

THE FORM OF SERVICE
FOR
DOMINION DAY AND OTHER
OCCASIONS

OF NATIONAL THANKSGIVING

Proper Psalms.

Morning Prayer: Psalm 72.

Evening Prayer: Psalms 46, 150.

Special Lessons.

Morning Prayer. First Lesson: Deut. 8; or Josh. 24, 14—25.

Second Lesson: 1 Tim. 2, 1—8; or St Matth. 25, 14—30.

Evening Prayer, First Lesson: Deut. 6, 1—15; or 28, 1—14.

Second Lesson: Rom. 13, 1—10.

¶ The Collect of the day shall be that appointed for the Seventh Sunday after Trinity.

The Epistle: 1 Peter 2, 1-16.

The Gospel: St Matth. 22, 16-21.

¶ After the Third Collect the Order shall be as follows:

PRAYERS

¶ The State Prayer beginning O Lord God Almighty, page 17.

¶ For the People of the Dominion.

ALMIGHTY God, who didst lead our fathers into this land, and set their feet in a large room: Give thy grace, we beseech thee, to us their children, that we may approve ourselves a people mindful of thy favour, and glad to do thy will. Bless our Dominion with honourable industry, sound learning, and pure manners. Save us from lawlessness and discord, pride and arrogance, and fashion into one godly people the multitude brought hither out of many kindreds and tongues. Give to all the spirit of service, and love, and mutual forbearance. In prosperity make us thankful unto thee, and in the day of trouble suffer not our trust in thee to fail. So that, loving thee above all things, we may fulfil thy gracious purpose in this land; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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¶ For our Goodly Heritage.

ALMIGHTY and merciful God, who in thy wisdom didst divide to the nations their inheritance: We yield thee hearty thanks for thy loving kindness in appointing this good land to be our dwelling place among the children of men; for the wealth and glory of its plains and mountains, its fruitful fields and teeming waters; for the precious things of heaven, the dew, the sunshine, snow and rain in their season, and the precious things of the earth and the fulness thereof; for a land wherein there is bread without scarceness. For all this, and the opportunities thus vouchsafed to us, we bless thee and magnify thy Name. And, we pray thee, grant us grace so to sanctify thee in our heritage that the world may know that thou art our God for ever and ever; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ For Confederation.

O GOD, the fountain of all wisdom, we bless and praise thy holy Name that thou didst move our rulers and statesmen to bring together under one government the scattered communities of our Empire on this continent, and to unite them into one Dominion from sea to sea; and we humbly beseech thee to give us grace so to serve thee that the heritage received from our fathers may be preserved in our time, and handed down unimpaired to our children; and grant that from generation to generation we may remain a people united and loyal to the Throne and Empire; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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¶ For God's General Blessings.

OLORD God Almighty, Supreme Ruler of Nations, without whom no people can be great: We thank thee for the progress and prosperity vouchsafed to this Dominion, and for the countless blessings, temporal and spiritual, bestowed upon its people. Make us, we beseech thee, more sensible of thy goodness, and of our responsibility as stewards of thy gifts; and grant us such virtue and true religion that by our works, and by our lives, thy holy Name may be for ever glorified; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ For the Empire.

OLORD God of Hosts, who dost order all the kingdoms of the world according to thy good pleasure: We give thee humble thanks for thy favour and goodness to our Motherland and all the whole Empire; for upholding us with thy mighty arm in all the ways by which from age to age thou hast led us; for granting unto us opportunities of service in many lands; and enabling us to extend thy kingdom amongst peoples that have not known thee, even unto the uttermost part of the earth. And we beseech thee to continue thy loving kindness to us that, united, free, and mindful of our stewardship, we may through thy grace so fulfil thy purpose, that our Empire may be a witness to thee among the kingdoms of the world, to the advancement of thy glory, and the good of all mankind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ At the discretion of the Minister, the General Thanksgiving may be used.

¶ Then shall follow the Prayer of St Chrysostom, and The grace of our Lord etc.

AN ORDER OF
SERVICE FOR CHILDREN

¶ The Minister may, at his discretion, begin the Service with the prayer following, all standing and repeating it with him.

LORD, teach us to pray. Lord, keep our thoughts from wandering. Lord, cleanse our hearts that we may worship thee in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ The Minister shall read one or more of these Sentences of the Scriptures that follow.

REMEMBER now thy Creator in the days of thy youth. *Eccles.* 12. 1.

Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near. *Isaiah* 55. 6.

¶ For Sentences which may be used on Festivals and Special Occasions, see Morning or Evening Prayer.

¶ Here shall follow this Form of Confession, or the General Confession, the Minister first saying:

Let us kneel and humbly confess our sins to
Almighty God.

