

**PRAYER SERVICE FOR THE VISITATION  
OF A LOVED ONE'S GRAVE SITE**

Sign of the Cross

Opening Prayer:

*Let us pray:  
All-powerful God,  
whose mercy is never withheld from those who call upon you in hope,  
look kindly upon our loved one(s),  
who has/have departed from this life, believing in you;  
number him/her/ them among the blessed, for evermore.  
We ask this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

**Reading:** *A Reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans  
(Romans 14: 7-9)*

**None of us lives as his own master and none of us dies as his own master. While we live, we are responsible to the Lord, and when we die, we die as his servants. Both in life and death, we are the Lord's. That is why Christ died and came to life, that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.**

**The Word of the Lord.      Response: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm Response: Psalm 130**

***Refrain: ( Lord, in your steadfast love, give them eternal life!)***

***Verse 1: Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord,  
Lord, hear my voice!  
O let your ears be attentive  
to the voice of my pleading.***

***Verse 2: If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt,  
Lord, who would survive?  
But with you is found forgiveness:  
for this we revere you.***

*Verse 3: My soul is waiting for the Lord,  
I count on his word.*

*My soul is longing for the Lord,  
more than a watchman for daybreak.  
Let the watchman count on daybreak  
and Israel on the Lord.*

*Verse 4: Because with the Lord there is mercy  
and fullness of redemption,  
Israel indeed he will redeem  
from all its iniquity.*

**Decade of the Rosary: The First Glorious Mystery:  
The Resurrection of Jesus**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Ten Hail Marys**

**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.**

**Eternal rest grant unto him/her/them, O Lord.**

*And let perpetual light shine upon him/her/them.*

**May he/she/they rest in peace. Amen.**

**May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest  
in peace. Amen.**

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**May the love of God and the peace of the Lord Jesus Christ  
Bless and console us  
And gently wipe every tear from our eyes.  
Amen.**