



Taizé Prayer for **Wednesday after Candlemas** 4 February 2026



Welcome and Opening Reflection

Opening Prayer

Almighty and ever-living God,
clothed in majesty,
whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple,
in substance of our flesh:
grant that we may be presented to you
with pure and clean hearts,
by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Chant 1: Jesus remember me

Je - sus re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.

Psalm: 24.7-10

Lift up your heads, O gates;
be lifted up, you everlasting doors;
and the King of glory shall come in.
'Who is the King of glory?'
'The Lord, strong and mighty,
the Lord who is mighty in battle.'

Lift up your heads, O gates;
be lifted up, you everlasting doors;
and the King of glory shall come in.
'Who is this King of glory?'
'The Lord of hosts,
he is the King of glory.'

Chant 2: Nunc dimittis

(Let your servant now go in peace, O Lord, now go in peace according to your word.)

Nunc di - mit - tis ser - vum tu - um Do - mi - ne, se -

-cun - dum ver - bum tu - um in pa - ce. Nunc di Do - mi - ne

Reading Luke 2.22-40 *(May be read in another language)*

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, Mary and Joseph brought Jesus up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), and they offered a

sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.'

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, 'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.'

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed – and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband for seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

Alleluia: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, slava tiebie Bože!

(Alleluia. Glory be to you. O Lord.)

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

Molto più lento

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

Silence for around 5 minutes

Chant 3 Sfinte Dumnezeule

(Holy God, Holy strong, Holy immortal: have mercy on us)



Sfin-te Dum - ne - ze-u-le, Sfin-te ta - re,
Sfin-te făr' de moar - te, mi-lu - ieş-te-ne pe noi.

The musical score for Chant 3 is written in G minor (one flat) and 4/4 time. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, Bb4, and C5. The piano accompaniment consists of chords: G4-Bb4, G4-Bb4, G4-Bb4, and G4-Bb4. The second system continues the vocal line with quarter notes D5, E5, F5, and G5. The piano accompaniment continues with chords: G4-Bb4, G4-Bb4, G4-Bb4, and G4-Bb4. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

Prayers of Intercession with Chant 4 Kyrie 18



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

The musical score for Prayers of Intercession with Chant 4 is written in G minor (one flat) and common time (C). It consists of two systems of music. The vocal line begins with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, Bb4, and C5. The piano accompaniment consists of chords: G4-Bb4, G4-Bb4, G4-Bb4, and G4-Bb4. The second system continues the vocal line with quarter notes D5, E5, F5, and G5. The piano accompaniment continues with chords: G4-Bb4, G4-Bb4, G4-Bb4, and G4-Bb4. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

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 Sit nomen Domini

(Blessed be the name of the Lord, now and forevermore)



Sit no - men Do - mi - ni sit be - ne - dic - tum.



Nunc et in sae - cu - la be - ne - dic - tum.

Closing Prayer & Blessing

Lord Jesus Christ,
light of the nations and glory of Israel:
make your home among us,
and present us pure and holy
to your heavenly Father,
your God, and our God.

Amen.

Christ the Son of God perfect in you the image of his glory
and gladden your hearts with the good news of his kingdom;
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 Let all who are thirsty come



Let all who are thir - sty come. Let
all who wish re - ceive the wa - ter of life free - ly. A -
men, come Lord Je - sus. ,A - men, come Lord Je - sus.

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to support the work and mission of All Hallows Church.*

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For anyone who is already baptised, confirmation provides an opportunity to own this decision for yourself. If you wish to be confirmed but have not already been initiated into the Church, you can be baptised by the Bishop within the confirmation service itself. There is no strict age limit for confirmation candidates. However, you will need to be able to understand the promises that you are making. There will be an opportunity for confirmation at a service in St Paul's Cathedral on Holy Saturday (the day before Easter) which this year is Saturday 4 April. If you are interested, and would like more information, please speak to any member of the clergy team

A thank-you invitation to All Hallows' parishioners Wolf Hall Weekend, Saturday June 6, 2026

David Holland, the founder and organiser of the Wolf Hall Weekend writes:

As a thank-you to All Hallows by the Tower for hosting Wolf Hall Weekend, a celebration of the life and work of the late Dame Hilary Mantel taking place on June 6th - 2026, we would like to extend a private, congregation-only invitation to attend one full day of the event at a significantly reduced rate.

This one-day ticket gives access to all talks and discussions, held within the church, alongside our visiting expert historians, famous writers, and celebrity speakers.

Also includes an evening performance of a staged reading of *The Mirror and The Light* adaptation by Hilary Mantel and Ben Miles.

Congregation concessionary one-day ticket: £195 and includes refreshment, lunch and pre-performance drinks.(standard full-weekend ticket: £495)

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A limited number of these tickets have been set aside exclusively for members of the All Hallows' congregation and are offered in appreciation of the church's generosity in welcoming us into this extraordinary space.

Tickets are limited and allocated on a first-come basis.

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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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