

## **A Candlemas Reflection using the Lord's Prayer-**

*written in 4 parts; by Canon Mandy Coutts*

*Mary, Simeon & Anna's parts are read by individuals.*

*The rest of the class/group can lead the Lord's Prayer in unison.*

**Class**                      **Our Father in heaven**

*Simeon*                      *Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word*

**Class**                      **Hallowed be thy name**

*Anna*                        *Praise God in the highest heaven*

**Class**                      **Thy kingdom come, thy will be done**

*Simeon*                      *For my eyes have seen your salvation*

*Anna*                        *For my eyes have seen your salvation*

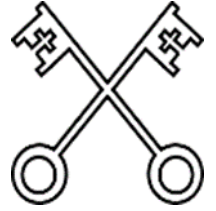
**Class**                      **On earth as in heaven**

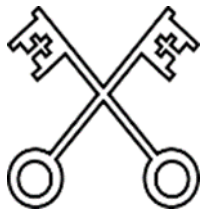
*Simeon*                      *Which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples*

**Class**                      **Give us this day our daily bread**

*Simeon*                      *a light for revelation*

*Anna*                        *to the Gentiles*





**Class**                    **And forgive us our sins as we forgive others**

*Simeon*                    *This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel*

Mary                        My child?

Anna                        Your son

**Class**                    **And lead us not into temptation**

*Simeon*                    *This child will be a sign that will be opposed*

Mary                        My child?

Anna                        Your son

**Class**                    **But deliver us from evil**

*Simeon*                    *so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed*

*And a sword will pierce your own soul*

Mary                        My soul?

Anna                        Your soul

**Class**                    **For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever.**

**Amen**

Mary                        My child?

Anna                        Your son

Simeon                    God's son

**ALL**                        **Amen.**

