
so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.
But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God;
let them make merry with gladness.
Sing to God, sing praises to his name;
exalt him who rides on the clouds.
The Lord is his name; rejoice before him.
Father of the fatherless, defender of widows,
God in his holy habitation!
God gives the solitary a home

and brings forth prisoners to songs of welcome,
but the rebellious inhabit a burning desert.
O God, when you went forth before your people,
when you marched through the wilderness,
The earth shook and the heavens dropped down rain,
at the presence of God, the Lord of Sinai,
at the presence of God, the God of Israel.
You sent down a gracious rain, O God;
you refreshed your inheritance when it was weary.
Your people came to dwell there;
in your goodness, O God, you provide for the poor.

Chant 2: Ubi caritas (Where there is charity and love, God is to be found)

U-bi ca-ri-tas et a-mor, u-bi ca-ri-tas De-us i-bi est.

Reading John 17.1-11 (May be read in another language)

After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, 'Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

Chant 3 After the Gospel: Alleluia

Ал - ли - лу - и - я, ал - ли - лу - и - я, ал - ли - лу - и - я,
Al - le - lu - i - а, al - le - lu - i - а, al - le - lu - i - а,

Molto più lento
сла - ва те - бе Бо - же! Ал - ли - лу - и - я, ал - ли - лу - и - я,
sla - va tie - bie Бо - že! Al - le - lu - i - а, al - le - lu - i - а,

ал - ли - лу - и - я, сла - ва те - бе Бо - же!
al - le - lu - i - а, sla - va tie - bie Бо - же!

Silence for around 5 minutes

Chant 4: Within our darkest night

With - in our - darkest - night, you kind - le the flam e that ne ver - dies a -

- way, that ne ver - dies a - way. With - in our - dar - kest - night, you - kind - le the

flam e that never - dies a - way, that never - dies a - way. With - in our - dar - kest

Prayers of Intercession with Chant 5: Kyrie I

Ky - ri - e, Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e, ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy 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 thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory
for ever and ever.
Amen.

Chant 6: O Christe Domine Jesu

(O Christ, Lord Jesus)

O Chris - te Do - mi - ne Je - su, O Chris - te Do - mi - ne Je - su! O

Closing Prayer & Blessing

Risen, ascended Lord,
as we rejoice at your triumph,
fill your Church on earth with power and compassion,
that all who are estranged by sin
may find forgiveness and know your peace,
to the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

God the Father,
by whose glory Christ was raised from the dead,
strengthen you to walk with him in his risen life:
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

Chant 7 Laudate Dominum

(Sing, praise and bless the Lord. Sing, praise and bless the Lord. Peoples! Nations! Alleluia!)

Lau - da - te Do-mi - num, lau - da - te Do-mi - num, om - nes

gen - tes, al - le - lu - ia! al - le - lu - ia!

*After our service of Taizé Prayer, there is a retiring collection
to support the work and mission of All Hallows Church.*

Notices

Two Cities Eco Tip

Faced with the climate crisis it's easy to feel powerless. So why not write to those who make the big decision and ask them to act? <https://www.writetothem.com/>

Christian Aid Week

Today is the end of Christian Aid Week.

For more than 80 years, the truth that everyone is equal in the sight of God, has inspired Christian Aid to stand in solidarity with our most marginalised global neighbours, of all faiths and none.

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All Hallows is pleased to be hosting a choir made up of members from the Livery Companies and the Tower Ward Clubs in the City of London. Enjoy two of the world's finest pieces of Classical Music, the Fauré Requiem and the Vivaldi Gloria on Thursday 21 May at 7.30pm. Tickets are available via <https://bit.ly/4cTbSj6>

Parish Giving Scheme

All Hallows by the Tower has joined the Parish Giving Scheme. PGS allows you to set up planned giving on a monthly, quarterly or annual Direct Debit. This helps us to plan our budget accordingly, as the gifts and 25% Gift Aid are processed regularly - turning every pound you give into Christian service in this community. You can even choose the option to increase your gift annually in line with inflation (you would be contacted in advance to confirm you are happy with the increase). You give securely, and you can choose to give anonymously, if you prefer.

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Future dates

Please keep the following events in your diary:

- Sunday 21 June: John and Ella Barker's final service
- Thursday 25 June, 5.30pm: Crime writer, Gwenllian Williams, will be talking about her new novel which is based around Tower Hill.

Taizé at All Hallows

Taizé is a short service using prayer, chants and silence. It is easy to learn, simple and very beautiful. This form of worship takes its name from a town in southern Burgundy, France, which is the home of an international ecumenical Christian community of over a hundred brothers. Regular times of prayer, chants and silence are at the heart of daily life in Taizé, and thousands from many countries have travelled there to experience this form of prayer and reflection. The profound simplicity and beauty of the worship is now used in services around the world, inspired by the ideals of justice and reconciliation that unite the community and those who visit it.

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