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## RESOLUTION OF THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF 1925



RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the House of Deputies be authorized to have printed, without cost to the Convention, the Proposed Revision of the Book of Common Prayer in two parts: Part One to contain all those changes and alterations in the Prayer Book which have been finally adopted and are now authorized to be used; Part Two, such proposed alterations as shall be agreed to at this General Convention to be adopted at the next General Convention.

House of Deputies, Message 65, House of Bishops Message 58.

PART I



Containing the Offices as finally amended by the  
General Conventions of 1919, 1922, and 1925.

AUTHORIZED FOR USE IN CHURCHES



## CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY.



### THE GENERAL CONVENTION

Office of the Secretary  
281 Fourth Avenue, New York

November 16, 1925.

I hereby certify that the changes appearing in Part I were adopted finally by the General Conventions of 1919, 1922, and 1925, and are authorized for use.

Attest:

CARROLL M. DAVIS  
*Secretary of the House of Deputies.*

## CONCERNING THE SERVICE OF THE CHURCH.



- (1) Make the following alterations concerning the Psalter:
- a. Amend the directions entitled THE USE OF THE PSALTER, so as to read as follows:

### THE USE OF THE PSALTER

In places where it is convenient, the Psalter shall be read through once every month.

The Minister shall, on the days for which they are appointed, or on the eves thereof, use one or more of the Proper Psalms, as set forth in the Table of Proper Psalms.

But *Note*, That on other days, instead of reading from the Psalter as divided for Daily Morning and Evening Prayer, he may read one or more of the Psalms for the Day, or one or more of the Psalms from the Selection set forth by this Church.

And *Note* further, That in the case of a Psalm which is divided into sections, the Minister may use a section or sections of such Psalm.

- b. Substitute for the Tables to follow these directions the Tables as follows:

#### *Table of Proper Psalms for Seasons and Days.*

##### ADVENT SUNDAY.

7, 8, 9, 36, 50, 57, 96, 97, 98.

##### CHRISTMAS DAY.

2, 8, 19, 45, 85, 89 to v. 31, 110, 132, 144.

##### CIRCUMCISION.

40 to v. 17, 65, 90, 103, 105.

EPIPHANY.

19, 46, 47, 48, 67, 72, 87, 96, 97, 98, 117, 135.

PRESENTATION.

20, 48, 84, 86, 87, 113, 134, 138.

ASH WEDNESDAY.

6, 32, 38, 102, 130, 143.

ANNUNCIATION.

89 to v. 31, 113, 131, 132, 138.

PALM SUNDAY.

22, 23, 24, 97, 110, 130, 131.

HOLY WEEK.

42 to v. 8, 43, 51, 71, 74, 94, 116, 120, 141, 142, or any of the Psalms for Ash Wednesday or Good Friday.

GOOD FRIDAY.

22 to v. 20, 40 to v. 17, 54, 64, 69 to v. 23, 88.

EASTER EVEN.

4, 16, 17, 27, 30, 31.

EASTER DAY.

2, 57, 111, 113, 114, 118.

ROGATION DAYS.

65, 67, 104, 144.

ASCENSION DAY.

8, 15, 21, 24, 47, 93, 99, 108 to v. 7, 110.

WHITSUNDAY.

46, 48, 68, 104, 133, 145.

TRINITY SUNDAY.

29, 33, 93, 97, 98, 148, 149, 150.

TRANSEFIGURATION.

27, 61, 84, 93, 99, 133.

ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS.

34, 91, 103, 148.

ALL SAINTS.

1, 15, 112, 121, 146, 149.

THANKSGIVING DAY.

65, 67, 103, 104, 107 to v. 10, 126, 144, 145, 147, 148, 150.

EMBER-DAYS AND ORDINATION.

15, 24, 26, 84, 132, 134.

SAINTS' DAYS.

1, 15, 19, 24, 34, 84, 91, 112, 149.

NOTE: The Psalms appointed for any of the above days for which an Octave is observed may be used daily through the same.

*Table of Psalms for Special Occasions.*

MISSIONS.

2, 46, 47, 67, 68, 72, 96, 97, 117, 126, 132, 138.

SOCIAL SERVICE.

37, 43, 57, 72, 110, 112.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

25, 91, 119 *passim*, 143.

CHURCH UNITY.

67, 85, 122, 133.

NATIONAL FESTIVAL.

46, 47, 48, 65, 66, 68, 78 to v. 12, 99, 100, 145, 148.

NATIONAL FAST.

3, 12, 20, 44, 51, 56, 74, 79, 80, 102.

DEDICATION FESTIVAL.

24, 48, 84, 122, 132, 134.

CONFIRMATION.

15, 16, 19, 43, 91.

CONSECRATION OF A CHURCH.

84, 122, 132.

INSTITUTION OF MINISTERS.

122, 132, 133.

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- I. *Godliness.* 1, 15, 91.
- II. *Morning.* 3, 5, 63.
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- IV. *Praise.* 19, 24, 103, 148, 149, 150.
- V. *God's Goodness.* 23, 34, 65.
- VI. *Prayer.* 26, 43, 141.
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- VIII. *Trust.* 37.
- IX. *Penitence.* 6, 38, 42 to v. 8, 51, 102.
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*Table of Psalms for the Sundays of the Church Year.*

*Which may be used at the discretion of the Minister.*

	Morning	Evening
First Sunday in Advent.....	50, 57	7, 9
Second Sunday in Advent.....	80, 82	25, 26
Third Sunday in Advent.....	52, 53	93, 94
Fourth Sunday in Advent.....	98, 99	101, 103
First Sunday after Christmas.....	2, 8	89 to v. 36
Second Sunday after Christmas.....	85, 87	90, 91
First Sunday after Epiphany.....	47, 48	66, 67
Second Sunday after Epiphany.....	96, 97	45, 46
Third Sunday after Epiphany.....	20, 21	27, 29
Fourth Sunday after Epiphany.....	75, 76	107
Fifth Sunday after Epiphany.....	63, 65	78
Sixth Sunday after Epiphany.....	146, 147	148, 149, 150
Septuagesima.....	8, 148	104
Sexagesima.....	33, 93	139
Quinquagesima.....	15, 16	111, 112
First Sunday in Lent.....	51, 54	119 (vs. 1-32)
Second Sunday in Lent.....	6, 38	119 (vs. 33-72)
Third Sunday in Lent.....	56, 86	119 (vs. 73-104)
Fourth Sunday in Lent.....	142, 143	119 (vs. 105-144)
Fifth Sunday in Lent.....	42, 43	119 (vs. 145-176)
Palm Sunday.....	130, 131	22, 23
Easter Day.....	2, 57, 111	113, 114, 118
First Sunday after Easter.....	110, 111	2, 57
Second Sunday after Easter.....	21, 23	116, 117
Third Sunday after Easter.....	120, 121, 122	123, 124, 125
Fourth Sunday after Easter.....	126, 127, 128	129, 130, 131
Fifth Sunday after Easter.....	146, 147	132, 133, 134
Sunday after Ascension.....	108, 110	46, 47
Whitsunday.....	48, 68	104, 145
Trinity Sunday.....	97, 98	148, 149, 150
First Sunday after Trinity.....	1, 5	2, 3, 4
Second Sunday after Trinity.....	12, 13	10, 11
Third Sunday after Trinity.....	16, 17	18
Fourth Sunday after Trinity.....	19, 20	24, 25
Fifth Sunday after Trinity.....	21, 23	26, 27
Sixth Sunday after Trinity.....	28, 29	30, 31
Seventh Sunday after Trinity.....	32, 36	33, 34
Eighth Sunday after Trinity.....	39, 41	37
Ninth Sunday after Trinity.....	46, 47	44, 45
Tenth Sunday after Trinity.....	61, 62	48, 49
Eleventh Sunday after Trinity.....	63, 64	54, 55
Twelfth Sunday after Trinity.....	76, 77	71, 72
Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity.....	81, 82	73
Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity.....	84, 85	74
Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity.....	96, 97	79, 80

Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity.....	98, 99	89
Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity.....	91, 92	105
Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity.....	111, 112	106
Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity.....	114, 115	107
Twentieth Sunday after Trinity.....	116, 117	118
Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity.....	120, 121, 122	133, 134, 135
Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity.....	123, 124, 125	136, 138
Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity.....	126, 127, 128	140, 141
Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity.....	129, 130, 131	144, 145
Twenty-fifth Sunday after Trinity.....	75, 76	107
Twenty-sixth Sunday after Trinity.....	63, 65	78
Sunday next before Advent.....	146, 147	148, 149, 150

(2) In the case of the following Psalms, provide spaces between certain verses in such Psalms to facilitate the use of a part of the Psalm instead of the whole Psalm at the discretion of the Minister.

Psalm 18 between 6 and 7, 19 and 20, 34 and 35.
" 22 " 19 " 20.
" 31 " 6 " 7.
" 40 " 16 " 17.
" 42 " 7 " 8.
" 60 " 5 " 6.
" 69 " 22 " 23, 29 and 30.
" 78 " 12 " 13, 40 " 41.
" 89 " 30 " 31.
" 107 " 9 " 10, 16 and 17, 32 and 33 (in 33 change <i>Who</i> to <i>He</i> )
" 108 " 6 " 7.
" 109 " 4 " 5, 19 and 20.
" 137 " 6 " 7.
" 139 " 16 " 17.

(3) In place of the present breath mark or musical notation, the colon, substitute throughout the Psalter an asterisk or some other mark in the middle of the line, and restore in that place the punctuation of the Psalter as it appeared in the Prayer Book before the adoption of the colon in 1892.

(4) Print at the top of the page throughout the Psalter, in addition to the day of the month, the Psalm number; that is, the number of the Psalm which begins on that page. Or, in case of two Psalms on a page, the number of the first occurring Psalm which begins or is contained on that page.

(5) Mark the five books of which the Psalter is composed by printing at the head of each book, **Book I**, **Book II**, etc., and by leaving a space before the doxology which marks the end of each book.

NOTE. *The changes authorized in (2), (3), and (4), above are illustrated by the sample page hereto appended.*

PSALM 69. THE PSALTER. DAY 13.

18 And hide not thy face from thy servant; for I am in trouble: \* O haste thee, and hear me.

19 Draw nigh unto my soul, and save it; \* O deliver me, because of mine enemies.

20 Thou hast known my reproof, my shame, and my dishonour: \* mine adversaries are all in thy sight.

21 Thy rebuke hath broken my heart; I am full of heaviness: \* I looked for some to have pity on me, but there was no man, neither found I any to comfort me.

22 They gave me gall to eat; \* and when I was thirsty they gave me vinegar to drink.

23 Let their table be made a snare to take themselves withal; \* and let the things that should have been for their wealth be unto them an occasion of falling.

24 Let their eyes be blinded, that they see not; \* and ever bow thou down their backs.

25 Pour out thine indignation upon them, \* and let thy wrathful displeasure take hold of them.

26 Let their habitation be void, \* and no man to dwell in their tents.

27 For they persecute him whom thou hast smitten; \* and they talk how they may vex them whom thou hast wounded.

28 Let them fall from one wickedness to another, \* and not come into thy righteousness.

29 Let them be wiped out of the book of the living, \* and not be written among the righteous.

30 As for me, when I am poor and in heaviness, \* thy help, O God, shall lift me up.

31 I will praise the Name of God with a song, \* and magnify it with thanksgiving.

THE ORDER FOR  
DAILY MORNING PRAYER.



¶ *The Minister shall begin the Morning Prayer by reading one or more of the following Sentences of Scripture.*

¶ *He may omit the Exhortation following, saying instead thereof, Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God, and may end the Morning Prayer with the Collect for Grace and 2 Cor. xiii. 14.*

¶ *On any day when the Holy Communion is immediately to follow, the Minister may, at his discretion, pass at once from the Sentences to the Lord's Prayer, first pronouncing,*

The Lord be with you.

*Answer.* And with thy spirit.

*Minister.* Let us pray.

¶ *And Note, That when the Confession and Absolution are omitted, the Minister may, after the Sentences, pass to the Versicles, O Lord, open thou our lips, etc., in which case the Lord's Prayer shall be said with the other prayers, immediately after The Lord be with you, etc., and before the Versicles and Responses which follow.*

¶ *The same order may be followed on all week days save on Days of Fasting or Abstinence.*

**T**HE LORD is in his holy temple: let all the earth keep silence before him. *Hab. ii. 20.*

I was glad when they said unto me, We will go into the house of the LORD. *Psalms cxxii. 1.*

Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be alway acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength and my redeemer. *Psalms xix. 14, 15.*

O send out thy light and thy truth, that they may



lead me, and bring me unto thy holy hill, and to thy dwelling. *Psalm* xliiii. 3.

Thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy: I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones. *Isaiah* lvii. 15.

The hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. *St. John* iv. 23.

Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ. *Phil.* i. 2.

Repent ye; for the Kingdom of heaven is at hand. *St. Matt.* iii. 2. *Advent.*

Prepare ye the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. *Isaiah* xl. 3.

Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. *St. Luke* ii. 10, 11. *Christmas.*

From the rising of the sun even unto the going down of the same my Name shall be great among the Gentiles; and in every place incense shall be offered unto my Name, and a pure offering: for my Name shall be great among the heathen, saith the LORD of hosts. *Mal.* i. 11. *Epiphany.*

Awake, awake; put on thy strength, O Zion; put on thy beautiful garments, O Jerusalem. *Isaiah* lii. 1.

Rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the LORD your God: for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil. *Joel* ii. 13. *Lent.*

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken

and contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise. *Psalm* li. 17.

I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, and am no more worthy to be called thy son. *St. Luke* xv. 18, 19. *Good Friday.*

Is it nothing to you, all ye that pass by? behold, and see if there be any sorrow like unto my sorrow which is done unto me, wherewith the LORD hath afflicted me. *Lam.* i. 12.

In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace. *Eph.* i. 7.

He is risen. The Lord is risen indeed. *St. Mark* xvi. 6; *St. Luke* xxiv. 34. *Easter.*

This is the day which the LORD hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it. *Psalm* cxviii. 24.

Seeing that we have a great High Priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. *Heb.* iv. 14, 16. *Ascension.*

Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. *Acts* i. 8. *Whitsunday.*

Because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father. *Gal.* iv. 6.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come. *Rev.* iv. 8. *Trinity Sunday.*

Honour the LORD with thy substance, and with the first-fruits of all thine increase: so shall thy barns be filled with *Thanksgiving Day.*

plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine. *Prov. iii. 9, 10.*

The LORD by wisdom hath founded the earth; by understanding hath he established the heavens. By his knowledge the depths are broken up, and the clouds drop down the dew. *Prov. iii. 19, 20.*

† *Then the Minister shall say,*

**D**EARLY beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us, in sundry places, to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloak them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought, at all times, humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart, and humble voice, unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying—

*A General Confession.*

† *To be said by the whole Congregation, after the Minister, all kneeling.*

**A**LMIGHTY and most merciful Father; We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things

which we ought to have done; And we have done those things which we ought not to have done; And there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou those who are penitent; According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake; That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

*The Declaration of Absolution, or Remission of Sins.*

† *To be made by the Priest alone, standing; the People still kneeling. The Priest, at his discretion, may use, instead of what follows, the Absolution from the Order for the Holy Communion.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness and live, hath given power, and commandment, to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the Absolution and Remission of their sins. He pardoneth and absolveth all those who truly repent, and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel. Wherefore let us beseech him to grant us true repentance, and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him which we do at this present; and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

† *Then the Minister shall kneel, and say the Lord's Prayer; the People still kneeling, and repeating it with him, both here, and wheresoever else it is used in Divine Service.*

**O**UR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our

daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

¶ *Then likewise he shall say,*

O Lord, open thou our lips.

*Answer.* And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

¶ *Here, all standing up, the Minister shall say,*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

*Answer.* As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*Minister.* Praise ye the Lord.

*Answer.* The Lord's Name be praised.

¶ *Then shall be said or sung the following Anthem; except on those days for which other Anthems are appointed; and except also that Psalm 95 may be used in this place: but Note, That on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, the Venite may be omitted.*

¶ *On the days hereafter named, here may be sung or said:*

*On the Sundays in Advent.*—Our King and Saviour draweth nigh: O come, let us adore him.

*On Christmas Day and until the Epiphany.*—Alleluia. Unto us a child is born: O come, let us adore him.

*On the Epiphany and seven days after, and on the Feast of the Transfiguration.*—The Lord hath manifested forth his glory: O come, let us adore him.

*On Monday in Easter Week, and until Ascension Day.*—Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed: O come, let us adore him. Alleluia.

*On Ascension Day and until Whitsunday.*—Alle-

luia. Christ the Lord ascended into heaven: O come, let us adore him. Alleluia.

*On Whitsunday and six days after.*—Alleluia. The Spirit of the Lord filleth the world: O come, let us adore him. Alleluia.

*On Trinity Sunday.*—Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, One God: O come, let us adore him.

*On the Purification and the Annunciation.*—The Word was made flesh: O come, let us adore him.

*On other Festivals for which a proper Epistle and Gospel are ordered.*—The Lord is glorious in his saints: O come, let us adore him.

*Venite, exultemus Domino.*

O COME, let us sing unto the LORD: let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving: and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.

For the LORD is a great God: and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are all the corners of the earth: and the strength of the hills is his also.

The sea is his, and he made it: and his hands prepared the dry land.

O come, let us worship and fall down: and kneel before the LORD our Maker.

For he is the Lord our God: and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

O worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness: let the whole earth stand in awe of him.

For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth: and with righteousness to judge the world, and the people with his truth.

¶ *Then shall follow a Portion of the PSALMS, according to the Use of this Church. And at the end of every Psalm, and likewise at the end of the Venite, Benedictus es, Benedictus, Jubilate, may be, and at*



*the end of the whole Portion, or Selection from the Psalter, shall be sung or said the Gloria Patri:*

**G**LORY be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

¶ *Then shall be read the FIRST LESSON, according to the Table or Calendar. And Note, That before every Lesson, the Minister shall say, Here beginneth such a Chapter [or Verse of such a Chapter] of such a Book; and after every Lesson, Here endeth the First [or the Second] Lesson.*

¶ *Here shall be said or sung the following Hymn. But, Note, That on any day when the Holy Communion is immediately to follow, the Minister, at his discretion, after any one of the following Canticles of Morning Prayer has been said or sung, may pass at once to the Communion Service.*

*Te Deum laudamus.*

**W**E praise thee, O God : we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.

All the earth doth worship thee : the Father everlasting.

To thee all Angels cry aloud : the Heavens, and all the Powers therein;

To thee Cherubim and Seraphim : continually do cry,

Holy, Holy, Holy : Lord God of Sabaoth;

Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty : of thy glory.

The glorious company of the Apostles : praise thee.

The goodly fellowship of the Prophets : praise thee.

The noble army of Martyrs : praise thee.

The holy Church throughout all the world : doth acknowledge thee;

The Father : of an infinite Majesty;  
Thine adorable, true : and only Son;  
Also the Holy Ghost : the Comforter.

**T**HOU art the King of Glory : O Christ.  
Thou art the everlasting Son : of the Father.

When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man : thou didst humble thyself to be born of a Virgin.

When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death : thou didst open the Kingdom of Heaven to all believers.

Thou sittest at the right hand of God : in the glory of the Father.

We believe that thou shalt come : to be our Judge.

We therefore pray thee, help thy servants : whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.

Make them to be numbered with thy Saints : in glory everlasting.

**O** LORD, save thy people : and bless thine heritage.

Govern them : and lift them up for ever.

Day by day : we magnify thee;

And we worship thy Name : ever, world without end.

Vouchsafe, O Lord : to keep us this day without sin.

O Lord, have mercy upon us : have mercy upon us.

O Lord, let thy mercy be upon us : as our trust is in thee.

O Lord, in thee have I trusted : let me never be confounded.

¶ *Or this Canticle.*

*Benedictus es Domine.*

**B**LESSED art thou, O Lord God of our fathers : praised and exalted above all for ever.

Blessed art thou for the Name of thy Majesty : praised and exalted above all for ever.

Blessed art thou in the temple of thy holiness : praised and exalted above all for ever.



Blessed art thou that beholdest the depths, and dwellest between the Cherubim : praised and exalted above all for ever.

Blessed art thou on the glorious throne of thy Kingdom : praised and exalted above all for ever.

Blessed art thou in the firmament of heaven : praised and exalted above all for ever.

¶ *Or this,*

*Benedicite, omnia opera Domini.*

**O** ALL ye Works of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Angels of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

**O** YE Heavens, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Waters that be above the firmament, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O all ye Powers of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Sun and Moon, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Stars of heaven, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Showers and Dew, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Winds of God, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Fire and Heat, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Winter and Summer, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Dews and Frosts, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Frost and Cold, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Ice and Snow, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Nights and Days, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Light and Darkness, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Lightnings and Clouds, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

**O** LET the Earth bless the Lord : yea, let it praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Mountains and Hills, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O all ye Green Things upon the earth, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Wells, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Seas and Floods, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Whales, and all that move in the waters, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O all ye Fowls of the air, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O all ye Beasts and Cattle, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Children of Men, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

**O** LET Israel bless the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Priests of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Servants of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye Spirits and Souls of the Righteous, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O ye holy and humble Men of heart, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.

**L**ET us bless the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost: praise him, and magnify him for ever.

¶ *Then shall be read, in like manner, the SECOND LESSON, taken out of the New Testament, according to the Table or Calendar.*

¶ *And after that shall be sung or said the Hymn following: but Note, That, save on the Sundays in Advent, the latter portion thereof may be omitted.*

*Benedictus.* St. Luke i. 68.

**B**LESSED be the Lord God of Israel: for he hath visited and redeemed his people;

And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us: in the house of his servant David;

As he spake by the mouth of his holy Prophets: which have been since the world began;

That we should be saved from our enemies: and from the hand of all that hate us.

To perform the mercy promised to our forefathers: and to remember his holy covenant;

To perform the oath which he sware to our forefather Abraham: that he would give us;

That we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies: might serve him without fear;

In holiness and righteousness before him: all the days of our life.

And thou, child, shalt be called the prophet of the Highest: for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways;

To give knowledge of salvation unto his people: for the remission of their sins,

Through the tender mercy of our God: whereby the day-spring from on high hath visited us;

To give light to them that sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death: and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

¶ *Or this Psalm.*

*Jubilate Deo.* Psalm c.

**O**BE joyful in the LORD, all ye lands: serve the LORD with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the LORD he is God; it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves: we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.

For the LORD is gracious, his mercy is everlasting: and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

¶ *Then shall be said the Apostles' Creed by the Minister and the People, standing. And any Churches may, instead of the words, He descended into hell, use the words, He went into the place of departed spirits, which are considered as words of the same meaning in the Creed.*

**I**BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary: Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified,

dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead: He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty: From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost: The holy Catholic Church; The Communion of Saints: The Forgiveness of sins: The Resurrection of the body: And the Life everlasting. Amen.

¶ *Or the Creed commonly called the Nicene.*

**I** BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God; Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; By whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man: And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried: And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures: And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father: And he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spake by the Prophets: And I believe one Catholic and Apostolic Church: I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins: And I look for the Resurrection of the dead: And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

¶ *And after that, these Prayers following, the people devoutly kneeling; the Minister first pronouncing,*

The Lord be with you.

*Answer.* And with thy spirit.

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O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

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*Answer.* And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

¶ *Then shall follow the COLLECT FOR THE DAY, except when the Communion Service is read; and then the Collect for the day shall be omitted here.*

*A Collect for Peace.*

**O** GOD, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom; Defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries, through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*A Collect for Grace.*

**O** LORD, our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day; Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings, being ordered by thy governance, may be righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *The following Prayers shall be omitted here when the LITANY is said, and may be omitted when the Holy Communion is immediately to follow. And Note, that the Minister may here end the Morning Prayer with such general intercessions taken out of this book as he shall think fit.*



*A Prayer for The President of the United States, and all in Civil Authority.*

**O** LORD, our heavenly Father, the high and mighty Ruler of the universe, who dost from thy throne behold all the dwellers upon earth; Most heartily we beseech thee, with thy favour to behold and bless thy servant **THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES**, and all others in authority; and so replenish them with the grace of thy Holy Spirit, that they may always incline to thy will, and walk in thy way. Endue them plenteously with heavenly gifts; grant them in health and prosperity long to live; and finally, after this life, to attain everlasting joy and felicity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Or this.*

**O** LORD our Governor, whose glory is in all the world; We commend this nation to thy merciful care, that being guided by thy Providence, we may dwell secure in thy peace. Grant to **THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES**, and to all in authority, wisdom and strength to know and to do thy will. Fill them with the love of truth and righteousness; and make them ever mindful of their calling to serve this people in thy fear; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

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**A**LMIGHTY and everlasting God, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift; Send down upon our Bishops, and other Clergy, and upon the Congregations committed to their charge, the healthful Spirit of thy grace; and, that they may truly please thee, pour upon them the continual dew of thy blessing. Grant this, O Lord, for the honour of our Advocate and Mediator, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

*A Prayer for all Conditions of Men.*

**O** GOD, the Creator and Preserver of all mankind, we humbly beseech thee for all sorts and conditions of men; that thou wouldest be pleased to make thy ways known unto them, thy saving health unto all nations. More especially we pray for thy holy Church universal; that it may be so guided and governed by thy good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Finally, we commend to thy fatherly goodness all those who are any ways afflicted, or distressed, in mind, body, or estate; [*\*especially those for whom our prayers are desired;*] that it may please thee to comfort and relieve them, according to their several necessities; giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions. And this we beg for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.*

*\*This may be said when any desire the prayers of the Congregation.*

*A General Thanksgiving.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, Father of all mercies, we, thine unworthy servants, do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us, and to all men; [*\*particularly to those who desire now to offer up their praises and thanksgivings for thy late mercies vouchsafed unto them.*] We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful;

*\*This may be said when any desire to return thanks for mercies vouchsafed to them.*

and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ Note, *That the General Thanksgiving may be said by the Congregation with the Minister.*

*A Prayer of St. Chrysostom.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests; Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

*2 Cor. xiii. 14.*

**T**HE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

*Here endeth the Order of Morning Prayer.*

## THE ORDER FOR

## DAILY EVENING PRAYER



¶ *The Minister shall begin the Evening Prayer by reading one or more of the following Sentences of Scripture; and then he shall say that which is written after them. But he may, at his discretion, pass at once from the Sentences to the Lord's Prayer. And Note, That when the Confession and Absolution are omitted, the Minister may, after the Sentences, pass to the Versicles, O Lord, open thou our lips, etc.; in which case the Lord's Prayer shall be said with the other prayers, immediately after The Lord be with you, etc., and before the Versicles and Responses which follow.*

**T**HE LORD is in his holy temple: let all the earth keep silence before him. *Hab. ii. 20.*

LORD, I have loved the habitation of thy house, and the place where thine honour dwelleth. *Psalms xxvi. 8.*

Let my prayer be set forth in thy sight as the incense; and let the lifting up of my hands be an evening sacrifice. *Psalms cxli. 2.*

O worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness; let the whole earth stand in awe of him. *Psalms xcvi. 9.*

Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be always acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength and my redeemer. *Psalms xix. 14, 15.*

Watch ye, for ye know not when the master of the house cometh, at even, or at midnight, or at the cock-crowing, or in the morn-

*Advent.*

ing: lest coming suddenly he find you sleeping. *St. Mark* xiii, 35, 36.

Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God. *Rev.* xxi. 3. *Christmas.*

And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising. *Isaiah* lx. 3. *Epiphany.*

I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me. *Psalms* li. 3. *Lent.*

To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him; neither have we obeyed the voice of the LORD our God, to walk in his laws which he set before us. *Dan.* ix. 9, 10.

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 St. John* i. 8, 9.

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all. *Isaiah* liii. 6. *Good Friday.*

Thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. *1 Cor.* xv. 57. *Easter.*

If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. *Col.* iii. 1.

Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us. *Heb.* ix. 24. *Ascension.*

There is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God, the holy place of the tabernacles of the Most High. *Whitsunday.*  
*Psalms* xlvi. 4.

The Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely. *Rev.* xxii. 17.

Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory. *Trinity Sunday.*  
*Isaiah* vi. 3.

**L**ET us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

¶ *Or else he shall say as followeth.*

**D**EARLY beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us, in sundry places, to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloak them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought, at all times, humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart, and humble voice, unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying—



*A General Confession.*

¶ *To be said by the whole Congregation, after the Minister, all kneeling.*

**A**LMIGHTY and most merciful Father; We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; And we have done those things which we ought not to have done; And there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou those who are penitent; According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake; That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

*The Declaration of Absolution, or Remission of Sins.*

¶ *To be made by the Priest alone, standing; the People still kneeling*

**A**LMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness and live, hath given power, and commandment, to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the Absolution and Remission of their sins. He pardoneth and absolveth all those who truly repent, and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel.

Wherefore let us beseech him to grant us true repentance, and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him which we do at this present; and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Or this.*

**T**HE Almighty and merciful Lord grant you Absolution and Remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. Amen.

