



LAST VISIT TO THE HOLY HOUSE

This Liturgy may be celebrated inside the Holy House or, for larger groups, facing the Holy House.

Before we leave the Shrine for our journey home, we pause to consider all that we have been able to offer here and all that we have received through Our Lady's prayers and the support of our fellow pilgrims. We return with greater confidence, with our faith strengthened and our hope in Jesus renewed: we pray that we will be witnesses to the Light which has come into the world.

With Simeon, we give thanks for what we have seen:

**Now Lord you have kept your word
let your servant go in peace.**

**With my own eyes I have seen the salvation
which you have prepared in the sight of every people;
a light to reveal you to the nations
and the glory of your people Israel.**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be
world without end. Amen.**

The Prayer to Our Lady of Walsingham:

O Mary, recall the solemn moment
when Jesus, your divine Son, dying on the cross,
confided us to your maternal care.

You are our Mother,
we desire ever to remain your devout children.

Let us therefore feel the effects
of your powerful intercession with Jesus Christ.

Make your name again glorious in this place
once renowned throughout our land
by your visits, favours and many miracles.

Pray, O holy Mother of God, for the conversion of England,
restoration of the sick, consolation for the afflicted,
repentance of sinners, peace to the departed.

O blessed Mary, Mother of God,
our Lady of Walsingham, intercede for us.

Amen.

Let us thank God for all the blessings of our Pilgrimage
and ask Our Lady of Walsingham to pray for us as we return to our daily lives:
**O Mary, Mother of Jesus, I thank God through your Son,
for the grace of a happy pilgrimage,
and for all that has happened to me while I have been here.
Pray for all those I have met here and for all my fellow pilgrims.
Pray that I may have a safe and happy return home,
and that God may give me the grace to do at home
what you have taught me to do here.**

Lord Jesus,
hear us.

Our Lady of Walsingham,
pray for us.

St Joseph,
pray for us.

Holy Family of England's Nazareth,
Protect us who hope and trust in you.

We sing:

**Dear Mother of our Saviour Christ
We hail thee, and depart.
Our pilgrimage is now complete
We leave petitions at thy feet
Enfold them in thy heart.**

**Be with us as we journey home,
Mother of God we pray
Make us to love thy blessed Son
And may his holy will be done
In duty day by day.**

**O holy house of Walsingham!
Here would we ever dwell,
But Jesus calls us to the strife
And tumults of our daily life,
Our Lady's Shrine, 'Farewell.'**

Let us go in the peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God.