



## Evening Prayers

### Evening Prayer by St. Augustine

*St. Augustine (354-430) was a North African who was converted from a sinful life through the prayers of his holy mother St. Monica. He became a great bishop, theologian, and preacher. The wall of his room bore the words "Here we do not speak evil of anyone." His feast day is August 28, and he is the patron of theologians.*

Watch, O Lord, with those who wake, or watch, or weep tonight, and give Your angels and saints charge over those who sleep.

Tend Your sick ones, O Lord Christ.

Rest Your weary ones.

Bless Your dying ones.

Soothe Your suffering ones.

Pity Your afflicted ones.

Shield Your joyous ones, and all for Your love's sake. Amen.

## Evening Prayer by St. Alphonsus Liguori

*St. Alphonsus (1696-1787) founded the Redemptorist order of priests and was a great teacher of moral theology. He was the bishop of Saint Agatha, Italy, and zealously reformed his diocese. A prolific writer, he penned about sixty books. He made a vow never to waste time and worked tirelessly for the good of the Church. He died in his 91st year.*

My Lord and God Jesus Christ! I adore Thee and give Thee thanks for all the graces which Thou hast granted me today. I offer up to Thee my rest and every moment of this night, and implore Thee to preserve me from all sin. Therefore I place myself into the wound of Thy sacred side and beneath the protecting mantle of my Mother Mary. May Thy holy angels assist me and watch over my peace, and may Thy holy blessing remain with me.



St. Augustine



St. Alphonsus

## Hear us, Lord (Exaudi Nos, Domine)

Hear us, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God; and graciously send Your holy angel from Heaven to watch over, to cherish, to protect, to abide with, and to defend all who dwell in this house. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Visit, We Beg You, O Lord (Visita, Quaesumus, Domine)

Visit, we beg You, O Lord, this dwelling, and drive from it all snares of the enemy; let Your holy Angels dwell herein, to keep us in peace; and let Your blessing be always upon us. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Short Evening Aspirations

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, I give you my heart and my soul.

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, assist me in my last agony.

Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, may I breathe forth my soul in peace with you.