¶ *Then the Minister shall kneel, and say the Lord's Prayer; the People still kneeling, and repeating it with him.*

**O**UR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

¶ *Then likewise he shall say,*

O Lord, open thou our lips.

*Answer.* And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

¶ *Here, all standing up, the Minister shall say,*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

*Answer.* As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*Minister.* Praise ye the Lord.

*Answer.* The Lord's Name be praised.

¶ *Then shall follow a Portion of the PSALMS, according to the Use of this Church. And at the end of every Psalm, and likewise at the end of the Magnificat, Cantate Domino, Bonum est confiteri, Nunc dimittis, Deus misereatur, Benedic anima mea, may be sung or said the Gloria Patri; and at the end of the whole Portion or Selection of Psalms for the day, shall be sung or said the Gloria Patri, or else the Gloria in excelsis, as followeth.*

*Gloria in excelsis.*

**G**LORY be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

¶ Then shall be read the FIRST LESSON, according to the Table or Calendar.

¶ After which shall be sung or said the Hymn called Magnificat, as followeth.

*Magnificat.* St. Luke i. 46.

**M**Y soul doth magnify the Lord : and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded : the lowliness of his hand-maiden.

For behold, from henceforth : all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me : and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him : throughout all generations.

He hath showed strength with his arm : he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat : and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things : and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel : as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever.

¶ Or this Psalm.

*Cantate Domino.* Psalm xeviii.

**O**SING unto the LORD a new song : for he hath done marvellous things.

With his own right hand, and with his holy arm : hath he gotten himself the victory.

The LORD declared his salvation : his righteousness hath he openly showed in the sight of the heathen.

He hath remembered his mercy and truth toward the house of Israel : and all the ends of the world have seen the salvation of our God.

Show yourselves joyful unto the LORD, all ye lands : sing, rejoice, and give thanks.

Praise the LORD upon the harp : sing to the harp with a psalm of thanksgiving.

With trumpets also and shawms : O show yourselves joyful before the LORD, the King.

Let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is : the round world, and they that dwell therein.

Let the floods clap their hands, and let the hills be joyful together before the LORD : for he cometh to judge the earth.

With righteousness shall he judge the world : and the people with equity.

¶ Or this.

*Bonum est confiteri.* Psalm xcii.

**I**T is a good thing to give thanks unto the LORD : and to sing praises unto thy Name, O Most Highest;

To tell of thy loving-kindness early in the morning : and of thy truth in the night season;



Upon an instrument of ten strings, and upon the lute : upon a loud instrument, and upon the harp.

For thou, LORD, hast made me glad through thy works : and I will rejoice in giving praise for the operations of thy hands.

¶ *Then a LESSON OF THE NEW TESTAMENT, as it is appointed.*

¶ *And after that shall be sung or said the Hymn called Nunc dimittis, as followeth.*

*Nunc dimittis. St. Luke ii. 29.*

**L**ORD, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace : according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen : thy salvation,

Which thou hast prepared : before the face of all people ;

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles : and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

¶ *Or else this Psalm.*

*Deus miseretur. Psalm lxxvii.*

**G**OD be merciful unto us, and bless us : and show us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us ;

That thy way may be known upon earth : thy saving health among all nations.

Let the people praise thee, O God : yea, let all the people praise thee.

O let the nations rejoice and be glad : for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.

Let the people praise thee, O God : yea, let all the people praise thee.

Then shall the earth bring forth her increase : and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.

God shall bless us : and all the ends of the world shall fear him.

¶ *Or this.*

*Benedic, anima mea. Psalm ciii.*

**P**RAISE the LORD, O my soul : and all that is within me, praise his holy Name.

Praise the LORD, O my soul : and forget not all his benefits :

Who forgiveth all thy sin : and healeth all thine infirmities ;

Who saveth thy life from destruction : and crowneth thee with mercy and loving-kindness.

O praise the LORD, ye angels of his, ye that excel in strength : ye that fulfill his commandment, and hearken unto the voice of his word.

O praise the LORD, all ye his hosts : ye servants of his that do his pleasure.

O speak good of the LORD, all ye works of his, in all places of his dominion : praise thou the LORD, O my soul.

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*A Collect for Peace.*

**O** GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed; Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee, we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

*A Collect for Aid against Perils.*

**L**IGHTEN our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

¶ *In places where it may be convenient, here followeth the Anthem.*

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*A Prayer for The President of the United States, and all in Civil Authority.*

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**A**LMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests; Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

2 Cor. xiii. 14.

**T**HE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

*Here endeth the Order of Evening Prayer.*

## PRAYERS AND THANKSGIVINGS



### PRAYERS.



¶ *To be used before the Prayer for all Conditions of Men, or, when that is not said, before 2 Cor. xiii, 14; also at the end of the Litany; and in the ORDER FOR HOLY COMMUNION, as there appointed.*

*A Prayer for Congress.*

¶ *To be used during their Session.*

**M**OST gracious God, we humbly beseech thee, as for the people of these United States in general, so especially for their Senate and Representatives in Congress assembled; that thou wouldest be pleased to direct and prosper all their consultations, to the advancement of thy glory, the good of thy Church, the safety, honour, and welfare of thy people; that all things may be so ordered and settled by their endeavours, upon the best and surest foundations, that peace and happiness, truth and justice, religion and piety, may be establish among us for all generations. These and all other necessaries, for them, for us, and thy whole Church, we humbly beg in the Name and mediation of Jesus Christ, our most blessed Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

*For a State Legislature.*

**O** GOD, the fountain of wisdom, whose statutes are good and gracious and whose law is truth; We beseech thee so to guide and bless the Legislature

of this State, that it may ordain for our governance only such things as please thee, to the glory of thy Name and the welfare of the people; through Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord. *Amen.*

*For Courts of Justice.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, who sittest in the throne judging right; We humbly beseech thee to bless the courts of justice and the magistrates in all this land; and give unto them the spirit of wisdom and understanding, that they may discern the truth and impartially administer the law in the fear of thee alone; through him who shall come to be our Judge, thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

*For Our Country.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, who hast given us this good land for our heritage; We humbly beseech thee that we may always prove ourselves a people mindful of thy favour and glad to do thy will. Bless our land with honourable industry, sound learning, and pure manners. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion; from pride and arrogancy, and from every evil way. Defend our liberties, and fashion into one united people the multitudes brought hither out of many kindreds and tongues. Endue with the spirit of wisdom those to whom in thy Name we entrust the authority of government, that there may be justice and peace at home, and that, through obedience to thy law, we may show forth thy praise among the nations of the earth. In the time of prosperity, fill our hearts with thankfulness, and in the day of trouble, suffer not our trust in thee to fail; all which we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*A Prayer to be used at the Meetings of Convention.*

**A**LMIGHTY and everlasting God, who by thy Holy Spirit didst preside in the Council of the

blessed Apostles, and hast promised, through thy Son Jesus Christ, to be with thy Church to the end of the world; We beseech thee to be with the Council of thy Church *here* assembled in thy Name and Presence. Save us from all error, ignorance, pride, and prejudice; and of thy great mercy vouchsafe, we beseech thee, so to direct, sanctify, and govern us in our work, by the mighty power of the Holy Ghost, that the comfortable Gospel of Christ may be truly preached, truly received, and truly followed, in all places, to the breaking down the kingdom of sin, Satan, and death; till at length the whole of thy dispersed sheep, being gathered into one fold, shall become partakers of everlasting life; through the merits and death of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

*¶ During, or before, the session of any General or Diocesan Convention, the above Prayer may be used by all Congregations of this Church, or of the Diocese concerned; the clause, here assembled in thy Name, being changed to now assembled [or about to assemble] in thy Name and Presence; and the clause, govern us in our work, to govern them in their work.*

*For the Church.*

**O** GRACIOUS Father, we humbly beseech thee for thy holy Catholic Church; that thou wouldst be pleased to fill it with all truth, in all peace. Where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct it; where in anything it is amiss, reform it. Where it is right, establish it; where it is in want, provide for it; where it is divided, reunite it; for the sake of him who died and rose again, and ever liveth to make intercession for us, Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord. *Amen.*

*For the Unity of God's People.*

**O** GOD, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our only Saviour, the Prince of Peace; Give us grace seriously to lay to heart the great dangers we are in by our unhappy divisions. Take away all hatred and prejudice, and whatsoever else may hinder us from godly union and concord: that as there is but one Body and one Spirit, and one hope of our calling, one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism, one God and Father of us all, so we may be all of one heart and of one soul, united in one holy bond of truth and peace, of faith and charity, and may with one mind and one mouth glorify thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For Missions.*

**O** GOD, who hast made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on the face of the whole earth, and didst send thy blessed Son to preach peace to them that are far off and to them that are nigh; Grant that all men everywhere may seek after thee and find thee. Bring the nations into thy fold, pour out thy Spirit upon all flesh, and hasten thy kingdom; through the same thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Or this*

**A**LMIGHTY God, whose compassions fail not, and whose loving kindness reacheth unto the world's end; We give thee humble thanks for opening heathen lands to the light of thy truth; for making paths in the deep waters and highways in the desert; and for planting thy Church in all the earth. Grant, we beseech thee, unto us thy servants, that with lively faith we may labour abundantly to make known to all men thy blessed gift of eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For those who are to be admitted into Holy Orders.*

¶ *To be used in the Weeks preceding the stated Times of Ordination.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who hast purchased to thyself an universal Church by the precious blood of thy dear Son; Mercifully look upon the same, and at this time so guide and govern the minds of thy servants the Bishops and Pastors of thy flock, that they may lay hands suddenly on no man, but faithfully and wisely make choice of fit persons, to serve in the sacred Ministry of thy Church. And to those who shall be ordained to any holy function, give thy grace and heavenly benediction; that both by their life and doctrine they may show forth thy glory, and set forward the salvation of all men; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Or this.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, the giver of all good gifts, who of thy divine providence hast appointed divers Orders in thy Church; Give thy grace, we humbly beseech thee, to all those who are to be called to any office and administration in the same; and so replenish them with the truth of thy doctrine, and endue them with innocency of life, that they may faithfully serve before thee, to the glory of thy great Name, and the benefit of thy holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For the Increase of the Ministry.*

**O** ALMIGHTY God, look mercifully upon the world which thou hast redeemed by the blood of thy dear Son, and incline the hearts of many to dedicate themselves to the sacred ministry of thy Church; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*



*For Fruitful Seasons.*

† To be used on Rogation-Sunday and the Rogation-days.

**A**LMIGHTY God, who hast blessed the earth that it should be fruitful and bring forth whatsoever is needful for the life of man, and hast commanded us to work with quietness, and eat our own bread; Bless the labours of the husbandman, and grant such seasonable weather that we may gather in the fruits of the earth, and ever rejoice in thy goodness, to the praise of thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

† Or this.

**O** GRACIOUS Father, who openest thine hand and fillest all things living with plenteousness; We beseech thee of thine infinite goodness to hear us, who now make our prayers and supplications unto thee. Remember not our sins, but thy promises of mercy. Vouchsafe to bless the lands and multiply the harvests of the world. Let thy breath go forth that it may renew the face of the earth. Show thy loving-kindness, that our land may give her increase; and so fill us with good things that the poor and needy may give thanks unto thy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For Rain.*

**O** GOD, heavenly Father, who by thy Son Jesus Christ hast promised to all those who seek thy kingdom, and the righteousness thereof, all things necessary to their bodily sustenance; Send us, we beseech thee, in this our necessity, such moderate rain and showers, that we may receive the fruits of the earth to our comfort, and to thy honour; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For Fair Weather.*

**A**LMIGHTY and most merciful Father, we humbly beseech thee, of thy great goodness, to restrain those immoderate rains, wherewith thou hast afflicted us. And we pray thee to send us such seasonable weather, that the earth may, in due time, yield her increase for our use and benefit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*In Time of Dearth and Famine.*

**O** GOD, heavenly Father, whose gift it is that the rain doth fall, and the earth bring forth her increase; Behold, we beseech thee, the afflictions of thy people; increase the fruits of the earth by thy heavenly benediction; and grant that the scarcity and dearth, which we now most justly suffer for our sins, may, through thy goodness, be mercifully turned into plenty; for the love of Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

*In Time of War and Tumults.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, the supreme Governor of all things, whose power no creature is able to resist, to whom it belongeth justly to punish sinners, and to be merciful to those who truly repent; Save and deliver us, we humbly beseech thee, from the hands of our enemies; that we, being armed with thy defence, may be preserved evermore from all perils, to glorify thee, who art the only giver of all victory; through the merits of thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*In Time of Calamity.*

**O** GOD, merciful and compassionate, who art ever ready to hear the prayers of those who put their trust in thee; Graciously hearken to us who call upon thee, and grant us thy help in this our need; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For the Army.*

**O** LORD God of Hosts, stretch forth, we pray thee, thine almighty arm to strengthen and protect the soldiers of our country; Support them in the day of battle, and in the time of peace keep them safe from all evil; endue them with courage and loyalty; and grant that in all things they may serve without reproach; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For the Navy.*

**O** ETERNAL Lord God, who alone spreadest out the heavens, and rulest the raging of the sea; Vouchsafe to take into thy almighty and most gracious protection our country's Navy, and all who serve therein. Preserve them from the dangers of the sea, and from the violence of the enemy; that they may be a safeguard unto the United States of America, and a security for such as pass on the seas upon their lawful occasions; that the inhabitants of our land may in peace and quietness serve thee our God, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*Memorial Days.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, in whose hands are the living and the dead; We give thee thanks for all those thy servants who have laid down

their lives in the service of our country. Grant to them thy mercy and the light of thy presence, that the good work which thou hast begun in them may be perfected; through Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord. *Amen.*

*For Schools, Colleges, and Universities.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, we beseech thee, with thy gracious favour, to behold our universities, colleges, and schools, that knowledge may be increased among us, and all good learning flourish and abound; bless all who teach and all who learn; and grant that in humility of heart they may ever look unto thee, who art the fountain of all wisdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For Religious Education.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who hast committed to thy Holy Church the care and nurture of thy children; Enlighten with thy wisdom those who teach and those who learn; that, rejoicing in the knowledge of thy truth, they may worship thee and serve thee from generation to generation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For Children.*

**O** LORD Jesus Christ, who dost embrace children with the arms of thy mercy, and dost make them living members of thy Church; Give them grace, we pray thee, to stand fast in thy faith, to obey thy word, and to abide in thy love; that, being made strong by thy Holy Spirit, they may resist temptation and overcome evil, and may rejoice in the life that now is, and dwell with thee in the life that is to come; through thy merits, O merciful Saviour, who



with the Father and the Holy Ghost livest and reignest one God, world without end. *Amen.*

*For Those About to be Confirmed.*

**O** GOD, who through the teaching of thy Son Jesus Christ didst prepare the disciples for the coming of the Comforter; Make ready, we beseech thee, the hearts and minds of thy servants who at this time are seeking to be strengthened by the gift of the Holy Spirit through the laying on of hands, that, drawing near with penitent and faithful hearts, they may evermore be filled with the power of his divine indwelling; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For Christian Service.*

**O** LORD, our heavenly Father, whose blessed Son came not to be ministered unto, but to minister; We beseech thee to bless all who, following in his steps, give themselves to the service of their fellow men. Endue them with wisdom, patience, and courage to strengthen the weak and raise up those who fall; that, being inspired by thy love, they may worthily minister in thy Name to the suffering, the friendless, and the needy; for the sake of him who laid down his life for us, the same thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

*For Social Justice.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, who hast created man in thine own image; Grant us grace fearlessly to contend against evil, and to make no peace with oppression; and, that we may reverently use our freedom, help us to employ it in the maintenance of justice among men and nations, to the glory of thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For Every Man in his Work.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who declarest thy glory and showest forth thy handiwork in the heavens and in the earth; Deliver us, we beseech thee, in our several callings, from the service of mammon, that we may do the work which thou givest us to do, in truth, in beauty, and in righteousness, with singleness of heart as thy servants, and to the benefit of our fellow men; for the sake of him who came among us as one that serveth, thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*In Time of Great Sickness and Mortality.*

**O** MOST mighty and merciful God, in this time of grievous sickness, we flee unto thee for succour. Deliver us, we beseech thee, from our peril; give strength and skill to all those who minister to the sick; prosper the means made use of for their cure; and grant that, perceiving how frail and uncertain our life is, we may apply our hearts unto that heavenly wisdom which leadeth to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*Prayer for a Sick Person.*

**O** FATHER of mercies and God of all comfort, our only help in time of need; We humbly beseech thee to behold, visit, and relieve thy sick servant (N.) for whom our prayers are desired. Look upon *him* with the eyes of thy mercy; comfort *him* with a sense of thy goodness; preserve *him* from the temptations of the enemy; and give *him* patience under *his* affliction. In thy good time, restore *him* to health, and enable *him* to lead the residue of *his* life in thy fear, and to thy glory; and grant that

finally *he* may dwell with thee in life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For a Sick Child.*

**O** HEAVENLY Father, watch with us, we pray thee, over the sick *child* for whom our prayers are offered, and grant that *he* may be restored to that perfect health which it is thine alone to give; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For a Person under Affliction.*

**O** MERCIFUL God, and heavenly Father, who hast taught us in thy holy Word that thou dost not willingly afflict or grieve the children of men; Look with pity, we beseech thee, upon the sorrows of thy *servant* for whom our prayers are offered. Remember *him*, O Lord, in mercy; endue *his* soul with patience; comfort *him* with a sense of thy goodness; lift up thy countenance upon *him*, and give *him* peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For a Person, or Persons, going to Sea.*

**O** ETERNAL God, who alone spreadest out the heavens, and rulest the raging of the sea; We commend to thy almighty protection, thy *servant*, for whose preservation on the great deep our prayers are desired. Guard *him*, we beseech thee, from the dangers of the sea, from sickness, from the violence of enemies, and from every evil to which *he* may be exposed. Conduct *him* in safety to the haven where *he* would be, with a grateful sense of thy mercies; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For Prisoners.*

**O** GOD, who sparest when we deserve punishment, and in thy wrath rememberest mercy; We humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, to comfort and succour all prisoners (*especially those who are condemned to die*). Give them a right understanding of themselves, and of thy promises; that, trusting wholly in thy mercy, they may not place their confidence anywhere but in thee. Relieve the distressed, protect the innocent, awaken the guilty; and forasmuch as thou alone bringest light out of darkness, and good out of evil, grant to these thy servants, that by the power of thy Holy Spirit they may be set free from the chains of sin, and may be brought to newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*A Bidding Prayer*

*Which may be used before Sermons, or on Special Occasions.*

**G**OOD Christian People, I bid your prayers for Christ's holy Catholic Church, the blessed company of all faithful people; that it may please God to confirm and strengthen it in purity of faith, in holiness of life, and in perfectness of love, and to restore to it the witness of visible unity; and more especially for that branch of the same planted by God in this land, whereof we are members; that in all things it may work according to God's will, serve him faithfully, and worship him acceptably.

Ye shall pray for the President of the United States, and for the Governor of this State, and for all that are in authority; that all, and every one of them, may serve truly in their several callings to the glory of God, and the edifying and well-governing of the people, remembering the account they shall be called upon to give at the last great day.

Ye shall also pray for the ministers of God's Holy Word and Sacraments; for Bishops (and herein more especially for the Bishop of this Diocese), that they may minister faithfully and wisely the discipline of Christ; likewise for all Priests and Deacons (and herein more especially for the Clergy here residing), that they may shine as lights in the world, and in all things may adorn the doctrine of God our Saviour.

And ye shall pray for a due supply of persons fitted to serve God in the Ministry and in the State; and to that end, as well as for the good education of all the youth of this land, ye shall pray for all schools, colleges, and seminaries of sound and godly learning, and for all whose hands are open for their maintenance; that whatsoever tends to the advancement of true religion and useful learning may for ever flourish and abound.

Ye shall pray for all the people of these United States, that they may live in the true faith and fear of God, and in brotherly charity one towards another.

Ye shall pray also for all who travel by land or sea; for all prisoners and captives; for all who are in sickness or in sorrow; for all who have fallen into grievous sin; for all who, through temptation, ignorance, helplessness, grief, trouble, dread, or the near approach of death, especially need our prayers.

Ye shall also praise God for rain and sunshine; for the fruits of the earth; for the products of all honest industry; and for all his good gifts, temporal and spiritual, to us and to all men.

Finally, ye shall yield unto God most high praise and hearty thanks for the wonderful grace and virtue declared in all his saints, who have been the choice vessels of his grace and the lights of the world in their several generations; and pray unto God, that

we may have grace to direct our lives after their good examples; that, this life ended, we may be made partakers with them of the glorious resurrection, and the life everlasting.

And now, brethren, summing up all our petitions, and all our thanksgivings, in the words which Christ hath taught us, we make bold to say,

**O**UR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

¶ Note, That the Minister in his discretion may omit any of the clauses in the foregoing Bidding Prayer, or may add others, as occasion may require.



COLLECTS.



*For Unity.*

**O** LORD Jesus Christ, who saidst unto thine Apostles, Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you; Regard not our sins, but the faith of thy Church; and grant to it that peace and unity which is according to thy will, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

**A**SSIST us mercifully, O Lord, in these our supplications and prayers, and dispose the way of thy servants towards the attainment of everlasting salvation; that, among all the changes and chances of this mortal life, they may ever be defended by thy most gracious and ready help; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**G**RANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that the words which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may, through thy grace, be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honour and praise of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**D**IRECT us, O Lord, in all our doings, with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy

Name, and finally, by thy mercy, obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, the fountain of all wisdom, who knowest our necessities before we ask, and our ignorance in asking; We beseech thee to have compassion upon our infirmities; and those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask, vouchsafe to give us, for the worthiness of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, who hast promised to hear the petitions of those who ask in thy Son's Name; We beseech thee mercifully to incline thine ears to us who have now made our prayers and supplications unto thee; and grant that those things which we have faithfully asked according to thy will, may effectually be obtained, to the relief of our necessity, and to the setting forth of thy glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*



## THANKSGIVINGS.

† To be used after the General Thanksgiving, or, when that is not said, before the final Prayer of Blessing or the Benediction.



### *Thanksgiving Day.*

**M**OST gracious God, by whose knowledge the depths are broken up, and the clouds drop down the dew; We yield thee unfeigned thanks and praise for the return of seed-time and harvest, for the increase of the ground and the gathering in of the fruits thereof, and for all the other blessings of thy merciful providence bestowed upon this nation and people. And, we beseech thee, give us a just sense of these great mercies; such as may appear in our lives by an humble, holy, and obedient walking before thee all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all glory and honour, world without end. *Amen.*

### *The Thanksgiving of Women after Child-birth*

† To be said when any Woman, being present in Church, shall have desired to return thanks to Almighty God for her safe deliverance.

**O** ALMIGHTY God, we give thee humble thanks for that thou hast been graciously pleased to preserve, through the great pain and peril of child-birth, *this woman*, thy servant, who desireth now to offer her praises and thanksgivings unto thee. Grant, we beseech thee, most merciful Father, that *she*, through thy help, may both faithfully live and walk

according to thy will in this life present, and also may be *partaker* of everlasting glory in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### *For Rain.*

**O** GOD, our heavenly Father, by whose gracious providence the former and the latter rain descend upon the earth, that it may bring forth fruit for the use of man; We give thee humble thanks that it hath pleased thee to send us rain to our great comfort, and to the glory of thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### *For Fair Weather.*

**O** LORD God, who hast justly humbled us by thy late visitation of us with immoderate rain and waters, and in thy mercy hast relieved and comforted our souls by this seasonable and blessed change of weather; We praise and glorify thy holy Name for this thy mercy, and will always declare thy loving-kindness from generation to generation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### *For Plenty.*

**O** MOST merciful Father, who of thy gracious goodness hast heard the devout prayers of thy Church, and turned our dearth and scarcity into plenty; We give thee humble thanks for this thy special bounty; beseeching thee to continue thy loving kindness unto us, that our land may yield us her fruits of increase, to thy glory and our comfort; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For Peace, and Deliverance from our Enemies.*

**O** ALMIGHTY God, who art a strong tower of defence unto thy servants against the face of their enemies; We yield thee praise and thanksgiving for our deliverance from those great and apparent dangers wherewith we were compassed. We acknowledge it thy goodness that we were not delivered over as a prey unto them; beseeching thee still to continue such thy mercies towards us, that all the world may know that thou art our Saviour and mighty Deliverer; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For Restoring Public Peace at Home.*

**O** ETERNAL God, our heavenly Father, who alone makest men to be of one mind in a house, and stillest the outrage of a violent and unruly people; We bless thy holy Name, that it hath pleased thee to appease the seditious tumults which have been lately raised up amongst us; most humbly beseeching thee to grant to all of us grace, that we may henceforth obediently walk in thy holy commandments; and, leading a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty, may continually offer unto thee our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving for these thy mercies towards us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For Recovery from Sickness.*

**O** GOD, who art the giver of life, of health, and of safety; We bless thy Name, that thou hast been pleased to deliver from *his* bodily sickness *this* thy servant, who now *desireth* to return thanks unto thee, in the presence of all thy people. Gracious art thou, O Lord, and full of compassion to the children of men. May *his heart* be duly impressed with a

sense of thy merciful goodness, and may *he* devote the residue of *his* days to an humble, holy, and obedient walking before thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For a Child's Recovery from Sickness.*

**A** LMIGHTY God and heavenly Father, we give thee humble thanks for that thou hast been graciously pleased to deliver from *his* bodily sickness the *child* in whose behalf we bless and praise thy Name, in the presence of all thy people. Grant, we beseech thee, O gracious Father, that *he*, through thy help, may both faithfully live in this world according to thy will, and also may be *partaker* of everlasting glory in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For a Safe Return from a Journey.*

**M**OST gracious Lord, whose mercy is over all thy works; We praise thy holy Name that thou hast been pleased to conduct in safety, through the perils of *the great deep*, [*his way*,] *this* thy servant, who now *desireth* to return *his* thanks unto thee in thy holy Church. May *he* be duly sensible of thy merciful providence towards *him*, and ever express *his* thankfulness by a holy trust in thee, and obedience to thy laws; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*



THE  
COLLECTS, EPISTLES, AND GOSPELS,  
TO BE USED THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.



ADDITIONS AND AMENDMENTS

**The Circumcision of Christ.**

*The Epistle. Phil. ii. 9.*

**W**HEREFORE God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling. For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure.

Omit the rubric providing that the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel for The Circumcision shall serve for every day after, unto the Epiphany.



**Second Sunday after Christmas.**

*The Collect.*

**A**Lmighty God, who hast poured upon us the new light of thine incarnate Word; Grant that

the same light enkindled in our hearts may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
*Amen.*

*For the Epistle. Isaiah lxi. 1.*

**T**HE Spirit of the Lord God is upon me; because the Lord hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound; to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn; to appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that he might be glorified.

*The Gospel. St. Matt. ii. 19.*

**W**HEN Herod was dead, behold, an angel of the Lord appeareth in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and go into the land of Israel: for they are dead which sought the young child's life. And he arose, and took the young child and his mother, and came into the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus did reign in Judæa in the room of his father Herod, he was afraid to go thither: notwithstanding, being warned of God in a dream, he turned aside into the parts of Galilee: and he came and dwelt in a city called Nazareth: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophets, He shall be called a Nazarene.



**Good Friday.**

Change the third Collect as below.

**O** MERCIFUL God, who hast made all men, and hatest nothing that thou hast made, nor desirest the death of a sinner, but rather that he should be converted and live; Have mercy upon all who know thee not as thou art revealed in the Gospel of thy Son. Take from them all ignorance, hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word; and so fetch them home, blessed Lord, to thy fold, that they may be made one flock under one shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

**Ember Days.**

To follow the Gospel for the Feast of the Dedication of a Church.

*The Collect.*

**O** ALMIGHTY God, who hast committed to the hands of men the ministry of reconciliation; We humbly beseech thee by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit to put it into the hearts of many to offer themselves for this ministry, that thereby mankind may be drawn to thy blessed kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For the Epistle. Acts xiii. 44.*

**T**HE next sabbath day came almost the whole city together to hear the word of God. But when the Jews saw the multitudes, they were filled with envy, and spake against those things which were spoken by Paul, contradicting and blaspheming. Then Paul and Barnabas waxed bold, and said, It was necessary

that the word of God should first have been spoken to you: but seeing ye put it from you, and judge yourselves unworthy of everlasting life, lo, we turn to the Gentiles. For so hath the Lord commanded us, saying, I have set thee to be a light of the Gentiles, that thou shouldest be for salvation unto the ends of the earth. And when the Gentiles heard this, they were glad, and glorified the word of the Lord: and as many as were ordained to eternal life believed. And the word of the Lord was published throughout all the region.

*The Gospel. St. Luke iv. 16.*

**J**ESUS came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read. And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Esaias. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written, The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord. And he closed the book, and he gave it again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him. And he began to say unto them, This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears.





### The Solemnization of Matrimony.

To follow the Gospel for Thanksgiving Day.

*The Collect.*

**O** ETERNAL God, we humbly beseech thee favourably to behold these thy servants now [*about to be*] joined in wedlock according to thy holy ordinance; and grant that they, seeking first thy kingdom and righteousness, may obtain the manifold blessings of thy grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*The Epistle.* Eph. v. 20.

