

**vigil**['vɪdʒɪl] *n*

- 1) бодрствование  
to keep vigil over a sick child - дежурить у постели больного ребёнка
- 2) бдение; бессонница
2. *церк.*  
1) канун праздника, *особ.* постный день  
2) *преим. pl* ночная служба; всеобщее бдение; всеобщая  
the Easter vigil - пасхальная заутреня
3. круглосуточная демонстрация протеста (*обыкн. около какого-л. посольства, министерства и т. п.*)

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Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed.

**vigil** [vigil vigils] *BrE* ['vɪdʒɪl] <sup>m</sup> *NAmE* ['vɪdʒɪl] <sup>m</sup> **noun countable, uncountable**

a period of time when people stay awake, especially at night, in order to watch a sick person, say prayers, protest, etc

- His parents **kept a** round-the-clock **vigil** at his bedside.
- Students held a candlelit vigil against the war.

Word Origin:Middle English: via Old French from Latin *vigilia*, from *vigil* 'awake' .Example Bank:

- For three nights, the shepherd maintained his lonely vigil.
- He told the gatekeeper to keep vigil.
- His fiancée kept a bedside vigil during his weeks in intensive care.
- Protesters held a candlelight/candlelit vigil against the war.
- Since the accident, the boy's parents have kept a constant vigil at his bedside.
- a silent vigil outside the presidential palace
- a vigil for the murdered politician
- the husband's vigil over his dying wife

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1. a period of time, especially during the night, when you stay awake in order to pray, remain with someone who is ill, or watch for danger:

- Eva and Paul **kept** a constant **vigil** by their daughter's hospital bedside.

2. a silent political protest in which people wait outside a building, especially during the night

**silent/candle-lit vigil**

- 2,000 demonstrators **held** a candle-lit **vigil** outside the embassy.

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