THE
FORMAND
MANNER OF MAKING,ORDENING,
AND CONSECRATING
OF
BISHOPS, PRIESTS,
AND DEACONS.
According to the ORDER of "
CHURCH of ENGLAND.

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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 reverence estimation, that no man by his own private authority, might presume to execute any of them, except he were first called, tried, examined and known to have such qualities, as were requisite for the same, and also by publick prayer, with imposition of hands, approved and admitted thenceforth. And therefore, to the intent these orders should be continued, and reverently used and esteemed in this Church of England, it is requisite that no man, more than at this present Bishop, Priest, or Deacon, should execute any of them, except he be called, tried, examined, and admitted, according to the form hereafter following: And none shall be admitted a Deacon, except he be twenty six years of age at the least. And every man which is to be admitted a Priest, shall be full four and twenty years old. And every man which is to be consecrated a Bishop, shall be fully thirty years of age. And the Bishop knowing either by himself, or by sufficient testimony, any person to be a man of vertuous conversation, and without crime, and after examination and trial, finding him learned in the Latin tongue, and sufficiently instructed in holy Scripture, may upon a Sunday or Holiday, in the face of the Church, admit him a Deacon, in such manner and form as hereafter followeth.

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When the day appointed by the Bishop is come, there shall be an exhortation, declaring the duty and office of such as come to be admitted members of the Church of Christ, and also how the people ought to esteem them in their services and offices.

After the exhortation ends, the Archdeacon or his Deputy shall present such as shall come to the Bishop to be admitted, saying these words:

Ehrend Father in God, I present unto you these persons present to be admitted Deacons.

The Bishop.

The said person, whom we present unto you, be apt and meet for their learning and godly conversation, to exercise their ministry duly, to the honour of God, and building up his Church.

The Archdeacon shall answer.

I have enquired of them, and also examined them, and think them to be.

And then the Bishop shall lay unto the people,

Between you and me, if there be any of you, who knoweth any impediment or notable crime in any of these persons presented to be ordered Deacons, for which he ought not to be admitted to the same, 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 sue for the person from ordering that person, until such time as the party accused shall be found any kind of clear of that crime.

Then the Bishop, commending such as shall be found meet to be ordered, to the prayers of the Congregation, with the clergy and people present, shall say or sing the Litany, as follows, with the prayers, as followed.

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The Letany and Suffrages.

O God the Father of heaven: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.
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O God the Son Redeemer of the world: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.
O God the Son Redeemer of the world: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.
O God the holy Ghost proceeding from the Father and the Son: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.
O God the holy Ghost proceeding from the Father and the Son: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.
O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three persons and one God: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.
O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three persons and one God: have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

Remember not, Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers. Neither take thou vengeance of our sins: Spare us, good Lord, spare thy people whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever.
Spare us, good Lord.

From all evil and mischief, from sin, from the crafty and astuteness of the devil, from the wrath, and from everlasting damnation.
Good Lord deliver us.

From all blindness of heart, from pride, from sin, from hypocrisy, from envy, from hatred, and from malice, and all uncharitableness.
Good Lord deliver us.

From incantation and all other deadly sin, and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil.
Good Lord deliver us.

From lightening and tempest, from plague, pestilence, and famine, from battle and murder, and from sudden death.
Good Lord deliver us.

From all sedition, and public conspiracies, from all false doctrine and heresies, from hardness of heart, and contempt of thy word and commandment.
Good Lord deliver us.

By the mystery of the holy Incarnation, by the holy Baptism and Circumcision, by thy Epiphany, by thy Ascension, and by thy Resurrection.
Good Lord deliver us.

By thine Agony and bloody Sweat, by thy Cross and Passion, by
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by thy precious death and burial, by thy glorious resurrection and ascension, and by the coming of the holy ghost.

Good Lord deliver us.

In all time of our tribulation, in all time of our weal, in the hour of death, and in the day of judgement.

Good Lord deliver us.

We beseech thee to hear us. 

That it may please thee to keep and strengthen in the true way and truth of thee, in righteousness and holiness of life, thy servant Charles, our most gracious king and governor.

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to rule his heart in the faith, fear, and love, and that he may evermore have alliance in thee, and ever feel the honour and glory.

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to be his defender and keeper, giving him the victory over all his enemies.

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to blest and prosper our gracious Queen Mary, Prince Charles, and the rest of the Royal Progeny.

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to illuminate all bishops, patriarchs, and ministers of the church, with true knowledge and understanding of thy word, and that both by their preaching and labouring, they may set it forth, and they do accordingly.

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to order the lords of the council, and all the nobility, with grace, wisdom, and understanding.

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to blest and keep the magistrates, giving them grace to execute justice, and to maintain truth.

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to blest and keep all thy people.

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give to all nations, unity, peace, and concord.

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us an heart to love and obey thee, and diligently to live after the commandments.