**G**IVE thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ; submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God. Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body. Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing. Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it; that he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, that he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish. So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself. For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church: for we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh. This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church. Nevertheless let every one of

you in particular so love his wife even as himself; and the wife see that she reverence her husband.

*The Gospel.* St. Matt. xix. 4.

**J**ESUS answered and said unto them, Have ye not read, that he which made them at the beginning made them male and female, and said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh? Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.

THE ORDER FOR THE ADMINISTRATION  
OF THE LORD'S SUPPER  
OR  
HOLY COMMUNION.



¶ *At the Communion time the Holy Table shall have upon it a fair white linnen cloth. And the Priest, standing reverently before the Holy Table, shall say the Lord's Prayer and the Collect following, the people kneeling; but the Lord's Prayer may be omitted at the discretion of the Priest.*

**O**UR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

*The Collect.*

**A**Lmighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Priest, turning to the People, rehearse distinctly THE TEN COMMANDMENTS; and the People, still kneeling, shall, after every Commandment, ask God's mercy for their transgressions for the time past, and grace to keep the law for the time to come.*

¶ *And Note, That in rehearsing the Ten Commandments, the Priest may omit that part of the Commandment which is inset.*

¶ *The Decalogue may be omitted, provided it be said at least one Sunday in each month. But Note, That whenever it is omitted, the Minister shall say the Summary of the Law, beginning, Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith.*

**G**OD spake these words, and said:  
I am the Lord thy God; Thou shalt have none other gods but me.

*Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth; thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them:

for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, and visit the sins of the fathers upon the children, unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; and show mercy unto thousands in them that love me and keep my commandments.

*Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

**Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain;**

for the Lord will not hold him guiltless, that taketh his Name in vain.

*Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

**Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath-day.**

Six days shalt thou labour, and do all that thou hast to do; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God. In it thou shalt do no manner of work; thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, thy man-servant, and thy maid-servant, thy cattle, and the stranger that is within thy gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the seventh day, and hallowed it.

*Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

**Honour thy father and thy mother;**

that thy days may be long in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

*Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

**Thou shalt do no murder.**

*Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

**Thou shalt not commit adultery.**

*Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

**Thou shalt not steal.**

*Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

**Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.**

*Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

**Thou shalt not covet**

thy neighbor's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his servant, nor his maid, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is his.

*Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.*

¶ *Then may the Priest say,*

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith.

**T**HOU shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it; Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

¶ *Here, if the Decalogue hath been omitted, shall be said,*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

*Christ, have mercy upon us.*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Lord be with you.

*And with thy spirit.*

Let us pray.

¶ *Then the Priest may say,*

**O** ALMIGHTY Lord, and everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech thee, to direct, sanctify, and govern, both our hearts and bodies, in the ways of thy laws, and in the works of thy commandments; that, through thy most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest say the COLLECT OF THE DAY. And after the Collect the Minister appointed shall read the EPISTLE, first saying, The Epistle is written in the — Chapter of —, beginning at the — Verse. The Epistle ended, he shall say, Here endeth the Epistle.*

¶ *Here may be sung a Hymn or an Anthem.*

¶ *Then, all the People standing, the Minister appointed shall read the GOSPEL, first saying, The Holy Gospel is written in the — Chapter of —, beginning at the — Verse.*

¶ *Here shall be said,*

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

¶ *And after the Gospel may be said,*

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

¶ *Then shall be said the CREED commonly called the Nicene, or else the Apostles' Creed; but the Creed may be omitted, if it hath been said immediately before in Morning Prayer; Provided, That the Nicene Creed shall be said on Christmas-day, Easter-day, Ascension-day, Whitsunday, and Trinity-Sunday.*

**I**BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:



And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God; Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; By whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man: And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried: And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures: And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father: And he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spake by the Prophets: And I believe one Catholic and Apostolic Church: I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins: And I look for the Resurrection of the dead: And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

¶ Then shall be declared unto the People what Holy-days, or Fasting-days, are in the week following to be observed; and (if occasion be) shall Notice be given of the Communion, and of the Banns of Matrimony, and other matters to be published.

¶ Here, or immediately after the Creed, may be said the Bidding Prayer, or other authorized Prayers and Intercessions.

¶ Then followeth the Sermon. After which, the Priest, when there is a Communion, shall return to the Holy Table, and begin the Offertory, saying one or more of these Sentences following, as he thinketh most convenient.

**R**EMEMBER the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive. *Acts xx. 35.*

Let your light so shine before men, that they may

see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. *St. Matt. v. 16.*

Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal. *St. Matt. vi. 19, 20.*

Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. *St. Matt. vii. 21.*

He that soweth little shall reap little; and he that soweth plenteously shall reap plenteously. Let every man do according as he is disposed in his heart, not grudgingly, or of necessity; for God loveth a cheerful giver. *2 Cor. ix. 6, 7.*

While we have time, let us do good unto all men; and especially unto them that are of the household of faith. *Gal. vi. 10.*

God is not unrighteous, that he will forget your works, and labour that proceedeth of love; which love ye have showed for his Name's sake, who have ministered unto the saints, and yet do minister. *Heb. vi. 10.*

To do good, and to distribute, forget not; for with such sacrifices God is well pleased. *Heb. xiii. 16.*

Whoso hath this world's goods, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him? *1 St. John iii. 17.*

Be merciful after thy power. If thou hast much, give plenteously; if thou hast little, do thy diligence gladly to give of that little: for so gatherest thou thyself a good reward in the day of necessity. *Tobit iv. 8, 9.*

And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it

unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me. *St. Matt. xxv. 40.*

How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? and how shall they preach, except they be sent? *Rom. x. 14, 15.*

Therefore, said he, The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest. *St. Luke x. 2.*

Ye shall not appear before the LORD empty; every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the LORD thy God which he hath given thee. *Deut. xvi. 16, 17.*

Thine, O LORD, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine; thine is the kingdom, O LORD, and thou art exalted as head above all. *1 Chron. xxix. 11.*

All things come of thee, O LORD, and of thine own have we given thee. *1 Chron. xxix. 14.*

¶ *And Note, That these Sentences may be used on any other occasion of Public Worship when the offerings of the People are to be received.*

¶ *The Deacons, Church-wardens, or other fit persons appointed for that purpose, shall receive the Alms for the Poor, and other Offerings of the People, in a decent Basin to be provided by the Parish; and reverently bring it to the Priest, who shall humbly present and place it upon the Holy Table.*

¶ *And the Priest shall then offer, and shall place upon the Holy Table, the Bread and the Wine.*

¶ *And when the Alms and Oblations are being received and presented, there may be sung a Hymn, or an Offertory Anthem in the words of Holy Scripture or of the Book of Common Prayer, under the direction of the Priest.*

¶ *Here the Priest may ask the secret intercessions of the Congregation for any who have desired the prayers of the Church.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church militant.

**A**LMIGHTY and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men; We humbly beseech thee most mercifully [*\*to accept our alms and oblations, and*] to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant that all those

*\*If there be no alms or oblations, then shall the words [to accept our alms and oblations, and] be left unsaid.*

who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love. We beseech thee also, so to direct and dispose the hearts of all Christian Rulers, that they may truly and impartially administer justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue. Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and other Ministers, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments. And to all thy People give thy heavenly grace; and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we



may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest say to those who come to receive the Holy Communion,*

**Y**E who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways; Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

¶ *Then shall this General Confession be made, by the Priest and all those who are minded to receive the Holy Communion, humbly kneeling.*

**A**Lmighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest (the Bishop if he be present) stand up, and turning to the People, say,*

**A**Lmighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all who truly turn to him.

**C**OME unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. *St. Matt. xi. 28.*

So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *St. John iii. 16.*

Hear also what Saint Paul saith.

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, That Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Tim. i. 15.*

Hear also what Saint John saith.

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the Propitiation for our sins. *1 St. John ii. 1, 2.*

¶ *After which the Priest shall proceed, saying,*

Lift up your hearts.

*Answer.* We lift them up unto the Lord.

*Priest.* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

*Answer.* It is meet and right so to do.

¶ *Then shall the Priest turn to the Holy Table, and say,*

**I**T is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

¶ *Here shall follow the PROPER PREFACE, according to the time, if there be any specially appointed; or else immediately shall be said or sung by the Priest,*

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, Lord God of** ¶ *Priest and hosts, Heaven and earth are full of thy* *People.*  
glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Amen.



#### PROPER PREFACES.

*Upon Christmas-day, and seven days after.*

**B**ECAUSE thou didst give Jesus Christ, thine only Son, to be born as at this time for us; who, by the operation of the Holy Ghost, was made very man, of the substance of the Virgin Mary his mother; and that without spot of sin, to make us clean from all sin. Therefore with Angels, *etc.*

*Upon The Epiphany, and seven days after.*

**T**HROUGH Jesus Christ our Lord, who, in substance of our mortal flesh, manifested forth his glory; that he might bring us out of darkness into his own glorious light. Therefore with Angels, *etc.*

*Upon the Purification, Annunciation, and Transfiguration.*

**B**ECAUSE in the Mystery of the Word made flesh, thou hast caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of thy glory in the face of thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore with Angels, *etc.*

*Upon Easter-day, and seven days after.*

**B**UT chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious Resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord: for he is the very Paschal Lamb, which was offered for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world; who by his death hath destroyed death, and by his rising to life again hath restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Angels, *etc.*

*Upon Ascension-day, and seven days after.*

**T**HROUGH thy most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who, after his most glorious Resurrection, manifestly appeared to all his Apostles, and in their sight ascended up into heaven, to prepare a place for us; that where he is, thither we might also ascend, and reign with him in glory. Therefore with Angels, *etc.*

*Upon the Feast of Whitsunday, and six days after.*

**T**HROUGH Jesus Christ our Lord; according to whose most true promise, the Holy Ghost came down as at this time from heaven, lighting upon the Apostles, to teach them, and to lead them into all truth; giving them boldness with fervent zeal constantly to preach the Gospel unto all nations; whereby we have been brought out of darkness and error into the clear light and true knowledge of thee, and of thy Son Jesus Christ. Therefore with Angels, *etc.*

*Upon the Feast of Trinity only.*

**W**HO, with thine only-begotten Son, and the Holy Ghost, art one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Substance. For that which we believe of thy glory, O Father, the same we believe of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, without any difference of inequality. Therefore with Angels, *etc.*

¶ *Or this.*

**F**OR the precious death and merits of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, and for the sending to us of the Holy Ghost, the Comforter; who are one with thee in thy Eternal Godhead. Therefore with Angels, etc.

*Upon All Saints' Day, and seven days after.*

**W**HIO, in the multitude of thy saints, hast compassed us about with so great a cloud of witnesses that we, rejoicing in their fellowship, may run with patience the race that is set before us, and together with them may receive the crown of glory that fadeth not away. Therefore with Angels, etc.



¶ *When the Priest, standing before the Table, hath so ordered the Bread and Wine, that he may with the more readiness and decency break the Bread before the People, and take the Cup into his hands, he shall say the Prayer of Consecration, as followeth.*

**A**LL glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again: For in the night in which he was betrayed, (a) he took Bread; and when he had given thanks, (b) he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat, (c) this is my Body, which is given for you; Do this in remembrance of me. Likewise, after supper, (d) he took the

(a) *Here the Priest is to take the Paten into his hands.*

(b) *And here to break the Bread.*

(c) *And here to lay his hand upon all the Bread.*

(d) *Here he*

Cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of this; for (e) this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins; Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

*is to take the Cup into his hands.*

(e) *And here he is to lay his hand upon every vessel in which there is any Wine to be consecrated.*

**W**HEREFORE, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy Divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

*The Oblation.*

**A**ND we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

*The Invocation.*

**A**ND we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness, mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our



souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him. And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice; yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *Amen.*

And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, let us say,

**O**UR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest, kneeling down at the Lord's Table, say, in the name of all those who shall receive the Communion, this Prayer following.*

**W**E do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful

bodies may be made clean by his Body, and our souls washed through his most precious Blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest first receive the Holy Communion in both kinds himself, and proceed to deliver the same to the Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, in like manner, (if any be present,) and, after that, to the People also in order, into their hands, all devoutly kneeling. And sufficient opportunity shall be given to those present to communicate. And when he delivereth the Bread, he shall say,*

**T**HE Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith, with thanksgiving.

¶ *And the Minister who delivereth the Cup shall say,*

**T**HE Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Drink this in remembrance that Christ's Blood was shed for thee, and be thankful.

¶ *If the consecrated Bread or Wine be spent before all have communicated, the Priest is to consecrate more, according to the Form before prescribed; beginning at, All glory be to thee, Almighty God, and ending with these words, partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.*

¶ *When all have communicated, the Priest shall return to the Lord's Table, and reverently place upon it what remaineth of the consecrated Elements, covering the same with a fair linen cloth.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

Let us pray.

**A**Lmighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us who have duly received these holy mysteries with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness

towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of his most precious death and passion. And we most humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall be said Gloria in excelsis, all standing, or some proper Hymn.*

**G**LORY be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

¶ *Then, the people kneeling, the Priest (the Bishop if he be present) shall let them depart with this Blessing.*

**T**HE Peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

¶ *In the absence of a Priest, a Deacon may say all that is before appointed unto the end of the Gospel.*

¶ *Upon the Sundays and other Holy-days, (though there be no Sermon or Communion,) may be said all that is appointed at the Communion, unto the end of the Gospel, concluding with the Blessing.*

¶ *And if any of the consecrated Bread and Wine remain after the Communion, it shall not be carried out of the Church; but the Minister and other Communicants shall, immediately after the Blessing, reverently eat and drink the same.*

¶ *If among those who come to be partakers of the Holy Communion, the Minister shall know any to be an open and notorious evil liver, or to have done any wrong to his neighbours by word or deed, so that the Congregation be thereby offended; he shall advertise him, that he presume not to come to the Lord's Table, until he have openly declared himself to have truly repented and amended his former evil life, that the Congregation may thereby be satisfied; and that he hath recompensed the parties to whom he hath done wrong; or at least declare himself to be in full purpose so to do, as soon as he conveniently may.*

¶ *The same order shall the Minister use with those, betwixt whom he perceiveth malice and hatred to reign; not suffering them to be partakers of the Lord's Table, until he know them to be reconciled. And if one of the parties, so at variance, be content to forgive from the bottom of his heart all that the other hath trespassed against him, and to make amends for that wherein he himself hath offended; and the other party will not be persuaded to a godly unity, but remain still in his forwardness and malice; the Minister in that case ought to admit the penitent person to the Holy Communion, and not him that is obstinate. Provided, That every Minister so repelling any, as is herein specified, shall be obliged to give an account of the same to the Ordinary, within fourteen days after, at the farthest.*

¶ *At the time of the celebration of the Communion, the Priest may say this Exhortation. And Note, That the Exhortation shall be said on the First Sunday in Advent, the First Sunday in Lent, and Trinity Sunday.*

**D**EARLY beloved in the Lord, ye who mind to come to the holy Communion of the Body and Blood of our Saviour Christ, must consider how Saint Paul exhorteth all persons diligently to try and examine themselves, before they presume to eat of that Bread, and drink of that Cup. For as the benefit is great, if with a true penitent heart and lively faith we receive that holy Sacrament; so is the danger great, if we receive the same unworthily. Judge therefore yourselves, brethren, that ye be not judged of the Lord; repent you truly for your sins past; have a lively and steadfast faith in Christ our Saviour; amend your lives, and be in perfect charity with all men; so shall ye be meet partakers of those holy mysteries. And above all things ye must give most humble and hearty thanks to God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, for the redemption of the world by the death and passion of our Saviour Christ, both God and man; who did humble himself, even to the death upon the Cross, for us, miserable sinners, who lay in darkness and the shadow of death; that he might make us the children of God, and exalt us to everlasting life. And to the end that we should always remember the exceeding great love of our Master, and only Saviour, Jesus Christ, thus dying for us, and the innumerable benefits which by his precious blood-shedding he hath obtained for us; he hath instituted and ordained holy mysteries, as pledges of his love, and for a continual remembrance of his death, to our great and endless comfort. To him therefore, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, let us give (as we are most bounden) continual thanks; submitting ourselves wholly to his holy will

and pleasure, and studying to serve him in true holiness and righteousness all the days of our life. *Amen.*

¶ *When the Minister giveth warning for the Celebration of the Holy Communion, (which he shall always do upon the Sunday, or some Holy-day, immediately preceding,) he shall read this Exhortation following, or so much thereof as, in his discretion, he may think convenient.*

**D**EARLY beloved, on —— day next I purpose, through God's assistance, to administer to all such as shall be religiously and devoutly disposed, etc. [*as at present*].

¶ *Or, in case he shall see the People negligent to come to the Holy Communion, instead of the former, he may use this Exhortation.*

**D**EARLY beloved brethren, on —— I intend, by God's grace, to celebrate the Lord's Supper: etc. [*as at present*].



THE ORDER OF  
CONFIRMATION,

OR LAYING ON OF HANDS UPON THOSE WHO ARE  
BAPTIZED, AND COME TO YEARS  
OF DISCRETION.



¶ Upon the day appointed, all that are to be confirmed shall stand in order before the Bishop, sitting in his chair near to the Holy Table, the people all standing until the Lord's Prayer. And the Minister shall say,

REVEREND Father in God, I present unto you these persons to receive the Laying on of Hands.

¶ Then the Bishop, or some Minister appointed by him, may say,

Hear the words of the Evangelist Saint *Luke*, in the eighth Chapter of the Book of the *Acts of the Apostles*.

WHEN the apostles which were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent unto them Peter and John: who, when they were come down, prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Ghost: (for as yet he was fallen upon none of them: only they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.) Then laid they their hands on them, and they received the Holy Ghost.

¶ Then shall the Bishop say,

DO ye here, in the presence of God, and of this congregation, renew the solemn promise and vow that ye made, or that was made in your name, at your Baptism; ratifying and confirming the same; and acknowledging yourselves bound to believe and to do all those things which ye then undertook, or your Sponsors then undertook for you?

¶ And every one shall audibly answer,

I do.

¶ The Bishop shall then confirm them on this wise.

Bishop.

OUR help is in the Name of the Lord;  
*Answer.* Who hath made heaven and earth.  
*Bishop.* Blessed be the Name of the Lord;  
*Answer.* Henceforth, world without end.  
*Bishop.* Lord, hear our prayer.  
*Answer.* And let our cry come unto thee.

Bishop. Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who hast vouchsafed to regenerate these thy servants by Water and the Holy Ghost, and hast given unto them forgiveness of all their sins; Strengthen them, we beseech thee, O Lord, with the Holy Ghost, the Comforter, and daily increase in them thy manifold gifts of grace: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and ghostly strength, the spirit of knowledge and true godliness; and fill them, O Lord, with the spirit of thy holy fear, now and for ever. *Amen.*

¶ *Then all of them in order kneeling before the Bishop, he shall lay his hands upon the head of every one severally, saying,*

**D**EFEND, O Lord, this thy Child with thy heavenly grace; that *he* may continue thine for ever; and daily increase in thy Holy Spirit more and more, until *he* come unto thy everlasting kingdom. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Bishop say,*

The Lord be with you.

*Answer.* And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

¶ *Then shall the Bishop say the Lord's Prayer, the People kneeling and repeating it with him.*

**O**UR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Bishop say,*

**A**LMIGHTY and everliving God, who makest us both to will and to do those things which are good, and acceptable unto thy Divine Majesty; We make our humble supplications unto thee for these thy servants, upon whom, after the example of thy holy Apostles, we have now laid our hands, to certify them, by this sign, of thy favour and gracious goodness towards them. Let thy fatherly hand, we beseech thee, ever be over them; let thy Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of thy Word, that in the end they may obtain everlasting life; through our Lord

Jesus Christ, who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth ever, one God, world without end. Amen.

**O**ALMIGHTY Lord, and everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech thee, to direct, sanctify, and govern, both our hearts and bodies, in the ways of thy laws, and in the works of thy commandments; that, through thy most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

¶ *Then the Bishop shall bless them, saying thus.*

**T**HE Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be upon you, and remain with you for ever. Amen.

¶ *The Minister shall not omit earnestly to move the Persons confirmed to come, without delay, to the Lord's Supper.*

¶ *And there shall none be admitted to the Holy Communion, until such time as he be confirmed, or be ready and desirous to be confirmed.*

THE FORM OF  
SOLEMNIZATION OF MATRIMONY.



¶ *At the day and time appointed for Solemnization of Matrimony, the Persons to be married shall come unto the body of the Church, or shall be ready in some proper house, with their friends and neighbours; and there standing together, the Man on the right hand, and the Woman on the left, the Minister shall say,*

**D**EARLY beloved, we are gathered together here in the sight of God, and in the face of this company, to join together this Man and this Woman in holy Matrimony; which is an honourable estate, instituted of God, signifying unto us the mystical union that is betwixt Christ and his Church: which holy estate Christ adorned and beautified with his presence and first miracle that he wrought in Cana of Galilee, and is commended of Saint Paul to be honourable among all men: and therefore is not by any to be entered into unadvisedly or lightly; but reverently, discreetly, advisedly, soberly, and in the fear of God. Into this holy estate these two persons present come now to be joined. If any man can show just cause, why they may not lawfully be joined together, let him now speak, or else hereafter for ever hold his peace.

¶ *And also speaking unto the Persons who are to be married, he shall say,*

**I** REQUIRE and charge you both, as ye will answer at the dreadful day of judgment when the secrets of all hearts shall be disclosed, that if either of you

know any impediment, why ye may not be lawfully joined together in Matrimony, ye do now confess it. For be ye well assured, that if any persons are joined together otherwise than as God's Word doth allow, their marriage is not lawful.

¶ *The Minister, if he shall have reason to doubt of the lawfulness of the proposed Marriage, may demand sufficient surety for his indemnification: but if no impediment shall be alleged, or suspected, the Minister shall say to the Man,*

**M.** WILT thou have this Woman to thy wedded wife, to live together after God's ordinance in the holy estate of Matrimony? Wilt thou love her, comfort her, honour, and keep her in sickness and in health; and, forsaking all others, keep thee only unto her, so long as ye both shall live?

¶ *The Man shall answer,*

I will.

¶ *Then shall the Minister say unto the Woman,*

**N.** WILT thou have this Man to thy wedded husband, to live together after God's ordinance in the holy estate of Matrimony? Wilt thou love him, comfort him, honour, and keep him in sickness and in health; and, forsaking all others, keep thee only unto him, so long as ye both shall live?

¶ *The Woman shall answer,*

I will.

¶ *Then shall the Minister say,*

**W**HO giveth this Woman to be married to this Man?

¶ *Then shall they give their troth to each other in this manner. The Minister, receiving the Woman at her father's or friend's hands, shall cause the Man with his right hand to take the Woman by her right hand, and to say after him as followeth.*



**I** M. take thee N. to my wedded Wife, to have and to hold from this day forward, for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, till death us do part, according to God's holy ordinance; and thereto I plight thee my troth.

¶ *Then shall they loose their hands; and the Woman with her right hand taking the Man by his right hand, shall likewise say after the Minister:*

**I** N. take thee M. to my wedded Husband, to have and to hold from this day forward, for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health, to love and to cherish, till death us do part, according to God's holy ordinance; and thereto I give thee my troth.

¶ *Then shall they again loose their hands; and the Man shall give unto the Woman a Ring. And the Minister taking the Ring shall deliver it unto the Man, to put it upon the fourth finger of the Woman's left hand. And the Man holding the Ring there, and taught by the Minister, shall say,*

**W**ITH this Ring I thee wed; In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ *And Note, that before delivering the Ring to the Man, the Minister may say as follows.*

**B**LESS, O Lord, this Ring, that he who gives it and she who wears it may abide in thy peace, and continue in thy favour, unto their life's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Then, the Man leaving the Ring upon the fourth finger of the Woman's left hand, the Minister shall say,*

Let us pray.

¶ *Then shall the Minister and the People, standing, say the Lord's Prayer.*

**O**UR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our

daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Minister add,*

**O** ETERNAL God, Creator and Preserver of all mankind, Giver of all spiritual grace, the Author of everlasting life; Send thy blessing upon these thy servants, this man and this woman, whom we bless in thy Name; that they, living faithfully together, may surely perform and keep the vow and covenant betwixt them made, (whereof this Ring given and received is a token and pledge,) and may ever remain in perfect love and peace together, and live according to thy laws; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *The Minister may add one or both of the following Prayers.*

**O** ALMIGHTY God, Creator of mankind, who only art the well-spring of life; Bestow upon these thy servants, if it be thy will, the gift and heritage of children; and grant that they may see their children brought up in thy faith and fear, to the honour and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**O** GOD, who hast so consecrated the state of matrimony that in it is signified and represented the spiritual marriage and unity betwixt Christ and his Church; Look mercifully upon these thy servants, that they may love, honour, and cherish each other, and so live together in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and of peace; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, ever, one God, world without end. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Minister join their right hands together, and say,*

**T**HOSE whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder.

¶ *Then shall the Minister speak unto the company.*

**F**ORASMUCH as *M.* and *N.* have consented together in holy wedlock, and have witnessed the same before God and this company, and thereto have given and pledged their troth, each to the other, and have declared the same by giving and receiving a Ring, and by joining hands; I pronounce that they are Man and Wife, In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ *The Man and Wife kneeling, the Minister shall add this Blessing.*

**G**OD the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Ghost, bless, preserve, and keep you; the Lord mercifully with his favour look upon you, and fill you with all spiritual benediction and grace; that ye may so live together in this life, that in the world to come ye may have life everlasting. Amen.

¶ *The laws respecting Matrimony, whether by publishing the Banns in Churches, or by Licence, being different in the several States, every Minister is left to the direction of those laws, in every thing that regards the civil contract between the parties.*

¶ *And when the Banns are published, it shall be in the following form: I publish the Banns of Marriage between *M.* of —, and *N.* of —. If any of you know cause, or just impediment, why these two persons should not be joined together in holy Matrimony, ye are to declare it. This is the first [second or third] time of asking.*

## THE ORDER FOR THE VISITATION OF THE SICK.



¶ *The following Service, or any part thereof, may be used at the discretion of the Minister.*

¶ *When any person is sick, notice shall be given thereof to the Minister of the Parish; who, coming into the sick person's presence, shall say,*

**P**EACE be to this house, and to all that dwell in it.

¶ *After which he shall say the Antiphon following, and, according to his discretion, one of the Penitential Psalms (6, 32, 38, 51, 102, 130, 143).*

*Antiphon:* Remember not, Lord, our iniquities, nor the iniquities of our forefathers.

¶ *Then the Minister shall say,*

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

*Christ, have mercy upon us.*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

**O**UR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

*Minister.* O Lord, save thy servant,

*Answer.* Who putteth his trust in thee.

*Minister.* Send *him* help from thy holy place;

*Answer.* And evermore mightily defend *him*.

*Minister.* Let the enemy have no advantage of *him*,

*Answer.* Nor the wicked approach to hurt *him*.

*Minister.* Be unto *him*, O Lord, a strong tower,

*Answer.* From the face of *his* enemy.

*Minister.* O Lord, hear our prayer:

*Answer.* And let our cry come unto thee.

**O** LORD, look down from heaven, behold, visit, and relieve this thy servant. Look upon *him* with the eyes of thy mercy, give *him* comfort and sure confidence in thee, defend *him* in all danger, and keep *him* in perpetual peace and safety; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

† Then may the Minister say the Antiphon and Psalm following with the Collect, or such of the subsequent Psalms and Collects as he shall see fit.

*Antiphon:* I did call upon the LORD with my voice; and he heard me out of his holy hill.

PSALM 3. *Domine, quid multiplicati?*

**L**ORD, how are they increased that trouble me: many are they that rise against me.

Many one there be that say of my soul: There is no help for him in his God.

But thou, O LORD, art my defender: thou art my worship, and the lifter up of my head.

I did call upon the LORD with my voice: and he heard me out of his holy hill.

I laid me down and slept, and rose up again: for the LORD sustained me.

Salvation belongeth unto the LORD: and thy blessing is upon thy people.

**H**EAR us, almighty and most merciful God and Saviour; extend thy accustomed goodness to this thy servant who is grieved with sickness. Visit *him*, O Lord, with thy loving mercy, and so restore *him* to *his* former health, that *he* may give thanks unto thee in thy Holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*Antiphon:* I will go unto the altar of God, even unto the God of my joy and gladness.

PSALM 43. *Judica me, Deus.*

**G**IVE sentence with me, O God, and defend my cause against the ungodly people: O deliver me from the deceitful and wicked man.

For thou art the God of my strength; why hast thou put me from thee: and why go I so heavily, while the enemy oppresseth me?

O send out thy light and thy truth, that they may lead me: and bring me unto thy holy hill, and to thy dwelling.

And that I may go unto the altar of God, even unto the God of my joy and gladness: and upon the harp will I give thanks unto thee, O God, my God.

Why art thou so heavy, O my soul: and why art thou so disquieted within me?

O put thy trust in God: for I will yet give him thanks, which is the help of my countenance, and my God.

**S**ANCTIFY, we beseech thee, O Lord, the sickness of this thy servant; that the sense of *his* weakness may add strength to *his* faith, and seriousness to *his* repentance; and grant that *he* may dwell with thee in life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*



*Antiphon:* I have considered the days of old : and the years that are past.