OHEAVENLY Father, we confess that we have sinned greatly against thee in thought, and word, and deed, and have done that which is wrong in thy sight. We ask thee to forgive us our sins, and to give us grace always to resist temptation and to do thy holy will; for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

¶ A Prayer for Pardon.

GRANT, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful children pardon and peace; that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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¶ Or this.

¶ The Absolution to be pronounced by the Priest alone, standing.

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, have mercy upon you, and forgive you all your sins, deliver you from all evil, preserve and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ Then the Minister shall kneel, and say the Lord's Prayer, all kneeling and repeating it with him.

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

¶ Then shall the Minister say,

O Lord, open thou our lips.

Answer. And our mouths shall shew forth thy praise.

Minister. O God, make speed to save us.

Answer. O Lord, make haste to help us.

¶ 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.

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- ¶ Here shall follow a Psalm, and then a Lesson; after which may follow a Hymn, and a short Sermon, or Address, or Catechizing.
- ¶ Then shall be said or sung the Jubilate Deo, or one of the Canticles appointed for Morning or Evening Prayer.

JUBILATE DEO. Psalm 100.

OBE 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.

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.

¶ Then shall be said by all the Apostles' Creed.

¶ After the Creed the Minister shall say,

The Lord be with you.

Answer. And with thy spirit.

Minister. Let us pray.

- ¶ Then shall follow the Collect of the day, and two or more other prayers to be taken from elsewhere in this Book, or from these following.

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OLORD God, who didst reveal thyself to thy prophet Samuel while he was yet a child: Grant unto us whom thou hast made thy children by adoption and grace, that we may above all things seek to know thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent; and in all our learning grant us to fear and love thy holy Name; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

OLORD Jesu Christ, who didst sit lowly in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them and asking them questions: Be with us who are assembled in thy Name; and grant to those who teach, a right understanding of thy holy Word, and to those who learn, a readiness to hear and do thy blessed will; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

HEAVENLY Father, we thank thee for loving us, and for sending thy dear Son into the world to save us from our sins. We pray to thee for all who do not know of thy love, both at home and in foreign lands. Grant that through the work of our missionaries they may be led to confess the faith of Christ crucified, and may with us become soldiers and servants in thy holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who makest us both to will and to do those things that be good and acceptable unto thy Divine Majesty: We make our humble supplications unto thee for thy favour and gracious goodness towards all teachers and scholars in our Sunday Schools.

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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.*

¶ Here shall follow the special prayer for the Sunday School work of the Church (see page 53), the Service concluding with the following:

O GOD, our loving Father, we thank thee for all the blessings thou hast given us, and above all for our salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. Help us to shew forth our thankfulness by trying in every thing to please thee; for the sake of the same our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, who hast promised to hear the petitions of them that ask in thy Son's Name: We beseech thee mercifully to incline thine ears to us that 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 the setting forth of thy glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

2 Corinthians 13.

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

SUGGESTED PSALMS.

Psalms 1, 8, 15, 19, 23, 24, 27, 34, 46, 63, 84, 91, 103, 119 (selected portions), 121, 122, 127, 133, 146, 148, 150.

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SUGGESTED LESSONS.

¶ Suggested Lessons: Gen. 2, 4—9; 8, 1—14; 15, 1—18; 28, 10—21; Exod. 3, 1—9; Judges 7, 9—22; 1 Sam. 3; 17, 4—10; 17, 32—53; 1 Kings 18, 1, 2, and 17—39; Dan. 3; 5; 6; St Matth. 5, 1—15; 13, 1—8; 27, 26—50; St Mark 14, 3—9; St Luke 2, 41 to end; 10, 25—36; St John 6, 1—13; 10, 1—14; 15, 1—13; Acts 9, 1—20; 16, 16—34; 1 Cor. 13; Rev. 7, 9 to end; 21, 1—3; 22, 1—5. Advent: St Matth. 25, 1—12. Christmas: St Luke 2, 1—14. Epiphany: St Matth. 2, 1—12. Lent: St Luke 4, 1—13. Palm Sunday: St Mark 11, 1—10. Good Friday: St Luke 22, 39—46; St John 19, 25—36. Easter: St John 20, 1—10; 20, 11—17; 21, 1—13; St Luke 24, 13—34. Ascension Day: Acts 1, 1—11; Whitsunday: Acts 2, 1—11. Trinity Sunday: Isaiah 6, 1—8; St Matth. 28, 16 to end.

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¶ Instead of the customary Sentences, one or more of the following may I be read.