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

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That it may please thee to give to all the people increase of grace, to hear meekly the word, and to receive it with pure affection, and to bring forth the fruits of the spirit.

We beseech thee to hear us good Lord.

That it may please thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred and are deceived.

We beseech thee to hear us good Lord.

That it may please thee to strengthen such as do stand, and to comfort and help the weak hearted, and to raise up them that fall, and mainly to hear down Satan under our feet.

We beseech thee to hear us good Lord.

That it may please thee to succour, help and comfort all that be in danger, persecution, and tribulation.

We beseech thee to hear us good Lord.

That it may please thee to preserve all that travail by land or by water, all women labouring of child, all sick persons and young children, and to help the pity upon all prisoners and captives.

We beseech thee to hear us good Lord.

That it may please thee to defend and provide for the fatherless children and widows, and all that be destitute and oppressed.

We beseech thee to hear us good Lord.

That it may please thee to have mercy upon all men.

We beseech thee to hear us good Lord.

That it may please thee to forgive our enemies, persecutors and slanderers, and to turn their hearts.

We beseech thee to hear us good Lord.

That it may please thee to give and preserve to our use the kind help fertices of the earth, so as in due time we may enjoy them.

We beseech thee to hear us good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us true repentance, to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances, and to enudge us with the grace of the holy Spirit, to amend our lives according to the holy word.

We beseech thee to hear us good Lord.

Son of God: we beseech thee to hear us.

Son of God: we beseech thee to hear us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Grant us thy peace.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mercy upon us.

O Christ hear us.

O Christ hear us.

Lord have mercy upon us.

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Christ have mercy upon us.
Lord have mercy upon us.
Our Father which art in heaven,
And lead us not into temptation.
But deliver us from evil.

The Vericle.  
O Lord deal not with us after our sins.
Neither reward us after our iniquities.

C Let us pray.

O God merciful Father, that bestowest not the lighting
of a candlesticke on men, nor the delight of such as be godly
by full, mercifully attend our prayers that we make be
fore thee in all our troubles and adversities, whenth-
ever they oppose us: and graciously hear us, that
produce evils which the craft and subtility of the devil or man work-
eth against us, be thought to nought, and by the providence of thy
goodness they may be dispersed, that we thy servants being hurt
by no perlications, may eternally give thanks unto thee in thy
holy church, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
O Lord arise, help us, and deliver us for thy names sake.
O God, we have heard with our ears, and our fathers have de-
clared unto us, the noble works that thou diddest in their days,
and in the old time before them.
O Lord, arise, help us, and deliver us for thine honour.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, as.
As it was in the beginning, is now, &c.
From our enemies defend us, O Christ.
Graciously look upon our afflictions.
Pitifully behold the sorrows of our hearts.
Mercifully forgive the sins of thy people,
Favourably with mercy hear our prayers.
O Son of David have mercy upon us.
Both now, and ever, and unto ages of ages.
Graciously hear us, O Christ: graciously hear us, O Lord Christ.
The Vericle.
O Lord, let thy mercy be bestowed upon us.
Answer.
As we do put our trust in thee.
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Let us pray.

We humbly beseech thee, O Father, mercifully to look upon our infirmities, and for the glory of thy Name sake, even comfort all those souls that we most righteously have beseeched; and grant that in all our troubles we may put our whole trust and confidence in thee, and evermore serve thee in holiness and pureness of living, to the honor and glory, through our only Mediator and Advocate, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, which 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 be gathered together in thy Name, thou wilt grant their requests: fulfills 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.

Then shall be sung, or said of service for the Communion.
Then shall be said or sung this that followeth.

Almighty God, who hast by thy wise providence had appointed divers orders of Ministers in thy Church, and hast in all parts there thy Apostles, to settle and order the order of Deacons, the first Mary and Stephen, with others; mercifully behold these thy servants, now called to the like office and administration; explain them to both the truth of thy doctrine, and unity of life, that both by word and example, they may faithfully serve thee in this office, to the glory of thy Name, rejoicing in thy congregations, through the merits of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the holy Ghost, now and for ever. Amen.

Then shall be sung or said the commemoration of the day, (following the Epistle shall be read of 1 Timothy, as followeth.)

The Epistle.

The first to the ministers be honest, not double tongued, nor given unto much wine, neither greedy of filthy lucre; but holding the mystery of the faith, with a pure conscience; let them be proved, and let them be minister, so that no man may be able to reproach them. Then to wait their wives be honest, not evil speakers, not sober, and faithful in all things. Let the Deacons be the husbandmen of one wife, and such as rule their children.
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children well, and their own households: for they that minister well, get themselves a good degree, and a great liberis in the faith which is in Christ Jesus.

These things write I unto thee, trusting to come shortly unto thee: and if I tarry long, that thou mayst per dye knowledge how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the congregation of the living God, the pillar and ground of truth. And without, because great is that mystery of godliness: God was showed in the flesh, was justified in the spirit, was seen among the angels, was preached unto the Gentiles, was believed on in the world, and received up in glory.

