

## Apostolic Guardian Church of Grace and Blessing

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## Libation Rite for the Well Being of Life on Earth Gurtin VII

The Priest sounds a soft note on the bell and begins the Invocations.

**Priest:** Each one of us is at the centre of the universe. As soon as any one of us reaches out in compassion to another, all the creative forces of the universe rush to our support.

**Response:** We offer to the universe, peace, love and compassion.

Pause for a minute or so, projecting good-will to the earth.

**Priest:** We offer peace, love and co-operation to all those we love, especially our families and those nearest to us.

**Response:** We offer our loved ones peace, love and compassion.

Pause for a minute or so, projecting good-will to the earth.

**Priest:** We offer peace, love and co-operation to all those with whom we live and work.

Response: We offer our neighbours peace, love and compassion.

Pause for a minute or so, projecting good-will to the earth.

**Priest:** We offer peace, love and compassion to those who like us and those whom we like: to those who hate us and those we dislike.

Response: We offer our friends and also our enemies, peace, love and compassion.

Pause for a minute or so, projecting good-will to the earth.

**Priest:** We offer peace, love and compassion to all folk of good will and cooperation, especially those whose steadfast love for life leads them to work actively for the well-being of the humans and oilier living beings on the earth.

**Response:** We offer all folk of good will, peace, love and compassion.

Pause for a minute or so, projecting good-will to the earth.

**Priest:** We offer peace, love and compassion to all those throughout flue earth whose decisions are influential in preserving or destroying the well-being of the world. Let their decisions be for peace, not war; for love, not hate; for generosity, not greed; for co-operation, not competition; for compassion, not condescension; for community, for life, not death.

**Response:** Grant to the powerful, awareness of community, compassion and co-operation.

Pause for a minute or so, projecting good-will to the earth.

**Priest:** We offer to all the peoples of the world, peace, love and compassion; to the poor and the starving; to the rich and tile comfortable; to those at peace and those at war; to the sick and the healthy; to the young and the old; to all those who hate and all those who love.

**Response:** We offer to all the peoples of the world, peace, love and compassion.

Pause for a minute or so, projecting good-will to the earth.

Priest: We offer to all living beings on the earth, peace, love and compassion.

**Response:** We offer to all living beings on the earth, peace, love and compassion.

Pause for a minute or so, projecting good-will to the earth.

## Priest/Hierophant ends ritual

**Note:** This small rite was performed by the Guardians at the former sanctuary of the Angels, Auckland NZ during the 1980'-1990s and was written by Michael Freedman, the previous Senior Guardian of the Guardian Order. It has been placed within the church archives for its historical interest and personal use by Church members. **The Rite:** If there is more than one person present, it will be convenient for one person to lead the invocations and the others to read or recite the Responses; or the Responses can be omitted if you feel that they interrupt the quietness of your meditation. The Priest/celebrant should speak in a gentle voice; and can use a single, soft note of a bell to signal the beginning of each of the ten sections of the whole meditation.