PSALM 77. *Voce mea ad Dominum.*

**I** WILL cry unto God with my voice : even unto God will I cry with my voice, and he shall hearken unto me.

In the time of my trouble I sought the LORD : my sore ran, and ceased not in the night season; my soul refused comfort.

When I am in heaviness, I will think upon God : when my heart is vexed, I will complain.

Thou holdest mine eyes waking : I am so feeble that I cannot speak.

I have considered the days of old : and the years that are past.

I call to remembrance my song : and in the night I commune with mine own heart, and search out my spirit.

Will the LORD absent himself forever : and will he be no more entreated?

Is his mercy clean gone for ever : and is his promise come utterly to an end for evermore?

Hath God forgotten to be gracious : and will he shut up his loving kindness in displeasure?

And I said, It is mine own infirmity : but I will remember the years of the right hand of the Most Highest.

**H**EAR, O Lord, we beseech thee, these our prayers, as we call upon thee on behalf of this thy servant; and bestow upon *him* the help of thy merciful consolation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*Antiphon:* Though I walk in the midst of trouble : yet shalt thou refresh me.

PSALM 138. *Confitebor tibi.*

**I** WILL give thanks unto thee, O Lord, with my whole heart: even before the gods will I sing praise unto thee.

I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy Name, because of thy loving kindness and truth : for thou hast magnified thy Name, and thy word above all things.

When I called upon thee, thou heardest me : and enduedst my soul with much strength.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, yet shalt thou refresh me : thou shalt stretch forth thy hand upon the furiousness of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me.

The LORD shall make good his loving kindness toward me : yea, thy mercy, O LORD, endureth for ever; despise not then the works of thine own hands.

**O** GOD, the strength of the weak and the comfort of sufferers; Mercifully accept our prayers, and grant to thy servant the help of thy power, that *his* sickness may be turned into health and our sorrow into joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*Antiphon:* The Lord saveth thy life from destruction : and crowneth thee with mercy and loving kindness.

PSALM 103. *Benedic, anima mea.*

**P**RAISE the LORD, O my soul : and all that is within me, praise his holy Name.

Praise the LORD, O my soul : and forget not all his benefits:

Who forgiveth all thy sin : and healeth all thine infirmities;

Who saveth thy life from destruction : and crowneth thee with mercy and loving kindness.

O praise the LORD, ye angels of his, ye that excel in strength : ye that fulfil his commandment, and hearken unto the voice of his word.

O praise the LORD, all ye his hosts : ye servants of his that do his pleasure.

O speak good of the LORD, all ye works of his, in all places of his dominion : praise thou the LORD, O my soul.

**A**CCCEPT, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, the devout praise of thy humble servant, and grant *him* an abiding sense of thy loving kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Adding this.*

**O** SAVIOUR of the world, who by thy Cross and precious Blood hast redeemed us; Save us, and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord.

¶ *The following Psalms are suitable, and, at the discretion of the Minister may be substituted for any of those given above: 20, 27, 42, 91, 121, 146.*

¶ *As occasion demands, the Minister shall address the sick person on the meaning and use of the time of sickness, and the opportunity it affords for spiritual profit.*

¶ *Here may the Minister inquire of the sick person as to his acceptance of the Christian faith and as to whether he repent him truly of his sins, and be in charity with all the world; exhorting him to forgive, from the bottom of his heart, all persons that have offended him, and if he hath offended any other, to ask them forgiveness; and where he hath done injury or wrong to any man, that he make amends to the uttermost of his power.*

¶ *Then shall the sick person be moved to make a special confession of his sins, if he feel his conscience troubled with any matter; after which confession, on evidence of his repentance, the Minister shall assure him of God's mercy and forgiveness.*

Let us pray.

**O** MOST merciful God, who, according to the multitude of thy mercies, dost so put away the sins of those who truly repent, that thou rememberest them no more; Open thine eye of mercy upon this thy servant, who most earnestly desireth pardon and forgiveness. Renew in *him*, most loving Father, whatsoever hath been decayed by the fraud and malice of the devil, or by *his* own carnal will and frailness; preserve and continue this sick member in the unity of the Church; consider *his* contrition, accept *his* tears, assuage *his* pain, as shall seem to thee most expedient for *him*. And forasmuch as *he* putteth *his* full trust only in thy mercy, impute not unto *him* *his* former sins, but strengthen *him* with thy blessed Spirit, and, when thou art pleased to take *him* hence, take *him* unto thy favour; through the merits of thy most dearly beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Minister say,*

**T**HE Almighty Lord, who is a most strong tower to all those who put their trust in him, to whom all things in heaven, in earth, and under the earth, do bow and obey, Be now and evermore thy defence; and make thee know and feel, that there is none other Name under heaven given to man, in whom, and through whom, thou mayest receive health and salvation, but only the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

¶ *Here the Minister may use any part of the Service of this Book, which, in his discretion, he shall think convenient to the occasion; and after that shall say,*

**U**NTO God's gracious mercy and protection we commit thee. The LORD bless thee, and keep

thee. The LORD make his face to shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee. The LORD lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace, both now and evermore. *Amen.*



*Prayers which may be said with the foregoing Service, or any part thereof, at the discretion of the Minister.*

*A Prayer for Recovery.*

**O** GOD of heavenly powers, who, by the might of thy command, drivest away from men's bodies all sickness and all infirmity; Be present in thy goodness with this thy servant, that *his* weakness may be banished and *his* strength recalled; that *his* health being thereupon restored, *he* may bless thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*A Prayer for Healing.*

**O** ALMIGHTY God, who art the giver of all health, and the aid of them that turn to thee for succour; We entreat thy strength and goodness in behalf of this thy servant, that *he* may be healed of *his* infirmities, to thine honour and glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*A Thanksgiving for the beginning of a Recovery.*

**G**REAT and mighty God, who bringest down to the grave, and bringest up again; We bless thy wonderful goodness, for having turned our heaviness into joy and our mourning into gladness, by restoring this our *brother* to some degree of *his* former health. Blessed be thy Name that thou didst not forsake *him* in *his* sickness; but didst visit *him* with comforts from above; didst support *him* in patience and submission to thy will; and at last didst send him seasonable relief. Perfect, we beseech thee, this thy mercy towards *him*; and prosper the means which shall be made use of for *his* cure; that, being restored

to health of body, vigour of mind, and cheerfulness of spirit, *he* may be able to go to thine house, to offer thee an oblation with great gladness, and to bless thy holy Name for all thy goodness towards *him*; through Jesus Christ our Saviour, to whom, with thee and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

*A Prayer for a sick Person, when there appeareth but small hope of recovery.*

**O** FATHER of mercies, and God of all comfort, our only help in time of need; We fly unto thee for succour in behalf of this thy servant, here lying in great weakness of body. Look graciously upon *him*, O Lord; and the more the outward man decayeth, strengthen *him*, we beseech thee, so much the more continually, with thy grace and Holy Spirit, in the inner man. Give *him* unfeigned repentance for all the errors of *his* life past, and stedfast faith in thy Son Jesus; that *his* sins may be done away by thy mercy, and *his* pardon sealed in heaven; through the same thy Son, our Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

*A Prayer for the Despondent.*

**C**OMFORT, we beseech thee, most gracious God, this thy servant, cast down and faint of heart amidst the sorrows and difficulties of the world; and grant that, by the power of thy Holy Spirit, *he* may be enabled to go upon *his* way rejoicing, and give thee continual thanks for thy sustaining providence; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*A Prayer which may be said by the Minister in behalf of all present at the Visitation.*

**O** GOD, whose days are without end, and whose mercies cannot be numbered; Make us, we beseech thee, deeply sensible of the shortness and uncer-



tainty of human life; and let thy Holy Spirit lead us in holiness and righteousness, all our days: that, when we shall have served thee in our generation, we may be gathered unto our fathers, having the testimony of a good conscience; in the communion of the Catholic Church; in the confidence of a certain faith; in the comfort of a reasonable, religious, and holy hope; in favour with thee our God, and in perfect charity with the world. All which we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*A Commendatory Prayer for a sick Person at the point of departure.*

**O** ALMIGHTY God, with whom do live the spirits of just men made perfect, after they are delivered from their earthly prisons; We humbly commend the soul of this thy servant, our dear *brother*, into thy hands as into the hands of a faithful Creator, and most merciful Saviour; beseeching thee, that it may be precious in thy sight. Wash it, we pray thee, in the blood of that immaculate Lamb, that was slain to take away the sins of the world; that whatsoever defilements it may have contracted, through the lusts of the flesh or the wiles of Satan, being purged and done away, it may be presented pure and without spot before thee; through the merits of Jesus Christ thine only Son our Lord. *Amen.*

A LITANY FOR THE DYING.

**O** GOD the Father;  
*Have mercy upon the soul of thy servant.*  
O God the Son;  
*Have mercy upon the soul of thy servant.*  
O God the Holy Ghost;  
*Have mercy upon the soul of thy servant.*  
O Holy Trinity, One God;  
*Have mercy upon the soul of thy servant.*  
From all evil, from all sin, from all tribulation;  
*Good Lord, deliver him.*  
By thy holy Incarnation, by thy Cross and Passion, by thy precious Death and Burial;  
*Good Lord, deliver him.*  
By thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension, and by the coming of the Holy Ghost;  
*Good Lord, deliver him.*  
We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God; That it may please thee to deliver the soul of thy servant from the power of the evil one, and from eternal death;  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*  
That it may please thee mercifully to pardon all *his* sins.  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*  
That it may please thee to grant *him* a place of refreshment and everlasting blessedness;  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*  
That it may please thee to give *him* joy and gladness in thy kingdom, with thy saints in light;  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*  
O Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world;  
*Have mercy upon him.*  
O Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world;  
*Have mercy upon him.*

O Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world;

*Grant him thy peace.*

Lord have mercy upon *him*.

*Christ have mercy upon him.*

Lord have mercy upon *him*.

OUR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Let us pray.

SOVEREIGN Lord, who desirest not the death of a sinner; We beseech thee to loose the spirit of this thy servant from every bond, and set *him* free from all evil, that *he* may rest with all thy saints in the eternal habitations; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

*An Absolution, to be said by the Priest.*

THE Almighty and Merciful Lord grant thee pardon and remission of all thy sins, and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*A Commendation.*

DEPART, O Christian soul, out of this world, in the Name of God the Father Almighty who created thee, in the Name of Jesus Christ who redeemed thee, in the Name of the Holy Ghost who sanctifieth thee. May thy rest be this day in peace, and thy dwelling place in the Paradise of God.

*A Commendatory Prayer when the Soul is Departed.*

INTO thy hands, O merciful Saviour, we commend the soul of thy servant, now departed from the body. Acknowledge, we humbly beseech thee, a sheep of thine own fold, a lamb of thine own flock, a sinner of thine own redeeming. Receive *him* into the arms of thy mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of the saints in light. *Amen.*

¶ *The Minister is ordered, from time to time, to advise the People, whilst they are in health, to make wills arranging for the disposal of their temporal goods, and, when of ability, to leave bequests for religious and charitable uses.*

THE ORDER FOR  
THE BURIAL OF THE DEAD.



¶ *Here is to be noted, that the Office ensuing is not to be used for any unbaptized adults, any who die excommunicate, or who have laid violent hands upon themselves.*

¶ *The Minister, meeting the Body, and going before it, either into the Church or towards the Grave, shall say or sing,*

**I** AM the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in me, shall never die.

**I** KNOW that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: and though this body be destroyed, yet shall I see God: whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not as a stranger.

**W**E brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. The LORD gave, and the LORD hath taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD.

¶ *After they are come into the Church, shall be said one or more of the following Selections, taken from the Psalms. The Gloria Patri may be omitted except at the end of the whole Portion or Selection, from the Psalter.*

PSALM 39. *Dixi, Custodiam.*

**L**ORD, let me know mine end, and the number of my days: that I may be certified how long I have to live.

Behold, thou hast made my days as it were a span long: and mine age is even as nothing in respect of thee; and verily every man living is altogether vanity.

For man walketh in a vain shadow, and disquieteth himself in vain: he heapeth up riches, and cannot tell who shall gather them.

And now, Lord, what is my hope: truly my hope is even in thee.

Deliver me from all mine offences: and make me not a rebuke unto the foolish.

When thou with rebukes dost chasten man for sin, thou makest his beauty to consume away, like as it were a moth fretting a garment: every man therefore is but vanity.

Hear my prayer, O LORD, and with thine ears consider my calling: hold not thy peace at my tears;

For I am a stranger with thee, and a sojourner: as all my fathers were.

O spare me a little, that I may recover my strength: before I go hence, and be no more seen.

PSALM 90. *Domine, refugium.*

**L**ORD, thou hast been our refuge: from one generation to another.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever the earth and the world were made: thou art God from everlasting, and world without end.

Thou turnest man to destruction: again thou sayest, Come again, ye children of men.

For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday: seeing that is past as a watch in the night.

As soon as thou scatterest them they are even as a sleep: and fade away suddenly like the grass.

In the morning it is green, and groweth up: but in the evening it is cut down, dried up, and withered.



For we consume away in thy displeasure : and are afraid at thy wrathful indignation.

Thou hast set our misdeeds before thee : and our secret sins in the light of thy countenance.

For when thou art angry all our days are gone : we bring our years to an end, as it were a tale that is told.

The days of our age are threescore years and ten ; and though men be so strong that they come to fourscore years : yet is their strength then but labour and sorrow ; so soon passeth it away, and we are gone.

O teach us to number our days : that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

PSALM 27. *Dominus illuminatio.*

**T**HE LORD is my light and my salvation ; whom then shall I fear : the LORD is the strength of my life ; of whom then shall I be afraid ?

One thing have I desired of the LORD, which I will require : even that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the fair beauty of the LORD, and to visit his temple.

For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his tabernacle : yea, in the secret place of his dwelling shall he hide me, and set me up upon a rock of stone.

And now shall he lift up mine head : above mine enemies round about me.

Therefore will I offer in his dwelling an oblation, with great gladness : I will sing and speak praises unto the LORD.

Hearken unto my voice, O LORD, when I cry unto thee : have mercy upon me, and hear me.

My heart hath talked of thee, Seek ye my face : Thy face, LORD, will I seek.

O hide not thou thy face from me : nor cast thy servant away in displeasure.

Thou hast been my succour : leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.

I should utterly have fainted : but that I believe verily to see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living.

O tarry thou the LORD's leisure : be strong and he shall comfort thine heart ; and put thou thy trust in the LORD.

PSALM 46. *Deus noster refugium.*

**G**OD is our hope and strength : a very present help in trouble.

Therefore will we not fear, though the earth be moved : and though the hills be carried into the midst of the sea ;

Though the waters thereof rage and swell : and though the mountains shake at the tempest of the same.

The rivers of the flood thereof shall make glad the city of God : the holy place of the tabernacle of the Most Highest.

God is in the midst of her, therefore shall she not be removed : God shall help her, and that right early.

Be still then, and know that I am God : I will be exalted among the heathen, and I will be exalted in the earth.

The LORD of hosts is with us : the God of Jacob is our refuge.

PSALM 121. *Levavi oculos.*

**I** WILL lift up mine eyes unto the hills : from whence cometh my help.

My help cometh even from the LORD : who hath made heaven and earth.

He will not suffer thy foot to be moved : and he that keepeth thee will not sleep.

Behold, he that keepeth Israel : shall neither slumber nor sleep.

The LORD himself is thy keeper : the LORD is thy defence upon thy right hand ;

So that the sun shall not burn thee by day : neither the moon by night.

The LORD shall preserve thee from all evil ; yea, it is even he that shall keep thy soul.

The LORD shall preserve thy going out, and thy coming in : from this time forth for evermore.

PSALM 130. *De profundis.*

**O**UT of the deep have I called unto thee, O LORD : Lord, hear my voice.

O let thine ears consider well : the voice of my complaint.

If thou, LORD, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss : O Lord, who may abide it ?

For there is mercy with thee : therefore shalt thou be feared.

I look for the LORD ; my soul doth wait for him : in his word is my trust.

My soul fleeth unto the Lord : before the morning watch, I say, before the morning watch.

O Israel, trust in the LORD, for with the LORD there is mercy : and with him is plenteous redemption.

And he shall redeem Israel : from all his sins.

¶ *Then shall follow the Lesson, taken out of the fifteenth Chapter of the first Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians.*

1 Cor. xv. 20.

**N**OW is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept. For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. But every man in

his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at his coming. Then cometh the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power. For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet. The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death. For he hath put all things under his feet. But when he saith all things are put under him, it is manifest that he is excepted, which did put all things under him. And when all things shall be subdued unto him, then shall the Son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all.

But some man will say, How are the dead raised up? and with what body do they come? Thou foolish one, that which thou sowest is not quickened, except it die: and that which thou sowest, thou sowest not that body that shall be, but bare grain, it may chance of wheat, or of some other grain: but God giveth it a body as it hath pleased him, and to every seed its own body. All flesh is not the same flesh: but there is one kind of flesh of men, another flesh of beasts, another of fishes, and another of birds. There are also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial: but the glory of the celestial is one, and the glory of the terrestrial is another. There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars: for one star differeth from another star in glory. So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption: it is sown in dishonour; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power: it is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body. And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam

was made a quickening spirit. Howbeit that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual. The first man is of the earth, earthy: the second man is the Lord from heaven. As is the earthy, such are they also that are earthy: and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly. And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly.

Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption. Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.

¶ *Or this.*

*Rom. viii. 14.*

**A**S many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.

The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: and if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together. For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God. We know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose. What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us? He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things? Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

¶ *Or this.*

*St. John xiv. 1.*

**J**ESUS said, Let not your heart be troubled; ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there



ye may be also. And whither I go, ye know, and the way ye know. Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way? Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

¶ *Here may be sung a Hymn or Anthem; and at the discretion of the Minister, the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, the Prayer which follows, and such other fitting Prayers as are elsewhere provided in this Book, ending with the Blessing.*

The Lord be with you.  
And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

**R**EMEMBER thy servant, O Lord, according to the favour which thou bearest unto thy people, and grant that, increasing in knowledge and love of thee, *he* may go from strength to strength, in the life of perfect service, in thy heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Minister shall add this Blessing.*

**U**NTO God's gracious mercy and protection we commit you. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace, both now and evermore. *Amen.*

¶ *Here may be sung a Hymn or an Anthem; and, at the discretion of the Minister, the Creed, and such fitting Prayers as are elsewhere provided in this Book, may be added.*



¶ *When they come to the Grave, while the Body is made ready to be laid into the earth, shall be sung or said,*

**M**AN, that is born of a woman, hath but a short time to live, and is full of misery. He cometh up, and is cut down, like a flower; he fleeth as it were a shadow, and never continueth in one stay.

In the midst of life we are in death; of whom may we seek for succour, but of thee, O Lord, who for our sins art justly displeased?

Yet, O Lord God most holy, O Lord most mighty, O holy and most merciful Saviour, deliver us not into the bitter pains of eternal death.

Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts; shut not thy merciful ears to our prayer; but spare us, Lord most holy, O God most mighty, O holy and merciful Saviour, thou most worthy Judge eternal, suffer us not, at our last hour, for any pains of death, to fall from thee.

¶ *Or this.*

**A**LL that the Father giveth me shall come to me: and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out.

He that raised up Jesus from the dead: will also quicken your mortal bodies by the spirit which dwelleth in you.

Wherefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth: my flesh also shall rest in hope.

Thou shalt show me the path of life; in thy presence is the fulness of joy: and at thy right hand there is pleasure for evermore.

¶ *Then, while the earth shall be cast upon the Body by some standing by, the Minister shall say,*

**U**NTO Almighty God we commend the soul of our brother departed, and we commit *his* body to the ground; earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to

dust; in sure and certain hope of the Resurrection unto eternal life, through our Lord Jesus Christ, at whose coming in glorious majesty to judge the world, the earth and the sea shall give up their dead; and the corruptible bodies of those who sleep in him shall be changed, and made like unto his own glorious body; according to the mighty working whereby he is able to subdue all things unto himself.

¶ *Then shall be said or sung,*

**I** HEARD a voice from heaven, saying unto me, Write, From henceforth blessed are the dead who die in the Lord: even so saith the Spirit; for they rest from their labours. *Rev. xiv. 13.*

¶ *Then the Minister shall say,*

The Lord be with you.

*Answer:* And with thy spirit.

Let us pray:

Lord, have mercy upon us.

*Christ, have mercy upon us.*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

**O**UR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Minister shall say one or more of the following Prayers, at his discretion.*

**O** GOD, whose mercies cannot be numbered; Accept our prayers on behalf of the soul of thy servant departed, and grant *him* an entrance into the land of light and joy in the fellowship of thy saints; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, with whom do live the spirits of those who depart hence in the Lord, and with whom the souls of the faithful, after they are delivered from the burden of the flesh, are in joy and felicity; We give thee hearty thanks for the good examples of all those thy servants, who, having finished their course in faith, do now rest from their labours. And we beseech thee, that we, with all those who are departed in the true faith of thy holy Name, may have our perfect consummation and bliss, both in body and soul, in thy eternal and everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**O**MERCIFUL God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the Resurrection and the Life; in whom whosoever believeth, shall live, though he die; and whosoever liveth, and believeth in him, shall not die eternally; who also hath taught us, by his holy Apostle Saint Paul, not to be sorry, as men without hope, for those who sleep in him; We humbly beseech thee, O Father, to raise us from the death of sin unto the life of righteousness; that when we shall depart this life, we may rest in him; and that, at the general Resurrection in the last day, we may be found acceptable in thy sight; and receive that blessing, which thy well-beloved Son shall then pronounce to all who love and fear thee, saying, Come, ye blessed children of my Father, receive the kingdom prepared for you from the beginning of the world. Grant this, we beseech thee, O merciful Father, through Jesus Christ, our Mediator and Redeemer. *Amen.*

**T**HE God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant; Make you perfect in every good work to do

his will, working in you that which is well pleasing in his sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. *Amen.*

*Additional Prayers.*

**O** ALMIGHTY God, the God of the spirits of all flesh, who by a voice from heaven didst proclaim, Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord; Multiply, we beseech thee, to those who rest in Jesus, the manifold blessings of thy love, that the good work which thou didst begin in them may be perfected unto the day of Jesus Christ. And of thy mercy, O heavenly Father, vouchsafe that we, who now serve thee here on earth, may at last, together with them, be found meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light: for the sake of the same thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

**M**OST merciful Father, who hast been pleased to take unto thyself the soul of this thy servant [*or this child*]; Grant to us who are still in our pilgrimage, and who walk as yet by faith, that having served thee with constancy on earth, we may be joined hereafter with thy blessed saints in glory everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**O** LORD Jesus Christ, who by thy death didst take away the sting of death; Grant unto us thy servants so to follow in faith where thou hast led the way, that we may at length fall asleep peacefully in thee, and awake up after thy likeness; through thy mercy, who livest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

**A**LMIGHTY and everliving God, we yield unto thee most high praise and hearty thanks, for the wonderful grace and virtue declared in all thy saints, who have been the choice vessels of thy grace, and the lights of the world in their several generations; most humbly beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow the example of their steadfastness in thy faith, and obedience to thy holy commandments, that at the day of the general Resurrection, we, with all those who are of the mystical body of thy Son, may be set on his right hand, and hear that his most joyful voice: Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

¶ *Inasmuch as it may sometimes be expedient to say under shelter of the Church the whole or a part of the Service appointed to be said at the Grave, the same is hereby allowed for weighty cause.*



*At the Burial of the Dead at Sea.*

¶ *The same office may be used; but instead of the Sentence of Committal, the Minister shall say,*

**U**NTO Almighty God we commend the soul of our brother departed, and we commit *his* body to the deep; in sure and certain hope of the Resurrection unto eternal life, through our Lord Jesus Christ; at whose coming in glorious majesty to judge the world, the sea shall give up her dead; and the corruptible bodies of those who sleep in him shall be changed, and made like unto his glorious body; according to the mighty working whereby he is able to subdue all things unto himself.



## THE BURIAL OF A CHILD.

¶ *The following may be used at the Burial of a Child.*

¶ *The Minister, meeting the Body, and going before it, either into the Church or towards the Grave, shall say:*

**I** AM the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in me, shall never die.

**J**ESUS called them unto him and said, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God.

**H**E shall feed his flock like a shepherd: he shall gather the lambs with his arms, and carry them in his bosom.

¶ *When they are come into the Church, shall be said the following Psalms; and at the end of each Psalm shall be said the Gloria Patri;*

PSALM 23. *Dominus regit me.*

**T**HE LORD is my shepherd: therefore can I lack nothing.

He shall feed me in a green pasture: and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.

He shall convert my soul: and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness for his Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.

Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me: thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

PSALM 121. *Levavi oculos.*

**I** WILL lift up mine eyes unto the hills: from whence cometh my help.

My help cometh even from the LORD: who hath made heaven and earth.

He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: and he that keepeth thee will not sleep.

Behold, he that keepeth Israel: shall neither slumber nor sleep.

The LORD himself is thy keeper: the LORD is thy defence upon thy right hand;

So that the sun shall not burn thee by day: neither the moon by night.

The LORD shall preserve thee from all evil: yea, it is even he that shall keep thy soul.

The LORD shall preserve thy going out, and thy coming in: from this time forth for evermore.

¶ *Then shall follow the Lesson from St. Matt. xviii.*

**A**T the same time came the disciples unto Jesus, saying, Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven? And Jesus called a little child unto him, and set him in the midst of them, and said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven. Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And whoso shall receive one such little child in my name receiveth me. Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, That in heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven.

¶ *Here may be sung a Hymn or an Anthem; then the Minister may say the following prayers, or such other fitting prayers as are elsewhere provided in this Book, first pronouncing:*

The Lord be with you.  
And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.  
*Christ, have mercy upon us.*  
 Lord, have mercy upon us.

¶ *Then shall be said by the Minister and People,*

**O**UR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

*Minister.* Blessed are the pure in heart;

*Answer.* For they shall see God.

*Minister.* Blessed be the name of the Lord;

*Answer.* Henceforth, world without end.

*Minister.* Lord, hear our prayer;

*Answer.* And let our cry come unto thee.

**O**MERCIFUL Father, whose face the angels of thy little ones do always behold in heaven; Grant us stedfastly to believe that this thy child hath been taken into the safe keeping of thine eternal love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**A**Lmighty and merciful Father, who dost grant to children an abundant entrance into thy kingdom; Grant us grace so to conform our lives to their innocency and perfect faith, that at length, united with them, we may stand in thy presence in fulness of joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**T**HE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

¶ *When they are come to the Grave shall be said or sung,*

**J**ESUS saith to his disciples, Ye now therefore have sorrow: but I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you.

¶ *While the earth shall be cast upon the Body, the Minister shall say,*

**I**N sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ, we commit the body of this child to the ground. The Lord bless *him* and keep *him*. The Lord make his face to shine upon *him* and be gracious unto *him*. The Lord lift up his countenance upon *him*, and give *him* peace, both now and evermore.

¶ *Then shall be said or sung,*

**T**HEREFORE are they before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple: and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them.

They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more: neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat.

For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.

¶ *Then shall the Minister say,*

The Lord be with you.

*Answer.* And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

**O** GOD, whose most dear Son did take little children into his arms and bless them; Give us grace, we beseech thee, to entrust the soul of this child to thy never-failing care and love, and bring us all to thy heavenly kingdom; through the same thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, Father of mercies and giver of all comfort; Deal graciously, we pray thee, with all those who mourn, that, casting every care on thee, they may know the consolation of thy love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**M**AY Almighty God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, bless you and keep you, now and for evermore. *Amen.*

¶ *Inasmuch as it may sometimes be expedient to say under shelter of the Church the whole of the service appointed to be said at the Grave, the same is hereby allowed, for weighty cause.*

## THE THANKSGIVING OF WOMEN AFTER CHILD-BIRTH;

COMMONLY CALLED,  
THE CHURCHING OF WOMEN.



The final prayer in the Office at present, to be changed as follows:

**O** ALMIGHTY God, we give thee humble thanks for that thou hast been graciously pleased to preserve, through the great pain and peril of child-birth, this woman, thy servant, who desireth now to offer her praises and thanksgivings unto thee. Grant, we beseech thee, most merciful Father, that she, through thy help, may faithfully live according to thy will in this life, and also may be partaker of everlasting glory in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The following to be added at the end of the Office.

¶ *Then may be said:*

**G**RANT, we beseech thee, O heavenly Father, that the child of this thy servant may daily increase in wisdom and stature, and grow in thy love and service, until *he* come to thy eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*



The Psalter  
OR  
PSALMS OF DAVID.

The text of the Psalter is amended and revised in the particulars submitted in the Report of the Psalter Committee which is annexed to the Report of the Prayer Book Commission; together with such further verbal changes, or changes in punctuation, capitalization, or arrangement, as may seem to the Commission to be demanded for accuracy or clarity in perfecting the revision for final insertion in the Book of Common Prayer.

See also the revised directions in the preliminary pages, "Concerning the Service of the Church."

THE FORM AND MANNER OF  
MAKING, ORDAINING, AND CONSECRATING  
BISHOPS, PRIESTS, AND DEACONS.