Or else this out of the faith of the Acts 6:67

Then the twelve called the multitude of the disciples together, and said, It is not meet 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, unto whom we may commit this business: but we will give our selves continually to prayer, and to the administration of the word. And that saying pleased the whole multitude. And they chose Stephen, a man full of faith, and full of the holy Ghost, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolas, a Greek, of Antioch. These 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 Jews were obedient unto the faith.

And before the Gospel, the Bishop sitting in chair, shall cause the oath of the Kings supremenc, and against the power and authority of all foreign Potentates, to be ministred unto every of them that are to be ordered.

The oath of the Kings Soovraignty.

A.B. do utterly receive and declare in my conscience, that the kings highness is the only supreme governor of this Realm, and of all other his highness dominions and Countries, swell in all spiritual or ecclesiastical things of causen, as temporal, and that no foreign Prince, Person,
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Prelate, State of potentate, hath ye ought to have any jurisdiction, power, superiority, preeminence, or authority Ecclesiastical, or Spiritual within this Realm, and therefore I do utterly renounce and forsake all foreign jurisdictions, powers, hypocrasy, and authorities, and do promise that from henceforth I will bear faith and true Allegiance to the Kings Highness, his Heirs and lawful Successors, and to my power shall assist and defend all jurisdictions, prebendages, preeminences and authorities, granted or belonging to the Kings Highness, his Heirs, and Successors, or united and annexed to the Imperial Crown of this Realm, to help me God, and the Conscience of this Book.

Then shall the Bishop examine every one of them, that are to be ordered, in the presence of the people, after this manner following.

Do 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.

Do you think that ye are truly called according to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the due order of this Realm, to the Ministry of the Church?

Answer.

I think so.

The Bishop.

Do you unfeignedly believe all the Canonical Scriptures of the old and new Testament?

Answer.

I do believes them.

The Bishop.

Will you diligently read the same unto the people assembled in the Church where you shall be appointed to serve?

Answer.

I will.

The Bishop.

It appertaineth to the office of a Deacon in the Church, where he shall be appointed, to assist the priest in Divine service, and specially when he ministereth the holy Communion, and to help him in interchanging thereof, and to read Holy Scriptures and Homilies in the Congregation, and to instruct the youth in the Catechism; to baptize and to preach, if he be admitted thereto by the Bishop. And furthermore, it is his office, where provision is so made, to teach
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Search for the elderly, and important people of the parish, to intone their estates, names, and places where they dwell unto the Curate, that by his exhortation they may be relieved by the presence of other convenient arms. Will you do this gladly and willingly?

Answer.

I will do so by the help of God.

The Bishop.

Will you apply all your diligence to frame and fashion your own lives, and the lives of your family, according to the doctrine of Christ, and to make both your selves and them, as much as in you lieth, wholesome examples of the book of Christ?

Answer.

I will do so, the Lord being my helper.

The Bishop.

Will you reverently obey your Ordinary, and other chief ministers of the Church, and therein the government and charge committed over you, following with a glad mind and willing, their godly admonitions?

Answer.

I will endeavour myself, the Lord being my helper.

Then the Bishop laying his hands severally upon the head of every one of them, humbly kneeling before him, shall say:

Take 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:

Take thou authority to read the Gospel in the Church of God, and to preach the same, if thou be thereunto solemnly commanded, and to officiate to the other duties committed to thee by the Bishop himself.

Then one of them appointed by the Bishop shall read the Gospel of the day.

Then shall the Bishop proceed to the Communion, and all that 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 the Collect following:

A Mighty God, giver of all good things, who of thy great goodness hast vouchsafed to accept a take thereby thine own
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unto the office of Deacons in the Church: make them be discreet, humble, and constant in their ministration: for they are to be ready to do all spiritual things, and to have a ready will to observe all spiritual discipline, that they may be always the living representation of a good conscience, and continuing ever obedient and strong in the Son Christ, may so well discharge themselves in this inferior office, that they may be found worthy to be called unto the higher ministrations in the Church, through the name of the Son, and in the Spirit of Christ, to whom be glory and honours world without end. Amen.

And here it must be noted, that a Deacon, that he must continue in that office a whole year at least (except for reasonable causes), if he be otherwise not called to the higher: and 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 time appointed by such person, or else on urgent occasion.

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When the day appointed by the Bishop is come, at morning prayers it is read, that he be a Sermon or Exhortation, declaring the duty of a Priest, and how necessary it is in the Church of Christ; and also how the people ought to receive them in their office.

From the exhortation is ended, then shall follow the Confirmation, in which the Spirit shall be signified, or else on urgent occasion.

preach, 2Thess. 3:7. As

Prevent us, Lord, in all our dealings with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continuall help: That in all our works begin, continue, and end in thee, we may glorify thy holy Name, and finally, by thy mercy obtain blessed life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The grace of God, and the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and of Father, and of the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you, evermore. Amen.

