

Give to us and to our neighbours the willingness to give generously of our time and money to the work of your church in this parish.

Hear us, good Lord

Give us boldness to preach the Gospel through the lives we lead, the choices we make and the words we speak.

Hear us, good Lord

Give light to those who sit in darkness, especially the darkness of doubt and confusion.

Hear us, good Lord

Give us and all people the will to use the fruits of the earth to your glory and for the good of all creation.

Hear us, good Lord

Heal the sick in body and mind and provide for the homeless, the hungry and the destitute. Show us what you would have us do to help them.

Hear us, good Lord

Chant 120 : Kristus, din Ande ♪

Silence

A prayer by Brother Roger, founder of the Taizé Community

Jesus, light of our hearts, since you rose from the dead, you have never stopped coming to us. At whatever point we may be, you are always waiting for us. And you tell us: Come to me, you who are burdened, and you will be satisfied.

Silence

Chant 141 : Bleib mit deiner Gnade ♪

We leave in silence.

Please allow those who wish to do so to continue to pray undisturbed.

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Taizé Prayer 76 (33) 5th July 2015 (5th After Trinity)

Prayer in the style of the Taizé Community for Trinity 5

Welcome! Please feel free to sit quietly or to join in as you feel most comfortable. We will be following a pattern based on the worship of the Taizé Community, one of whose aims has always been to make Christian worship as simple and uncluttered as possible.

Taizé is a small village in eastern France. For almost 70 years, it has been the home of a Christian monastic community made up of brothers from many different countries, speaking many different languages and, uniquely, belonging to several different Christian denominations. Catholics, Anglicans, Protestants, Orthodox and others live and pray together, share a simple life and welcome the tens of thousands of visitors who come to spend time with them every year from all over the world.

The numbers refer to the orange booklet of Taizé Chants which you received as you joined us. This symbol ♪ indicates that we sing the English translation provided alongside the music.

Opening Silence

Food for Thought in the Silence

“Christ did not come to found a religion that would be in competition with others. In him, God shared our condition so that every human being might know that they are loved with eternity’s love and so find joy in communion with God.”

Letter from Chile 2011, Brother Alois of Taizé

Chant 39 : Tu sei sorgente viva

***Lord, you are living water,
You are light and fire, you are love.
Come, O Holy Spirit! Come, O Holy Spirit!***

From Psalm 139

You have searched me, LORD, and you know me. You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar. You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways. Before a word is on my tongue you, LORD, know it completely. You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me. Such

knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain.

Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there. If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast. If I say, "Surely the darkness will hide me and the light become night around me," even the darkness will not be dark to you; the night will shine like the day, for darkness is as light to you.

Silence

In the silence, we entrust everything within us, the light and the darkness, to God who knows us better than we know ourselves and from whose loving presence we can never be separated. Then, held fast by his right hand, we sing...

Chant 26 : La ténèbre ♪

A reading from John chapt. 20

Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus [appeared to them after His resurrection]. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!" But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe." Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

Chant 44 : Adoramus te O Christe

adoramus te – we adore you

A reading from 1 Peter

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us

new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you, who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. In all this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. These have come so that the proven genuineness of your faith—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy, for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Chant 50 : Nada te turbe ♪

Long Silence

For Silent Reflection

"The road to happiness, in the steps of Jesus, lies in giving ourselves day by day. Through the lives we live, in great simplicity, we can express God's love. [...] We are the poor of the Gospel; being Christians does not mean claiming to be better than others. What characterizes us is simply the choice to belong to Christ."

Letter from Chile 2011, Brother Alois of Taizé

Let all who are thirsty come
(Songs from Taizé 2011-2012)

***Let all who are thirsty come,
Let all who wish receive
the water of life freely.
Amen, come Lord Jesus! (x2)***

Silence

Intercessions

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father.

Govern and direct your church; fill it with love and truth; and grant it unity.

Hear us, good Lord