

Evening meditative Prayer with Taizé Chants  
Sisters of St Andrew Lewisham  
Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2020

**Opening responses:**

Let us acknowledge the presence of the Lord  
Who guides and comfort us in time of crisis,

**For he is teaching us the true way of life**

Let us open our ears, our hands, our hearts,  
and welcome him in silence and peace.

**For he is loving kindness and compassion.**

Let us ask for an intimate knowledge of our Lord,  
that we may love Him more  
and follow Him more closely.

**For he is calling each of us just as we are  
to be in the world a living sign of the Gospel.**

We sing (3 times):

**Silent, surrendered, calm and still,**

**Open to the word of God.**

**Heart humbled to his will.**

**Offered is the servant of God.**

*Words: Sister Pamela Hayes, Music Margaret Rizza CD Fountain of Life*

Psalm 4: Antiphon: Give light, o Lord, to my eyes, give joy to my heart.

**Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew 11, 25-30.**

*At that time Jesus exclaimed, "I give praise to you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned you have revealed them to the childlike.*

*Yes, Father, such has been your gracious will.*

*All things have been handed over to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son wishes to reveal him."*

*"Come to me, all you who labour and are burdened and I will give you rest.*

*Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves, for my yoke is easy, and my burden light."*

Some words on the Gospel

followed by  
a time of silence

You are the centre, You are my life  
You are the centre, Lord of my life  
Come, Lord, and guide me, Lord of my life  
Send me Your Spirit, Lord of my life  
You are the centre, Lord of my life  
You are the centre, You are my life  
You are the centre, Lord of my life

*Margaret Rizza CD Fountain of Life*

Intercessions:

Lord you are the centre of our lives; we come to you with our prayers:

- We pray for the people who have asked us to pray for them
- For those who are ill, those who mourn a loved one, those who care for the health and well being of people who are sick,
- For those in ministry, those in responsibility
- For those who worry for their children or for their elderly parents
- For those who are lonely, those who are afraid for the future
- For those who lack what they need to live, those who have lost their work or who are afraid to lose it
- We pray for our families
- For the children and those who work in education

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Lord you know all our needs. We entrust their names to you now, in silence or aloud, as we light a candle.



It is not only for our needs that we pray, we pray for your name be known, for your Kingdom to come....We turn to the father and gather in the prayer that Jesus taught us:

**Our Father...**

Let us say the benediction together and on each other:

**The Lord bless us and watch over us;**

**The Lord make his face to shine upon us and be gracious to us;**

**The Lord look kindly upon us and give us peace. Amen.**

Taizé song:

**Sing praises all you peoples, sing praises to the Lord**

**Sing praises all you peoples, sing praises to the Lord**

**How blessed are you who are poor, the Kingdom of God is yours.**

**Come and fill our heart with our peace,**

**you alone, O Lord, are Holy**

**Come and fill our heart with our peace,**

**Alleluia.**

We can continue our prayer in silence.

Thank you for joining in for Evening Prayer.

We are waiting for the time when we will be able to welcome you for the Wednesday evening prayer in our chapel, hopefully

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2020 at 7.30 pm.

Look at our website closer from the day.