Upon some other Sunday, or Holy-day, with the face of the Church, in such manner, & form as hereafter followeth.
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Knowing the things that shall come on me there, but that the holy Ghost was exalted in every City, saying that bands and troubles abide me. But none of these things move me, neither is my life dear unto me, that I might triumph my course with joy, and the ministration of the word, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to tell the gospel of the grace of God. And now behold, I am sure that henceforth I go the way wherein I have gone preaching the kingdom of God, shall see my face no more. Wherefore I take you to record to day, that I am pure from the blood of all men: For I have spared to labour: but have the word you all the countenance of God. Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, among whom the holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to rule the congregation of God, which he hath purchased with his blood. For I am sure of this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Moreover, of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw disciples after them. Wherefore I exhort you, and testify in the presence of God, who quickeneth me, that after my decease you take heed how ye walk and how ye deal. And now therefore, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build up and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified. I have despised no manly labour, nor counsel: ye know my labors and my fellowship, and how much I laboured, and how much I laboured in the presence of them that were with me. I have shewed you all things, how that they that labour in the Lord, are to labour in the Lord, and to receive no thing of the Lord's work, but labouring, for to labour in the Lord, is to labour for himself. Therefore, whether any man be of your congregation, and be he a heathen or a Christian, I say this to all, that when ye meet, let none eat, having anything to eat or to drink, without saying grace, first. This is a true saying. If any man be the publicans and Priests are made both in one day,
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Not given unto much wine, neither greedy of filthy lucre, but holding the mystery of the faith, with a pure conscience: and let them first be proved, and then let them minister, so that no man be able to reprove them.

Even so shalt their wives be honest, not covetous, teachable, in all things. Let the Deacons be the husbands of one wife, and such as rule their children well, and their own households: for they that minister well, get themselves a good degree, and great glory in the faith, which is in Christ Jesus. These things write I unto thee, desiring to come shortly unto thee: but if I tarry long, that thou mayest have knowledge how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the congregation of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.

And without doubt, great is that mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, was tempted in the flesh, was made in the likeness of man, and was made manifest in the Spirit, was accepted by the angels, was preached among the Gentiles, was believed on in the world, and received up in glory.

After this shall be read for the gospel, a piece of the last chapter of Matthew, as followeth.

Jesus 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 always, even until the end of the world.

Or else this that followeth out of the tenth Chapter of S. John.

Verily 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 hath brought forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. A stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him, for they know not the voice of strangers. This pro- ness spake Jesus unto them, but they understood not what things they were which he spake unto them. Then said Je- sus unto them again, Verily, verily I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep: and all that enter in by me are saved, and are the sheep and the shepherd, but the sheep did not hear them. I
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"am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be safe, and go in and out, and find pasture. A thief cometh not but for to steal, 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. A good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep. An hired servant killeth, and he which is not the shepherd (neither the sheep are his own) seeth the wolf coming, and leaveth the sheep, and fleeth, and the wolf catcheth and scattereth the sheep. The hired servant killeth, because he is an hired servant, and careth not for the sheep. I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine. As my Father knoweth me, even so know I also my Father. And I give my life for the sheep. And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also must I bring, and they shall hear my voice, and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd."

Or else this of the xx. chapter of John:

"The same day at night, which was the first day of the Sabbath, when the doors were shut (where the disciples were assembled together, for fear of the Jews), came Jesus, and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. And when he had said this, he showed unto them his hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord. Then said Jesus unto them again, Peace be unto you: As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you. And when he had said these words, he was lifted up from them, and bid them, Receive the Holy Ghost, Whose soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whose soever sins ye retain, they are retained."

When the gospel is ended, this shall be said or sung.

"O holy Ghost eternal God, proceeding from above: Both from the Father and the Son, the God of Peace and love, Write our minds, and into thy heavenly grace inscribe: That in all truth and godliness we may have true delight, And not in vain: Thou art the very Comforter, still we and distille: The heavenly gift of God most high, Which no tongue can express: living.

The fountain and the joyful spring of joy celestial: Thou art the light, the life of life, and the perfection celestial. Thou in thy gifts art manifold, Whereof Christ's Church doth stand: Thou wouldst

In faithfull hearts dwelling by into the finger of God's hand."

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According to thy promise, Lord, thou givest speech of grace:
That through thy help the praise of God may sound in every place.

O holy Ghost into our wondrous soul the heavenly light:
Kindle our hearts with fervent love to serve God day and night.
Our wisdom, understanding, and knowledge (and, Lord, thou teach us to judge)
Be granted and yielded to us freely and to all:
That neither flesh, nor blood, nor devil, nor flesh of the soil,
Subdue our enemy far from us, and grant us to obtain peace in our hearts with God and man, without grudge or dissention.