ACCORDING TO THE ORDER OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AS ESTABLISHED BY THE BISHOPS, THE CLERGY, AND LAITY OF SAID CHURCH, IN GENERAL CONVENTION, IN THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, A. D. 1792.

THE PREFACE.

*IT is evident unto all men, diligently reading Holy Scripture and ancient Authors, that from the Apostles' time there have been these Orders of Ministers in Christ's Church,—Bishops, Priests, and Deacons. Which Offices were evermore had in such reverend estimation, that no man might presume to execute any of them, except he were first called, tried, examined, and known to have such qualities as are requisite for the same; and also by public Prayer, with Imposition of Hands, were approved and admitted thereunto by lawful Authority. And therefore, to the intent that these Orders may be continued, and reverently used and esteemed in this Church, no man shall be accounted or taken to be a lawful Bishop, Priest, or Deacon, in this Church, or suffered to execute any of the said Functions, except he be called, tried, examined, and admitted thereunto, according to the Form hereafter following, or hath had Episcopal Consecration or Ordination.*

*And none shall be admitted a Deacon, Priest, or Bishop, except he be of the age which the Canon in that case provided may require.*

*And the Bishop, knowing either by himself, or by sufficient testimony, any Person to be a man of virtuous conversation, and without crime; and, after examination and trial, finding him sufficiently instructed in the Holy Scripture, and otherwise learned as the Canons require, may, at the times appointed, or else, on urgent occasion, upon some other day, in the face of the Church, admit him a Deacon, in such manner and form as followeth.*

THE FORM AND MANNER OF  
MAKING DEACONS.



¶ *When the day appointed by the Bishop is come, there shall be a Sermon, or Exhortation, declaring the Duty and Office of such as come to be admitted Deacons; how necessary that Order is in the Church of Christ, and also, how the People ought to esteem them in their Office.*

¶ *The Sermon being ended, a Priest shall present unto the Bishop, sitting in his chair near the Holy Table, such as desire to be ordained Deacons, each of them being decently habited, saying these words,*

REVEREND Father in God, I present unto you these persons present, to be admitted Deacons.

*The Bishop.*

TAKE heed that the persons, whom ye present unto us, be apt and meet, for their learning and godly conversation, to exercise their Ministry duly, to the honour of God, and the edifying of his Church.

¶ *The Priest shall answer,*

I HAVE inquired concerning them, and also examined them, and think them so to be.

¶ *Then the Bishop shall say unto the People,*

BRETHREN, if there be any of you who knoweth any Impediment, or notable Crime, in any of these persons presented to be ordered Deacons, for the which he ought not to be admitted to that Office, let him come forth in the Name of God, and show what the Crime or Impediment is.

¶ *And if any great Crime or Impediment be objected, the Bishop shall cease from Ordering that person, until such time as the party accused shall be found clear of that Crime.*

¶ *Then the Bishop (commending such as shall be found meet to be Ordred, to the Prayers of the congregation) shall, with the Clergy and People present, say the Litany. And Note, That after the suffrage, That it may please thee to illuminate all Bishops, etc., shall be said the following suffrage:*

That it may please thee to bless these thy servants, now to be admitted to the Order of Deacons, and to pour thy grace upon them; that they may duly execute their office, to the edifying of thy Church, and the glory of thy holy Name;

¶ *And Note further, That in the discretion of the Bishop, instead of the General Litany, may be said the Special Litany for Ordinations.*

¶ *Then shall be said the Service for the Communion, with the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel, as followeth.*

*The Collect.*

ALMIGHTY God, who by thy divine providence hast appointed divers Orders of Ministers in thy Church, and didst inspire thine Apostles to choose into the Order of Deacons the first Martyr Saint Stephen, with others; Mercifully behold these thy servants now called to the like Office and Administration: so replenish them with the truth of thy Doctrine, and adorn them with innocency of life, that, both by word and good example, they may faithfully serve thee in this Office, to the glory of thy Name, and the edification of thy Church; through the merits of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, now and for ever. Amen.

*The Epistle. 1 Tim. iii. 8.*

**L**IKEWISE must the deacons be grave, not double-tongued, not given to much wine, not greedy of filthy lucre; holding the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience. And let these also first be proved; then let them use the office of a deacon, being found blameless. Even so must their wives be grave, not slanderers, sober, faithful in all things. Let the deacons be the husbands of one wife, ruling their children and their own houses well. For they that have used the office of a deacon well purchase to themselves a good degree, and great boldness in the faith which is in Christ Jesus.

¶ Or else this, out of the sixth Chapter of the Acts of the Apostles.

Acts vi. 2.

**T**HEN the twelve called the multitude of the disciples unto them, and said, It is not reason that we should leave the word of God, and serve tables. Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business. But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word. And the saying pleased the whole multitude: and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolas a proselyte of Antioch: whom they set before the apostles: and when they had prayed, they laid their hands on them. And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly; and a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith.

¶ Then, the People being seated, the Bishop shall examine every one of those who are to be Ordered, in the presence of the People, after this manner following.

**D**O you trust that you are inwardly moved by the Holy Ghost to take upon you this Office and Ministration, to serve God for the promoting of his glory, and the edifying of his people?

*Answer.* I trust so.

*The Bishop.*

**D**O you think that you are truly called, according to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, and according to the Canons of this Church, to the Ministry of the same?

*Answer.* I think so.

*The Bishop.*

**A**RE you persuaded that the Holy Scriptures contain all Doctrine required as necessary for eternal salvation, through faith in Jesus Christ?

*Answer.* I am so persuaded.

*The Bishop.*

**W**ILL you diligently read the same unto the people assembled in the Church where you shall be appointed to serve?

*Answer.* I will.

*The Bishop.*

**I**T appertaineth to the Office of a Deacon, in the Church where he shall be appointed to serve, to assist the Priest in Divine Service, and specially when he ministereth the Holy Communion, and to help him in the distribution thereof; and to read Holy



Scriptures and Homilies in the Church; and to instruct the youth in the Catechism; in the absence of the Priest to baptize infants; and to preach, if he be admitted thereto by the Bishop. And furthermore, it is his Office, where provision is so made, to search for the sick, poor, and impotent people of the Parish, that they may be relieved with the alms of the Parishioners, or others. Will you do this gladly and willingly?

*Answer.* I will so do, by the help of God.

*The Bishop.*

**W**ILL you apply all your diligence to frame and fashion your own lives, and the lives of your families, according to the Doctrine of Christ; and to make both yourselves and them, as much as in you lieth, wholesome examples of the flock of Christ?

*Answer.* I will so do, the Lord being my helper.

*The Bishop.*

**W**ILL you reverently obey your Bishop, and other chief Ministers, who, according to the Canons of the Church, may have the charge and government over you; following with a glad mind and will their godly admonitions?

*Answer.* I will endeavour so to do, the Lord being my helper.

¶ *Then, the People standing, the Bishop shall lay his hands severally upon the head of every one to be made Deacon, humbly kneeling before him, and shall say,*

**T**AKE thou Authority to execute the Office of a Deacon in the Church of God committed unto thee; In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Bishop deliver to every one of them the New Testament, saying,*

**T**AKE thou Authority to read the Gospel in the Church of God, and to preach the same, if thou be thereto licensed by the Bishop himself.

¶ *Then one of them, appointed by the Bishop, shall read the Gospel.*

St. Luke xii. 35.

**L**ET your loins be girded about, and your lights burning; and ye yourselves like unto men that wait for their lord, when he will return from the wedding; that when he cometh and knocketh, they may open unto him immediately. Blessed are those servants, whom the lord when he cometh shall find watching: verily I say unto you, that he shall gird himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them. And if he shall come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find them so, blessed are those servants.

¶ *Then shall the Bishop proceed in the Communion; and all who are Ordered shall tarry, and receive the Holy Communion the same day, with the Bishop.*

¶ *The Communion ended, after the last Collect, and immediately before the Benediction, shall be said this Collect following.*

**A**Lmighty God, giver of all good things, who of thy great goodness hast vouchsafed to accept and take these thy servants unto the Office of Deacons in thy Church; Make them, we beseech thee, O Lord, to be modest, humble, and constant in their Ministration, to have a ready will to observe all spiritual Discipline; that they, having always the testimony of a good conscience, and continuing ever stable and strong in thy Son Christ, may so well behave themselves in this inferior Office, that they may be found worthy to be called unto the higher Minis-

tries in thy Church; through the same thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, to whom be glory and honour, world without end. *Amen.*

**T**HE Peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

¶ *And here it must be declared unto the Deacon, that he must continue in that Office of a Deacon the space of a whole year, (except for reasonable causes it shall otherwise seem good unto the Bishop.) to the intent he may be perfect and well expert in the things appertaining to the Ecclesiastical Administration. In executing whereof if he be found faithful and diligent, he may be admitted by his Diocesan to the Order of Priesthood, at the times appointed in the Canon; or else, on urgent occasion, upon some other day, in the face of the Church, in such manner and form as hereafter followeth.*

## THE FORM AND MANNER OF ORDERING PRIESTS.



- ¶ *When the day appointed by the Bishop is come, there shall be a Sermon, or Exhortation, declaring the Duty and Office of such as come to be admitted Priests; how necessary that Order is in the Church of Christ, and also, how the People ought to esteem them in their Office.*
- ¶ *A Priest shall present unto the Bishop, sitting in his chair near to the Holy Table, all those who are to receive the Order of Priesthood that day, each of them being decently habited, and shall say,*

**R**EVEREND Father in God, I present unto you these persons present, to be admitted to the Order of Priesthood.

*The Bishop.*

**T**AKE heed that the persons, whom ye present unto us, be apt and meet, for their learning and godly conversation, to exercise their Ministry duly, to the honour of God, and the edifying of his Church.

¶ *The Priest shall answer,*

**I** HAVE inquired concerning them, and also examined them, and think them so to be.

¶ *Then the Bishop shall say unto the People,*

**G**OOD People, these are they whom we purpose, God willing, to receive this day unto the holy Office of Priesthood; for, after due examination, we find not to the contrary, but that they are lawfully called to their Function and Ministry, and that they are persons meet for the same. But yet, if there be any of you who knoweth any Impediment, or notable Crime, in any of them, for the which he ought not to

be received into this holy Ministry, let him come forth in the Name of God, and show what the Crime or Impediment is.

¶ *And if any great Crime or Impediment be objected, the Bishop shall cease from Ordering that person, until such time as the party accused shall be found clear of that Crime.*

¶ *Then the Bishop (commending such as shall be found meet to be Ordered, to the Prayers of the congregation) shall, with the Clergy and People present, say the Litany. And Note, That after the suffrage, That it may please thee to illuminate all Bishops, etc., shall be said the following suffrage:*

That it may please thee to bless these thy servants, now to be admitted to the Order of Priests, and to pour thy grace upon them; that they may duly exercise their office, to the edifying of thy Church, and the glory of thy holy Name;

¶ *And Note further, That in the discretion of the Bishop, instead of the General Litany, may be said the special Litany for Ordinations.*

¶ *Then shall be said the Service for the Communion, with the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel, as followeth.*

*The Collect.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, giver of all good things, who by thy Holy Spirit hast appointed divers Orders of Ministers in thy Church; Mercifully behold these thy servants now called to the Office of Priesthood; and so replenish them with the truth of thy Doctrine, and adorn them with innocency of life, that, both by word and good example, they may faithfully serve thee in this Office, to the glory of thy Name, and the edification of thy Church; through the merits of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, world without end. *Amen.*

*The Epistle. Ephes. iv. 7.*

**U**NTO every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ. Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men. (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth? He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.) And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ.

¶ *After this shall be read for the Gospel part of the ninth Chapter of Saint Matthew, as followeth.*

St. Matt. ix. 36.

**W**HEN Jesus saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad as sheep having no shepherd. Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.

¶ *Or else this that followeth, out of the tenth Chapter of Saint John.*

St. John x. 1.

**V**ERILY, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber. But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. To him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice: and he calleth his own sheep by



name, and leadeth them out. And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: for they know his voice. And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him: for they know not the voice of strangers. This parable spake Jesus unto them: but they understood not what things they were which he spake unto them. Then said Jesus unto them again, Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep. All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers: but the sheep did not hear them. I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture. The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly. I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep. But he that is an hireling, and not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, seeth the wolf coming, and leaveth the sheep, and fleeth: and the wolf catcheth them, and scattereth the sheep. The hireling fleeth, because he is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep. I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine, even as the Father knoweth me, and I know the Father: and I lay down my life for the sheep. And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one flock, and one shepherd.

¶ *Then, the People being seated, the Bishop shall say unto those who are to be ordained Priests as followeth.*

**Y**E have heard, Brethren, as well in your private examination, as in the exhortation which was now made to you, and in the holy Lessons taken out of the Gospel, and the writings of the Apostles, of what dignity, and of how great importance this Office is, whereunto ye are called. And now again we

exhort you, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye have in remembrance, into how high a Dignity, and to how weighty an Office and Charge ye are called: that is to say, to be Messengers, Watchmen, and Stewards of the Lord; to teach, and to premonish, to feed and provide for the Lord's family; to seek for Christ's sheep that are dispersed abroad, and for his children who are in the midst of this naughty world, that they may be saved through Christ for ever.

Have always therefore printed in your remembrance, how great a treasure is committed to your charge. For they are the sheep of Christ, which he bought with his death, and for whom he shed his blood. The Church and Congregation whom you must serve, is his Spouse, and his Body. And if it shall happen that the same Church, or any Member thereof, do take any hurt or hindrance by reason of your negligence, ye know the greatness of the fault, and also the horrible punishment that will ensue. Wherefore consider with yourselves the end of the Ministry towards the children of God, towards the Spouse and Body of Christ; and see that ye never cease your labour, your care and diligence, until ye have done all that lieth in you, according to your bounden duty, to bring all such as are or shall be committed to your charge, unto that agreement in the faith and knowledge of God, and to that ripeness and perfectness of age in Christ, that there be no place left among you, either for error in religion, or for viciousness in life.

Forasmuch then as your Office is both of so great excellency, and of so great difficulty, ye see with how great care and study ye ought to apply yourselves, as well to show yourselves dutiful and thankful unto that Lord, who hath placed you in so high a dignity; as also to beware that neither you yourselves offend, nor be occasion that others offend. Howbeit, ye cannot have a mind and will thereto of yourselves; for

that will and ability is given of God alone: therefore ye ought, and have need, to pray earnestly for his Holy Spirit. And seeing that ye cannot by any other means compass the doing of so weighty a work, pertaining to the salvation of man, but with doctrine and exhortation taken out of the Holy Scriptures, and with a life agreeable to the same; consider how studious ye ought to be in reading and learning the Scriptures, and in framing the manners both of yourselves, and of them that specially pertain unto you, according to the rule of the same Scriptures; and for this self-same cause, how ye ought to forsake and set aside, as much as ye may, all worldly cares and studies.

We have good hope that ye have well weighed these things with yourselves, long before this time; and that ye have clearly determined, by God's grace, to give yourselves wholly to this Office, whereunto it hath pleased God to call you: so that, as much as lieth in you, ye will apply yourselves wholly to this one thing, and draw all your cares and studies this way; and that ye will continually pray to God the Father, by the mediation of our only Saviour Jesus Christ, for the heavenly assistance of the Holy Ghost; that, by daily reading and weighing the Scriptures, ye may wax riper and stronger in your Ministry; and that ye may so endeavour yourselves, from time to time, to sanctify the lives of you and yours, and to fashion them after the Rule and Doctrine of Christ, that ye may be wholesome and godly examples and patterns for the people to follow.

And now, that this present Congregation of Christ may also understand your minds and wills in these things, and that this your promise may the more move you to do your duties; ye shall answer plainly to these things, which we, in the Name of God, and of his Church, shall demand of you touching the same.

**D**O you think in your heart, that you are truly called, according to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, and according to the Canons of this Church, to the Order and Ministry of Priesthood?

*Answer.* I think it.

*The Bishop.*

**A**RE you persuaded that the Holy Scriptures contain all Doctrine required as necessary for eternal salvation through faith in Jesus Christ? And are you determined, out of the said Scriptures to instruct the people committed to your charge; and to teach nothing, as necessary to eternal salvation, but that which you shall be persuaded may be concluded and proved by the Scripture?

*Answer.* I am so persuaded, and have so determined, by God's grace.

*The Bishop.*

**W**ILL you then give your faithful diligence always so to minister the Doctrine and Sacraments, and the Discipline of Christ, as the Lord hath commanded, and as this Church hath received the same, according to the Commandments of God; so that you may teach the people committed to your Cure and Charge with all diligence to keep and observe the same?

*Answer.* I will so do, by the help of the Lord.

*The Bishop.*

**W**ILL you be ready, with all faithful diligence, to banish and drive away from the Church all erroneous and strange doctrines contrary to God's Word; and to use both public and private monitions

and exhortations, as well to the sick as to the whole, within your Cures, as need shall require, and occasion shall be given?

*Answer.* I will, the Lord being my helper.

*The Bishop.*

**W**ILL you be diligent in Prayers, and in reading the Holy Scriptures, and in such studies as help to the knowledge of the same, laying aside the study of the world and the flesh?

*Answer.* I will endeavour so to do, the Lord being my helper.

*The Bishop.*

**W**ILL you be diligent to frame and fashion your own selves, and your families, according to the Doctrine of Christ; and to make both yourselves and them, as much as in you lieth, wholesome examples and patterns to the flock of Christ?

*Answer.* I will apply myself thereto, the Lord being my helper.

*The Bishop.*

**W**ILL you maintain and set forwards, as much as lieth in you, quietness, peace, and love, among all Christian people, and especially among them that are or shall be committed to your charge?

*Answer.* I will so do, the Lord being my helper.

*The Bishop.*

**W**ILL you reverently obey your Bishop, and other chief Ministers, who, according to the Canons of the Church, may have the charge and government over you; following with a glad mind and

will their godly admonitions, and submitting yourselves to their godly judgments?

*Answer.* I will so do, the Lord being my helper.

¶ *Then, all standing, shall the Bishop say,*

**A**LMIGHTY God, who hath given you this will to do all these things; Grant also unto you strength and power to perform the same, that he may accomplish his work which he hath begun in you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *After this, the Congregation shall be desired, secretly in their Prayers, to make their humble supplications to God for all these things; for the which Prayers there shall be silence kept for a space.*

¶ *After which, the persons to be ordained Priests kneeling, and others standing, the Bishop shall sing or say, Veni, Creator Spiritus; the Bishop beginning, and the Priests, and others that are present, answering by verses, as followeth.*

**C**OME, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,  
And lighten with celestial fire.  
Thou the anointing Spirit art,  
Who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.

Thy blessed unction from above,  
Is comfort, life, and fire of love.  
Enable with perpetual light  
The dulness of our blinded sight.

Anoint and cheer our soilèd face  
With the abundance of thy grace.  
Keep far our foes, give peace at home;  
Where thou art guide, no ill can come.

Teach us to know the Father, Son,  
And thee, of both, to be but One;  
That, through the ages all along,  
This may be our endless song:  
Praise to thy eternal merit,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.



¶ *Or this.*

**C**OME, Holy Ghost, Creator blest.  
Vouchsafe within our souls to rest;  
*Come with thy grace and heavenly aid,  
And fill the hearts which thou hast made.*

To thee, the Comforter, we cry;  
To thee, the Gift of God most high;  
*The Fount of life, the Fire of love,  
The soul's Anointing from above.*

The sevenfold gifts of grace are thine,  
O Finger of the Hand Divine;  
*True promise of the Father thou,  
Who dost the tongue with speech endow.*

Thy light to every sense impart,  
And shed thy love in every heart;  
*Thine own unfailing might supply  
To strengthen our infirmity.*

Drive far away our ghostly foe,  
And thine abiding peace bestow;  
*If thou be our preventing Guide,  
No evil can our steps betide.*

¶ *That done, the Bishop shall pray in this wise, and say.*

Let us pray.

**A**Lmighty God, and heavenly Father, who, of thine infinite love and goodness towards us, hast given to us thy only and most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer, and the Author of everlasting life; who, after he had made perfect our redemption by his death, and was ascended into heaven, sent abroad into the world his Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Doctors, and Pastors; by whose labour and ministry he gathered together a great flock in all the parts of the world, to set forth the eternal praise of thy holy Name: For these so

great benefits of thy eternal goodness, and for that thou hast vouchsafed to call these thy servants here present to the same Office and Ministry, appointed for the salvation of mankind, we render unto thee most hearty thanks, we praise and worship thee; and we humbly beseech thee, by the same thy blessed Son, to grant unto all, which either here or elsewhere call upon thy holy Name, that we may continue to show ourselves thankful unto thee for these and all thy other benefits; and that we may daily increase and go forwards in the knowledge and faith of thee and thy Son, by the Holy Spirit. So that as well by these thy Ministers, as by them over whom they shall be appointed thy Ministers, thy holy Name may be for ever glorified, and thy blessed kingdom enlarged; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the same Holy Spirit, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *When this Prayer is done, the Bishop with the Priests present, shall lay their Hands severally upon the Head of every one that receiveth the Order of Priesthood; the Receivers humbly kneeling, and the Bishop saying,*

**R**ECEIVE the Holy Ghost for the Office and Work of a Priest in the Church of God, now committed unto thee by the Imposition of our hands. Whose sins thou dost forgive, they are forgiven; and whose sins thou dost retain, they are retained. And be thou a faithful Dispenser of the Word of God, and of his holy Sacraments; In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. *Amen.*

¶ *Or this.*

**T**AKE thou Authority to execute the Office of a Priest in the Church of God, now committed to thee by the Imposition of our hands. And be thou a

faithful Dispenser of the Word of God, and of his holy Sacraments; In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

¶ *Then the Bishop shall deliver to every one of them kneeling, the Bible into his hand, saying,*

**T**AKE thou Authority to preach the Word of God, and to minister the holy Sacraments in the Congregation, where thou shalt be lawfully appointed thereunto.

¶ *When this is done, the Nicene Creed shall be said, and the Bishop shall go on in the Service of the Communion, which all they who receive Orders shall take together, and remain in the same place where Hands were laid upon them, until such time as they have received the Communion.*

¶ *The Communion being done, after the last Collect, and immediately before the Benediction, shall be said this Collect.*

**M**OST merciful Father, we beseech thee to send upon these thy servants thy heavenly blessing; that they may be clothed with righteousness, and that thy Word spoken by their mouths may have such success, that it may never be spoken in vain. Grant also, that we may have grace to hear and receive what they shall deliver out of thy most holy Word, or agreeable to the same, as the means of our salvation; that in all our words and deeds we may seek thy glory, and the increase of thy kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**T**HE Peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.

¶ *And if, on the same day, the Order of Deacons be given to some, and the Order of Priesthood to others; the Deacons shall be first presented, and then the Priests; and it shall suffice that the Litany be once said for both. The Epistle shall be Ephesians iv. 7 to 13, as before in this Office. Immediately after which, they that are to be made Deacons, shall be examined and Ordained, as is above prescribed. Then one of them having read the Gospel, (which shall be either out of Saint Matthew ix. 36. as before in this Office; or else Saint Luke xii. 35 to 38, as before in the Form for the Ordering of Deacons,) they that are to be made Priests shall likewise be examined and Ordained, as is in this Office before appointed. The Collect shall be as followeth:*

*The Collect.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, giver of all good things, who by thy Holy Spirit hast appointed divers Orders of Ministers in thy Church; Mercifully behold these thy servants now called to the Office of Deacon and these thy servants now called to the Office of Priest; and so replenish them with the truth of thy Doctrine, and adorn them with innocency of life, that, both by word and good example, they may faithfully serve thee in their Ministry, to the glory of thy Name, and the edification of thy Church; through the merits of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, world without end. Amen.

THE FORM OF  
ORDAINING OR  
CONSECRATING A BISHOP.



¶ *When all things are duly prepared in the Church, and set in order, the Presiding Bishop, or some other Bishop appointed by the Bishops present, shall begin the Communion Service, in which this shall be*

*The Collect.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, who by thy Son Jesus Christ didst give to thy holy Apostles many excellent gifts, and didst charge them to feed thy flock; Give grace, we beseech thee, to all Bishops, the Pastors of thy Church, that they may diligently preach thy Word, and duly administer the godly Discipline thereof; and grant to the people, that they may obediently follow the same; that all may receive the crown of everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *And another Bishop shall read the Epistle.*

1 Tim. iii. 1.

**T**HIS is a true saying, If a man desire the office of a bishop, he desireth a good work. A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behaviour, given to hospitality, apt to teach; not given to wine, no striker, not greedy of filthy lucre; but patient, not a brawler, not covetous; one that ruleth well his own house, having his children in subjection with all gravity; (for if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the Church of God?) not a novice, lest

being lifted up with pride he fall into the condemnation of the devil. Moreover he must have a good report of them which are without; lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil.

¶ *Or this.*

*For the Epistle. Acts xx. 17.*

**F**ROM Miletus Paul sent to Ephesus, and called the elders of the church. And when they were come to him, he said unto them, Ye know, from the first day that I came into Asia, after what manner I have been with you at all seasons, serving the Lord with all humility of mind, and with many tears, and temptations, which befell me by the lying in wait of the Jews: and how I kept back nothing that was profitable unto you, but have shewed you, and have taught you publickly, and from house to house, testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ. And now, behold, I go bound in the spirit unto Jerusalem, not knowing the things that shall befall me there: save that the Holy Ghost witnesseth in every city, saying that bonds and afflictions abide me. But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God. And now, behold, I know that ye all, among whom I have gone preaching the kingdom of God, shall see my face no more. Wherefore I take you to record this day, that I am pure from the blood of all men. For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God. Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood. For I know this, that after my departing



shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them. Therefore watch, and remember, that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears. And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified. I have coveted no man's silver, or gold, or apparel. Yea, ye yourselves know, that these hands have ministered unto my necessities, and to them that were with me. I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive.

¶ *Then another Bishop shall read the Gospel.*

St. John xxi. 15.

**J**ESUS saith to Simon Peter, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my lambs. He saith to him again the second time, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me? He saith unto him, Yea Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my sheep. He saith unto him the third time, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me? Peter was grieved because he said unto him the third time, Lovest thou me? And he said unto him, Lord, thou knowest all things; thou knowest that I love thee. Jesus saith unto him, Feed my sheep.

¶ *Or this.*

St. John xx. 19.

**T**HE same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus, and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. And when he had so said, he shewed unto them his hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord. Then saith Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you. And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost: whose soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whose soever sins ye retain, they are retained.

¶ *Or this.*

St. Matt. xxviii. 18.

**J**ESUS came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world.

¶ *Then shall follow the Nicene Creed, and after that the Sermon; which being ended, the Elected Bishop, vested with his Rochet, shall be presented by two Bishops of this Church unto the Presiding Bishop, or to the Bishop appointed, sitting in his chair, near the Holy Table; the Bishops who present him saying,*

**R**EVEREND Father in God, we present unto you this godly and well-learned man, to be Ordained and Consecrated Bishop.

¶ *Then shall the Presiding Bishop demand Testimonials of the person presented for Consecration, and shall cause them to be read.*

¶ *He shall then require of him the following Promise of Conformity to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church.*

**I**N the Name of God, Amen. I, N., chosen Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in N., do promise conformity and obedience to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America. So help me God, through Jesus Christ.

¶ *Then the Presiding Bishop shall move the Congregation present to pray, saying thus to them:*

**B**RETHREN, it is written in the Gospel of Saint Luke, that our Saviour Christ continued the whole night in prayer, before he chose and sent forth his twelve Apostles. It is written also, that the holy Apostles prayed before they ordained Matthias to be of the number of the Twelve. Let us, therefore, following the example of our Saviour Christ, and his Apostles, offer up our prayers to Almighty God, before we admit and send forth this person presented unto us, to the work whereunto we trust the Holy Ghost hath called him.

¶ *And then shall be said the Litany; save only, that after this place. That it may please thee to illuminate all Bishops, etc., the proper Suffrage shall be,*

**T**HAT it may please thee to bless this our Brother elected, and to send thy grace upon him, that he may duly execute the Office whereunto he is called, to the edifying of thy Church, and to the honour, praise, and glory of thy Name;

*Answer. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

¶ *And Note, That in the discretion of the Bishop presiding, instead of the General Litany, may be said the special Litany for Ordinations, in which case the above proper Suffrage shall be used.*

¶ *Then shall be said this Prayer following.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, giver of all good things, who by thy Holy Spirit hast appointed divers Orders of Ministers in thy Church; Mercifully behold this thy servant, now called to the Work and Ministry of a Bishop; and so replenish him with the truth of thy Doctrine, and adorn him with innocency of life, that, both by word and deed, he may faithfully serve thee in this Office, to the glory of thy Name, and the edifying and well-governing of thy Church; through the merits of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *Then, the People being seated, the Presiding Bishop, sitting in his chair, shall say to him that is to be Consecrated,*

**B**ROTHER, forasmuch as the Holy Scripture and the ancient Canons command, that we should not be hasty in laying on hands, and admitting any person to Government in the Church of Christ, which he hath purchased with no less price than the effusion of his own blood; before we admit you to this Administration, we will examine you in certain Articles, to the end that the Congregation present may have a trial, and bear witness, how you are minded to behave yourself in the Church of God.

