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As A Grace Before a Meal Marking the Perpetual Day of Remembrance

Begin by making the Sign of the Cross

Say the 'Ode to the Light of Christ'

Come, let us walk in the Light of the Lord.
Let us not fear the past
when our hearts were heavy. (Is. 2:5)
Let us Shine the Light of Christ.

Come, let us bring light from the darkness.
Let us make evil good
and find sweet in the bitter. (Is. 5:20)
Let us Shine the Light of Christ.

Come, let us weep together
when the light grew dark with the clouds,
from the darkness and distress. (Is. 5:30)
Let us Shine the Light of Christ.

Come, let us walk with our brothers and sisters,
those who have walked in darkness. (Is. 9:2)
Let them see the great Light of God
and let us Shine the Light of Christ.

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Light the candle near an icon of Mary or another religious icon such as a Crucifix.

Pause for a few moments silence.



Pray.

God with us,
you have made us in your image,
and filled us with the breath of your divine life.
Through the life of Jesus
you show us the way to live in the light of your love.

Create a clean heart in us O God.

Where people are disempowered
may we shine the light of your justice.

Where there is privilege and prestige
may we shine the light of your humility.

Where there is dishonesty and denial
may we shine the light of your truth.

Where transparency is lacking,
and agendas are hidden,
may we shine the light of your integrity.

Where there is fear
may we shine the light of your courage.

Where there is judgement
may we shine the light of your compassion.

Where there is disrespect
may we shine the light of your love.

Where people feel silenced
may we shine the light of your word.

Where people feel excluded
may we shine the light of your acceptance.

Where there is sin
may we shine the light of your forgiveness.

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