Grant, O Lord, that thou bring our leader and our guide:
We may share the share of God, and satiate our eyes with his face.
Good be thy portion through all days, good Lord; and we thee praise:
That thou mayest be our Comforter at the last dreadful day.
Most holy and omnipotent, O Lord, dilate the bands:
And make the bounds of peace and love, throughout all Christian lands,
Through that thou mayest grant us, O Lord, through thee to know, the Father, most all mighty.

To God of Father and of Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

And grant, O Lord, that the Archdeacon shall profess unto the Bishop:
Sitting in his chair, near to the Holy Table all them, that shall receive of the order of Priesthood the day
That they are truly and truly, willing and obedient, to do the same.

The Archdeacon shall answer,
And then shall he say, The Bishop

God, people, these be they whom we purpose, God willing, to receive this day into the holy order of Priesthood: For after their examination we find not to the contrary, but that they be faithfully called to their function and ministry, and that they be persons...
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persons meet for the same: but yet if there be any of you, which knoweth any impediment or notable crime of any of them, for which he ought not to be received into this holy ministerial office, in the name of God declare the same, as ye shall. If he be found guilty, he shall be deposed.

And if any great crime of impediment be objected, ye shall act upon the same manner, as ye have been accustomed in the ordination of Deacons, or such as have been committed to your charge, as hereafter shall be ordered.

A. Almighty God, giver of all good things, which by the holy Septuagint had appointed divers orders of Ministers in the Church, mercifully behold these thy servants, now called to the office of Priesthood, and replenish them with the truth of the doctrine, and imitate this life, that both thy good example, they may faithfully serve thee in this office, to the glory of thy Name, and praise of the Congregation, through the merits of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who lieth and reigneth with thee, and the holy Ghost, world without end. Amen.

Then the Bishop shall minister vnto every one of them the Oath concerning the Kings Supremacie, as it is set forth in the ordination of Deacons, and that done, he shall lay vnto them which are appointed to execute the said office, as hereafter shall be ordered, the Oath of Minister, and then shall be sung, or said, Whose Service, or Oath, or Epistle, or Gospel, of followeth.

For every one of you be given grace, according to ye measure of ye gift of Christ, wherefore he said, When he ascended up on high, he said, ye shall sit on ye right hand of the Majesty on high, and ye shall sit on ye right hand of the Majesty on high. And he gave also some Apostles, and such prophets, and ye shall be made to sit with Christ, and then shall be sung, or said, Whose Service, or Oath, or Epistle, or Gospel, of followeth.

Yt ye have heard, brethren, as ye in your private exercises, in the Church, and in the Holy Lessons taken out of the Gospel, and at the writings of the Apostles, of what dignity and of how great importance this office is (whereunto ye are called), and now I beseech you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to be in remembrance unto how high a dignity, and how great a care, an office it is, to be so called; that is to say, the ministers, the watchmen, the patiences, and the comforters of the Lord, to teach, to preach, to comfort, to exhort, and priestly, for the Lord's family, to be the sheepe of Christ. And if ye be charged for the sheepe of Christ, which you received from his death, for whom he died, his blood. The Church and Congregation whom ye must serve in his stead and body.

And if it shall chance the same Church, or any member thereof, take
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take any hurt or hindrance, by reason of your negligence, to harm the great estate of the Church, and all the wonderful punishment which shall ensue. Wherefore, consider with your selves the end of your ministry, towards the children of God, towards the spouse and body of Christ, and see that you never cease your labour, your care, and diligence, unless you have done all that is expected in you, according to your bounden duty, to doing all such as are, or shall be committed to your charge, unto that agreement in faith and knowledge of God, and to that piety and perspicuity of age in Christ that there be no place left among you, either error or vice, in Religion, or in victories in life.

Then, as much as your office is both of so great excellence, and of so great difficulty, so see with how great care and study you ought to apply your selves, as well that you may he so your selves to be so that Lord, who hath placed you in so high a dignity, as also to beware that neither you nor your selves offend, nor be occasion that others offend. So where, ye cannot have a mind and heart toward of your selves, for that profit and ability is given of God alone. Therefore ye see how ye ought to have need earnestly to pray for his holy Spirit, and to fear that you 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 unto the same, ye see how negligent ye ought to be in teaching and in training the Scriptures, and in training the manners, both of your selves, and of them that specially pertain unto you, according to the rule of the same Scriptures: And by this reason same cause, ye see how ye ought to take care and let aside (as much as you may) all worldly cares and studies.

We have good hope, that you have well weighed and pondered these things with your selves, long before this time, and that you have clearly determined, by God's grace, to give your selves wholly to this vocation, whereunto ye partly pleased God to call you, so that as much as in you doth apply your selves wholly to this one thing, and draw all your cares and studies this way, and so this end. And that ye will continually pray for the heavenly assistance of the holy Ghost from God the Father, by the mediation of our only Redeemer and Saviour Jesus Christ, that by daily reading and working of the Scriptures, ye may be warier and stronger in your ministry: And that ye may be wholesome and godly examples and patterns for the rest of the congregation, to follow and that this present
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congregation of Christ here assembled, may also understand your minds and wils in these things: and that this your promise hastily more you to doe your duties, ye shall anwser, and were plainly to these things, which we in the name of the congregation shall demand of you touching the same.

