

THE OXFORD VESPER

This vesper was written by Janet Titchmarsh, a High School Company Guide, folk memory has it that she wrote it during rest hour in camp. She was helped with the music by a High School music teacher. Miss Walkinshaw was the Guide Captain.

The vesper became known in City II and Mrs Vickers suggested it be 'adopted'. It has always been very popular with Oxford Guides, musically it 'runs into' Taps.

There appears to be a variation in the words:

"Our praise to Thee we // daily increase" or "Our praise to Thee will daily increase"

OXFORDSHIRE VESPER



Handwritten musical score for Oxfordshire Vesper. The score is written on four staves of music in treble clef, with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. The lyrics are written below the notes.

Take us good Lord in-to thy keep-ing. Guard us this night
while we are sleep-ing. Our praise to thee will dai-ly in-crease,
Un-til the morn-ing light grant us thy peace, Un-til the morn-ing light
grant us thy peace.

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