

"I feel the city inside me. I see the city when I open my eyes, I hear the city when it rumbles, when it sighs. I smell the city all the days and the nights."

*Bless to me, O God,  
Each thing mine eye  
sees;  
Bless to me, O God,  
Each sound mine ear  
hears;  
Bless to me, O God,  
Each odour that goes  
to my nostrils;  
Bless to me, O God,  
Each taste that goes  
to my lips;  
Each note that goes  
to my song;  
Each ray that guides  
my way;  
Each thing that I  
pursue;  
Each lure that tempts  
my will;  
The zeal that seeks  
my living soul,  
The three that seek  
my heart,  
The zeal that seeks  
my living soul,  
The three that seek  
my heart.*

**GATEWAY 4: EAST VILLAGE ENTRANCE**

**THEME:** Protection / exclusion  
**REFLECTION:** on city walls and gateways as vulnerable points needing extra protection / on the 'gatekeepers' of the city and their role  
**ACTION:** A Celtic 'circling' prayer for the protection and blessing and inclusion of all.

**GATEWAY 2: ANGLICAN CATHEDRAL ENTRANCE**

**THEME:** The church and the civic arena  
**REFLECTION:** on biblical texts re temple courts as key nodes of public / civic engagement.. and how these reflect on the church-city interface in Liverpool  
**ACTION:** 'Embrace the city' (like Elizabeth Frink's Jesus does - or perhaps more generously?)

**GATEWAY 1: LEAVING ST BRIDES**

**THEME:** Departing  
**REFLECTION:** a Celtic leaving prayer to help focus on travellers' protection / blessing the journey / looking outwards  
**ACTION:** think of *one thing* you would like to leave behind you; *one thing* you would like to take with you to

help you on your journey; *one thing* you would like to take with you which you'd like to leave somewhere else en-route to share with someone else.



**GATEWAY 3: GREAT GEORGE SQUARE**

**THEME:** Gateway to city life  
**REFLECTION:** on the comings and goings of city life, the various ways people use and relate to the city  
**ACTION:** A prayer ribbon, your prayer for the health of its people, tied to the fence of the Health Centre

*Circle us, Lord.  
Keep peace within,  
keep harm without.  
Circle us, Lord.  
Keep love within, keep  
hate without.*