Doe you think in your heart, that you be truly called according to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the order of this Church of England, to the ministerie of Priestishood?

Answere.

I think it.

The Bishop.

Doe you perswade, that the holy scriptures contain sufficientall all doctrine required of necessity for eternall salvation, thow'he faith in Jesus Christ? And are you determined, that the said Scriptures to instruct the people committed to your charge, and to teach nothing (as required of necessity to eternall salvation) but that, you shall be perswaded may be concluded, and proved by the Scripture?

Answere.

I am to perswaded, and have to determined by Gods grace.

The Bishop.

Wilt you then give your faithful diligence, always to conduce the doctrine and Sacraments, and the discipline of Christ, as the Lord hath commanded, and as this ministry hath received the same, according to the Commandments of God, so that you may teach the people committed to your care and charge, with all diligence to keepe and observe the same?

Answere.

I will so doe by the helpe of the Lord.

The Bishop.

Wilt you be ready with all faithful diligence to banish and drive away all erroneous and strange doctrines, contrary to Gods word, and to be both publick and private monitions and exhortations, as well to the like, as to the whole, within your cures, as need shall require, and occasion be given?

Answere.

I will, the Lord being my helper.

The Bishop.

Wilt you be diligent in prayers, and in reading of 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?

Answere.
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Answere.
I will endeavor my selfe to doe the Lord being my helper, The Bishop.

Wilt thou be diligent to frame and fashion thy owne life, and thy families according to the doctrine of Christ, and to make both thy life and them (as much as in thee lieth) wholesome examples and scriptures to the Socie of Christ?

Answere. I will apply my selfe, the Lord being my helper. The Bishop.

Wilt thou maintain and set forthwith (as much as lieth in you) quietness, peace, and love, among all Christian people, and specially among them that are, or shall be committed to your charge?

Answere. I will do the Lord being my helper. The Bishop.

Wilt thou reverence and Obey thy Ordinaries, and other chief Ministers, unto whom the government and charge is committed over you, following with a glad mind and will, their godly admonitions, and submitting thy selfe to their godly judgments.

Answere. I will do the Lord being my helper. Then shall the Bishop say, Standing up.

A Almighty God, who hast given you this trust to doe 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, even at the time this shall come at this latter day, to judge the quick and the dead, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

After this, the Congregation shall say, in their prayers, and in humble supplications to God for the aforesaid things: For the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.

That done, the Bishop shall say, Let us pray.

A Almighty God, and heavenly Father, which of thine infinite love and goodness towards us, hast given to this thy only begotten Son Jesus Christ to be our redeemer and saviour of everlasting life, who after he had made perfect our redemption by his death, was ascended into heaven, sent abroad into the world his Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists,
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Doctours, and Passours, by whose labour and ministry, the gathered together a great flocke in all the parts of the world, to be for the eternall praise of the holy Name; for these to great benefits of the eternall goodtide, and for that they had vouchsafed to call the same the summe of all, which either here, or elsewhere call upon the Name, that once to God our Saviour, for these and all other the benefits, and that we may daily increase and growe forwards, in the knowledge and faith of the same, and by the holy Spirit, so that as well by thee, the Ministers, as by them to whom they shall be appointed, to rule the same, that the Name may be blessed glorified, and the blessed kingdom enlarged, through the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ, which first, and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the 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 received Orders. They shall then knee on their knees, and the Bishop saying,

Receiveth a Priest, whose names thou hast forgivne, they are forgiven: and whose names 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.

Then the Bishop shall deliver to every one of them the Bible in his hand, saying,

Take thou authority to preach the word of God, and to minister the holy Sacraments to the Congregation, where thou shall be appointed, which thou shalt receive, and which thou shalt minister, and which thou shalt be faithful in: and which thou shalt worke in, and which thou shalt build up, and which thou shalt strengthen. And so the Bishop shall deliver the Bible to the new Priest, saying,

Take the Bible, and the same shall be sung, or said; and the Bishop shall after this, go on in the service of God.

The Communion being done, after the last Collect, and immediately before the Benediction, shall be laid on theCollects.