**A**RE you persuaded that you are truly called to this Ministration, according to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the order of this Church?

*Answer. I am so persuaded.*

*The Presiding Bishop.*

**A**RE you persuaded that the Holy Scriptures contain all Doctrine required as necessary for eternal salvation through faith in Jesus Christ? And are

you determined out of the same Holy Scriptures to instruct the people committed to your charge; and to teach or maintain nothing, as necessary to eternal salvation, but that which you shall be persuaded may be concluded and proved by the same?

*Answer.* I am so persuaded, and determined, by God's grace.

*The Presiding Bishop.*

**W**ILL you then faithfully exercise yourself in the Holy Scriptures, and call upon God by prayer for the true understanding of the same; so that you may be able by them to teach and exhort with wholesome Doctrine, and to withstand and convince the gainsayers?

*Answer.* I will so do, by the help of God.

*The Presiding Bishop.*

**A**RE you ready, with all faithful diligence, to banish and drive away from the Church all erroneous and strange doctrine contrary to God's Word; and both privately and openly to call upon and encourage others to the same?

*Answer.* I am ready, the Lord being my helper.

*The Presiding Bishop.*

**W**ILL you deny all ungodliness and worldly lusts, and live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world; that you may show yourself in all things an example of good works unto others, that the adversary may be ashamed, having nothing to say against you?

*Answer.* I will so do, the Lord being my helper.

*The Presiding Bishop.*

**W**ILL you maintain and set forward, as much as shall lie in you, quietness, love, and peace among all men; and diligently exercise such discipline as by the authority of God's Word, and by the order of this Church, is committed to you?

*Answer.* I will so do, by the help of God.

*The Presiding Bishop.*

**W**ILL you be faithful in Ordaining, sending, or laying hands upon others?

*Answer.* I will so be, by the help of God.

*The Presiding Bishop.*

**W**ILL you show yourself gentle, and be merciful for Christ's sake to poor and needy people, and to all strangers destitute of help?

*Answer.* I will so show myself, by God's help.

¶ *Then the Presiding Bishop, standing up, shall say,*

**A**LMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who hath given you a good will to do all these things; Grant also unto you strength and power to perform the same; that, he accomplishing in you the good work which he hath begun, you may be found perfect and irreprehensible at the latter day; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Bishop-elect put on the rest of the Episcopal habit, and shall kneel down; and Veni, Creator Spiritus shall be sung or said over him; the Bishop presiding shall begin, and the Bishops, and the others that are present, standing, shall answer by verses, as followeth.*

**C**OME, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,  
And lighten with celestial fire.  
Thou the anointing Spirit art,  
Who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.



Thy blessed unction from above,  
*Is comfort, life, and fire of love.*  
 Enable with perpetual light  
*The dulness of our blinded sight.*

Anoint and cheer our soiled face  
*With the abundance of thy grace.*  
 Keep far our foes, give peace at home;  
*Where thou art guide, no ill can come.*

Teach us to know the Father, Son,  
*And thee, of both, to be but One;*  
 That, through the ages all along,  
*This may be our endless song:*  
 Praise to thy eternal merit,  
*Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

¶ *Or else the alternative paraphrase of the same Hymn, as printed in the Ordering of Priests.*

¶ *That ended, the Presiding Bishop shall say,*

Lord, hear our prayer.  
*Answer.* And let our cry come unto thee.

Let us pray.

**A**LMIGHTY God, and most merciful Father, who, of thine infinite goodness, hast given thy only and dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ, to be our Redeemer, and the Author of everlasting life; who, after that he had made perfect our redemption by his death, and was ascended into heaven, poured down his gifts abundantly upon men, making some Apostles, some Prophets, some Evangelists, some Pastors and Doctors, to the edifying and making perfect his Church; Grant, we beseech thee, to this thy servant, such grace, that he may evermore be ready to spread abroad thy Gospel, the glad tidings of reconciliation with thee; and use the authority given him, not to de-

struction, but to salvation; not to hurt, but to help: so that, as a wise and faithful servant, giving to thy family their portion in due season, he may at last be received into everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who, with thee and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Presiding Bishop and Bishops present shall lay their Hands upon the Head of the Elected Bishop, kneeling before them, the Presiding Bishop saying,*

**R**ECEIVE the Holy Ghost for the Office and Work of a Bishop in the Church of God, now committed unto thee by the Imposition of our hands; In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. *Amen.* And remember that thou stir up the grace of God, which is given thee by this Imposition of our hands; for God hath not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, and love, and soberness.

¶ *Then the Presiding Bishop shall deliver him the Bible, saying,*

**G**IVE heed unto reading, exhortation, and doctrine. Think upon the things contained in this Book. Be diligent in them, that the increase coming thereby may be manifest unto all men; for by so doing thou shalt both save thyself and them that hear thee. Be to the flock of Christ a shepherd, not a wolf; feed them, devour them not. Hold up the weak, heal the sick, bind up the broken, bring again the outcasts, seek the lost. Be so merciful, that you be not too remiss; so minister discipline, that you forget not mercy; that when the Chief Shepherd shall appear, you may receive the never-fading crown of glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Presiding Bishop shall proceed in the Communion Service; with whom the new Consecrated Bishop, with others, shall also communicate.*

¶ *And for the last Collect, immediately before the Benediction, shall be said this Prayer.*

**M**OST merciful Father, we beseech thee to send down upon this thy servant thy heavenly blessing; and so endue him with thy Holy Spirit, that he, preaching thy Word, may not only be earnest to reprove, beseech, and rebuke, with all patience and doctrine; but also may be, to such as believe, a wholesome example in word, in conversation, in love, in faith, in chastity, and in purity; that, faithfully fulfilling his course, at the latter day he may receive the crown of righteousness, laid up by the Lord, the righteous Judge, who liveth and reigneth one God with the Father and the Holy Ghost, world without end. *Amen.*

**T**HE Peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

## LITANY AND SUFFRAGES

FOR ORDINATIONS.



**O** GOD the Father,  
*Have mercy upon us.*

O God the Son,  
*Have mercy upon us.*

O God the Holy Ghost,  
*Have mercy upon us.*

O Holy Trinity, one God,  
*Have mercy upon us.*

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord; and that it may please thee to grant peace to the whole world, and to thy Church;

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to sanctify and bless thy holy Church throughout the world;

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to inspire all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, with love of thee and of thy truth;

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to endue all Ministers of thy Church with devotion to thy glory and to the salvation of souls;

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

*(At the Ordination of Deacons or of Priests.)*

That it may please thee to bless these thy servants, now to be admitted to the Order of Deacons (or Priests), and to pour thy grace upon them; that they

may duly execute their office to the edifying of thy Church and to the glory of thy holy Name;

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

*(At the Consecration of a Bishop.)*

That it may please thee to bless this our Brother elected, and to send thy grace upon him, that he may duly execute the Office whereunto he is called, to the edifying of thy Church, and to the honour, praise, and glory of thy Name;

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to guide by thy indwelling Spirit those whom thou dost call to the Ministry of thy Church, that they may go forward with courage and persevere unto the end;

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to increase the number of the Ministers of thy Church, that the Gospel may be preached to all people;

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to hasten the fulfilment of thy purpose that thy Church may be one;

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to grant that we, with all thy saints, may be partakers of thy everlasting kingdom;

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

*Christ, have mercy upon us.*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

**O**UR Father, who art in Heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our

daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

*Minister.* Hearken unto our voice, O Lord, when we cry unto thee;

*Answer.* Have mercy upon us and hear us.

*Minister.* O Lord, arise, help us;

*Answer.* And deliver us for thy Name's sake.

*Minister.* Let thy Priests be clothed with righteousness;

*Answer.* And let thy saints sing with joyfulness.

*Minister.* Lord, hear our prayer;

*Answer.* And let our cry come unto thee.

Let us pray.

**O** GOD, who dost ever hallow and protect thy Church; Raise up therein, through thy Spirit, good and faithful stewards of the mysteries of Christ, that by their ministry and example thy people may abide in thy favour and be guided in the way of truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the same Spirit ever, one God, world without end. *Amen.*



## PART II



Containing the Offices with Amendments tentatively adopted by the General Convention of 1925, but not ratified and not authorized for use in Churches.

## CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

THE GENERAL CONVENTION  
Office of the Secretary  
281 Fourth Avenue, New York

November 16, 1925.

I hereby certify that the Alterations in the Book of Common Prayer shown in the following pages were proposed by the General Convention of 1925, and are to be acted upon finally in the General Convention of 1928.

Attest:

CARBOLL M. DAVIS  
*Secretary of the House of Deputies*

## ARRANGEMENT OF THE OFFICES

### (1) Transfer:

- a. THE PRAYERS AND THANKSGIVINGS to follow EVENING PRAYER.
- b. THE LITANY AND PENITENTIAL OFFICE to follow the PRAYERS AND THANKSGIVINGS.
- c. THE HOLY COMMUNION to follow the LITANY AND PENITENTIAL OFFICE.
- d. THE COLLECTS, EPISTLES, AND GOSPELS to follow THE HOLY COMMUNION.

### (2) Distribute the constituent parts of the Service for THANKSGIVING DAY as follows:

- a. Transfer the opening *Sentences* to follow immediately after the *Sentences of Scripture* for Trinity Sunday at Morning Prayer, and indent *Thanksgiving Day*.
- b. Transfer the *Collect, Epistle, and Gospel* to a place among THE COLLECTS, EPISTLES, AND GOSPELS, as specified later in in this Report, and prefix to them the title, *Thanksgiving Day*.
- c. Transfer the *Anthem* to be used instead of the *Venite*, with its rubric, to precede the *Collect, Epistle, and Gospel*.
- d. Strike out the second rubric on page 320, "*The First Lesson shall be.*" etc., and insert the Lessons in the TABLE OF PROPER LESSONS FOR HOLY DAYS, immediately after *All Saints*.
- e. Transfer the *Thanksgiving Prayer* to THANKSGIVINGS, and insert it as the first of the Thanksgivings, omitting the rubric which precedes it, and prefixing this title, A THANKSGIVING TO ALMIGHTY GOD FOR THE FRUITS OF THE EARTH AND ALL THE OTHER BLESSINGS OF HIS MERCIFUL PROVIDENCE.

(3) Amend Directions entitled CONCERNING THE SERVICE OF THE CHURCH as follows:

## CONCERNING THE SERVICE OF THE CHURCH



THE Order for Holy Communion, the Order for Morning Prayer, the Order for Evening Prayer, and the Litany, as set forth in this Book, are the regular Services appointed for Public Worship in this Church, and shall be used accordingly; *Provided*, that in addition to these Services the Minister, in his discretion, subject to the direction of the Ordinary, may use other devotions taken from this Book or set forth by lawful authority within this Church or from Holy Scripture; and *Provided* further, that, subject to the direction of the Ordinary, in Mission Churches or Chapels, and, when expressly authorized by the Ordinary in Cathedral or Parish Churches or other places, such other devotions as aforesaid may be used when the edification of the Congregation so requires, in place of the Order for Morning Prayer or the Order for Evening Prayer.

For Days of Fasting and Thanksgiving appointed by the Civil or Ecclesiastical Authority, and for other special occasions for which no Service or Prayer hath been provided in this Book, the Bishop may set forth such form or forms as he shall see fit, in which case none other shall be used.

NOTE: That in the directions for the several Services in this Book it is not intended by the use of any particular word denoting vocal utterance to prescribe the tone or manner of their recitation.

### (4) THE ORDER HOW THE REST OF THE HOLY SCRIPTURE IS APPOINTED TO BE READ.

The last paragraph (p. viii., P. B.) to read:

On days of Fasting and Thanksgiving, especially appointed, on occasions of Ecclesiastical Conventions and of Charitable Collections, and on other special occasions, the Minister may appoint such Lessons as he shall think fit in his discretion.

(5) Substitute for the Lessons contained in the Calendar those Lessons which shall be adopted by General Convention.

#### ADD TO PROPER PSALMS

Dedication of a Church. Psalms 84, 122, 132.  
Institution of Ministers. Psalms 122, 132, 133.

#### ADD TO A TABLE OF PROPER LESSONS FOR HOLY DAYS

(2) At the end of the table add:

Thanksgiving Day. Deut. 8. I Thess. 5, v. 12-24.

Dedication of a Church. I Kings 8, v. 22-63, or Genesis 28, v. 10; Hebrews 10, v. 19-26, or Revelation 21, v. 10.  
Institution of Ministers. Ezekiel 33, v. 1-10. St. John 10, v. 1-19.

#### TABLE OF FASTS

(7) Amend the Table of Fasts, as follows:—

a. Omit III. Rogation Days.

b. Number IV accordingly as III, and make it read:

III. All the *Fridays* in the Year, except *Christmas Day*, and *The Epiphany*, or any *Friday* which may intervene between these Feasts.

c. Add a new sub-heading at end of Table of Fasts, as follows:—

#### DAYS OF SOLEMN SUPPLICATION

The three *Rogation Days*, being the *Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday* before *Holy Thursday*, or the *Ascension* of our Lord.

(8) After the directions entitled TABLES AND RULES FOR THE MOVABLE AND IMMOVABLE FEASTS, page XXIV, following the direction for the observance of *Thanksgiving Day*, insert the following:

#### TABLES OF PRECEDENCE

The *Holy Days* following have precedence of any other *Sunday* or *Holy Day*:

The Sundays in Advent  
Christmas Day  
The Epiphany  
Septuagesima  
Sexagesima  
Quinquagesima

} Sundays

Ash Wednesday

The Sundays in Lent

All the days of Holy Week

Easter Day; and the seven following days

Rogation Sunday

The Ascension Day; and the Sunday after Ascension Day

Whitsunday; and the six following days

Trinity Sunday

If any other *Holy Day* fall on any day noted in the preceding Table, the observance of such *Holy Day* shall be transferred to the first convenient open day.

The following *Holy Days* have precedence of days not noted in the foregoing Table:

St. Stephen, Deacon and Martyr

St. John, Apostle and Evangelist

The Holy Innocents

The Circumcision of CHRIST

The Conversion of St. Paul

The Purification of St. Mary the Virgin



St. John Baptist  
 All Feasts of Apostles or Evangelists  
 The Transfiguration of Christ  
 St. Michael and All Angels,  
 All Saints

On these *Holy Days* the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel for the Feast shall be used; but on Sundays the Collect for the Feast shall be followed by the Collect for the Sunday.

(9) Prefix to each of the five Principal Parts into which the Public Services contained in the Prayer Book are divided, a separate Title-page as follows:

a. Immediately to precede the ORDER FOR DAILY MORNING PRAYER:

MORNING AND EVENING PRAYER  
 together with  
 PRAYERS AND THANKSGIVINGS  
 THE LITANY  
 A PENITENTIAL OFFICE

b. Immediately to follow THE LITANY AND PENITENTIAL OFFICE:

THE HOLY COMMUNION  
 together with  
 THE COLLECTS, EPISTLES, AND GOSPELS

c. Immediately to follow THE COLLECTS, EPISTLES, AND GOSPELS:

HOLY BAPTISM  
 together with  
 THE OFFICES OF INSTRUCTION  
 THE ORDER OF CONFIRMATION  
 THE SOLEMNIZATION OF MATRIMONY  
 THE THANKSGIVING AFTER CHILD-BIRTH  
 THE VISITATION OF THE SICK  
 THE COMMUNION OF THE SICK  
 THE BURIAL OF THE DEAD

d. Immediately to follow the Burial of the Dead:

THE PSALTER

e. Immediately to follow the PSALTER:

THE ORDINAL  
 being  
 THE FORM OF MAKING, ORDAINING, AND  
 CONSECRATING  
 BISHOPS, PRIESTS, AND DEACONS  
 together with  
 THE FORM OF CONSECRATION OF A CHURCH  
 AN OFFICE OF INSTITUTION OF MINISTERS

(10) Place a *Catechism* immediately before Family Prayer with a separate Title-page.

(11) a. Place the FORMS OF PRAYER TO BE USED IN FAMILIES with Additional Prayers, before the *Articles of Religion*, prefixing a separate Title as follows:

FORMS OF PRAYER TO BE USED IN FAMILIES, WITH ADDITIONAL PRAYERS.

b. After the rubric at the end of the Evening Family Prayer, page 327, add the Title, PRAYERS, and the Prayers set forth under that Title, in this Report.

(12) Omit from the Book of Common Prayer the following Offices:

a. FORMS OF PRAYER TO BE USED AT SEA, pages 305-312.

b. A FORM OF PRAYER FOR THE VISITATION OF PRISONERS, pages 312-318.

c. A FORM OF PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING TO ALMIGHTY GOD, pages 319-322.

(14 a) Remove the THIRTY-NINE ARTICLES, together with their title page.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

(14) Make changes in the printing of the Lord's Prayer wherever it occurs in the Prayer Book so that it shall read as follows:

OUR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

NOTE. It was agreed that the arrangement of the Table of Contents should be left to the Joint Commission on Revision of the Book of Common Prayer.

**MORNING AND EVENING  
PRAYER**



**TOGETHER WITH  
PRAYERS AND THANKSGIVINGS  
THE LITANY  
A PENITENTIAL OFFICE**

## THE ORDER FOR DAILY MORNING PRAYER



(1) Revise the rubrics in Morning Prayer in the following particulars, viz. :—

- a. Delete the second rubric
- b. Amend the third rubric to read as follows:

¶ *On any day, save a day of Fasting or Abstinence, or on any day when the Litany or Holy Communion is immediately to follow, the Minister may, at his discretion, pass at once from the Sentences to the Lord's Prayer, first pronouncing,*

The Lord be with you.

*Answer.* And with thy spirit.

*Minister.* Let us pray.

¶ *And Note, That when the Confession and Absolution are omitted, the Minister may, after the Sentences, pass to the Versicles, O Lord, open thou our lips, etc., in which case the Lord's Prayer shall be said with the other prayers, immediately after The Lord be with you, etc., and before the Versicles and Responses which follow, or, in the Litany, as there appointed.*

- c. Delete the fourth rubric.
- d. Insert after the Exhortation, Dearly beloved, etc., a rubric and Exhortation as follows, viz:

¶ *Or he shall say.*

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

- e. Add at the end of the rubric following the Third Collect, after the words "*think fit,*" the words, "*or with the Grace.*"

(1 a) Add to the opening Sentences, following that for Thanksgiving Day:

Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the first-fruits of all thine increase: so shall thy barns be filled with



plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine. *Prov.* iii. 9, 10.

The Lord by wisdom hath founded the earth; by understanding hath he established the heavens. By his knowledge the depths are broken up, and the clouds drop down the dew. *Prov.* iii. 19, 20.

The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms. *Deut.* xxxiii. 27.

Israel then shall dwell in safety alone: the fountain of Jacob shall be upon a land of corn and wine; also his heavens shall drop down dew. *Deut.* xxxiii. 28.

Happy art thou, O Israel: who is like unto thee, O people saved by the Lord, the shield of thy help, and who is the sword of thy excellency! *Deut.* xxxiii. 29.

(2) Amend the directions before the *Venite* as follows:

- a. In the first rubric substitute for the words "*Anthem*" and "*Anthems*," the words "*Canticle*" and "*Canticles*."
- b. In the second rubric substitute for the word "*here*" the words "*immediately before the Venite*."
- c. Add the second "*Alleluia*" at the end of the Christmas Invitatory.
- d. Add in the Purification Invitatory, after the word "*flesh*," the words "*and dwelt among us*."

## THE ORDER FOR DAILY EVENING PRAYER



After the second rubric on page 22, insert the following:

*But Note, That the Minister, at his discretion, may omit one of the Lessons in Evening Prayer, the Lesson read being followed by one of the Evening Canticles.*

## PRAYERS AND THANKSGIVINGS

(1) Substitute for the rubric before the Prayers and Thanksgivings the following:—

¶ *To be used before the Prayer for all Conditions of Men, or, when that is not said, before the final Prayer of Thanksgiving or of Blessing, or before the Grace.*

Insert after the prayer For Every Man in his Work, the following:

*For the Family of Nations.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, guide, we beseech thee, the Nations of the world into the way of justice and truth, and establish among them that peace which is the fruit of righteousness, that they may become the Kingdom of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

(1a) Insert first among the Thanksgivings the following:

*A Thanksgiving to Almighty God for the Fruits of the Earth and all the other Blessings of his Merciful Providence.*

**M**OST gracious God, by whose knowledge the depths are broken up, and the clouds drop down the dew; We yield thee unfeigned thanks and praise for the return of seed-time and harvest, for the increase of the ground and the gathering in of the fruits thereof, and for all the other blessings of thy merciful providence bestowed upon this nation and people. And, we beseech thee, give us a just sense of these great mercies; such as may appear in our lives by an humble, holy, and obedient walking before thee all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all glory and honour, world without end. *Amen.*

(2) Omit the title *For Unity* before the first of the Collects which follow Prayers and Thanksgivings.

## THE LITANY

(1) Print in capital letters the first word of each section of the Litany.

(2) Substitute for the rubric on page 30 the rubric following:

¶ *To be used after the Third Collect at Morning or Evening Prayer; or before the Holy Communion; or separately.*

(3) Substitute for the four opening invocations of the LITANY, the following:

**O** GOD the Father, Creator of heaven and earth;  
*Have mercy upon us.*

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world;  
*Have mercy upon us.*

O God the Holy Ghost, Sanctifier of the faithful;  
*Have mercy upon us.*

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, one God;  
*Have mercy upon us.*

(4) In the second suffrage, page 31, insert after "tempest" the words "from earthquake, fire, and flood."

(5) Insert before the suffrage for Rulers and Magistrates a new suffrage, viz.:

That it may please thee so to rule the heart of thy servant, THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, that he may above all things seek thy honour and glory;

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

(6) Make the suffrage beginning at bottom of page 32 of Prayer Book, to read:

That it may please thee to preserve all who travel by land, by water, or by air, all women in child-birth, all sick persons, and young children; and to show thy pity upon all prisoners and captives;

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

(7) Transfer the rubric on page 33 to a place immediately after the *Lord's Prayer* on page 34.

(8) Insert response *Amen* after prayer, "O God, merciful Father," page 34.

(9) Insert *Minister and People* before antiphon, "O Lord, arise," etc., in both places, pages 34 and 35, and *Minister* before Psalm, "O God, we have heard," etc.

(10) Omit the *General Thanksgiving*, the *Prayer of St. Chrysostom*, and 2 *Cor.* xiii. 14, and insert after prayer, "We humbly beseech thee," a rubric as follows:

¶ *The Minister may end the LITANY here, or at his discretion add other Prayers from this Book.*

### A PENITENTIAL OFFICE



(1) Change the first rubric, page 48, by omitting the words "at *Morning Prayer*," and by changing "shall" to "may;" also by adding at the end: "or it may be used with *Morning Prayer*, or *Evening Prayer*, or as a separate Office."

(2) Omit, on page 49, the last two verses of Psalm 51.

(3) In the second prayer, page 50, omit the words "who are vile earth, and miserable sinners," and change "vileness" to "transgressions."

## HOLY COMMUNION



TOGETHER WITH

THE COLLECTS, EPISTLES, AND GOSPELS



## HOLY COMMUNION



Amend the Prayer now entitled the Prayer for Christ's Church Militant and break it into paragraphs as follows:

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church.

**A**LMIGHTY and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers and supplications, and to give thanks for all men; We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to accept our [*almis and*] oblations, and to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

We beseech thee also, so to direct and dispose the hearts of all Christian Rulers, that they may truly and impartially administer justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and other Ministers, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy People give thy heavenly grace; and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to grant

them continual growth in thy love and service, and to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

After the *Sanctus* add the following rubric and anthem:

¶ *Here may be said:*

**B**LESSED is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord;  
Hosanna in the highest.

In the Proper Preface for Whitsunday, substitute for the word "Apostles" the word "Disciples."

(2) In the rubric before the Prayer of Consecration, substitute for the word "Table" the words "Holy Table."

(3) Insert a new Rubric at the end of the Office as follows:

¶ *Any Bishop may, under proper conditions, authorize the administration of the Holy Communion by intinction, in which case both sentences of administration shall be used.*

## THE COLLECTS, EPISTLES, AND GOSPELS



(1) That beginning with each season, there be printed as a heading the name of the season, and that a space or printer's symbol be placed between the seasons, to set them apart.

(2) That the day and month of every immovable Feast be printed after the title and also at the top of the page.

(3) That in the titles of certain Holy Days or seasons the hyphens be omitted, and the second word of the title printed with a capital, as follows:

Christmas Day	Easter Week
Ash Wednesday	The Ascension Day
Easter Even	Whitsun Week
Easter Day	Trinity Sunday

(4) That there be substituted for the titles of certain Saints' Days new titles, as follows:

St. Andrew the Apostle *for* St. Andrew's Day  
 St. Stephen, Deacon and Martyr *for* St. Stephen's Day  
 St. John, Apostle and Evangelist *for* St. John the Evangelist's Day  
 The Holy Innocents *for* Innocents' Day  
 St. Matthias the Apostle *for* St. Matthias' Day  
 St. Mark the Evangelist *for* St. Mark's Day  
 St. Philip and St. James, Apostles *for* St. Philip and St. James' Day  
 St. John Baptist *for* St. John Baptist's Day  
 St. Peter the Apostle *for* St. Peter's Day  
 St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist *for* St. Matthew the Apostle

### FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

(5) That the rubric after the Collect for the First Sunday in Advent, page 52, be amended to read:

¶ *This Collect is to be repeated every day, after the other Collects in Advent, until Christmas Day.*

### THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

(41 a) That in the Epistle for the Third Sunday in Advent the word "by" before "myself" (line 7) be changed to "against."

## FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT

(6) That in the Collect for the Fourth Sunday in Advent, there be substituted for the words at the end, "the satisfaction of thy Son, our Lord," the words, "Jesus Christ our Lord."

## THE NATIVITY

(7) That the following rubric be placed after the first Collect for the Nativity, page 58:

¶ *This Collect is to be said daily throughout the Octave.*

## ST. STEPHEN'S DAY

(8) That the rubric after the Collect for Saint Stephen's Day, page 62, be omitted.

## ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST'S DAY

(9) That in the Collect for Saint John the Evangelist's Day, page 63, in the third line, the word "illumined" be substituted for the word "instructed," and that the sixth line read, "at length attain to life everlasting; through."

## FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS DAY

(11) That the title "The Sunday after Christmas-day" be changed, pages 66 and 67, to "The First Sunday after Christmas Day."

## THE EPIPHANY

(12) That the following rubric be inserted after the Collect for the Epiphany, page 69:

¶ *This Collect is to be said daily throughout the Octave.*

## SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

(13) That in the place of the Gospel for the Second Sunday after the Epiphany, page 74 of the Prayer Book, there be substituted as follows:

*The Gospel. St. Mark i. 1.*

**T**HE beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. As it is written in the prophets, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee; The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight; John did baptize in the wilderness, and preach the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins. And there went out unto him all the land of Judea, and they of Jerusalem; and were all baptized of him

in the river of Jordan, confessing their sins. And John was clothed with camel's hair, and with a girdle of a skin about his loins; and he did eat locusts and wild honey. And preached, saying, There cometh one mightier than I after me, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to stoop down and unloose. I indeed have baptized you with water: but he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost. And it came to pass in those days, that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee, and was baptized of John in Jordan. And straightway coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens opened, and the Spirit like a dove descending upon him: And there came a voice from heaven, saying, Thou art my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

## SUNDAYS AFTER EPIPHANY

(14) That the Gospel for the Second Sunday after the Epiphany be made the Gospel for the Third Sunday; that the Gospel for the Third Sunday be made the Gospel for the Fourth Sunday; and that the Gospel for the Fourth Sunday be omitted.

## FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

(41 b) That in the Epistle for the Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany page 76, in the sixth line, for the word "damnation" there be substituted the word "condemnation."

## FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

(41 b1) That in the Epistle for the Fifth Sunday after Epiphany the words, "bowels of mercy" be changed to "heart of compassion."

## ASH WEDNESDAY

(15) That the rubric after the Collect for Ash Wednesday, page 86, be amended so as to read as follows:

¶ *This Collect is to be said every day in Lent, after the Collect appointed for the day, until Palm Sunday.*

## FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

(16) That the title of the Fifth Sunday in Lent, page 94, read, The Fifth Sunday in Lent, commonly called Passion Sunday.

## SIXTH SUNDAY IN LENT

(17) That the title of the Sixth Sunday in Lent, page 96, read, The Sunday next before Easter, commonly called Palm Sunday.



