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*A Form of Prayer for the Twenty-fifth of October.*

A FORM of PRAYER with THANKSGIVING to Almighty God, to be used in all Churches and Chapels within this Realm, every Year, upon the Twenty-fifth Day of *October*; being the Day on which His Majesty began his happy Reign.

¶ *The Service shall be the same with the usual Office, for Holy-days in all things; except where it is in this Office otherwise appointed.*

¶ *If this Day shall happen to be Sunday, this whole Office shall be used, as it followeth, entirely.*

¶ *Morning Prayer shall begin with these Sentences.*

**I** Exhort that first of all, Supplications, Prayers, Intercessions, and giving of Thanks, be made for all men; for Kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life, in all godliness and honesty: For this is good and acceptable unto God our Saviour. *1 Tim. 2. 1, 2, 3.*

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

¶ *Instead of Venite exultemus the Hymn following shall be said or sung; one Verse by the Priest, and another by the Clerk and people.*

**O** Lord our Governor: how excellent is thy Name in all the world! *Psal. 8.1.*

*Lord, what is man, that thou hast such respect unto him: or the son of man, that thou so regardest him? Psal. 144. 3.*

The merciful and gracious Lord hath so done his marvellous works: that they ought to be had in remembrance. *Psal. III. 4.*

*O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness: and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men! Psal. 107. 21.*

Behold, O God, our defender: and look upon the face of thine Anointed. *Psal. 84. 9.*

*O hold thou up his goings in thy paths: that his footsteps slip not. Psal. 17. 5.*

Grant the King a long life: and make him glad with the joy of thy countenance. *Psal. 61.6. and 21.6.*

*Let him dwell before thee for ever: O prepare thy loving mercy and faithfulness, that they may preserve him. Psal. 61. 7.*

In his time, let the righteous flourish: and let peace be in all our borders. *Psal. 72. 7. and 147. 14.*

*As for his enemies, clothe them with shame: but upon himself let his crown flourish. Psal. 132. 19.*

Blessed be the Lord God, even the God of Israel: which only doeth wondrous things. *Psal. 72. 18.*

*And blessed be the Name of his Majesty for ever: and all the earth shall be filled with his Majesty. Amen. Amen. ver. 19.*

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.*

¶ *Proper Psalms. 20, 21, 101.*

¶ *Proper Lessons.*

The first, *Josh. 1.* to the end of the ninth verse.

*Te Deum.*

The second, *Rom. 13.*

*Jubilate Deo.*

¶ *The Suffrages next after the Creed, shall stand thus.*

*Priest. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us;*

*Answer. And grant us thy salvation.*

*Priest. O Lord, save the King;*

*Answer. Who putteth his trust in thee.*

*Priest. Send her help from thy holy place;*

*Answer. And evermore mightily defend him.*

*Priest. Let his enemies have no advantage against him;*

*Answer. Let not the wicked approach to hurt him.*

*Priest. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness;*

*Answer. And make thy chosen people joyful.*

*Priest. O Lord, save thy people.*

*Answer. And bless thine inheritance.*

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*Priest.* Give peace in our time, O Lord.

*Answer.* *Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.*

*Priest.* Be unto us, O Lord, a strong tower;

*Answer.* *From the face of our enemies.*

*Priest.* O Lord, hear our prayer.

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

¶ *Instead of the first Collect at Morning Prayer shall be used this following Collect of Thanksgiving for His Majesty's Accession to the Throne.*

**A**LMIGHTY God, who rulest over all the kingdoms of the World, and disposest of them according to thy good pleasure; We yield thee unfeigned thanks, for that thou wast pleased, as on this day, to place thy Servant our Sovereign Lord King GEORGE upon the Throne of these Realms. Let thy wisdom be his guide, and let thine arm strengthen him; let justice, truth, and holiness, let peace and love, and all those virtues that adorn the Christian Profession, flourish in his days; Direct all his counsels and endeavours to thy glory, and the welfare of his people; and give us grace to obey him cheerfully and willingly for conscience sake; that neither our sinful passions, nor our private interests, may disappoint his cares for the publick good; let him always possess the hearts of his people, that they may never be wanting in honour to his Person, and dutiful submission to his Authority; let his Reign be long and prosperous, and crown him with immortality in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *In the end of the Litany (which shall always be used upon this Day) after the Collect [We humbly beseech thee, O Father, &c.] shall the following Prayer, for the King and Royal Family, be used.*

**O** Lord our God, who upholdest and governest all things in heaven and earth; receive our humble prayers, with our hearty thanksgivings for our Sovereign Lord GEORGE, as on this day, set over us by thy grace and providence to be our King; and so together with him bless our gracious