Most mercifull Father, we beseech thee to send upon these thy chosen thy heavenly blessing, that they may be glad about the righteous, and that thy word spoken by their mouths, may have such success, that it may never be spoken in vain. Grant so that we may have grace to hear, and receive, the same as the moth.
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And if on the same day ye Order of Deacons be given to some, as the Order ofPriests, to others; The Deacons shall have first presented; then ye Priests; as it shall suffice, ye Deacons be once said for both. The Clerks shall both be used; first that for Deacons, then ye Priests. The Epistle shall be Epist. 4:17-25, as before in this Office, immediately after with the Lord's Prayer to be made Deacons shall take the Oath of Surety properly be examined, and ordained, as it is above prescribed. Then, one of them having read the Gospel (it shall be either out of 1 Sam. 3:18-20, or before in this Office, or else 1 Kings 19:3-8), at last in this Office for the Oath of Deacon, (that they that are to be made Priests shall have) it will take the Oath of Surety may be examined, and ordained, as it is in this Office before appointed.

The Orde of Consecration of an Archbishops, or Bishops.

When all things are duly prepared in the Church, lest in other places after Morning Prayers is ended, ye Archbishops or some other Bishop appointed as shall begin ye Consecration as in this Book shall be.

The Oath of the Archbishop, or Bishop.

Almighty God, who by the Son Jesus Christ didst give to thy holy Apostles many excellent gifts, & didst bestow them upon thy Church; Give grace, we beseech thee, to all Bishops, & Priests, Officers of the Church, that they may diligently preach thy word, duly administer the holy Sacraments of the Church; so good to thy Word, that in all the Church they may obediently follow thy Gospel, and receive all manner of evil suffering glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

And another Bishop shall read The Epistle.

The forme of Consecration of an Archbishop, or Bishop; will it all ways to be performed upon some Sunday, or Holy Day.

And another Bishop shall read, &c. The Epistle, after ye last translation, &c. while ye reed.

His is a true saying. If a man delive the office of a Bishop, he deliveth an honest work. A Bishop therefore must be blameless, the husband of one wife, diligent, sober, discreet, a keeper of hospitality, apt to teach, not given to much wine, no brawler, not greedy of money, but gentle, abolishing all abstinence, not yet all, but in the whole Church he must care for the Congregation of God. He must be a young scholar, in the world, and fall into the judgement of the church speaker. He must also have a good report of them which are with him, lest he fall into rebuke, and the blame of the world.

Then another Bishop shall read The Gospel.

S. Joh. 20:20.打了 said to Simon Peter, Simon John, looke this I will thee: be said to him, Pea, let, thou knowest that I love thee; she said to him, Feed my Lambs. He said to him against the same time, Simon John, looke thou me: she said to him, Pea, let, thou knowest that I love thee: he said
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I saw unto them, saying: All power is given unto me in heaven and earth: go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them, in the Name of the Father, 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.

Or this.

John 20.19. The same day at even, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut wherein 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 said this, he was taken up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of the Father. Then were the disciples filled with joy, and believed the words of the Lord. Then said Jesus unto them again, Peace be unto you: As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you. And when he had said this, he was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of the Father. And they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs accompanying it.

Or the third.

Matthew 28.18.

Or the sixth out of the tenth Chapter of John: as before in the order of

MR reverend Father in God, we present unto you this godly and learned man to be consecrated Bishop.

Then shall the Archbishop demand the King's mandate for the consecration, and cause it to be read, and the Oath touching the knowledge of the King's Supremacy, shall be ministrated to the persons elected, as it is read in the order of Deacons. And then shall the Bishop receive the Oath of due obedience into the Archbishop, as followeth.

The Oath of due obedience to the Archbishop.

I do the Name of God, Amen. I, O, chosen Bishop of the Church and See of S., do protest and promise all due reverence and obedience to the Archbishop, and to the Metropolitan Church of S., and to their Vicars, to help me God, through Jesus Christ.

This Oath shall not be made at the Consecration of an Archbishop.

Then, when the Archbishop shall pronounce the Congregation present, to pray, saying thus to them,

Pax in Christo, it is written in the Gospel of St. Luke, that our Saviour Christ commanded the whole night in prayer, that he might be mighty and send forth his twelve Apostles. It is written also in the Acts of the Apostles, that the disciples which were at Antioch did fast and pray. After they had prayed, they received from Paul and Barnabas, Let us therefore, following the example of our Saviour Christ and his Apostles, set to prayer, for that we shew and send forth this person presented unto us, to the works whereunto we trust the holy Ghost hath called him.

And
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And then shall be said the Litanies, as before in the order of Deacons: Save only,

And after this place: That it may please thee to illuminate all Bishops, &c., behold, &c., the proper suffrage, &c., following shall be silenced.

That it may please thee to bless this our brother elected, and to

fend the grace upon him, that he may duly execute the office

whereunto he is called, to the edifying of the Church, and to the

honour, praise, and glory of thy Name.

Answer.

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

Then shall be said this prayer following.

Concluding the Litanies in the end, with this prayer.

Almighty God, giver of all good things, which by thy holy spi-

rite hast appointed divers orders of Ministers in thy Church,

mercifully receive this thy servant, now called to the office of

Bishop, and replenish him with the truth of the doctrine and

innocence of life, that both by word and deed he may

faithfully serve thee in this office, to the glory of thy Name, and

the salvation of thy people, through the merits of our Sancte

Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the holy

God, world without end. Amen.