THE earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea. *Hab. 2. 14.*

Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. *St Mark 16. 15.*

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth! *Isaiah 52. 7.*

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. *St Matth. 9. 37, 38.*

¶ Here shall follow the Exhortation, Confession, Absolution, Lord's Prayer and Versicles as in Morning and Evening Prayer.

¶ Instead of the Venite, this Psalm following may be said or sung.

CANTATE DOMINO. Psalm 96.

OSING unto the Lord a new song : sing unto the Lord, all the whole earth.

Sing unto the Lord, and praise his Name : be telling of his salvation from day to day.

Declare his honour unto the heathen : and his wonders unto all people .

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For the Lord is great, and cannot worthily be praised : he is more to be feared than all gods.

As for all the gods of the heathen, they are but idols : but it is the Lord that made the heavens.

Glory and worship are before him : power and honour are in his sanctuary.

Ascribe unto the Lord, O ye kindreds of the people : ascribe unto the Lord worship and power.

Ascribe unto the Lord the honour due unto his Name : bring presents, and come into his courts.

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

Tell it out among the heathen that the Lord is King : and that it is he who hath made the round world so fast that it cannot be moved; and how that he shall judge the people righteously.

Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad : let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is.

Let the field be joyful, and all that is in it : then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice before the Lord.

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

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.

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¶ The following Proper Psalms may be used. Morning: Psalms 2, 46, 97; Evening: Psalms 113, 126, 132. And the following Proper Lessons. Morning: First Lesson, Isaiah 49, 13—23; Second Lesson, Eph. 3. Evening: First Lesson, Isaiah 60, 1—14; Second Lesson, John 10, 1—15.

¶ After the First Lesson, instead of the usual Canticle, may be said or sung the following.

CANTATE DOMINO. Isaiah 42.

SING unto the Lord a new song : and his praise
from the end of the earth;

Ye that go down to the sea, and all that is therein : the isles, and the inhabitants thereof.

Let the wilderness and the cities thereof lift up their voice : the villages that Kedar doth inhabit.

Let the inhabitants of the rock sing : let them shout from the top of the mountains.

Let them give glory unto the Lord : and declare his praise in the islands.

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.

¶ After the Second Lesson, instead of the usual Canticle, may be said or sung the following.

SURGE ILLUMINATOR. Isaiah 60.

ARISE, shine, for thy light is come : and the glory
of the Lord is risen upon thee.

For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth : and gross darkness the people.

But the Lord shall arise upon thee : and his glory shall be seen upon thee.

And the Gentiles shall come to thy light : and kings to the brightness of thy rising.

Thy gates shall be open continually : they shall not be shut day nor night.

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The sons also of them that afflicted thee : shall come bending unto thee;

And all they that despised thee : shall bow themselves down at the soles of thy feet.

And they shall call thee the city of the Lord : the Zion of the Holy One of Israel.

Violence shall no more be heard in thy land : wasting nor destruction within thy borders.

But thou shalt call thy walls Salvation : and thy gates Praise.

The sun shall be no more thy light by day : neither for brightness shall the moon give light unto thee,

But the Lord shall be unto thee an everlasting light: and thy God thy glory.

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.

¶ Then shall be said or sung the Apostles' Creed.

IBELIEVE 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 Catholick Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, And the life everlasting. Amen.

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¶ And, immediately after the Creed, the congregation shall be desired secretly in their prayers to make humble supplications to God for a blessing on the missions of the Church; and to that end silence shall be kept for a space, all devoutly kneeling.

¶ The following Suffrages shall then be said or sung .

Minister. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

Answer. And grant us thy salvation.

Minister. O Lord, save the King.

Answer. And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Minister. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

Answer. And make thy chosen people joyful.

Minister. O Lord, save thy people.

Answer. And bless thine inheritance.

Minister. O Lord, take all heathen to thine inheritance.

Answer. And the utmost parts of the earth for thy possession.

Minister. Let the knowledge of thy glory cover the earth;

Answer. As the waters cover the sea.

Minister. Shew thy servants thy work.

Answer. And their children thy glory.

Minister. Prosper thou the work of our hands upon us.

Answer. O prosper thou our handiwork.

¶ Then the Collect of the day, together with the following.

