Opening Prayer

Lord, be with us in these November days of darkness. In our anxiety and fear, help us to remember that death is the dawning of eternal life. Give to those who have died freedom from pain and bring them to the peace of heaven. In moments of sadness may we experience the closeness of your friendship, and may we always know the strength of your presence. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Reading from the Book of Lamentations

My soul is shut out from peace; I have forgotten happiness. And now I say, 'My strength is gone, that hope which came from the Lord'. My spirit sinks within me. But this is what I will tell my heart, and so recover hope: the favours of the Lord are not all past, his kindnesses are not exhausted. every morning they are renewed; great is his faithfulness. The Lord is good to those who trust in him, to the soul that searches for him. It is good to wait in silence for the Lord to save. The Word of the Lord.

A Reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Thessalonians.

Do not weep for those who have died, or be filled with sadness like those who have nothing to hope for. We believe that Jesus died and rose to new life, and that the same thing will happen to all who believe in him. Take comfort in knowing that everyone who died in Christ shall rise to new life and be with him forever. The Word of the Lord

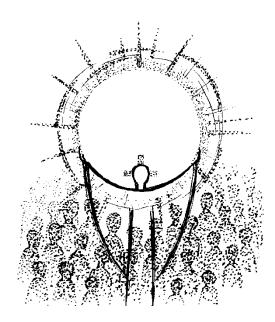
Final Prayer and Blessing

I pray that you will always have the blessing of being consoled and sure about your own death. May you know in your heart that there is no need to be afraid. When the time of death approaches may you be given every blessing and the shelter that you need. May there be a beautiful welcome for you in the home that you are going to, because you are not going somewhere strange; you are going back to the home you never left. Until then may you have a real desire to live your life to the full. And when death comes may it be after a long and happy life and in the presence of those who really love you

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Give them eternal rest, O Lord