## HOLY WEEK

(19) That the following rubric be placed after the Collect for Palm Sunday, page 96:

¶ *This Collect is to be said every day, after the Collect appointed for the day, until Good Friday.*

(20) That the following Collects be inserted in the proper places for the days of Holy Week:

## MONDAY BEFORE EASTER

*The Collect.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified; Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## TUESDAY BEFORE EASTER

*The Collect.*

**O**LORD God, whose blessed Son, our Saviour, gave his back to the smiters and hid not his face from shame; Grant us grace to take joyfully the sufferings of the present time, in full assurance of the glory that shall be revealed; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## WEDNESDAY BEFORE EASTER

*The Collect.*

**A**SSIST us mercifully with thy help, O Lord God of our salvation; that we may enter with joy upon the meditation of those mighty acts whereby thou hast given unto us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## THURSDAY BEFORE EASTER

commonly called Maundy Thursday

*The Collect.*

**A**LMIGHTY Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, did institute the Sacrament of his Body and Blood; Mercifully grant that we may thankfully receive it in remembrance of him; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit ever, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

(41 c) That the Epistle for the Thursday before Easter, pages 114 and 115, begin with the words "I have received" and close with the words "till he come," the verse at beginning to be changed from 17 to 23.

Add as an alternative Gospel for the Thursday before Easter, preceded by rubric, "Or this," St. John 13:1-15.

## EASTER DAY

(21) That the rubric on page 125, Easter Day, providing certain Anthems in place of the *Venite*, be amended to read as follows:

¶ *At Morning Prayer, instead of the Canticle O come, let us sing, etc., the following shall be said, and may be said throughout the Octave.*

(21 a) That the following Rubric be placed after the first Collect for Easter Day, page 126:

¶ *This Collect is to be said daily throughout Easter Week.*

(41 d) That the first Epistle for Easter Day, page 126, shall close with the words "with him in glory."

## EASTER WEEK

(22) That there be substituted for the Collects for Monday and Tuesday in Easter Week, respectively, the following:

## MONDAY IN EASTER WEEK

*The Collect.*

**O** GOD, whose blessed Son did manifest himself to his disciples in the breaking of bread; Open, we pray thee, the eyes of our faith, that we may behold thee in all thy works; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## TUESDAY IN EASTER WEEK

*The Collect.*

**G**RANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that we who celebrate with reverence the Paschal feast, may be found worthy to attain to everlasting joys; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

(41 e) That in the Epistle for the First Sunday after Easter, page 133 of the Prayer Book, the words of the sentence in lines 9 to 11, beginning, "For there are three," etc., be omitted, and that in the next sentence, the first word "And" be changed to "For," and the words "in earth" be omitted.

## SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

(41f) That in the Gospel for the Second Sunday after Easter, the sentence beginning in the eighth line read: "I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine, even as the Father knoweth me, and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for the sheep." Also, that in the last line the word "fold" be changed to "flock."

## FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

(23) That the title of the Fifth Sunday after Easter, page 138, read, The Fifth Sunday after Easter, commonly called Rogation Sunday.

## ASCENSION DAY

(41g) That in the place of the Gospel for Ascension Day, page 141 of the Prayer Book, there be substituted the passage, St. Luke 24:49-53, as follows:

*The Gospel.* St. Luke xxiv. 49.

**J**ESUS said, Behold I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high. And he led them out as far as to Bethany, and he lifted up his hands, and blessed them. And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven. And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy: and were continually in the temple, praising and blessing God.

## THE SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION DAY

(24) That the title "Sunday after Ascension Day" be changed to "The Sunday after Ascension Day."

## PENTECOST, COMMONLY CALLED WHITSUNDAY

(25) That the title at the top of page 143 of the Prayer Book be changed to read "Pentecost, commonly called Whitsunday."

(26) That there be provided a second Collect, Epistle, and Gospel for Whitsunday, to be printed after those now in the Prayer Book, with rubric, as follows:

¶ *If in any Church the Holy Communion be twice celebrated on Whitsunday, the following Collect, Epistle, and Gospel may be used at the first Communion.*

*The Collect.*

**A**Lmighty and most merciful God, grant, we beseech thee, that, by the indwelling of thy Holy Spirit, we may be enlightened and strengthened for thy service; through Jesus

Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the same Spirit, ever, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

*The Epistle.* I Cor. xii. 4.

**N**OW there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. And there are differences of administrations, but the same Lord. And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh all in all. But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal. For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom: to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit; to another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit; to another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues: but all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will. For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: so also is Christ. For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit. For the body is not one member, but many.

*The Gospel.* St. Luke xi. 9.

**J**ESUS said to his disciples, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you. For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he ask a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent? or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?

## WHITSUN WEEK

(27) That there be substituted for the Collects for Monday and Tuesday in Whitsun Week respectively the following:

## MONDAY IN WHITSUN WEEK

*The Collect.*

**S**END, we beseech thee, Almighty God, thy Holy Spirit into our hearts, that he may direct and rule us according to thy will, comfort us in all our afflictions, defend us from all error, and lead us into all truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the same Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

## TUESDAY IN WHITSUN WEEK

*The Collect.*

**G**RANT, we beseech thee, merciful God, that thy Church, being gathered together in unity by thy Holy Spirit, may manifest thy power among all peoples, to the glory of thy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

## TRINITY SUNDAY

(41 *b*) That in the Epistle for Trinity Sunday, the words "living creatures" be substituted for *beasts* in the three places where the word "beasts" occurs, and that after the words *first, second, third, and fourth*, the word *beast* be omitted.

## EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

(41 *i*) That in the Epistle for the Eighth Sunday after Trinity, ninth line, the word "itself" be changed to "himself," so that it shall be read: "The Spirit himself beareth witness."

## NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

(29) That the Parable of the Prodigal Son, St. Luke 15: 11-32, "Jesus said, A Certain man," etc., be substituted for the present Gospel for the Ninth Sunday after Trinity.

## FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

(29 *a*) That the translation of the Gospel for the Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity, beginning with St. Matthew 6: 24, be changed to that of the American Revised Version as follows:

*The Gospel. St. Matt. vi. 24.*

**N**O man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon. There-

fore I say unto you, Be not anxious for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than the food, and the body than the raiment? Behold the birds of the heaven, that they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; and your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are not ye of much more value than they? And which of you by being anxious can add one cubit unto the measure of his life? And why are ye anxious concerning raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin: yet I say unto you, that even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. But if God doth so clothe the grass of the field, which to-day is, and to-morrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith? Be not therefore anxious, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Where-withal shall we be clothed? For after all these things do the Gentiles seek; for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek ye first his kingdom, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. Be not therefore anxious for the morrow: for the morrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.

## SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

(41 *i*) That in the Gospel for the Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity the word "rooms" in line 15 be changed to "seats"; that the word "room" in line 17 be changed to "seat"; and that thereafter the word "room" be changed to "place."

## TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

(41 *j*) That in the Epistle for the Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity, page 184 of the Prayer Book, lines 10 to 12, there be substituted for the present reading, the following:

"Who shall change the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed unto the body of his glory."

Also that in line 8, for the word "conversation" there be substituted the word "citizenship," and in line 13, for the word "subdue" there be substituted the word "subject."

## TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

(30) That following the Gospel for the Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity, page 186, the following rubric be inserted:

¶ *If in any year there be twenty-six Sundays after Trinity, the service for the Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany shall be used on the Twenty-*



*fifth Sunday. If there be twenty-seven, the service for the Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany shall be used on the Twenty-sixth, and the service for the Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany on the Twenty-fifth. If there be fewer than twenty-five Sundays, the overplus shall be omitted.*

(31) That the rubric on page 188 of the Prayer Book be omitted.

#### ST. THOMAS

(41 k) That in place of the Epistle for St. Thomas the Apostle, page 190 of the Prayer Book, there be inserted the following: Heb. 10: 35 and part of chapter 11.

*The Epistle. Heb. x. 35.*

**C**AST not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompense of reward. For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise. For yet a little while, and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry. Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him. But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul.

#### ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST

(34) That the following Collect for St. Luke the Evangelist, be substituted for that now in the Prayer Book:

**A**Lmighty God, who didst inspire thy servant, Saint Luke the Physician, to set forth in the Gospel the love and healing power of thy Son; Manifest in thy Church the same power and love, to the healing of our bodies and our souls; through thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

#### SS. SIMON AND JUDE

(41 m) That in place of the Epistle for St. Simon and St. Jude, Apostles, page 217 of the Prayer Book, there be inserted the present Epistle for St. Thomas the Apostle.

#### ALL SAINTS' DAY

(41 n) That the Epistle for All Saints' Day be changed from Rev. 7: 2-12, to Rev. 7: 2-4 and 9-17, so that it shall read:

*For the Epistle. Rev. vii. 2.*

**A**ND I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a loud voice

to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea, saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads. And I heard the number of them which were sealed: and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel.

After this I beheld, and lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands; and cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb. And all the angels stood round about the throne, and about the elders and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God, saying, Amen: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen.

And one of the elders answered, saying unto me, What are these which are arrayed in white robes? and whence came they? And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said unto me, These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb; Therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple: and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them. They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat. For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.

(35) To follow the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel for All Saints' Day.

#### A Saint's Day

*The Collect.*

**A**Lmighty and everlasting God, who dost enkindle the flame of thy love in the hearts of the saints; Grant to us, thy humble servants, the same faith and power of love; that, as we rejoice in their triumphs, we may profit by their examples; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*Or this*

**O** ALMIGHTY God, who hast called us to faith in thee, and hast compassed us about with so great a cloud of witnesses; Grant that we, encouraged by the good examples of thy saints, and especially of thy servant [—————], Saint, may persevere in running the race that is set before us, until at length, through thy mercy, we, with them, attain to thine eternal joy; through him who is the author and finisher of our faith, thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*The Epistle. Heb. xii. 1.*

**W**HEREFORE seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

*The Gospel. St. Matt. xxv. 31.*

**W**HEN the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory: and before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats: and he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left. Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: for I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in: naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me. Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink? When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? or naked, and clothed thee? Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee? And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.

### **Feast of the Dedication of a Church**

*The Collect.*

**O** GOD, whom year by year we praise for the dedication of this church; Hear we beseech thee, the prayers of thy people, and grant that whosoever shall worship before thee in this place, may obtain thy merciful aid and protection; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*The Epistle. I Peter ii. 1.*

**W**HEREFORE laying aside all malice, and all guile, and all hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings, as newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby: if so be ye have tasted that the Lord is gracious. To whom coming, as unto a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, and precious, ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.

*The Gospel. St. Matt. xxi. 12.*

**J**ESUS went into the temple of God, and cast out all them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the money-changers, and the seats of them that sold doves, and said unto them, It is written, My house shall be called the house of prayer; but ye have made it a den of thieves. And the blind and the lame came to him in the temple; and he healed them. And when the chief priests and scribes saw the wonderful things that he did, and the children crying in the temple, and saying, Hosanna to the son of David; they were sore displeased, and said unto him, Hearst thou what these say? And Jesus saith unto them, Yea: have ye never read, Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings thou hast perfected praise?

(37) To follow EMBER DAYS.

### **Rogation Days**

*The Collect.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, Lord of heaven and earth; We beseech thee to pour forth thy blessing upon this land and to give us a fruitful season; that we, constantly receiving thy bounty,

may evermore give thanks unto thee in thy holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For the Epistle. Ezek. xxxiv. 25.*

**A**ND I will make with them a covenant of peace, and will cause the evil beasts to cease out of the land: and they shall dwell safely in the wilderness, and sleep in the woods. And I will make them and the places round about my hill a blessing; and I will cause the shower to come down in his season; there shall be showers of blessing. And the tree of the field shall yield her fruit, and the earth shall yield her increase, and they shall be safe in their land, and shall know that I am the Lord, when I have broken the bands of their yoke, and delivered them out of the hand of those that served themselves of them. And they shall no more be a prey to the heathen, neither shall the beast of the land devour them; but they shall dwell safely and none shall make them afraid. And I will raise up for them a plant of renown, and they shall be no more consumed with hunger in the land, neither bear the shame of the heathen any more. Thus shall they know that I, the Lord their God, am with them, and that they, even the house of Israel, are my people, saith the Lord God. And ye my flock, the flock of my pasture, are men, and I am your God, saith the Lord God.

*The Gospel. St. Luke xi. 5.*

**J**ESUS said unto them, Which of you shall have a friend, and shall go unto him at midnight, and say unto him, Friend, lend me three loaves; for a friend of mine in his journey is come to me, and I have nothing to set before him? And he from within shall answer and say, Trouble me not: the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot rise and give thee. I say unto you, Though he will not rise and give him because he is his friend, yet because of his importunity he will rise and give him as many as he needeth. And I say unto you, Ask and it shall be given you: seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you. For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he ask a

fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent? Or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children; how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?

(38) To follow Rogation Days.

### **Independence Day**

**JULY FOURTH**

*The Collect.*

**O** ETERNAL God, through whose mighty power our fathers won their liberties of old; Grant, we beseech thee, that we and all the people of this land may have grace to maintain those liberties in righteousness and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For the Epistle. Deut. x. 17.*

**T**HE Lord your God is God of gods, and Lord of lords, a great God, a mighty, and a terrible, which regardeth not persons, nor taketh reward: he doth execute the judgment of the fatherless and widow, and loveth the stranger, in giving him food and raiment. Love ye therefore the stranger: for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt. Thou shalt fear the Lord thy God; him shalt thou serve, and to him shalt thou cleave, and swear by his name. He is thy praise, and he is thy God, that hath done for thee these great and terrible things which thine eyes have seen.

*The Gospel. St. Matt. v. 43.*

**J**ESUS said, Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbour, and hate thine enemy. But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you: that ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust. For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? Do not even the publicans the same? And if ye salute



your brethren only, what do ye more than others? Do not even the publicans so? Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.

### Thanksgiving Day

¶ *At Morning Prayer, instead of O come, let us sing, etc., the following shall be said or sung.*

**O** PRAISE the LORD, for it is a good thing to sing praises unto our God : yea, a joyful and pleasant thing it is to be thankful.

The LORD doth build up Jerusalem : and gather together the outcasts of Israel.

He healeth those that are broken in heart : and giveth medicine to heal their sickness.

O sing unto the LORD with thanksgiving : sing praises upon the harp unto our God :

Who covereth the heaven with clouds, and prepareth rain for the earth : and maketh the grass to grow upon the mountains, and herb for the use of men ;

Who giveth fodder unto the cattle : and feedeth the young ravens that call upon him.

Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem : praise thy God, O Sion.

For he hath made fast the bars of thy gates : and hath blessed thy children within thee.

He maketh peace in thy borders : and filleth thee with the flour of wheat.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

#### *The Collect.*

**O** MOST merciful Father, who hast blessed the labours of the husbandman in the returns of the fruits of the earth ; We give thee humble and hearty thanks for this thy bounty ; beseeching thee to continue thy loving kindness to us, that our land may still yield her increase, to thy glory and our comfort ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

#### *The Epistle. St. James i. 16.*

**D**O not err, my beloved brethren. Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning. Of his own will begat he us with the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures. Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath : for the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God. Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls. But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass : for he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was. But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed. If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain. Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world.

(41 o) That in place of the *Gospel for Thanksgiving Day*, page 322 of the Prayer Book, there be substituted the passage, St. Matthew 6 : 25 to the words, "the evil thereof," using the marginal readings, and adding as a preface, "Jesus said :"

#### *The Gospel. St. Matthew vi. 25.*

**J**ESUS said, Therefore I say unto you, Be not anxious for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink ; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than food, and the body than raiment ? Behold the fowls of the air : for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns ; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they ? Which of you by being anxious can add one cubit unto the measure of his life ? And why are ye anxious for raiment ? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow ; they toil not, neither do they spin : And yet I say unto you,

That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to-day is, and to-morrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith? Therefore, be not anxious, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. Be not therefore anxious for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.

(40) To follow the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel for Solemnization of Matrimony.

### The Burial of the Dead

#### The Collect.

**O** ETERNAL Lord God, who holdest all souls in life; Vouchsafe, we beseech thee, to thy whole Church, in paradise and on earth, thy light and thy peace; and grant that we, following the good examples of those who have served thee here and are now at rest, may at the last enter with them into thine inending joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

#### Or this

**O** GOD, whose mercies cannot be numbered; Accept our prayers on behalf of the soul of thy servant departed, and grant *him* an entrance into the land of light and joy in the fellowship of thy saints; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

#### The Epistle. 1. Thess. iv. 13.

**I** WOULD not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice

of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

#### The Gospel. St. John vi. 37.

**J**ESUS said unto his disciples, All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out. For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me. And this is the Father's will which hath sent me, that of all which he hath given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day. And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day.

# HOLY BAPTISM



TOGETHER WITH

THE OFFICES OF INSTRUCTION  
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THE SOLEMNIZATION MATRIMONY  
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THE VISITATION OF THE SICK  
THE COMMUNION OF THE SICK  
THE BURIAL OF THE DEAD



## THE MINISTRATION OF HOLY BAPTISM



- ¶ *The Minister of every parish shall often admonish the people that they defer not the baptism of their children, and that it is most convenient that Baptism should be administered upon Sundays and other Holy Days. Nevertheless (if necessity so require), Baptism may be administered upon any other day. And also he shall warn them that except for urgent cause they seek not to have their Children baptized in their houses.*
- ¶ *There shall be for every Male-child to be baptized, when they can be had, two Godfathers and one Godmother; and for every Female, one Godfather and two Godmothers; and Parents shall be admitted as Sponsors, if it be desired.*
- ¶ *When there are children to be baptized, the Parents or Sponsors shall give knowledge thereof to the Minister. And then the Godfathers and Godmothers, and the People with the Children, must be ready at the Font, either immediately after the Second Lesson at Morning or Evening Prayer, or at such other time as the Minister shall appoint.*
- ¶ *When any such Persons as are of riper years are to be baptized, timely notice shall be given to the Minister; that so due care may be taken for their examination, whether they be sufficiently instructed in the Principles of the Christian Religion; and that they may be exhorted to prepare themselves, with Prayers and Fasting, for the receiving of this holy Sacrament.*
- ¶ *And Note, That at the time of the Baptism of an Adult, there shall be present with him at the Font at least two Witnesses.*
- ¶ *And the Minister having come to the Font, which is then to be filled with pure water, shall say as follows, the people all standing.*

**H**ATH this Child (or Person) been already baptized, or no?

¶ *If they answer, No; then shall the Minister proceed as followeth:*

**D**EARLY beloved, forasmuch as our Saviour Christ saith, None can enter into the Kingdom of God, except he be regenerate and born anew of Water and of the Holy Ghost; I beseech you to call upon God the Father, through our Lord Jesus Christ, that of his bounteous mercy he will grant to *this Child (or Person)* that which by nature *he* cannot have; that *he* may be baptized with Water and the Holy Ghost, and received into Christ's holy Church, and be made a living member of the same.

¶ *Then shall the Minister say,*

Let us pray.

**A**Lmighty and immortal God, the aid of all who need, the helper of all who flee to thee for succour, the life of those who believe, and the resurrection of the dead; We call upon thee for *this Child (or this thy Serrant)*, that *he*, coming to thy holy Baptism, may receive remission of sin, by spiritual regeneration. Receive *him*, O Lord, as thou hast promised by thy well-beloved Son, saying, Ask, and ye shall have; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you. So give now unto us who ask; let us who seek, find; open the gate unto us who knock; that *this Child (or this thy Serrant)* may enjoy the everlasting benediction of thy heavenly washing, and may come to the eternal kingdom which thou hast promised by Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Then the Minister shall say as followeth:*

Hear the words of the Gospel, written by *St. Mark*, in the tenth Chapter, at the thirteenth Verse.

**T**HEY brought young children to Christ, that he should touch them: and his disciples rebuked those that brought them. But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God. Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein. And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them.

¶ *Or this*

Hear the words of the Gospel, written by *St. John* in the third Chapter, at the first Verse.

**T**HERE was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews: the same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him. Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again. The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.

¶ *Or this*

Hear the words of the Gospel, written by *St. Matthew* in the twenty-eighth Chapter, at the eighteenth Verse.

**J**ESUS came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world.

¶ *Then shall the Minister say:*

And now, being persuaded of the good will of our heavenly Father toward *this Child (or Person)* declared by his Son Jesus Christ; let us faithfully and devoutly give thanks unto him, and say,

**A**LMIGHTY and everlasting God, heavenly Father, We give thee humble thanks, That thou hast vouchsafed to call us to the knowledge of thy grace, and faith in thee: Increase this knowledge, And confirm this faith in us evermore. Give thy Holy Spirit to *this Child* (or *this thy Servant*), That *he* may be born again, And be made an heir of everlasting salvation; Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, Now and for ever. Amen.

¶ *When the Office is used for Children, the Minister shall speak unto the Godfathers and Godmothers on this wise.*

**D**EARLY beloved, ye have brought *this Child* here to be baptized; ye have prayed that our Lord Jesus Christ would vouchsafe to receive *him*, to release *him* from sin, to sanctify *him* with the Holy Ghost, to give *him* the kingdom of heaven, and everlasting life.

Dost thou, therefore, in the name of *this Child*, renounce the devil and all his works, the vain pomp and glory of the world, with all covetous desires of the same, and the sinful desires of the flesh, so that thou wilt not follow, nor be led by them?

*Answer.* I renounce them all; and, by God's help, will endeavour not to follow, nor be led by them.

*Minister.* Dost thou believe all the Articles of the Christian Faith, as contained in the Apostles' Creed?

*Answer.* I do.

*Minister.* Wilt thou be baptized in this Faith?

*Answer.* That is my desire.

*Minister.* Wilt thou then obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in the same all the days of thy life?

*Answer.* I will, by God's help.

*Minister.* Having now, in the name of *this Child*, made these promises, will ye also on your part take heed that *he* learn the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments, and all other things which a Christian ought to know and believe to his soul's health?

*Answer.* I will, by God's help.

*Minister.* Will ye take heed that *this Child* be brought to the

Bishop to be confirmed by him, so soon as *he* is sufficiently instructed?

*Answer.* I will, God being my helper.

¶ *When the Office is used for Adults, the Minister shall address them in this wise, the Persons to be baptized answering the questions, for themselves.*

**W**ELL beloved, ye have come hither desiring to receive Holy Baptism. We have prayed that our Lord Jesus Christ would vouchsafe to receive you, to release you from sin, to sanctify you with the Holy Ghost, to give you the Kingdom of Heaven and everlasting life.

Dost thou renounce the devil and all his works, the vain pomp and glory of the world, with all covetous desires of the same, and the sinful desires of the flesh, so that thou wilt not follow, nor be led by them?

*Answer.* I renounce them all; and, by God's help, will endeavour not to follow, nor be led by them.

*Minister.* Dost thou believe in Jesus the Christ, the Son of the Living God?

*Answer.* I do.

*Minister.* Dost thou accept him and desire to follow him as thy Saviour and Lord?

*Answer.* I do.

*Minister.* Dost thou believe all the Articles of the Christian Faith, as contained in the Apostles' Creed?

*Answer.* I do.

*Minister.* Wilt thou be baptized in this Faith?

*Answer.* That is my desire.

*Minister.* Wilt thou then obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in the same all the days of thy life?

*Answer.* I will, by God's help.

¶ *Then shall the Minister say,*

**O**MERCIFUL God, grant that like as Christ died and rose again, so *this Child* (or *this thy Servant*) may with him die to sin and rise to newness of life. Amen.



Grant that all sinful affections may die in *him*, and that all things belonging to the Spirit may live and grow in *him*. *Amen*.

Grant that *he* may have power and strength to have victory, and to triumph, against the devil, the world, and the flesh. *Amen*.

Grant that whosoever is here dedicated to thee by our office and ministry, may also be endued with heavenly virtues, and everlastingly rewarded, through thy mercy, O blessed Lord God, who dost live, and govern all things, world without end. *Amen*.

*Minister*. The Lord be with you.

*Answer*. And with thy spirit.

*Minister*. Lift up your hearts.

*Answer*. We left them up unto the Lord.

*Minister*. Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

*Answer*. It is meet and right so to do.

¶ *Then shall the Minister say,*

**I**T is very meet, right, and our bounden duty that we should give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God, for that thy dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of our sins, did shed out of his most precious side both water and blood; and gave commandment to his disciples, that they should go, teach all nations, and baptize them In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; Regard, we beseech thee, the supplications of thy congregation; sanctify this Water to the mystical washing away of sin; and grant that *this Child* (or *this thy Serrant*) now to be baptized therein may receive the fulness of thy grace, and ever remain in the number of thy faithful children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and evermore. *Amen*.

¶ *Then the Minister shall take the Child into his arms, and shall say to the Godfathers and Godmothers.*

Name this Child.

¶ *And then, naming the Child after them, he shall dip him in the Water discreetly, or shall pour Water upon him, saying,*

**N**. I baptize thee In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. *Amen*.

¶ *If the Person to be baptized is an Adult, the Minister shall take him by the hand, and shall ask the witnesses the Name; and then shall dip him in the water, or pour water upon him, using the same form of words.*

¶ *Then the Minister shall say,*

**W**E receive *this Child* (or *this Person*) into the congregation of Christ's flock; and do \*sign *him* with the sign of the Cross, in token that hereafter *he* shall not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, and manfully to fight under his banner, against sin, the world, and the devil; and to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant unto *his* life's end. *Amen*.

*\*Here the Minister shall make a Cross upon the Child's (or Person's) forehead.*

¶ *Then shall the Minister say,*

**S**EEING now, dearly beloved brethren, that *this Child* (or *this Person*) is regenerate, and grafted into the body of Christ's Church, let us give thanks unto Almighty God for these benefits; and with one accord make our prayers unto him, that *this Child* (or *this Person*) may lead the rest of *his* life according to this beginning.

¶ *Then shall be said,*

**O**UR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

¶ *Then shall the Minister say,*

**W**E yield thee hearty thanks, most merciful Father, that it hath pleased thee to regenerate *this Child* (or *this thy servant*) with thy Holy Spirit, to receive *him* for thine own *Child*, and to incorporate *him* into thy holy Church. And humbly we beseech thee to grant, that *he*, being dead unto sin, may live unto righteousness, and, being buried with Christ in his death, may also be *partaker* of his resurrection; so that finally, with the residue of thy holy Church, *he* may be an *inheritor* of thine everlasting kingdom; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Minister shall add,*

**T**HE Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named: Grant you to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man; that Christ dwelling in your hearts by faith, ye may be filled with all the fulness of God. *Amen.*

¶ *It is expedient that every Adult, thus baptized, should be confirmed by the Bishop, so soon after his Baptism as conveniently may be; that so he may be admitted to the Holy Communion.*



¶ *When necessity requires it, in consideration of extreme sickness, then the following form shall suffice:*

*The Child (or Person) being named by some one who is present, the Minister shall pour Water upon him, saying these words:*

**N.** I baptize thee In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. *Amen.*

¶ *After which shall be said the Lord's Prayer, and the Thanksgiving from the Office, beginning, We yield thee hearty thanks, etc.*

¶ *And Note, That in the case of an Adult, the Minister shall first ask the questions provided in this office for the baptism of Adults.*



¶ *In cases of extreme sickness or any imminent peril, if a Minister cannot be procured, then any baptized person present may administer Holy Baptism, using the foregoing form. Such a baptism should be promptly reported to the parish authorities.*

¶ *It is expedient that a Child or Person so baptized be afterward brought to the Church, at which time these parts of the foregoing service shall be used:*

The Gospel, the Questions (*omitting the question "Wilt thou be baptized in this faith?" and the answer thereto*), the Declaration, "We receive *this Child* (or *this Person*)," etc., and the remainder of the office.



¶ *If there be reasonable doubt whether any person were baptized with water, In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost (which are essential parts of Baptism), such person may be baptized in the manner herein appointed; saving that, at the immersion or the pouring of water, the Minister shall use this form of words:*

**I**F thou art not already baptized, N., I baptize thee In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. *Amen.*

## OFFICES OF INSTRUCTION



### I

¶ *After the singing of a Hymn, shall be said by the Minister and Congregation together, all kneeling, the following Prayer, the Minister first pronouncing,*

*Minister.* The Lord be with you.

*Answer.* And with thy spirit.

*Minister.* Let us pray.

**L**ORD of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of thy Name, Increase in us true religion, Nourish us with all goodness, And of thy great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Then, the Congregation being seated, the Minister shall ask them the Questions which follow, the Congregation reading or repeating the Answers as appointed:*

*Question.*

**W**HAT is your Christian Name?

*Answer.* My Christian name is——.

*Question.* Who gave you this name?

*Answer.* My Sponsors gave me this name in Baptism; wherein I was made a member of Christ, the child of God, and an inheritor of the kingdom of heaven.

*Question.* What did your Sponsors then promise for you?

*Answer.* My Sponsors did promise and vow three things in my name: First, that I should renounce the devil and all his works, the pomps and vanity of this wicked world, and all the sinful lusts of the flesh; Secondly, that I should believe all the Articles of the Christian Faith; And Thirdly, that I should

keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in the same all the days of my life.

*Question.* Do you not think that you are bound so to do?

*Answer.* Yes, verily; and by God's help so I will. And I heartily thank our heavenly Father, that he hath called me to this state of salvation, through Jesus Christ our Saviour. And I pray unto God to give me his grace, that I may continue in the same unto my life's end.

*Question.* You said that your Sponsors promised and vowed that you should believe all the Articles of the Christian Faith. Recite the Articles of the Christian Faith as contained in the Apostles' Creed.

¶ *Then, all standing, shall be said the Apostles' Creed by the Minister and the Congregation:*

**I** BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary: Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell: The third day he rose again from the dead: He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty: From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost: The holy Catholic Church; The Communion of Saints: The Forgiveness of sins: The Resurrection of the body: And the Life everlasting. Amen.

