

# Taizé Prayer for 3<sup>rd</sup> Week before Lent

19 February 2025



# **Opening Prayer**

Almighty God, who alone can bring order to the unruly wills and passions of sinful humanity: give your people grace so to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, among the many changes of this world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

### Chant I In manus tuas, Pater (Into your hands, Father, I commend my spirit.)



#### Psalm |

Blessed are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the assembly of the scornful. Their delight is in the law of the Lord and they meditate on his law day and night.

Like a tree planted by streams of water bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither, whatever they do, it shall prosper. As for the wicked, it is not so with them; they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

Therefore the wicked shall not be able to stand in the judgement, nor the sinner in the congregation of the righteous.

For the Lord knows the way of the righteous,

but the way of the wicked shall perish.

#### Chant 2 Let all who are thirsty come



#### Reading Luke 6.17-26

He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon.

<sup>18</sup>They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. <sup>19</sup>And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

- 'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.
- 'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.
- 'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

- 'But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.
- 'Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.
- 'Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

# Silence for around 5 minutes

**Chant 3** Dans nos obscurités (Within our darkest night, you kindle the fire that never dies away, that never dies away.)







# 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 5** Ubi caritas Deus ibi est (Where there is charity, selfless love. Where there is charity, God is truly there.)



#### **Closing Prayer & Blessing**

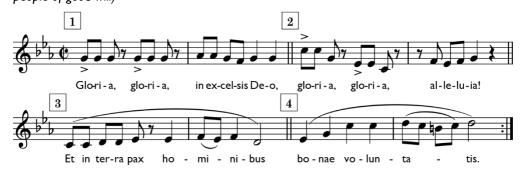
Eternal God,
whose Son went among the crowds
and brought healing with his touch:
help us to show his love,
in your Church as we gather together,
and by our lives as they are transformed
into the image of Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The peace of God,
which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

**Chant 6** Gloria ... et in terra pax (Gory to God in the highest and on earth [peace to people of good will)



Please stay as long as you wish for silent prayer.

#### 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.

#### **Notices**

#### **Electoral Roll**

Every 6 years a new Electoral Roll of each Parish must be prepared, which is taking place this year. Being on the Electoral Roll gives you the right to vote at the Annual Parochial Church Council, and to stand for as Churchwarden, or for the PCC or Deanery Synod. The number of people on the Electoral Roll also determines the size of the PCC and the number Deanery Synod Representatives a parish can have.

If you wish to rejoin the Electoral Roll, please contact the Parish Administrator on <a href="mailto:parish@ahbtt.org.uk">parish@ahbtt.org.uk</a> and he will send you the form for completion. Forms need to be submitted by 16<sup>th</sup> March 2025.

#### **Lent Course**

This year we will be joining the **Diocesan Lent Course - Climate Justice & Discipleship.** Across 5 sessions, each led by a different bishop from across the Diocese, we are invited to reflect on five significant moments in Jesus' life and ministry. As we take this journey together, how might we encounter Christ through creation, pursue justice from within, and convert our fearful reactions into a loving response?

They will take place online on the Tuesdays during Lent, 7.30-8.30pm (March 11th, 18th, 25th, April 1st, 8th). If you are unable to make the Tuesday sessions, they will be recorded and available for catch up during the week.

You can learn more about the course and register for the Diocesan sessions on their website: <a href="https://www.london.anglican.org/articles/diocesan-lent-offering-2025-climate-justice-discipleship/">https://www.london.anglican.org/articles/diocesan-lent-offering-2025-climate-justice-discipleship/</a>

There will be an additional offering of 3 parish online reflection groups, with an opportunity to discuss the material, our responses individually and as a parish. These will take place on Saturdays 15<sup>th</sup> March, 29<sup>th</sup> March, 12<sup>th</sup> April, 10.00-11.00am.

If you wish to join the parish reflection group for the 3 additional sessions, please let the Parish Administrator know (parish@ahbtt.org.uk), and a Zoom link will be emailed to participants.

# www.ahbtt.org.uk/taize

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