Then the Archbishop sitting in the chaire, shall say to him that is to be

consecrated,

Bishop, for as much as holy Scripture, and the old Canons

commandeth that we should not be hasty in laying on hands,

and admitteth of any person to the government of the Congreg-

ation of Christ, which be hath purchased with no less price than

the effusion of his own blood: Therefore I admit you to this administra-

tion, whereas you are called, I will examine you in certaine arti-

cles, to the end the congregation present may have a trial, and

beare witness how we be minded to beloved your selfe in the

Church of God.

Are you persuaded that you be truly called to this ministra-

tion, according to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the order

doctrine? And are you determined with
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With the same holy Scriptures, to instruct the people committed to your charge, and to teach and maintain nothing as required of necessity to eternal salvation, but that you shall be persuaded may be concluded and proved by the same.

Answer.

I am to be persuaded and determined by God's grace.

The Archbishop.

Will you then faithfully exercise your self in the said holy Scriptures, and call upon God by prayer, for the true understanding of the same, so as you may be able by them to teach and expound wholesome doctrine, and to withstand and convince the gainers of others?

Answer.

I will do so, by the help of God.

The Archbishop.

Be you ready with all faithful diligence to banish and drive away 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 Archbishop.

Will you deny all ungodliness and worldly lusts, and live soberly, righteously, and godly in this world, that you may shew your selfe in all things an example of good works unto others, that the overseers may be ashamed, having nothing to lay against you?

Answer.

I will do so, the Lord being my helper.

The Archbishop.

Will you maintain and see forward (as much as shall be in you) quietness, peace, and love among all men: and such as be laudable, godly, and innocent within your Diocese, correct and punish according to such authority as you have by God's word, and as to you shall be committed by the ordinance of this Realm?

Answer.

I will do so, by the help of God.

The Archbishop.

Will you do your selfe gentle, and be mercifully for Christ sake to poor and needy people, and to all strangers desirous of help?

Answer.
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**Anwerr.**

That he shall be Archikepiscop, or Chief-Bishop, and the rest of Bishops and Clerks: as, &c. The Arch Bishop standing up, shall say,

**A** Almighty God, our benniant Father, who hast given your good will to do all these things: grant also unto your strength and power to perform the same: that by the accomplishing in you the good work which you have begun, ye may be found perfect and unspotted at the last day, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Then shall he say or say,

Amen.

**Then** shall the Bishop say,

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Then the Bishop shall say,

**I** Let us pray.

**L** Almighty God, and most merciful Father, which in your infinite good will hast granted thy only and well-beloved Son Jesus Christ to be our Redeemer and Author of everlasting life, who after that he had made perfect our redemption by his death, and was stilled into heaven, poured down his gifts abundantly upon men, making some Apostles, some Prophets, some Evangellists, some Pastors and Doctors, to the edifying and perfecting his congregation; grant also, that we, being fed in the house of the Lord, by the ministry of the Gospel, may be established in all good works for ever, and do the authority given us-him, not to see, but to look, not to hurt, but to heal; so that he, as a wife and faithful servant giving to the family meat in due season, may, when he shall be received into glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord, with thee, and the Holy Ghost, light and solemnity one God, world without end. Amen.

Then the Archbishop and Bishops present, shall lay their hands upon the head of the elected Bishop, the Archbishop saying, kneeling before him, the Arch Bishop saying,

**T** Take the holy Ghost, and remember that thou sitst by the grace of God, which is given by imposition of hands: for God hath not given his spirit of fear, but of power, and love, and sobriety.

Then
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Then the Archbishops shall deliver him the Bible, saying,

Gather heed unto reading, exposition, and doctrine. Think on these things contained in this book. Be diligent in those, that the incease coming thereby, may be manifested unto all men. Take heed unto thy self, and thy reading, and be diligent in doing them: for by doing them, thou shalt know the self, and them that bear thee. See to the flock of Christ a shepherd, not a wolf: feed them, and beare them not: hold by the weak, heal the sick, bind up the broken, lying against the outcasts, seek the lost, be so merciful, that ye be not too remiseful: so minister discipline, that ye forget not mercy, that when the chief Shepherd shall come, he may receive the unassessable crown of glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Then the Archbishops shall proceed to the Commination, with whom the new consecrated Bishop, with others, shall also communicate. And for the last Collect immediately before the Benediction, shall be said these prayers.

Most merciful Father, we beseech thee, to send down upon this thy servant thy heavenly blessing, and to endue him with thy holy Spirit, that he preaching the word, may not only be enabled to reprove, correct, and reprove, with all patience and doctrine, but also may be, such as believe, an wholesome example, in word, in conversation, in love, in faith, in chastity, and 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 looketh and reigneth, one God with the Father and the Holy Ghost, world without end. Amen.

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