¶ *After which, the Minister, turning to the Congregation, shall ask the Question following, the Congregation responding:*

*Question.* What do you chiefly learn in these Articles of your Belief?

*Answer.* First, I learn to believe in God the Father, who hath made me, and all the world;

Secondly, in God the Son, who hath redeemed me, and all mankind;

Thirdly, in God the Holy Ghost, who sanctifieth me, and all the people of God.



And this Holy Trinity, One God, I praise and magnify, saying:

*Minister and Congregation.* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

¶ *Here may be sung a Hymn, after which the Minister, turning to the Congregation, shall say:*

*Question.* You said that your Sponsors promised and vowed that you should keep God's holy will and commandments. Tell me how many Commandments there are.

*Answer.* There are Ten Commandments, given in old time by God to the people of Israel.

¶ *Then shall the Minister say,*

Let us ask God's help to know and keep them.

*Minister.* The Lord be with you.

*Answer.* And with thy spirit.

*Minister.* Let us pray.

¶ *Then shall be said this prayer by the Minister and Congregation together, all kneeling:*

**O** ALMIGHTY God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men; Grant unto thy people, that they may love the thing which thou commandest. And desire that which thou dost promise; That so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, Our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Minister repeat the Ten Commandments, and after every Commandment the Congregation shall say the appointed Prayer. But Note, That where it is so ordered, the Congregation may repeat the Commandments, the Minister saying the Prayer. And Note further, That the part of the Commandment which is inset may be omitted.*

**I. Thou shalt have none other gods but me.**

*Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

**II. Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth; thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them;**

for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, and visit the sins of the fathers upon the children, unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; and show mercy unto thousands in them that love me and keep my commandments.

*Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

**III. Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain;**

for the Lord will not hold him guiltless, that taketh his Name in vain.

*Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

**IV. Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath-day;**

Six days shalt thou labour, and do all that thou hast to do; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God. In it thou shalt do no manner of work; thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, thy man-servant, and thy maid-servant, thy cattle, and the stranger that is within thy gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the seventh day, and hallowed it.

*Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

**V. Honour thy father and thy mother;**

that thy days may be long in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

*Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

**VI. Thou shalt do no murder.**

*Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

**VII. Thou shalt not commit adultery.**

*Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

**VIII. Thou shalt not steal.**

*Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

**IX. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.**

*Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.*

**X. Thou shalt not covet**

thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his servant, nor his maid, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is his.

*Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.*

*Minister:*

**G**RANT to us, Lord, we beseech thee, the spirit to think and do always such things as are right; that we, who cannot do any thing that is good without thee, may by thee be enabled to live according to thy will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *After this, the Congregation being seated, the Minister, turning to them, shall ask the Questions which follow, the Congregation reading or repeating the Answers:*

*Question.* What does our Lord Jesus Christ teach us about these Commandments?

*Answer.* Our Lord Jesus Christ teaches us that they are summed up in two Commandments: Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, with all thy soul, with all thy mind, and with all thy strength; this is the first and great Commandment. And the second is: Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

*Question.* What, then, do you chiefly learn from these Commandments?

*Answer.* I learn two things from these Commandments: my duty towards God, and my duty towards my neighbour.

*Question.* What is your duty towards God?

*Answer.* My duty towards God is to believe in him, to fear him, And to love him with all my heart, with all my mind, with all my soul, and with all my strength;

I and II. To worship him, to give him thanks, To put my whole trust in him, to call upon him;

III. To honour his holy Name and his Word;

IV. And to serve him truly all the days of my life.

*Question.* What is your duty towards your neighbour?

*Answer.* My duty towards my neighbour is, To love him as myself, and to do to all men as I would they should do unto me:

V. To love, honour, and help my father and mother; To honour and obey the civil authority; To submit myself to all my governors, teachers, spiritual pastors, and masters; And to order myself in that lowliness and reverence which becometh a servant of God;

VI. To hurt nobody by word or deed; To bear no malice nor hatred in my heart;

VII. To keep my body in temperance, soberness, and chastity;

VIII. To keep my hands from picking and stealing; To be true and just in all my dealings;

IX. And to keep my tongue from evil-speaking, lying, and slandering;

X. Not to covet nor desire other men's goods; But to learn and labour truly to earn mine own living, And to do my duty in that state of life unto which it shall please God to call me.

¶ *Then shall be sung a Hymn, after which the Minister shall say as follows.*

*Question.* My good Child, know this; that you are not able to do these things of yourself, nor to walk in the Commandments of God, and to serve him, without his special grace;

which you must learn at all times to call for by diligent prayer. What is the prayer that our Lord taught us to pray?

*Answer.* The Lord's Prayer.

*Minister.* Let us pray.

¶ *Then shall be said by the Minister and Congregation together, all kneeling:*

**O**UR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

**T**HE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. Amen.

## OFFICES OF INSTRUCTION



### II

¶ *After the singing of a Hymn, there shall be said the Sentence by the Minister and Congregation together, as follows:*

**C**OME ye, and let us walk in the light of the Lord. And he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths.

*Minister.* Show thy servants thy work;

*Congregation.* And their children thy glory.

*Minister.* Let thy merciful kindness, O Lord, be upon us;

*Congregation.* As we do put our trust in thee.

*Minister.* Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us,

*Congregation.* But unto thy Name be the praise.

*Minister.* Lord, hear our prayer,

*Congregation.* And let our cry come unto thee.

*Minister.* The Lord be with you,

*Answer.* And with thy spirit.

*Minister.* Let us pray.

**O** ALMIGHTY God, who hast built thy Church upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the head cornerstone; Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made an holy temple acceptable unto thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ *Here may be sung a Hymn, after which, the Congregation being seated, the Minister shall ask them the Questions concerning the Church which follow, the Congregation responding:*

*Question.* When were you made a member of the Church?

*Answer.* I was made a member of the Church when I was baptized.



*Question.* What is the Church?

*Answer.* The Church is the Body of which Jesus Christ is the Head, and all baptized people the members.

*Question.* How is the Church described in the Apostles' and Nicene Creeds?

*Answer.* The Church is described in the Creeds as One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic.

*Question.* What do we mean by these words?

*Answer.* We mean that the Church is:

ONE, because it is one Body under one Head;

HOLY, because the Holy Spirit dwells in it, and sanctifies its members;

CATHOLIC, because it is universal, holding earnestly the Faith for all time, in all countries, and for all people, and is sent to preach the Gospel to the whole world; and

APOSTOLIC, because it continues stedfastly in the Apostles' teaching and fellowship.

*Question.* What is your bounden duty as a member of the Church?

*Answer.* My bounden duty is to follow Christ; to worship God every Sunday in his Church; and to work and pray and give for the spread of his Kingdom.

*Question.* What special means does the Church provide to help you to do all these things?

*Answer.* The Church provides the Laying on of Hands, or Confirmation, wherein, after renewing the promises and vows of my baptism, and declaring my loyalty and devotion to Christ as my Master, I receive the strengthening gifts of the Holy Spirit.

*Question.* After you have been confirmed, what great privilege does our Lord provide for you?

*Answer.* Our Lord provides the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, or Holy Communion, for the continual strengthening and refreshing of my soul.

¶ After another Hymn, the Minister shall proceed with the Questions on the Sacraments as follows:

*Question.* How many Sacraments has Christ ordained in his Church?

*Answer.* Christ has ordained two Sacraments only as generally necessary to salvation; that is to say, Baptism, and the Supper of the Lord.

*Question.* What do you mean by this word Sacrament?

*Answer.* I mean by this word Sacrament an outward and visible sign of an inward and spiritual grace given unto us; ordained by Christ himself, as a means whereby we receive the same, and a pledge to assure us thereof.

*Question.* How many parts are there in a sacrament?

*Answer.* There are two parts in a sacrament: the outward and visible sign; and the inward and spiritual grace.

*Question.* What is the outward and visible sign or form in Baptism?

*Answer.* The outward and visible sign or form in Baptism is Water; wherein the person is baptized, *In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.*

*Question.* What is the inward and spiritual grace in Baptism?

*Answer.* The inward and spiritual grace in Baptism is a death unto sin, and a new birth unto righteousness, whereby we are made the children of grace.

*Question.* What is required of persons to be baptized?

*Answer.* Repentance, whereby they forsake sin; and Faith, whereby they stedfastly believe the promises of God made to them in that Sacrament.

*Question.* Why then are Infants baptized, when by reason of their tender age they cannot perform them?

*Answer.* Because, by the faith of their Sponsors, Infants are received into Christ's Church, become the recipients of his grace, and are trained in the household of faith.

*Question.* Why was the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper ordained?

*Answer.* The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was ordained for the continual remembrance of the sacrifice of the death of Christ, and of the benefits which we receive thereby.

*Question.* What is the outward part or sign of the Lord's Supper?

*Answer.* The outward part or sign of the Lord's Supper is, Bread and Wine, which the Lord hath commanded to be received.

*Question.* What is the inward part, or thing signified?

*Answer.* The inward part, or thing signified, is the Body and Blood of Christ, which are spiritually taken and received by the faithful in the Lord's Supper.

*Question.* What are the benefits whereof we are partakers in the Lord's Supper?

*Answer.* The benefits whereof we are partakers in the Lord's Supper are the strengthening and refreshing of our souls by the Body and Blood of Christ, as our bodies are strengthened and refreshed by the Bread and Wine.

*Question.* What is required of those who come to the Lord's Supper?

*Answer.* It is required of those who come to the Lord's Supper to examine themselves, whether they repent them truly of their former sins, with stedfast purpose to lead a new life; to have a lively faith in God's mercy through Christ, with a thankful remembrance of his death; and to be in charity with all men.

¶ *Here may be sung a Hymn, after which the Minister shall ask the Congregation the Questions concerning the Ministry which follow, the Congregation responding:*

*Question.* What orders of Ministers are there in the Church?

*Answer.* Bishops, Priests, and Deacons; which orders have been in the Church from the earliest times.

*Question.* What is the office of a Bishop?

*Answer.* The office of a Bishop is, To be a chief pastor in the Church; to confer Holy Orders; and to administer Confirmation.

*Question.* What is the office of a Priest?

*Answer.* The office of a Priest is, To preach the Word of God; to baptize; to celebrate the Holy Communion; to pro-

nounce Absolution and Blessing in God's Name; and to minister to the people committed to his care.

*Question.* What is the office of a Deacon?

*Answer.* The office of a Deacon is, To assist the Priest in Divine Service, and in his other ministrations, under the direction of the Bishop.

*Minister.* The Lord be with you.

*Answer.* And with thy spirit.

*Minister.* Let us pray.

**G**RANT, O Lord, that they who shall renew the promises and vows of their Baptism, and be confirmed by the Bishop, may receive such a measure of thy Holy Spirit, that they may grow in grace unto their life's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**G**RANT, O Father, that when we receive the blessed Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ, coming to those holy mysteries in faith, and love, and true repentance, we may receive remission of our sins, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**T**HE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

¶ *The Minister of every Parish shall diligently, upon Sundays and Holy Days, or on some other convenient occasions, openly, in the Church, instruct or examine the Youth of his Parish.*

¶ *And all Fathers, Mothers, Guardians, and Sponsors shall bring those for whose religious nurture they are responsible to the Church at the time appointed, to receive instruction by the Minister.*

¶ *So soon as Children are come to a competent age, and can say the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments, and are sufficiently instructed in these Offices, they shall be brought to the Bishop, to be confirmed by him.*

## CONFIRMATION



After the words, "I do," on page 274 of the Prayer Book, insert :

¶ *Then shall the Bishop say,*

Do ye promise to follow Jesus Christ as your Lord and Saviour?

¶ *And every one shall answer,*

I do.

Amend the Order of Confirmation by inserting between the first and second question and answer :

*Question.* Dost thou accept the Lord Jesus Christ as thy Lord and Saviour?

*Answer.* I do.

[**EDITOR'S NOTE.** It seems apparent that the foregoing questions and answers parallel each other and should not both be adopted. The reference to first and second questions in the enacting clause of the second of these is to certain questions and answers that were proposed in the place of the single question and answer now standing in the Prayer Book, which were not adopted.]

## MATRIMONY



(1) Substitute for the Prayer of Blessing for the Ring, the following, viz. :

**B**LESS this Ring, O gracious Lord, and grant that these thy servants may faithfully keep their solemn pledge, and abound evermore in love and holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Amend the third rubric on page 279 so that it shall read :

¶ *Then shall they again loose their hands; and the Man shall give unto the Woman a Ring on this wise: the Minister taking the Ring, etc., as now.*



## VISITATION OF THE SICK



(1) In the Absolution, on the last page of the Office, delete the words, "through Jesus Christ our Lord."

Insert after A Commendatory Prayer when the Soul is Departed, and before the final rubric printed on page 761 of the Journal of General Convention of 1922, the following:

¶ *When any sick person shall in humble faith desire the ministry of healing through anointing or laying on of hands, the Minister may use such portion of the foregoing office as he shall think fit, and the following form:*

**O** BLESSED Redeemer, relieve, we beseech thee, by thy indwelling power, the distress of this thy servant. Release him from sin, and drive away all pain of soul and body; that, being restored to soundness of health, he may offer thee praise and thanksgiving; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

**I** ANOINT thee with oil (*lay my hand upon thee*), in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; beseeching the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that, all thy pain and sickness being put to flight, the blessing of health may be restored to thee. *Amen.*

## THE COMMUNION OF THE SICK



(1) In the second sentence of the first rubric on page 292 of the Prayer Book, omit the words in parentheses, "*which shall be two at the least.*"

(2) After the Gospel on page 293, insert the following:

¶ *Or the following Collect, Epistle, and Gospel may be used.*

*The Collect.*

**O** LORD, Holy Father, by whose loving kindness our souls and bodies are renewed; Mercifully look upon this thy servant, that, every cause of sickness being removed, he may be restored to soundness of health; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*The Epistle.* I St. John v. 13.

**T**HESE things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God. And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us: and if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him.

*The Gospel.* St. John vi. 47.

**J**ESUS said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me hath everlasting life. I am that bread of life. Your fathers did eat manna in the wilderness, and are dead. This is the bread which cometh down from heaven, that a man may eat thereof, and not die. I am the living bread which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this bread, he shall live for

ever: and the bread that I will give is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world.

(3) Amend the third rubric, page 293, so that it shall read as follows:

¶ *When circumstances render it expedient to shorten the service, the following form shall suffice: The Confession and the Absolution; Lift up your hearts, etc., through the Sanctus; The Prayer of Consecration, ending with these words, partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood; The Prayer of Humble Access; The Communion; The Lord's Prayer; The Blessing. And Note, That for the Confession and Absolution the following may be used.*

*The Confession.*

**O** ALMIGHTY Father, Lord of heaven and earth, We confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed. Have mercy upon us, O God, after thy great goodness; According to the multitude of thy mercies, do away our offences and cleanse us from our sins; For Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

*The Absolution.*

**T**HE almighty and merciful Lord, grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, time for true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and comfort of his Holy Spirit. Amen.

(4) In the fourth rubric, page 293, omit the words in the second and third lines, "or for lack of company to receive with him."

(5) Omit the fifth and sixth rubrics on page 293.

## BURIAL OF THE DEAD

In place of the present rubric forbidding the use of the Office for the burial of certain classes of persons, insert the following as first among the rubrics at the end of the Office:

¶ *It is to be noted that this Office is appropriate to be used only for the faithful departed in Christ. Provided, that in any other case, the Minister may, at his discretion, use such part of this Office, or such devotions taken from other parts of this book, as may be fitting.*

# THE PSALTER

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No further changes.

# THE ORDINAL



BEING

THE FORM OF MAKING, ORDAINING,  
AND CONSECRATING  
BISHOPS, PRIESTS, AND DEACONS

TOGETHER WITH

THE FORM OF CONSECRATION OF A CHURCH  
AN OFFICE OF INSTITUTION OF MINISTERS

No changes in Ordination.

## CONSECRATION OF A CHURCH



(1) Insert, as the first rubric, the following:

¶ *The following Office may be used with the Order for the Holy Communion, or at Morning Prayer or Evening Prayer, or separately.*

(2) In the first rubric, page 546 of the Prayer Book in the fourth line, substitute for the word "Communion" the word "Holy," so that the words shall read "Holy Table."

(3) In the third line from the end of the Exhortation on page 547 of the Prayer Book, omit the words "the performance of."

(4) Substitute for the prayer for the Baptized at the bottom of page 547 of the Prayer Book the following:

**R**EGARD, O Lord, the supplications of thy servants, and grant that whosoever in this house shall be received by Baptism into the congregation of Christ's flock, may be sanctified by the Holy Ghost, and may continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant unto his life's end. *Amen.*

(5) Amend the prayer for the Confirmed at the bottom of page 547 of the Prayer Book, by altering the last two lines, so that it shall read, "that they may grow in grace unto their life's end. *Amen.*"

(7) Substitute for the rubric and the Collect and Epistle, pages 548 and 549 of the Prayer Book, the following:

¶ *When there is a Communion, the following shall be the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel:*

*The Collect.*

**O** MOST glorious God, whom the heaven of heavens cannot contain; Graciously accept the Dedication of this place to thy service; and grant that all who shall call upon thee here may worship thee in spirit and in truth, and may in their lives show forth thy praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For the Epistle. Rev. xxi. 2.*

**A**ND I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away. And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful.

(8) Omit the *Proper Psalms* and the *Proper Lessons* with rubric as given on page 548 of the Prayer Book, inserting them in the appropriate Tables.

## INSTITUTION OF MINISTERS

(1) Amend the first rubric on page 550 of the Prayer Book by striking out the word "the" before "Canon" in line 2, and the words "concerning the Election and Institution of Ministers;" and the quotation marks before "*person*" and after "*Church*" in lines 3 and 4; and by adding at the end these words, viz.:

*And Note, That the following Office may be used with the Order for the Holy Communion, or at Morning Prayer or Evening Prayer, or separately.*

(2) Amend the first rubric on page 551 by substituting at the beginning the words, "*At the time,*" for the words, "*On the day,*" and by striking out the words, "*at the usual hour of Morning Prayer,*" and the words, "*the officiating Priest shall read Morning Prayer.*"

(3) Omit the matter contained between the first and second rubrics on page 551, printing the *Proper Psalms* and *Lessons* in the appropriate tables.

(4) In the second rubric on page 551, strike out the words "*Morning Prayer ended,*" and the words "*standing within the rails of the Altar*"; and add the words which remain to the preceding rubric.

(5) Amend that prayer at the bottom of page 552, by substituting for the word "God" in the first line, the word "Father."

(6) Amend the prayer at bottom of page 553 by changing the order of words in line 4 from "soul, body, and spirit" to "body, soul, and spirit."

(7) Amend the prayer on page 554, by changing the end, so that it shall read: "through the merits of thy blessed Son Jesus Christ, the gracious Bishop and Shepherd of our souls, who liveth and reigneth, with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end."

(8) Amend the first part of the second rubric on page 554, so that it shall read as follows:

¶ *Then shall follow the Sermon. And after that, if there be a Communion, the Instituted Minister shall proceed to that Service, and to administer the holy Eucharist to his Congregation; etc., to the end.*



**A CATECHISM**

No Changes

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WITH ADDITIONAL PRAYERS

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## FORMS OF PRAYER TO BE USED IN FAMILIES



(1) Place the FORMS OF PRAYER TO BE USED IN FAMILIES before the ARTICLES OF RELIGION, prefixing a separate Title (as on previous page).

(2) After the Forms for Family Prayer, add the Title, ADDITIONAL PRAYERS, and the Prayers set forth under that Title, in this Report.

(3) Amend the Forms of Prayer to be used in Families in the following particulars:

*a.* Amend the rubrics on pages 322 and 325 by adding at the end the words, "*and repeating with him the Lord's Prayer.*"

*b.* On pages 323 and 325 of the Prayer Book, after the Lord's Prayer, in each case insert this rubric:

¶ *Here may follow the Collect for the day.*

*c.* On page 323, line 11, omit the sentence following the words "past night," and the side rubric.

*e l.* On page 324, line 3, change the word "excited" to "incited."

*d.* On page 324, strike out from and including the semi-colon following the word "actions," line 9, to and including the word "by," line 10, and insert in lieu thereof the word "to."

*e.* On page 324, lines 15, and 16, omit "our meats and drinks," substituting the words, "all things."

*f.* On page 324, line 17, change "any" to "our"; and in line 18 put a period after "affliction," and omit the remainder of the section through the word, "condition."

*g.* On page 324, lines 26, and 27, omit these lines, in brackets, together with the side rubric, placing a period after "ways" in line 25.

*h.* On page 324, line 30, substitute for the words "all things belonging to us," the words "and all who are dear to us."

*i.* On page 324, line 33, insert the words "to be" between the words "see" and "necessary."

*j.* On page 327, line 24, substitute the word "coming" for the word "following."

*k.* On page 327, lines 24 and 25, strike out the words "Make us ever mindful of the time when we shall lie down in the dust," together with the semi-colon following them, and begin the following word "and" with a capital letter.



(4) Immediately after the Family Prayer now in the Prayer Book, insert the following:

### A SHORTER FORM

#### *Morning.*

¶ After the reading of a brief portion of Holy Scripture, let the Head of the Household, or some other member of the family, say,

Let us pray.

**O**UR Father, who art in Heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**O**LORD, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day; Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings, being ordered by thy governance, may be righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ Here may be added any special prayers.

**T**HE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all ever more. *Amen.*

#### *Evening.*

¶ After the reading of a brief portion of Holy Scripture, let the Head of the Household, or some other member of the family, say,

Let us pray.

**O**UR Father, who art in Heaven, Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And

lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**L**IGHTEN our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

¶ Here may be added any special prayers.

**T**HE Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord make his face to shine upon us, and be gracious unto us. The Lord lift up his countenance upon us, and give us peace, this night and evermore. *Amen.*

### ADDITIONAL PRAYERS

#### *For the Spirit of Prayer.*

**O** ALMIGHTY God, who pourest out on all who desire it, the spirit of grace and of supplication; Deliver us when we draw nigh to thee from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind, that with stedfast thoughts and kindled affections we may worship thee in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

#### *In the Morning.*

**O** GOD, the King eternal, who dividest the day from the darkness, and turnest the shadow of death into the morning; Drive far off from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep thy law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that having done thy will with cheerfulness while it was day, we may, when the night cometh, rejoice to give thee thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*



**A**Lmighty God, who alone gavest us the breath of life, and alone canst keep alive in us the holy desires thou dost impart; We beseech thee, for thy compassion's sake, to sanctify all our thoughts and endeavours, that we may neither begin an action without a pure intention, nor continue it without thy blessing. And grant that, having the eyes of the mind opened to behold things invisible and unseen, we may in heart be inspired by thy wisdom, and in work be upheld by thy strength, and in the end be accepted of thee as thy faithful servants; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

*At Night.*

**O**LORD, support us all the day long, until the shadows lengthen, and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then in thy mercy grant us a safe lodging, and a holy rest, and peace at the last. *Amen.*

**O**GOD, who art the life of mortal men, the light of the faithful, the strength of those who labour, and the repose of the dead; We thank thee for the timely blessings of the day, and humbly supplicate thy merciful protection all this night. Bring us, we beseech thee, in safety to the morning hours; through him who died for us and rose again, thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

*Sunday Morning.*

**O**GOD, who makest us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of thy Son our Lord; Vouchsafe us this day such blessing through our worship of thee, that the days to come may be spent in thy service; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For Quiet Confidence.*

**O**GOD of peace, who hast taught us that in returning and rest we shall be saved, in quietness and in confidence shall be our strength; By the might of thy Spirit lift us, we pray thee, to thy presence, where we may be still and know that thou art God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For Guidance.*

**O**GOD, by whom the meek are guided in judgment, and light riseth up in darkness for the godly; Grant us, in all our doubts and uncertainties, the grace to ask what thou wouldest have us to do, that the Spirit of Wisdom may save us from all false choices, and that in thy light we may see light, and in thy straight path may not stumble; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For Trustfulness.*

**O**MOST loving Father, who willest us to give thanks for all things, to dread nothing but the loss of thee, and to cast all our care on thee, who carest for us; Preserve us from faithless fears and worldly anxieties, and grant that no clouds of this mortal life may hide from us the light of that love which is immortal, and which thou hast manifested unto us in thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**O**HEAVENLY Father, thou understandest all thy children: through thy gift of faith we bring our perplexities to the light of thy wisdom, and receive the blessed encouragement of thy sympathy, and a clearer knowledge of thy will. *Amen.*

*For Joy in God's Creation.*

**O**HEAVENLY Father, who hast filled the world with beauty; Open, we beseech thee, our eyes to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works; that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, we may learn to serve thee with gladness; for the sake of him by whom all things were made, thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For the Children.*

**A**Lmighty God, heavenly Father, who hast blessed us with the joy and care of children; Give us light and strength so to train them, that they may love whatsoever things are true and pure and lovely and of good report, following the example of their Saviour, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

*For the Absent.*

**O** GOD, whose fatherly care reacheth to the uttermost parts of the earth; We humbly beseech thee graciously to behold and bless those whom we love now absent from us. Defend **them** from all dangers of soul and body; and grant that both they and we, drawing nearer to thee, may be bound together by thy love, in the communion of thy Holy Spirit and in the fellowship of thy saints; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For Those We Love.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, we entrust those who are dear to us to thy never-failing care and love, for this life and the life to come; knowing that thou art doing for them better things than we can desire or pray for; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For the Recovery of a Sick Person.*

**O** MERCIFUL God, giver of life and health; Bless, we pray thee, thy servant *N.*, and those who minister to *him* of thy healing gifts, that *he* may be restored to health of body and of **mind**; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For One about to Undergo an Operation.*

**A**LMIGHTY God our heavenly Father; We beseech thee graciously to comfort thy servant, *N.*, in *his* suffering, and to bless the means made use of for *his* cure. Fill *his* heart with confidence, that, though *he* be sometime afraid, *he* yet may put *his* trust in thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For a Birthday.*

**W**ATCH over thy child, O Lord, as *his* days increase; bless and guide *him* wherever *he* may be, keeping *him* unspotted from the world. Strengthen *him* when *he* stands; comfort *him* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *him* up if *he* fall; and in *his* heart may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of *his* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For an Anniversary of One Departed.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, we remember this day before thee thy faithful servant, *N.*, and we pray thee that, having opened to *him* the gates of larger life, thou wilt receive *him* more and more into thy joyful service, that *he* may win, with thee and thy servants everywhere, the eternal victory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For Those in Mental Darkness.*

**O** HEAVENLY Father, we beseech thee to have mercy upon all thy children who are living in mental darkness. Restore them to strength of mind and cheerfulness of spirit, and give them health and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For a Blessing on the Families of the Land.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who settest the solitary in families; We commend to thy continual care the homes in which thy people dwell. Put far from them, we beseech thee, every root of bitterness, the desire of vain-glory, and the pride of life. Fill them with faith, virtue, knowledge, temperance, patience, godliness. Knit together in constant affection those who, in holy wedlock, have been made one flesh; turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to the fathers; and so enkindle fervent charity among us all, that we be evermore kindly affectioned with brotherly love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*For all Poor, Homeless, and Neglected Folk.*

**O** GOD, almighty and merciful, who healest those that are broken in heart, and turnest the sadness of the sorrowful to joy; Let thy fatherly goodness be upon all that thou hast made. Remember in pity such as are this day destitute, homeless, or forgotten of their fellow men. Bless the congregation of thy poor. Uplift those who are cast down. Mightily befriend innocent sufferers, and sanctify to them the endurance of their wrongs. Cheer with hope all discouraged and unhappy people, and by thy heavenly grace preserve from falling those whose penury tempteth them to sin; though they be troubled on every

side, suffer them not to be distressed; though they be perplexed, save them from despair. Grant this, O Lord, for the love of him, who for our sakes became poor, thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

*For Faithfulness in the Use of this World's Goods.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, whose loving hand hath given us all that we possess; Grant us grace that we may honour thee with our substance, and, remembering the account which we must one day give, may be faithful stewards of thy bounty; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*A General Intercession.*

**O** GOD, at whose word man goeth forth to his work and to his labour until the evening; Be merciful to all whose duties are difficult or burdensome, and comfort them concerning their toil. Shield from bodily accident and harm the workmen at their work. Protect the efforts of sober and honest industry, and suffer not the hire of the labourers to be kept back by fraud. Incline the heart of employers and of those whom they employ to mutual forbearance, fairness, and good-will. Give the spirit of governance and of a sound mind to all in places of authority. Bless all those who labour in works of mercy or in schools of good learning. Care for all aged persons, and all little children, the sick and the afflicted, and those who travel by land or by sea. Remember all who by reason of weakness are overtaken, or because of poverty are forgotten. Let the sorrowful sighing of the prisoners come before thee; and according to the greatness of thy power, preserve thou those that are appointed to die. Give ear unto our prayer, O merciful and gracious Father, for the love of thy dear Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

*Grace Before Meat.*

**B**LESS, O Father, thy gifts to our use and us to thy service; for Christ's sake. *Amen.*

**G**IVE us grateful hearts, our Father, for all thy mercies, and make us mindful of the needs of others; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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