O GOD, who didst choose Israel to be thine inheritance: Look, we beseech thee, upon thy chosen people; take away the blindness which is fallen upon them; grant that they may see and confess the Lord Jesus to be thy Son and their true Messiah, and that, believing, they may have life through his Name. Bless those who labour to bring them to the know-

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ledge of thy truth; and hasten the time when the fulness of the Gentiles shall come in, and all Israel shall be saved; through the merits of the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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, and add the heathen to thine inheritance. And we pray thee shortly to accomplish the number of thine elect, and to hasten thy kingdom; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, who by thy Son Jesus Christ didst give commandment to the Apostles that they should go into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature: Grant to us whom thou hast called into thy Church, a ready will to obey thy Word, and fill us with a hearty desire to make thy way known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations. Look with compassion upon the heathen that have not known thee, and upon the multitudes that are scattered abroad as sheep having no shepherd. Raise up, we pray thee, true and faithful men, to seek and find thy sheep dispersed and lost, and by thy help to bring them home to thy flock, that they may be saved forever; through the same thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ Here a Hymn or Anthem may be sung; after which the Minister shall say,

Let us pray.

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¶ For Missionary Societies.

ALMIGHTY Saviour, who, being exalted by the right hand of God, didst receive gifts for men: Send down the grace of thy Holy Spirit upon thy people, and grant that they may give cheerfully of their substance, for the evangelizing of the world. Bless all those who are banded together for the spread of the Gospel [*especially**]; make them faithful and true witnesses in proclaiming thy glorious Name; and prosper the work of their hands upon them, that the light of thy truth may shine into the darkest corners of the earth. Hear us, O Merciful Saviour, who, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, livest and reignest, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

* Here may be mentioned by name any Society for which prayer is to be offered.

¶ For an increase of labourers in the Lord's vineyard.

O HEAVENLY Father, Lord of the harvest, have respect, we beseech thee, to the prayers of thy people, and send forth more labourers into thine harvest. Fit and prepare them by thy grace for the work of thy ministry; give them the spirit of power, and of love, and of a sound mind; strengthen them to endure hardness; and grant that thy Holy Spirit may prosper their work, and that by their life and doctrine they may set forth thy glory, and set forward the salvation of all men; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ Thanksgiving.

ALMIGHTY God, we give thee humble and hearty thanks for thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men. We thank thee for the light of thy Gospel, the labours of thy

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servants, and the ministrations of thy Church. We also bless thy holy Name for those who have lived, and suffered, and died for thy sake in the waste places of the earth; beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may at last attain thy heavenly promises; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *A Prayer of Saint Chrysostom.*

ALMIGHTY 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.*

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

¶ *At the Communion Service, the following Collect may be used with, or instead of, the Collect of the day.*

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who desirest not the death of sinners, but rather that they may turn to thee and live: Mercifully receive our prayer, and deliver the heathen from idolatry, and gather them into thy holy Church, to the praise and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

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THE EPISTLE. Rom. 10. 11.

FOR the Scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed. For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him. For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. 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? As it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the Gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!

THE GOSPEL. St Matth. 28.18.

AND 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 unto the end of the world. Amen.

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OUR Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into

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temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

And I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto me.

BLESSED Saviour, who at this hour didst hang upon the cross stretching out thy loving arms: Grant that all mankind may look unto thee and be saved; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

At mid-day, O King, I saw a light above the brightness
of the sun.

ALMIGHTY Saviour, who at mid-day didst call thy servant Saint Paul to be an Apostle to the Gentiles: We beseech thee to illumine the world with the radiance of thy glory, that all nations may come and worship thee ; who art, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Peter went up upon the house-top to pray, about
the sixth hour.

FATHER of mercies, who to thine Apostle Saint Peter didst reveal in three-fold vision thy boundless compassion: Forgive, we pray thee, our unbelief, and so enlarge our hearts, and enkindle our zeal, that we may fervently desire the salvation of all men, and with more ready diligence labour in the extension of thy kingdom ; for his sake, who gave himself for the life of the world, thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

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THE BLESSINGS OF HARVEST

¶ At Morning and Evening Prayer, the usual order shall be observed except for the following variations.

¶ The Minister shall say one or more of the following Sentences.

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious, because his mercy endureth for ever. *Psalm* 118. 1.

Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous, for it becometh well the just to be thankful. *Psalm* 33. 1.

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.* 3. 9.

The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof. *Psalm* 24. 1.

Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits. *Psalm* 103. 2.

¶ Instead of the Venite, the following may be said or sung, at Morning Prayer.

LAUDATE DOMINUM. *Psalm* 147.

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.

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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.

¶ One or more of the following Proper Psalms may be used. At Morning Prayer, Psalms 65, 103, 107, 144, 145. At Evening Prayer, Psalms 148, 150.

¶ The following Proper Lessons shall be read. At Morning Prayer: First Lesson, Deut. 8; Second Lesson, St Luke 12, 15—34. At Evening Prayer: First Lesson, Deut. 16, 9—17, or Deut. 28, 1—14; Second Lesson, 2 Cor. 9.