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Queen CHARLOTTE, her Royal Highness the Princess Dowager of Wales, and all the Royal Family; that they all ever trusting in thy goodness, protected by thy power, and crowned with thy gracious and endless favour, may continue before thee in health, peace, joy, and honour, and may live long and happy lives upon earth, and after death obtain everlasting life and glory in the kingdom of heaven, by the merits and mediation of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall follow this Collect, for God's protection of the Queen against all her enemies.*

**M**OST gracious God, who hast set thy servant GEORGE our King upon the Throne of his Ancestors, we most humbly beseech thee to protect him on the same from all the dangers to which he may be exposed; Hide him from the gathering together of the froward, and from the insurrection of wicked doers; Do thou weaken the hands, blast the designs, and defeat the enterprizes of all his enemies; that no secret conspiracies, nor open violences, may disquiet his reign; but that being safely kept under the shadow of thy wing, and supported by thy power, he may triumph over all opposition; that so the world may acknowledge thee to be his defender and mighty deliverer in all difficulties and adversities; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Prayer for the High Court of Parliament (if fitting).*

¶ *In the Communion Service, immediately before the reading of the Epistle, instead of the Collect for the King, and that of the Day, shall be used this Prayer for the King, as supreme Governour of this Church.*

**B**LESSED Lord, who hast called Christian Princes to the defence of thy Faith, and hast made it their duty to promote the spiritual welfare, together with the temporal interest of their people; We acknowledge with humble and thankful hearts thy great goodness to us, in setting thy Servant our most gracious King over this Church and Nation;

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Give him, we beseech thee, all those heavenly graces that are requisite for so high a trust; Let the work of thee his God prosper in his hands; Let his eyes behold the success of his designs for the service of thy true Religion established amongst us; And make him a blessed instrument of protecting and advancing thy truth, wherever it is persecuted and oppressed; Let hypocrisy and profaneness, superstition and idolatry fly before his face; Let not heresies and false doctrines disturb the peace of the Church, nor schisms and causeless divisions weaken it; but grant us to be of one heart and one mind in serving thee our God, and obeying him according to thy will. And that these blessings may be continued to after-ages, let there never be one wanting in his House to succeed him in the government of this these Kingdoms, that our posterity may see his children's children, and peace upon Israel. So we that are thy people, and sheep of thy pasture, shall give thee thanks for ever, and will always be shewing forth thy praise from generation to generation. *Amen.*

*The Epistle.* I S. PET. 2. II.

**D**EARLY beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul; having your conversation honest among the Gentiles: that, whereas they speak against you as evil-doers, they may, by your good works which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation. Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake: whether it be to the King, as supreme; or unto governors, as unto them that are sent by him for the punishment of evil-doers, and for the praise of them that do well. For so is the will of God, that with well-doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men: as free, and not using your liberty for a cloke of maliciousness, but as the servants of God. Honour all men; Love the Brotherhood; Fear God; Honour the King.

*The Gospel.* S. MATTH. 22. 16.

**A**ND they sent out unto him their disciples, with the Herodians, saying, Master, we know that thou art true, and teachest the way of God in truth, neither carest thou

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for any man; for thou regardest not the person of men: Tell us therefore, What thinkest thou? Is it lawful to give tribute unto Cesar, or not? But Jesus perceived their wickedness, and said, Why tempt ye me, ye hypocrites? Shew me the tribute-money. And they brought unto him a penny. And he saith unto them, Whose is this image and superscription? They say unto him, Cesar's. Then saith he unto them, Render therefore unto Cesar the things which are Cesar's; and unto God the things that are God's. When they had heard these words, they marvelled, and left him, and went their way.

¶ *After the Nicene Creed shall follow the Sermon.*

¶ *In the Offertory shall this Sentence be read:*

**L**ET your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. S. *Matth.* 5. 16.

¶ *After the Prayer [For the whole state of Christ's Church &c.] these Collects following shall be used.*

¶ *A Prayer for Unity.*

**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 henceforth 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.*

**G**RANT, O Lord, we beseech thee, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by thy governance, that thy Church may joyfully serve thee in all godly quietness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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**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.*

**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.*

**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.*

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**O**UR *Will and Pleasure is, That these four Forms of Prayer and Service, made for the Fifth of November, the Thirtieth of January, the Twenty-ninth of May, and the Twenty-fifth of October, be forthwith printed and published, and annexed to the Book of Common Prayer and Liturgy of the Church of England; to be used yearly on the said Days, in all Cathedral and Collegiate Churches and Chapels, in all Chapels of Colleges and Halls within both Our Universities, and of Our Colleges of Eton and Winchester, and in all Parish-Churches and Chapels within that part of Our Kingdom of Great Britain called England, the Dominion of Wales, and Town of Berwick upon Tweed.*

Given at Our Court at St. James's, the Seventh Day of October, 1761; in the First Year of our Reign.

*By His Majesty's Command,*

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