Conclusion

You may wish to follow your time of prayer by playing a favourite piece of music of the deceased, if you are with others sharing some memories and may be even raising a glass of something.



Prayer to Mary, the Mother of Jesus

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary,
that never was it known
that anyone who fled to your protection,
implored your help, or sought your intercession

was left unaided.

Inspired with this confidence,

I fly to you, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother.

To you I come, before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful.

O Mother of the Word Incarnate,

despise not my petitions,

but in your mercy, hear and answer me.

Prayer of St John Henry Newman

O Lord, support us all the day long

until the shadows lengthen, and the evening comes,

and the busy world is hushed,

and the fever of life is over, and our work is done.

Then, Lord, in thy mercy,

grant us a safe lodging, a holy rest,

and peace at the last. Amen

Amen.





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When a Funeral cannot be attended

My soul is waiting for the Lord, I count on his word. With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Introduction

Some will find it helpful to have a space as a focus for their prayer. This might include a crucifix, icon or other holy image, and a lighted candle. It might also include an image of the deceased.



Sign of the Cross

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

We believe that all the ties of friendship and affection which knit us as one throughout our lives do not unravel with death.

Confident that God always remembers the good we have done and forgives our sins, let us pray, asking God to gather N. to himself.

Prayer

Pause for silent prayer.

God of all consolation, open our hearts to your word, so that, listening to it, we may comfort one another, finding light in time of darkness and faith in time of doubt.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.