¶ After the Collect of the day, two or more of the following Collects shall be used.

OALMIGHTY God and heavenly Father, we glorify thee that we are once more permitted to enjoy the fulfilment of thy gracious promise, that, while the earth remaineth, seed-time and harvest shall not fail. Blessed be thou, who hast given us the fruits of the earth in their season. Teach us to

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remember that it is not by bread alone that man doth live; but grant that we may feed on him who is the true bread which cometh down from heaven, even Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour; to whom with thee, O Father, and thee, O Holy Ghost, be honour and glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

OMERCIFUL God, at whose bidding the earth withholdeth her increase, or rendereth her fruits in their season: Give us grace that we may learn, both from thy mercies and thy judgements, our entire dependence upon thee for the supply of our daily bread; and grant that we, remembering that thy blessings are for our trial as well as for our comfort, may with thankful hearts give unto thee of thine own, ministering gladly to the maintenance of thy Church, the relief of the poor and the afflicted, the widow and the orphan, to the glory of thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

OLORD, we pray thee, sow the seed of thy word in our hearts, and 'send down upon us the showers of thy grace, that we may bring forth the fruits of the Spirit, and at the great day of harvest may be gathered by the holy angels into the heavenly garner; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

OALMIGHTY God, whose dearly beloved Son, after his resurrection, sent his Apostles into all the world, and, on the day of Pentecost, endued them with special gifts of the Holy Ghost, that they might gather in the spiritual harvest: We beseech thee to look down from heaven upon the fields, now

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white unto the harvest, and to send forth more labourers to gather fruit unto eternal life. And grant us grace so to help them with our prayers and offerings, that when the harvest of the earth is ripe, and the time for reaping is .come, we, together with them, may rejoice before thee, according to the joy in harvest; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ Before the General Thanksgiving, shall be said one or more of the following.

ALMIGHTY Father, who hast watered our fields with the dew of heaven, and poured out upon us the former and the latter rain, according to our need, and hast reserved unto us the appointed weeks of the harvest: We bless and praise thee that, in love to thy children, thou hast at this season bestowed upon us such an abundant supply for all our necessities. Grant that we may never be destitute of those better gifts which nourish and enrich the soul. Pour down, we beseech thee, upon us thy heavenly grace, and endue us with the gifts of thy Holy Spirit, that we may bring forth abundant fruits to thy glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

OMOST merciful Father, who of thy gracious goodness hast heard the devout prayers of thy Church, and hast granted us to gather in their season the kindly fruits of the earth, and the harvest of the seas: We give thee humble thanks for this thy bounty; beseeching thee to continue thy loving-kindness towards us, that our land may yield her increase; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

for the Blessings of Harvest

¶ This prayer may be used when the harvest has been defective.

ALMIGHTY God and heavenly Father, who hast in wisdom seen fit to withhold from us at this time thine accustomed bounty : We most humbly praise thee for still bestowing upon us far more than we deserve. Make us truly thankful for our many blessings; increase in us more and more a lively faith and love, and a humble submission to thy blessed will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ At the Communion Service, the following Collect, Epistle, and Gospel may be used.

THE COLLECT.

OALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who crownest , the year with thy goodness, and hast given unto us the fruits of the earth in their season: Give us grateful hearts, that we may unfeignedly thank thee for all thy loving-kindness, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE EPISTLE. Rev. 14. 14.

AND I looked, and behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud one sat like unto the Son of man, having on his head a golden crown, and in his hand a sharp sickle. And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to him that sat on the cloud, Thrust in thy sickle, and reap: for the time is come for thee to reap; for the harvest of the earth is ripe. And he that sat on the cloud thrust in his sickle on the earth; and the earth was

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reaped. And another angel came out of the temple which is in heaven, he also having a sharp sickle. And another angel came out from the altar, which had power over fire; and cried with a loud cry to him that had the sharp sickle, saying, Thrust in thy sharp sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth; for her grapes are fully ripe.

THE GOSPEL. St John 6. 26.

JESUS answered them and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Ye seek me, not because ye saw the miracles, but because ye did eat of the loaves, and were filled. Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you: for him hath God the Father sealed. Then said they unto him, What shall we do, that we might work the works of God? Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the work of God, that ye believe on him whom he hath sent. They said therefore unto him, What sign shewest thou then, that we may see, and believe thee? what dost thou work? Our fathers did eat manna in the desert; as it is written, He gave them bread from heaven to eat. Then Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Moses gave you not that bread from heaven; but my Father giveth you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is he which cometh down from heaven, and giveth life unto the world. Then said they unto him, Lord, evermore give us this bread. And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst.