THE CHURCHPEOPLE'S PRAYER BOOK
AND
THE SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH TOGETHER WITH
THE PSALMS
AND A TABLE OF LESSONS
AND
SIX FORMS OF FAMILY PRAYER

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BY

THE LORD ARCHBISHOP OF WALES

I gladly welcome The Churchpeople’s Prayer Book for the Laity of the Province of Wales. It gives them just what they want. Under its guidance they will find their way easily through each service, and join in it as they are meant to do.

Within the Province of Wales the Clergy, in Public Prayer and administration of the Sacraments, are bound to use the official book of 1662, and none other, except so far as shall be ordered by lawful authority. But there is no reason at all why the Clergy should not distribute The Churchpeople’s Prayer Book in their congregations.

I hope that it will be used widely by the Laity. Its general adoption will undoubtedly improve Public Worship.

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I cordially recommend *The Churchpeople's Prayer Book* to the Clergy and Laity of the diocese of Monmouth.

Among the characteristics by which the book is distinguished are two to which I desire to call attention.

In the first place the doctrinal standpoint of the Book of Common Prayer is most scrupulously maintained. In this volume the balance and proportion of emphasis is precisely that of the Book, which through three centuries of use has become the most cherished possession of the Churches of the Anglican Communion. Such changes and additions as appear are in exact harmony with the spirit of the old Book.

In the second place *The Churchpeople's Prayer Book* wisely makes use of the resources of arrangement, and of variety of type in order to meet the needs of the present-day worshipper. It makes no pretension to be an authorized alternative to the Book of Common Prayer. In a sense it is an experiment in revision, strictly limited to the presentation of the old prayers in a somewhat simplified arrangement, with some very brief and purely explanatory changes of language.

Additional prayers for special occasions are added, which will be found to be appropriate in guiding and leading the intercessions of the congregation.

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Morning Prayer
COMMONLY CALLED
Mattins

The Minister reads a Sentence from the Bible, and the Exhortation.
Suitable for any day

When the wicked man turneth away from his wickedness that he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive.

To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him: neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in his laws which he set before us.

I will arise, and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, and am no more worthy to be called thy son.

Enter not into judgement with thy servant, O Lord; for in thy sight shall no man living be justified.

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.

God is a spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

Suitable for Advent

Repent ye; for the Kingdom of heaven is at hand.
SCRIPTURE SENTENCES

Suitable for Christmastide
Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people: for unto you is born in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

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

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.

I acknowledge my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities.

Suitable for Passiontide
Is it nothing to you all ye that pass by? Behold, and see if there be any sorrow like unto my sorrow.

Suitable for Eastertide
The Lord is risen indeed.

Suitable for Ascensiontide
Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of Glory shall come in.

Suitable for Whitsuntide
The love of God hath been shed abroad in our hearts through the Holy Spirit which was given unto us.

Suitable for Harvest
The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof.

MORNING PRAYER

The Exhortation

The Exhortation

The Minister reads the Exhortation.

Complete Form
DEARLY beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloke them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy.

And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart, and humble voice, unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying after me;

Shorter Form
DEARLY beloved brethren, I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart, and humble voice, unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying after me;
Kneel for the General Confession.

The General Confession

All say with the Minister.

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

The Absolution

A Priest pronounces the Absolution.

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

All say with the Minister.

O UR Father, which 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.

Minister. O Lord, open thou our lips; Answer. And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

Minister. O God, make speed to save us; Answer. O Lord, make haste to help us.

All stand.

Minister. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
MORNING PRAYER

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.

Venite, Psalm 95,

Except on Easter Day, see page 377.

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

2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving: and shew ourselves glad in him with Psalms.

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

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

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

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

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

8 To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts: as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness;

9 When your fathers tempted me: proved me, and saw my works.

10 Forty years long was I grieved with this generation, and said: It is a people that do err in their hearts, for they have not known my ways.

11 Unto whom I sware in my wrath: that they should not enter into my rest.

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

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

Here follow the Psalms,

see pages 74 to 285.

The First Lesson is read.

Te Deum or Benedicite

In Advent, and from Septuagesima to the end of Lent, the Benedicite is often used instead of Te Deum.

Te Deum

We praise thee, O God: we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.

2 All the earth doth worship thee: the Father everlasting.

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

4 To thee Cherubin,
TE DEUM OR BENEDICITE

Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
4 O ye Waters that be above the Firmament, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
5 O all ye Powers of the Lord, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
6 O ye Sun, and Moon, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
7 O ye Stars of Heaven, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
8 O ye Showers, and Dew, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
9 O ye Winds of God, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
10 O ye Fire and Heat, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
11 O ye Winter and Summer, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
12 O ye Dews, and Frosts, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
13 O ye Frost and Cold, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
14 O ye Ice and Snow, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
15 O ye Nights, and Days, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
16 O ye Light and Darkness, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
17 O ye Lightnings and Clouds, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.

O LORD, save thy people: and bless thine heritage.
23 Govern them:

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

24 Day by day: we magnify thee;
25 And we worship thy name: ever world without end.

26 Vouchsafe, O Lord: to keep us this day without sin.
27 O Lord, have mercy upon us: have mercy upon us.
28 O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us: as our trust is in thee.
29 O Lord, in thee have I trusted: let me never be confounded.

19 O ye Mountains, and Hills, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
20 O all ye Green Things upon the Earth, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
21 O ye Wells, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
22 O ye Seas, and Floods, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
23 O ye Whales, and all that move in the Waters, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.
24 O all ye Fowls of the Air, bless ye the Lord: praise him, and magnify him for ever.

Benedictus or Jubilate

BENEDICTUS

BLESS be the Lord God of Israel: for he hath visited, and redeemed his people;
2 And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us: in the house of his servant David;

JUBILATE

BE joyful in the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.
2 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.
3 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.
4 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.
MORNING PRAYER

Priest. The Lord be with you.
Answer. And with thy spirit.

All kneel.

Let us pray.

Minister. Lord, have mercy upon us.
Answer. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Minister. Lord, have mercy upon us.

All say with the Minister.

Our Father, which 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. Amen.

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.

The Collect of the Day,
see pages 307 to 467.

The Second Collect

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

Answer. Amen.

The Third Collect

O Lord, our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day: Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous.
MORNING PRAYER

in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Answer. Amen.

Anthem or Hymn

Here may follow the Litany, page 61, or the Occasional Prayers or Thanksgivings, see pages 37 to 60.

A Prayer for the King

O LORD our heavenly Father, high and mighty, King of kings, Lord of lords, the only Ruler of princes, who dost from thy throne behold all the dwellers upon earth: Most heartily we beseech thee with thy favour to behold our most gracious Sovereign Lord, King GEORGE; and so replenish him with the grace of thy Holy Spirit, that he may alway incline to thy will, and walk in thy way: Endue him plenteously with heavenly gifts; grant him in health and wealth long to live; strengthen him that he may vanquish and overcome all his enemies; and finally, after this life, he may attain everlasting joy and felicity; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Answer. Amen.

A Prayer for the Royal Family

ALMIGHTY God, the fountain of all goodness, we humbly beseech thee to bless our gracious Queen Elizabeth, Mary the Queen-Mother, the Princess Elizabeth, and all the Royal Family: Endue them with thy Holy Spirit; enrich them with thy heavenly grace; prosper them with all happiness; and bring them to thine everlasting kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

For the Clergy and People

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who alone workest great marvels: Send down upon our Bishops, and Curates, and all Congregations committed to their charge, the healthful spirit of thy grace; and that they may truly please thee, pour upon them the continual dew of thy blessing. Grant this, O Lord, for the honour of our Advocate and Mediator, Jesus Christ. Answer. Amen.

A Prayer from the Liturgy of St. Chrysostom

ALMIGHTY God, who has 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.
Answer. Amen.

The Grace

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore.
Answer. Amen.
Evening Prayer
COMMONLY CALLED
Evensong

The Minister reads a Sentence from the Bible, and the Exhortation.

Suitable for any day

WHEN the wicked man turneth away from his wickedness that he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive.

To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him: neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in his laws which he set before us.

I will arise, and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, and am no more worthy to be called thy son.

Enter not into judgement with thy servant, O Lord; for in thy sight shall no man living be justified.

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.

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

God is our hope and strength: a very present help in trouble.

SCRIPTURE SENTENCES

Suitable for Advent
Repent ye; for the Kingdom of heaven is at hand.

Suitable for Christmastide
Unto us a child is born, unto us a Son is given.

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

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.

I acknowledge my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities.

Suitable for Passiontide
God commendeth his love towards us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

Suitable for Eastertide
Christ is risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of them that slept.

Suitable for Ascensiontide
Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up ye everlasting doors; and the King of Glory shall come in.

Suitable for Whitsuntide
It shall come to pass in the last days, saith the Lord, I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh.

Suitable for Harvest
While the earth remaineth, seed time and harvest shall not cease.
EVENING PRAYER

The Exhortation

The Minister reads the Exhortation.

Complete Form

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

Shorter Form

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Kneel for the General Confession.

The General Confession

All say with the Minister.

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

The Absolution

The Absolution is pronounced by a Priest.

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

All say with the Minister.

O UR Father, which 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.

Minister. O Lord, open thou our lips;
Answer. And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.
Minister. O God, make speed to save us;
Answer. O Lord, make haste to help us.

All stand.

Minister. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

Magnificat or Cantate Domino

Magdificat

MY soul doth magnify the Lord: and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
2 For he hath regarded: the lowliness of his hand-maiden.
3 For behold, from henceforth: all generations shall call me blessed.
4 For he that is mighty hath magnified me: and holy is his Name.
5 And his mercy is on them that fear him:

Cantate Domino

O SING unto the Lord a new song: for he hath done marvellous things.
2 With his own right hand, and with his holy arm: hath he gotten himself the victory.
3 The Lord declared his salvation: his righteousness hath he openly shewed in the sight of the heathen.
4 He hath remembered his mercy and truth toward the house
MAGNIFICAT OR CANTATE DOMINO

throughout all generations.
6 He hath shewed strength with his arm: he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
7 He hath put down the mighty from their seat: and hath exalted the humble and meek.
8 He hath filled the hungry with good things: and the rich he hath sent empty away.
9 He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel: as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

The Second Lesson is read.

Nunc Dimittis or Deus Misereatur

ORD, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace: according to thy word.
2 For mine eyes have seen: thy salvation,
3 Which thou hast prepared: before the face of all people;
4 To be a light to lighten the Gentiles: and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

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.

EVENING PRAYER

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.
EVENING PRAYER

Deus Misereatur continued

6 Then shall the earth bring forth her increase: and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.
7 God shall bless us: and all the ends of the world shall fear him.
   Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
   As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed

All say with the Minister.

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty,
   Maker of heaven and earth:
   And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,
   Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born
   of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried, He
descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead, He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God
   the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
   I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholick Church; The Communion of Saints;
The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of
   the body, And the Life everlasting. Amen.

Minister. The Lord be with you.
Answer. And with thy spirit.

All kneel.

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

All say with the Minister.

OUR Father, which 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. Amen.

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us;
And grant us thy salvation.
O Lord, save the King;
And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.
Endue thy Ministers with righteousness;
And make thy chosen people joyful.
O Lord, save thy people;
And bless thine inheritance.
Give peace in our time, O Lord;
Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.
EVENING PRAYER

Minister. O God, make clean our hearts within us;
Answer. And take not thy holy Spirit from us.

The Collect of the Day,
see pages 301 to 407.

The Second Collect

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

The Third Collect

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

Anthem or Hymn

Here may follow some of the Occasional Prayers or Thanksgivings,
see pages 37 to 60.

EVENING PRAYER

A Prayer for the King

O LORD our heavenly Father, high and mighty, King of kings, Lord of lords, the only Ruler of princes, who dost from thy throne behold all the dwellers upon earth: Most heartily we beseech thee with thy favour to behold our most gracious Sovereign Lord, King GEORGE; and so replenish him with the grace of thy Holy Spirit, that he may alway incline to thy will, and walk in thy way: Endue him plenteously with heavenly gifts; grant him in health and wealth long to live; strengthen him that he may vanquish and overcome all his enemies; and finally, after this life, he may attain everlasting joy and felicity; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Answer. Amen.

A Prayer for the Royal Family

ALMIGHTY God, the fountain of all goodness, we humbly beseech thee to bless our gracious Queen Elizabeth, Mary the Queen-Mother, the Princess Elizabeth, and all the Royal Family: Endue them with thy Holy Spirit; enrich them with thy heavenly grace; prosper them with all happiness; and bring them to thine everlasting kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Answer. Amen.

For the Clergy and People

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who alone workest great marvels: Send down upon our Bishops and Curates, and all
EVENING PRAYER

Congregations committed to their charge, the healthful spirit of thy grace; and that they may truly please thee, pour upon them the continual dew of thy blessing. Grant this, O Lord, for the honour of our Advocate and Mediator, Jesus Christ.
Answer. Amen.

A Prayer from the Liturgy of St. 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.
Answer. Amen.

The Grace

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

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For use after the Third Collect at Mattins and Evensong, if authorized by the Bishop.

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1. For all Conditions of Men

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

The Church and Religious Work

2. For the Church

G RACIOUS Father, we humbly beseech thee to bless thy Holy Catholic Church, and fill it with truth and grace. Where it is corrupt, purge it; where it is in error, direct it; where anything is amiss, reform it; where it is right, strengthen and confirm it; where it is wanting, furnish it; where it is divided and rent asunder, heal the breaches thereof, O Thou Holy One of Israel. Answer. Amen.

3. For the Unity of Christians

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. Answer. Amen.
OCCASIONAL PRAYERS

For the Unity of Christians

VOUCHSAFE, we beseech thee, Almighty God, to grant to the whole Christian people unity, peace, and true concord, both visible and invisible; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

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

4. For the Right Observance of Sunday

O GOD, who hast consecrated the first day of the week to be a perpetual memorial of thy Son's Resurrection: Pour out thy grace upon all Christian people that they may worship thee in spirit and in truth, so that strengthened and refreshed in mind and body we may serve thee faithfully all the days of our life; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Answer. Amen.

5. In the Ember Weeks

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

6. For an Increase of the Sacred Ministry

ALMIGHTY God, look mercifully upon thy Church, and incline the hearts of many of her sons to offer themselves for the work of the sacred ministry, so that by their labours thy light may shine in the darkness of the world, and the coming of thy kingdom may be hastened by the perfecting of thine elect; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

7. During the Vacancy of a See or Incumbency

ALMIGHTY God, the giver of every good gift: Look graciously, we beseech thee, on thy Church, and so guide with thy heavenly
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wisdom the minds of those to whom is committed the choice of a Bishop for this Diocese [or Rector or Vicar for this Parish] that we may receive a faithful Pastor, who shall feed thy flock according to thy will, and make ready a people acceptable unto thee; through Jesus Christ, thine only Son, our Lord. Answer. Amen.

8. For the Synod or Assembly, or Governing Body of the Church

ETERNAL God, the fountain of all wisdom; Guide, we beseech Thee, with the light of thy Holy Spirit, the Bishops and Clergy [and Laity] of ......, that they may seek only thy glory and the good of thy Holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

9. For Confirmation Candidates

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

10. For Church Work

LORD, without whom our labour is but lost, and with whom the weakest go forth as the mighty: Be present to all works in thy Church which are undertaken according to thy will (especially ......), and grant to thy labourers a pure intention, patient faith, sufficient success upon earth, and the bliss of serving thee in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

11. For a Parish

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who dost govern all things in heaven and earth: mercifully hear the supplications of us thy servants; and grant unto this parish all things needful for its spiritual welfare [schools wherein to bring up the young in thy faith and fear; ministers to labour in this portion of thy vineyard; a church complete in the beauty of holiness.] Strengthen and confirm the faithful; protect and guide the children; visit and relieve the sick and afflicted; turn and soften the wicked; rouse the careless; recover the fallen; remove all hindrances to the advancement of thy truth; and bring all to be of one heart and mind within the fold of thy holy Church; to the honour and glory of thy blessed Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

12. For Church Work Overseas

GOD of all the nations of the earth, remember the multitudes of the heathen, who, though created in thine image, have not known thee, nor the dying of thy Son their Saviour Jesus Christ; and grant that by the prayers and labours of thy holy Church they may be delivered from all superstition and unbelief and brought to worship thee; through him whom thou hast sent to be the Resurrection and the Life of all men, the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Answer. Amen.
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For Church Work Overseas

O GREAT Lord of the harvest, send forth, we beseech thee, labourers into the harvest of the world, that the grain which is even now ripe may not fall and perish through our neglect. Pour forth thy sanctifying Spirit on our fellow-Christians, and thy converting grace on the heathen. Raise up, we pray Thee, a devout ministry among the native believers, that, all thy people being knit together in one body in love, thy Holy Church may grow up into the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ; through him who died and rose for us all, the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

O GOD, who hast made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on the face of the earth, and didst send thy blessed Son Jesus Christ to preach peace to them that are afar off, and to them that are nigh: Grant that all the peoples of the world may feel after thee and find thee; and hasten, O Lord, the fulfilment of thy promise, to pour out thy Spirit upon all flesh; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

13. For Sunday Schools

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who hast committed to thy Church the care and nurture of thy children: Prosper with thy blessing those who teach and those who learn, that, holding fast the faith once for all delivered to the Saints, they may worship thee and serve thee all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

14. For Universities and Schools

O GOD, who through thy Holy Spirit dost lead thy people into all truth: Prosper with thy blessing all Universities, Colleges, and Schools, that the confines of knowledge may ever be enlarged, and all sound learning may flourish and abound. And grant that both teachers and students may ever look upward unto thee, who art the fountain of all wisdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The State and Country

15. For the King, and all in authority

O LORD God of our fathers, who rulest the nations of the earth: Most heartily we beseech thee with thy favour to behold our Sovereign Lord, King George, that he may alway incline to thy will and walk in thy way; and together with him bless our gracious Queen Elizabeth, Mary the Queen-Mother, the Princess Elizabeth, and all the Royal Family. Endue with wisdom the Ministers of the Crown, the Parliaments in all his Dominions, and all who are set in authority over us, that all things may be so ordered and settled by their endeavours, upon the best and surest foundations, that peace and happiness, truth and justice, religion and piety, may be established among us for all generations; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

16. For the High Court of Parliament

MOST gracious God, we humbly beseech thee, as for this kingdom in general, so especially for the High Court of Parliament, under our most religious and gracious King at this time assembled: That thou wouldst be pleased to direct and prosper all their consultations to the
advancement of thy glory, the good of thy Church, the safety, honour, and welfare of our Sovereign, and his dominions; that all things may be so ordered and settled by their endeavours, upon the best and surest foundations, that peace and happiness, truth and justice, religion and piety, may be established among us for all generations. These and all other necessaries, for them, for us, and thy whole Church, we humbly beg in the name and mediation of Jesus Christ our most blessed Lord and Saviour. R. Amen.

17. For the British Empire

O LORD God of our fathers, Who in thy goodness hast led this people hitherto by wondrous ways: who makest the nations to praise thee, and knittest them together in the bonds of peace; we beseech thee to pour thine abundant blessing on the Dominions over which thou hast called thy servant George to be King, Grant that all, of whatever race or colour or tongue, may in prosperity and peace be united in the bond of brotherhood, and in the one fellowship of the faith, so that we may be found a people acceptable unto thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

ETERNAL God, who rulest in the kingdoms of men: Grant, we most humbly beseech thee, honour and safety to our Sovereign Lord, King George; peace throughout the Commonwealth of his peoples; promotion to true religion; encouragement to learning and godly living; a patient service to the concord of the world; and, by all these, glory to thy holy name; for his sake, to whom thou hast given all power in heaven and earth, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Answer. Amen.
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and hasten the time when wars shall cease in all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

For the Forces of the King

O LORD God of Hosts, stretch forth, we pray thee, thine almighty arm to strengthen and protect the sailors, soldiers and airmen of the King in every peril, of sea and land and air; shelter them in the day of battle, and ever keep them safe from all evil; strengthen them by thy grace, that they may shew themselves worthy defenders of freedom and truth; and grant that this life ended they may attain everlasting joy and felicity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

For Sailors

O THOU that slumberest not nor sleepest; Protect, we pray thee, our Sailors from the hidden perils of the sea, and from the snares and assaults of the enemy; grant that in dangers often, in watchings often, in weariness often, they may serve thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

For Airmen

O ALMIGHTY Lord of heaven and earth, who makest the clouds thy chariot, and walkest upon the wings of the wind: Look in mercy, we beseech thee, on those who are called to tasks of special peril in the air. Even there also shall thy hand lead them, and thy right hand shall hold them. Help them to know that in life and in death the eternal God is their refuge, and that underneath are the everlasting arms; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

O LORD, we beseech thee, have mercy upon the sick and wounded; relieve their pain; comfort and cheer them in weariness and depression; may it please thee to restore them to health of mind and body; and make thyself known unto them as their Saviour and everlasting Friend; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

For the Oppressed

O LORD, whose compassions fail not, and whose mercies are new every morning: Look down in pity on those who suffer, and heal the anguish of the world; release all who are held in the bondage of fear; have compassion upon the homeless and the oppressed; do thou care for the desolate; comfort the sorrowful; and give rest to the weary; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

For Servants of the Country

O BLESSED Saviour, who thyself wast pleased to labour amongst men: Have mercy, we pray thee, upon all who are now serving their country; guard them in all dangers; preserve them in all temptations; and grant them such health of mind and body that they may serve their brethren faithfully and well, and do the things that are pleasing unto thee; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Answer. Amen.
PRAYERS IN TIME OF WAR

For Faith in God

O GOD, who knowest that the hearts of many are failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: Raise up, we pray thee, thy power and come among us and with great might succour us; that, whatever befalleth the sons of men, we may put our whole trust and confidence in thy mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

For Whole-hearted Service

Teach us, O Lord, to serve thee as thou deservest; To give, and not to count the cost; To fight, and not to heed the wounds; To toil, and not to look for rest; To labour, and to seek for no reward, Save that of knowing that we do thy will; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

For Victory

STRENGTHEN our hearts and our hands, O Lord, and confirm our purpose that contending valiantly for truth and freedom, we may conquer by thy might; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

For Peace

O ALMIGHTY God, who canst bring good out of evil, and makest even the wrath of man to turn to thy praise: Teach us to live together in charity and peace; and grant that the nations of the world may be united in a firmer fellowship for the promotion of thy glory and the good of all mankind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

OCCASIONAL PRAYERS

18. For Servants of the Crown and Country

O LORD God of hosts, who didst give grace to thy servant Saint George to lay aside the fear of man, and to confess thee even unto death: Grant that we, and all our countrymen who bear office in the world, may think lightly of earthly place and honour, and seek rather to please the Captain of our salvation, who hath chosen us to be his soldiers; to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be thanks and praise from all the armies of thy saints, now and for evermore. Answer. Amen.

19. For use during an Election

ALMIGHTY God, the fountain of all wisdom: Guide and direct, we humbly beseech thee, the minds of all those who are called at this time to make choice of fit persons to serve in ...... Grant that in the exercise of their choice they may promote thy glory and the welfare of thy people; and on those whom they shall choose, bestow, of thy goodness, the Spirit of wisdom and true godliness. And this we beg for the sake of Jesus Christ our only Mediator and Advocate. Answer. Amen.

20. For Fruitful Seasons

Suitable for Rogationtide

ALMIGHTY God, Lord of heaven and earth, in whom we live and move and have our being, who makest the sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendest rain on the just and on the unjust: Hear thy people who call upon thee, and prosper the labours of the husbandman, and grant such seasonable weather that we may gather in the fruits of the earth, and proclaim thy great goodness with thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.
21. For Industries
Suitable for Rogationtide

O ALMIGHTY Father, who through thy Son Jesus Christ hast consecrated labour to the blessing of mankind: Prosper, we pray thee, the industries of this land; defend those who are engaged therein in their temptations and dangers, and grant that they, receiving the due reward of their labours, may praise thee by living according to thy will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

22. For Agriculture
Suitable for Rogationtide

H AVE mercy, O Lord, upon all who labour in the cultivation of the land, and grant that by the power of thy grace their own souls may be fruitful unto good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

23. For Fisheries
Suitable for Rogationtide

O ALMIGHTY God, who hast made the sea and all that moveth therein: Bestow thy blessing, we beseech thee, on the harvest of the waters, that it may be abundant in its season, and on our sailors and fishermen, that they may be safe in every peril of the deep, so that all with thankful hearts may acknowledge thee, who art the Lord of the sea and of the dry land; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

24. For Fair Weather, or for Rain
Suitable for Rogationtide

O GOD, heavenly Father, who by thy Son Jesus Christ hast promised to them that seek first thy kingdom and thy righteousness, all things necessary to their bodily sustenance: Send us, we beseech thee, in this our necessity, such favourable weather [or such moderate rain and showers] that we may receive the fruits of the earth to our comfort, and to thine honour; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

25. For Industrial Peace

O GOD, the Father of all mankind, we beseech thee to inspire us with such love, truth and equity, that in all our dealings one with another we may shew forth our brotherhood in thee; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Answer. Amen.

26. For the Unemployed

O GOD, who in the eternal vigilance of thy love dost sustain the whole of human life, pour thy grace upon those who are compelled to stand idle in the market-place: Uphold them with heavenly hope; protect them from all dangers of body and soul, and fill us all with the spirit of service that none may want, but each, according to his need, may share in thy bountiful goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

27. For Prosperity

O GOD, who knowest that the hearts of many are failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: Raise up, we pray thee, thy power and come among us and with great might succour us; lighten our adversities, that, all hindrances to prosperity being removed, there may be peace and plenty in all lands; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.
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28. For Employment

O GOD our Father, who art loving unto every man, and merciful in all thy works: Hear the prayers of thy Church, and grant such a measure of employment unto all thy children, that, serving faithfully with hand and mind and receiving the due reward of their labour, they may rest in thee when their day's work is done; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

29. For Peace in the World

ETERNAL God, in whose perfect kingdom no sword is drawn but the sword of righteousness, and no strength known but the strength of love: We pray thee so mightily to shed and spread abroad thy Spirit, that all peoples and ranks may be gathered under one banner, of the Prince of Peace; as children of one God and Father of all, to whom be dominion and glory now and for ever. Answer. Amen.

30. For the League of Nations, or other International Peace Conference

ALMIGHTY God, from whom all thoughts of truth and peace proceed: Kindle, we pray thee, in the hearts of all men the true love of peace; and guide with thy pure and peaceable wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth; that in tranquillity thy kingdom may go forward, till the earth is filled with the knowledge of thy love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

31. For Armistice Day

O ALMIGHTY God, who on this day didst bring to an end the conflict of the Great War: We yield thee hearty thanks for Thy merciful deliverance from the grave perils and dangers wherewith we were beset, and we humbly beseech thee to grant to all men a sense of the blessings of peace that wars may cease throughout the world; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who is the Prince of Peace, and ever liveth and reigneth with thee, in the Unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, world without end. R. Amen.

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32. In time of Common Sickness

O ALMIGHTY God, with whom are the issues of life and death: Grant us, we beseech thee, deliverance in this time of grievous sickness and mortality. Sanctify to us this affliction, and prosper with thy continual blessing those who labour to protect us against disease and pain; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

33. For the Sick

ALMIGHTY and Immortal God, giver of life and health: We beseech thee to hear our prayers for all the sick and suffering, especially those for whom our prayers are desired, that by thy blessing upon them and upon those who minister to them they may be restored, if it be thy gracious will, to health of mind and body, and give thanks to thee in thy Holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

34. For the Suffering

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, the comfort of the sad, the strength of them that suffer: Let the prayers of thy children who cry out of any tribulation come unto thee; and unto every Christian soul that is distressed grant thou mercy, grant relief, grant refreshment; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.
35. For Hospitals and Infirmaries

ALMIGHTY God, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ went about doing good, and healing all manner of sickness and disease among the people: Continue, we beseech thee, this his gracious work in our midst, especially in the Hospitals and Infirmaries of our land; cheer, heal and sanctify the sick and afflicted; to doctors and nurses grant skill, sympathy and patience; and send down thy blessing on all who labour and minister of their substance to prevent suffering and to forward thy purpose of love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

36. For Travellers

O GOD of Infinite Majesty and Mercy, whom neither distance of place nor length of time can separate from those whom thou defendest, mercifully assist thy servants (especially......) who put their trust in thee; Vouchsafe to be their guide and their companion on the way by which they go. Let no misfortune befall them, no difficulty hinder them, but do thou prosper their journey and bring them to the place where they would be; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

37. For Seafarers

O ALMIGHTY God, whose way is in the sea, and whose paths are in the great waters: Be present, we beseech thee, with our brethren in the manifold dangers of the deep; protect them from all its perils; prosper them in their course; and bring them in safety to the haven where they would be, with a grateful sense of thy mercies; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Answer. Amen.

38. For Faithfulness

REMEMBER, O Lord, what thou hast wrought in us, and not what we deserve; and as thou hast called us to thy service, make us worthy of our calling; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

39. From St. Richard of Chichester

THANKS be to thee, O Lord Jesus Christ, For all the cruel pains and insults Thou hast borne for me; For all the many blessings Thou hast won for me. O Holy Jesus, most merciful redeemer, Friend and brother, May I know thee more clearly, Love thee more dearly, And follow thee more nearly: For ever and ever. Amen.

40. An Evening Prayer

O LORD, support us all the day long of this troublous life, until the shades lengthen, and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over and our work is done. Then, Lord, in thy mercy grant us safe lodging, a holy rest, and peace at the last, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

41. For Absent Friends

O FATHER of all, we pray to thee for those we love but now no longer see: Grant them thy peace; let light perpetual shine upon them; and in thy loving wisdom and almighty power work in them the good purpose of thy perfect will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.
A BIDDING PRAYER

Sometimes used when His Majesty's Judge of Assize attends Church in State

Let us pray for Christ's Holy Catholic Church; especially for that pure and apostolic branch of it established in these Kingdoms, and herein, for our Gracious Sovereign Lord, George the Sixth, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, in all causes and over all persons ecclesiastical and civil, within his Dominions supreme; for our Gracious Queen Elizabeth, Mary the Queen Mother, the Princess Elizabeth, and all the Royal Family: for the Lords and others of His Majesty's most honourable Privy Council: [for the Great Council of the Nation now assembled in Parliament]: for the nobility and gentry of this Land: that all, in their respective stations, may labour to advance the glory of God, and the present and future welfare of mankind, remembering that solemn account which they must one day give before the tribunal of God.

Let us pray also for the whole Commons of this Realm, that they may live in the true faith and fear of God, in dutiful obedience to the King, and in brotherly love and charity one towards another. But for the sake of all, let us pray for the Clergy, whether Bishops, Priests or Deacons; that they may shine as lights in the world and adorn the doctrine of God our Saviour in all things; for all Judges, [especially for His Majesty's Judge of Assize now present:] for all Magistrates of this Realm, and especially for the High Sheriff of this County, and for the Chief Magistrate of this [ancient and royal] city [borough].

To our prayers let us add our unfeigned praises for mercies already received, for our creation, preservation, and for all the blessings of this life, but above all for the inestimable love of God our Heavenly Father in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. Finally let us praise God for all His servants departed this life in His faith and fear; beseeching Him to give us grace so to follow their good examples that this life ended, we may dwell with them in life everlasting, through Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose most perfect form of prayer we conclude our imperfect addresses to the throne of grace:—

Our Father, which 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.
Occasional Thanksgivings

For use after the Third Collect at Mattins and Evensong, if authorized by the Bishop.

1. A General Thanksgiving.
2. For the Church.
3. For Missionary Work.
4. For the Advance of Medical Science.
5. For Rain.
6. For fair Weather.
7. For Plenty.
8. For the Blessings of Harvest.
9. For Peace.
10. For Restoring Public Peace at Home.
11. For Deliverance from Common Sickness.

1. A General Thanksgiving

**ALMIGHTY God, Father of all mercies,**
we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us, and to all men; particularly to those who desire now to offer up their praises and thanksgivings for thy late mercies vouchsafed unto them.

We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we shew forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives; by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

2. For the Church

**O GOD, whose glory fills the skies,** we laud and praise thy holy name for all the blessings brought to us in thy Holy Church, especially within our own part of it; we bless thee for the gifts of faith, knowledge, and of a sound mind; for the grace of membership and the joy of fellowship; may the operation of thy Sacraments so knit us to thee in grace, that we may be able without fear or hesitation to behold thy wonders in nature; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Answer. Amen.

3. For Missionary Work

**WE praise and bless thy Holy Name, O Lord;**
For the triumphs of thy Church at home and in heathen lands;
That the light of the Gospel has dispelled the darkness of superstition and unbelief;
That fear of evil spirits has been cast out by thy perfect love;
That the Sacred Ministry has been raised up amongst the native believers;
That men of every race and colour have duly received the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ;
THANKSGIVINGS

For the signs of his Presence,
For the marks of his Cross,
All glory be to thee, O Lord.
Answer. Thanks be to God.

4. For the Advance of Medical Science

O GOD, whose Spirit filleth all the world,
revealing the wonders of nature through each succeeding day, we thank thee for the continual advance in medical science whereby the bodies of men are made apt for thy service; beseeching thee that those who minister to thee in nature may be consecrated to thee by grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Answer. Amen.

5. For Rain

O GOD our heavenly Father, who by thy gracious providence dost cause the former and the latter rain to descend upon the earth, that it may bring forth fruit for the use of man: We give thee humble thanks that it hath pleased thee, in our great necessity, to send us at the last a joyful rain upon thine inheritance, and to refresh it when it was dry, to the great comfort of us thy unworthy servants, and to the glory of thy holy Name; through thy mercies in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Answer. Amen.

6. For Fair Weather

O LORD God, who hast justly humbled us by thy late plague of immoderate rain and waters, and in thy mercy hast relieved and comforted our souls by this seasonable and blessed change of weather: We praise and glorify thy

7. For Plenty

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

8. For the Blessings of Harvest

O ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hast given us the fruits of the earth in their season, and hast crowned the year with thy goodness: For these and all other thy mercies we laud and magnify thy Holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, now and for evermore.
Answer. Amen.

9. For Peace

O ETERNAL God, our heavenly Father, who wilt all men to dwell together in unity: We bless thy Holy Name for thy gracious gift of peace; most humbly beseeching thee to grant to all of us grace that we may henceforth obediently walk in thy holy commandments; and leading a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness
and honesty, may continually offer unto thee the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Answer. Amen.

10. For Restoring Public Peace at Home

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

11. For Deliverance from Common Sickness

O GOD, the Creator and Preserver of all mankind; We yield thee hearty thanks that thou hast delivered us from sickness and affliction, and with grateful hearts we offer unto thy fatherly goodness ourselves, our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice unto thee, always praising and magnifying thy mercies in the midst of thy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Answer. Amen.
THE LITANY

M. From all blindness of heart; from pride, vain-glory, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice, and all uncharitableness,
A. Good Lord, deliver us.

M. From fornication, and all other deadly sin; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil,
A. Good Lord, deliver us.

M. From lightning and tempest; from plague, pestilence, and famine; from battle and murder, and from sudden death,
A. Good Lord, deliver us.

M. From all sedition, privy conspiracy, and rebellion; from all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word and Commandment,
A. Good Lord, deliver us.

B. By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation; by thy holy Nativity and Circumcision; by thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation,
A. Good Lord, deliver us.

M. By thine Agony and bloody Sweat; by thy Cross and Passion; by thy precious Death and Burial; by thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension; and by the coming of the Holy Ghost,
A. Good Lord, deliver us.

M. In all time of our tribulation: in all time of our wealth; in the hour of death, and in the day of judgement,
A. Good Lord, deliver us.

W. We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God; and that it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy Church universal in the right way;
A. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

M. That it may please thee to keep and strengthen in the true worshipping of thee, in righteousness and holiness of life, thy Servant GEORGE, our most gracious King and Governor;
A. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

M. That it may please thee to rule his heart in thy faith, fear, and love, and that he may evermore have affiance in thee, and ever seek thy honour and glory;
A. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

M. That it may please thee to be his defender and keeper, giving him the victory over all his enemies;
A. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

M. That it may please thee to bless and preserve our gracious Queen Elizabeth, Mary the Queen-Mother, the Princess Elizabeth, and all the Royal Family;
A. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

M. That it may please thee to illuminate all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, with true knowledge and understanding of thy Word; and that both by their preaching and living they may set it forth, and shew it accordingly;
A. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

At an Ordination or in Embertide

M. That it may please thee to bless these thy servants, now to be admitted to the Order of Deacons, [or Priests,] and to pour thy grace upon them; that they may duly execute their Office, to the edifying of thy Church, and the glory of thy holy Name;
A. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

M. That it may please thee to keep and strengthen in the true worshipping of thee, in righteousness and holiness of life, thy Servant GEORGE, our most gracious King and Governor;
A. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
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M. That it may please thee to endue the Lords of the Council, and all the Nobility, with grace, wisdom, and understanding;
A. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
M. That it may please thee to bless and keep the Magistrates, giving them grace to execute justice, and to maintain truth;
A. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
M. That it may please thee to bless and keep all thy people;
A. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
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A. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
M. That it may please thee to give us an heart to love and dread thee, and diligently to live after thy commandments;
A. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
M. That it may please thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred, and are deceived;
A. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
M. That it may please thee to succour, help, and comfort, all that are in danger, necessity, and tribulation;
A. We beseech thee to hear us good Lord.

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M. That it may please thee to preserve all that travel by land, or air, or water, all women labouring of child, all sick persons, and young children; and to shew thy pity upon all prisoners and captives;
A. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
M. That it may please thee to defend, and provide for, the fatherless children, and widows, and all that are desolate and oppressed;
A. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
M. That it may please thee to have mercy upon all men;
A. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
M. That it may please thee to forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts;
A. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
M. That it may please thee to give and preserve to our use the kindly fruits of the earth, so as in due time we may enjoy them;
A. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
M. That it may please thee to give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and to endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to thy holy Word;
A. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
M. Son of God: we beseech thee to hear us.
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Minister. O Lamb of God: that takest away the sins of the world;
Answer. Grant us thy peace.
Minister. O Lamb of God: that takest away the sins of the world;
Answer. Have mercy upon us.
O U R Father, which 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. Amen.

Minister. O Lord, deal not with us after our sins; Answer. Neither reward us after our iniquities.

Let us pray.

O GOD, merciful Father, that despisest not the sighing of a contrite heart, nor the desire of such as be sorrowful: Mercifully assist our prayers that we make before thee in all our troubles and adversities, whomsoever they oppress us; and graciously hear us, that those evils, which the craft and subtlety of the devil or man worketh against us, be brought to nought; and by the providence of thy goodness they may be dispersed; that we thy servants, being hurt by no persecutions, may evermore give thanks unto thee in thy holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
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evermore serve thee in holiness and pureness of living, to thy honour and glory; through our only Mediator and Advocate, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Answer. Amen.

A Prayer from the Liturgy of St. 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.
Answer. Amen.

The Grace

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

The Athanasian Creed

Used at Mattins instead of the Apostles’ Creed.

WHOSOEVER will be saved: before all things it is necessary that he hold the Catholick Faith.
2 Which Faith except every one do keep whole and undefiled: without doubt he shall perish everlastingly [eternally].

AND the Catholick Faith is this: That we worship one God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity;
4 Neither confounding [confusing] the Persons: nor dividing the substance.
5 For there is one Person of the Father, another of the Son: and another of the Holy Ghost.
6 But the Godhead of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, is all one: the glory equal, the majesty co-eternal.
7 Such as the Father is, such is the Son: and such is the Holy Ghost.
8 The Father uncreate, the Son uncreate: and the Holy Ghost uncreate.
9 The Father incomprehensible [infinite], the Son incomprehensible [infinite]: and the Holy Ghost incomprehensible [infinite].
10 The Father eternal, the Son eternal: and the Holy Ghost eternal.
11 And yet they are not three eternals: but one eternal.
12 As also there are not three incomprehensibles [infinities], nor three uncreated: but one uncreated, and one incomprehensible [infinite].
13 So likewise the Father is almighty, the Son almighty: and the Holy Ghost almighty.
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14 And yet they are not three almighties: but one almighty.
15 So the Father is God, the Son is God: and the Holy Ghost is God.
16 And yet they are not three Gods: but one God.
17 So likewise the Father is Lord, the Son Lord: and the Holy Ghost Lord.
18 And yet not three Lords: but one Lord.
19 For like as we are compelled by the Christian verity: to acknowledge every Person by himself to be God and Lord;
20 So are we forbidden by the Catholick Religion: to say, There be three Gods, or three Lords.
21 The Father is made of none: neither created nor begotten.
22 The Son is of the Father alone: not made, nor created, but begotten.
23 The Holy Ghost is of the Father and of the Son: neither made, nor created, nor begotten, but proceeding.
24 So there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons: one Holy Ghost, not three Holy Ghosts.
25 And in this Trinity none is afore, or after other: none is greater or less than another;
26 But the whole three Persons are co-eternal together: and co-equal.
27 So that in all things, as is aforesaid: the Unity in Trinity, and the Trinity in Unity is to be worshipped.
28 He therefore that will be saved: must [let him] thus think of the Trinity.

FURTHERMORE, it is necessary to everlasting [eternal] salvation: that he also believe rightly the Incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ.
30 For the right Faith is, that we believe and confess: that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is God and Man;
31 God, of the Substance of the Father, begotten before the worlds: and Man, of the Substance of his Mother, born in the world;
32 Perfect God, and perfect Man: of a reasonable [reasoning] soul and human flesh subsisting;
33 Equal to the Father, as touching his Godhead: and inferior to the Father, as touching his Manhood.
34 Who although he be God and Man: yet he is not two, but one Christ;
35 One; not by conversion of the Godhead into flesh: but by taking of the Manhood into God;
36 One altogether; not by confusion of Substance: but by unity of Person.
37 For as the reasonable [reasoning] soul and flesh is one man: so God and Man is one Christ;
38 Who suffered for our salvation: descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead.
39 He ascended into heaven, he sitteth on the right hand of the Father, God Almighty: from whence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
40 At whose coming all men shall rise again with their bodies: and shall give account for their own works.
41 And they that have done good shall go into life everlasting [eternal]: and they that have done evil into everlasting [eternal] fire.

THIS is the Catholick Faith: which except a man believe faithfully, he cannot be saved.

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 Psalms

First Morning

PSALM 1

1 Advent, M.  1 Trinity, M. Eve of Holy-day, E.  All Saints, M.

BLESSED is the man that hath not walked in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stood in the way of sinners: and hath not sat in the seat of the scornful.

2 But his delight is in the law of the Lord: and in his law will he exercise himself day and night.

3 And he shall be like a tree planted by the water-side: that will bring forth his fruit in due season.

4 His leaf also shall not wither: and look, whatsoever he doeth, it shall prosper.

5 As for the ungodly, it is not so with them: but they are like the chaff, which the wind scattereth away from the face of the earth.

6 Therefore the ungodly shall not be able to stand in the judgement: neither the sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

7 But the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous: and the way of the ungodly shall perish.

PSALM 2

1 Christmas, M.  Easter Day, M.

WHY do the heathen so furiously rage together: and why do the people imagine a vain thing?

2 The kings of the earth stand up, and the
Day 1

PSALM 4
Morn.

2 Many one there be that say of my soul: There is no help for him in his God.
3 But thou, O Lord, art my defender: thou art my worship, and the lifter up of my head.
4 I did call upon the Lord with my voice: and he heard me out of his holy hill.
5 I laid me down and slept, and rose up again: for the Lord sustained me.
6 I will not be afraid for ten thousands of the people: that have set themselves against me round about.
7 Up, Lord, and help me, O my God: for thou smitest all mine enemies upon the cheek-bone; thou hast broken the teeth of the ungodly.
8 Salvation belongeth unto the Lord: and thy blessing is upon thy people.

PSALM 4
1 Trinity, E.

Hear me when I call, O God of my righteousness: thou hast set me at liberty when I was in trouble; have mercy upon me, and hearken unto my prayer.
2 O ye sons of men, how long will ye blaspheme mine honour: and have such pleasure in vanity, and seek after leasing [lying]?
3 Know this also, that the Lord hath chosen to himself the man that is godly: when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.
4 Stand in awe, and sin not: commune with your own heart, and in your chamber, and be still.

5 Offer the sacrifice of righteousness: and put your trust in the Lord.
6 There be many that say: Who will shew us any good?
7 Lord, lift thou up: the light of thy countenance upon us.
8 Thou hast put gladness in my heart: since [more than in] the time that their corn, and wine, and oil, increased.
9 I will lay me down in peace, and take my rest: for it is thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.

PSALM 5
1 Trinity, M.

PONDER my words, O Lord: consider my meditation.
2 O hearken thou unto the voice of my calling, my King, and my God: for unto thee will I make my prayer.
3 My voice shalt thou hear betimes, O Lord: early in the morning will I direct my prayer unto thee, and will look up.
4 For thou art the God that hast no pleasure in wickedness: neither shall any evil dwell with thee.
5 Such as be foolish shall not stand in thy sight: for thou hatest all them that work vanity.
6 Thou shalt destroy them that speak leasing [lies]: the Lord will abhor both the bloodthirsty and deceitful man.
7 But as for me, I will come into thine house,
even upon the multitude of thy mercy: and in thy fear will I worship toward thy holy temple.
8 Lead me, O Lord, in thy righteousness because of mine enemies: make thy way plain before my face.
9 For there is no faithfulness in his mouth: their inward parts are very wickedness.
10 Their throat is an open sepulchre: they flatter with their tongue.
11 Destroy thou them, O God; let them perish through their own imaginations: cast them out in the multitude of their ungodliness; for they have rebelled against thee.
12 And let all them that put their trust in thee rejoice: they shall ever be giving of thanks, because thou defendest him as with a shield.

First Evening

PSALM 6

Ash Wednesday, M. 1 Lent, E.

O LORD, rebuke me not in thine indignation: neither chasten me in thy displeasure.
2 Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am weak: O Lord, heal me, for my bones are vexed.
3 My soul also is sore troubled: but, Lord, how long wilt thou punish me?

PSALM 7

1 Advent, M. 1 Trinity, E.

O LORD my God, in thee have I put my trust: save me from all them that persecute me, and deliver me;
2 Lest he devour my soul, like a lion, and tear it in pieces: while there is none to help.
3 O Lord my God, if I have done any such thing: or if there be any wickedness in my hands;
4 If I have rewarded evil unto him that dealt friendly with me: yea, I have delivered him that without any cause is mine enemy;
5 Then let mine enemy persecute my soul and take me: yea, let him tread my life down upon the earth, and lay mine honour in the dust.
6 Stand up, O Lord, in thy wrath, and lift up thyself, because of the indignation of mine enemies: arise up for me in the judgement that thou hast commanded.

7 And so shall the congregation of the people come about thee: for their sakes therefore lift up thyself again.

8 The Lord shall judge the people; give sentence with me, O Lord: according to my righteousness, and according to the innocency that is in me.

9 O let the wickedness of the ungodly come to an end: but guide thou the just.

10 For the righteous God: trieth the very hearts and reins.

11 My help cometh of God: who preserveth them that are true of heart.

12 God is a righteous Judge, strong, and patient: and God is provoked every day.

13 If a man will not turn, he will whet his sword: he hath bent his bow, and made it ready.

14 He hath prepared for him the instruments of death: he ordaineth his arrows against the persecutors.

15 Behold, he travaileth with mischief: he hath conceived sorrow, and brought forth ungodliness.

16 He hath graven and digged up a pit: and is fallen himself into the destruction that he made for other.

17 For his travaileth shall come upon his own head: and his wickedness shall fall on his own pate.

18 I will give thanks unto the Lord, according to his righteousness: and I will praise the Name of the Lord most High.

PSALM 8

1 Christmas, M. Ascension Day, M. 1 Trinity, E.

O LORD our Governor, how excellent is thy Name in all the world: thou that hast set thy glory above the heavens!

2 Out of the mouth of very babes and sucklings hast thou ordained strength, because of thine enemies: that thou mightest still the enemy, and the avenger.

3 For I will consider thy heavens, even the works of thy fingers: the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained.

4 What is man, that thou art mindful of him: and the son of man, that thou visitest him?

5 Thou madest him lower than the angels: to crown him with glory and worship.

6 Thou makest him to have dominion of the works of thy hands: and thou hast put all things in subjection under his feet;

7 All sheep and oxen: yea, and the beasts of the field;

8 The fowls of the air, and the fishes of the sea: and whatsoever walketh through the paths of the seas.

9 O Lord our Governor: how excellent is thy Name in all the world!
I WILL give thanks unto thee, O Lord, with my whole heart: I will speak of all thy marvellous works.
2 I will be glad and rejoice in thee: yea, my songs will I make of thy Name, O thou most Highest.
3 While mine enemies are driven back: they shall fall and perish at thy presence.
4 For thou hast maintained my right and my cause: thou art set in the throne that judgest right.
5 Thou hast rebuked the heathen, and destroyed the ungodly: thou hast put out their name for ever and ever.
6 O thou enemy, destructions are come to a perpetual end: even as the cities which thou hast destroyed; their memorial is perished with them.
7 But the Lord shall endure for ever: he hath also prepared his seat for judgement.
8 For he shall judge the world in righteousness: and minister true judgement unto the people.
9 The Lord also will be a defence for the oppressed: even a refuge in due time of trouble.
10 And they that know thy Name will put their trust in thee: for thou, Lord, hast never failed them that seek thee.
11 O praise the Lord which dwelleth in Sion: shew the people of his doings.
12 For, when he maketh inquisition for blood, he remembereth them: and forgetteth not the complaint of the poor.
13 Have mercy upon me, O Lord; consider the trouble which I suffer of them that hate me: thou that liftest me up from the gates of death.
14 That I may shew all thy praises within the ports of the daughter of Sion: I will rejoice in thy salvation.
15 The heathen are sunk down in the pit that they made: in the same net which they hid privily, is their foot taken.
16 The Lord is known to execute judgement: the ungodly is trapped in the work of his own hands.
17 The wicked shall be turned into hell: and all the people that forget God.
18 For the poor shall not alway be forgotten: the patient abiding of the meek shall not perish for ever.
19 Up, Lord, and let not man have the upper hand: let the heathen be judged in thy sight.
20 Put them in fear, O Lord: that the heathen may know themselves to be but men.

WHY standest thou so far off, O Lord: and hidest thy face in the needful time of trouble?
2 The ungodly for his own lust doth persecute the poor: let them be taken in
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the crafty wiliness that they have imagined.

3 For the ungodly hath made boast of his own heart's desire: and speaketh good of the covetous, whom God abhorreth.

4 The ungodly is so proud, that he careth not for God: neither is God in all his thoughts.

5 His ways are alway grievous: thy judgements are far above out of his sight, and therefore defieth he all his enemies.

6 For he hath said in his heart, Tush, I shall never be cast down: there shall no harm happen unto me.

7 His mouth is full of cursing, deceit, and fraud: under his tongue is ungodliness and vanity.

8 He sitteth lurking in the thievish corners of the streets: and privily in his lurking dens doth he murder the innocent; his eyes are set against the poor.

9 For he lieth waiting secretly, even as a lion lurketh he in his den: that he may ravish the poor.

10 He doth ravish the poor: when he getteth him into his net.

11 He falleth down, and humbleth himself: that the congregation of the poor may fall into the hands of his captains.

12 He hath said in his heart, Tush, God hath forgotten: he hideth away his face, and he will never see it.

13 Arise, O Lord God, and lift up thine hand: forget not the poor.

14 Wherefore should the wicked blaspheme God: while he doth say in his heart, Tush, thou God carest not for it.

15 Surely thou hast seen it: for thou beholdest ungodliness and wrong.

16 That thou mayest take the matter into thine hand: the poor committeth himself unto thee; for thou art the helper of the friendless.

17 Break thou the power of the ungodly and malicious: take away his ungodliness, and thou shalt find none.

18 The Lord is King for ever and ever: and the heathen are perished out of the land.

19 Lord, thou hast heard the desire of the poor: thou preparest their heart, and thine ear hearkeneth thereto;

20 To help the fatherless and poor unto their right: that the man of the earth be no more exalted against them.

PSALM 11

2 Advent, M.

In the Lord put I my trust: how say ye then to my soul, that she should flee as a bird unto the hill?

2 For lo, the ungodly bend their bow, and make ready their arrows within the quiver: that they may privily shoot at them which are true of heart.

3 For the foundations will be cast down: and what hath the righteous done?

4 The Lord is in his holy temple: the Lord's seat is in heaven.
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Even.

5 His eyes consider the poor: and his eye-lids try the children of men.
6 The Lord alloweth [trieth] the righteous: but the ungodly, and him that delighteth in wickedness doth his soul abhor.
7 Upon the ungodly he shall rain snares, fire and brimstone, storm and tempest: this shall be their portion to drink.
8 For the righteous Lord loveth righteousness: his countenance will behold the thing that is just.

Second Evening

PSALM 12
2 Trinity, M.

HELP me, Lord, for there is not one godly man left: for the faithful are minished from among the children of men.
2 They talk of vanity every one with his neighbour: they do but flatter with their lips, and dissemble in their double heart.
3 The Lord shall root out all deceitful lips: and the tongue that speaketh proud things.
4 Which have said, With our tongue will we prevail: we are they that ought to speak, who is lord over us?
5 Now for the comfortless troubles' sake of the needy: and because of the deep sighing of the poor,
6 I will up, saith the Lord: and will help every one from him that swelleth against him, and will set him at rest.
7 The words of the Lord are pure words: even as the silver, which from the earth is tried, and purified seven times in the fire.
8 Thou shalt keep them, O Lord: thou shalt preserve him from this generation for ever.
9 The ungodly walk on every side: when they are exalted, the children of men are put to rebuke.

PSALM 13
Monday in Holy Week, M. 2 Trinity, M.

HOW long wilt thou forget me, O Lord, for ever: how long wilt thou hide thy face from me?
2 How long shall I seek counsel in my soul, and be so vexed in my heart: how long shall mine enemies triumph over me?
3 Consider, and hear me, O Lord my God: lighten mine eyes, that I sleep not in death.
4 Lest mine enemy say, I have prevailed against him: for if I be cast down, they that trouble me will rejoice at it.
5 But my trust is in thy mercy: and my heart is joyful in thy salvation.
6 I will sing of the Lord, because he hath dealt so lovingly with me: yea, I will praise the Name of the Lord most Highest.

PSALM 14

THE fool hath said in his heart: There is no God.
2 They are corrupt, and become abominable in their doings: there is none that doeth good, no not one.
3 The Lord looked down from heaven upon
Psalm 15

the children of men: to see if there were any that would understand, and seek after God.
4 But they are all gone out of the way, they are altogether become abominable: there is none that doeth good, no not one.
5 Their throat is an open sepulchre, with their tongues have they deceived: the poison of asps is under their lips.
6 Their mouth is full of cursing and bitterness: their feet are swift to shed blood.
7 Destruction and unhappiness is in their ways, and the way of peace have they not known: there is no fear of God before their eyes.
8 Have they no knowledge, that they are all such workers of mischief: eating up my people as it were bread, and call not upon the Lord?
9 There were they brought in great fear, even where no fear was: for God is in the generation of the righteous.
10 As for you, ye have made a mock at the counsel of the poor: because he putteth his trust in the Lord.
11 Who shall give salvation unto Israel out of Sion? When the Lord turneth the captivity of his people: then shall Jacob rejoice, and Israel shall be glad.

Psalm 16

2 Even he, that leadeth an uncorrupt life: and doeth the thing which is right, and speaketh the truth from his heart.
3 He that hath used no deceit in his tongue, nor done evil to his neighbour: and hath not slandered his neighbour.
4 He that setteth not by himself, but is lowly in his own eyes: and maketh much of them that fear the Lord.
5 He that sweareth unto his neighbour, and disappointeth him not: though it were to his own hindrance.
6 He that hath not given his money upon usury: nor taken reward against the innocent.
7 Whoso doeth these things: shall never fall.

Psalm 15

Lord, who shall dwell in thy tabernacle: or who shall rest upon thy holy hill?

Psalm 16

Preserve me, O God: for in thee have I put my trust.

Third Morning

Psalm 15

Quinquagesima, M. Ascension Eve, E. 2 Trinity, E.

Psalm 16

Easter Day, M.
inheritance, and of my cup: thou shalt maintain my lot.
7 The lot is fallen unto me in a fair ground: yea, I have a goodly heritage.
8 I will thank the Lord for giving me warning: my reins also chasten me in the night-season.
9 I have set God always before me: for he is on my right hand, therefore I shall not fall.
10 Wherefore my heart was glad, and my glory rejoiced: my flesh also shall rest in hope.
11 For why? thou shalt not leave my soul in hell: neither shalt thou suffer thy Holy One to see corruption.
12 Thou shalt shew me the path of life; in thy presence is the fulness of joy: and at thy right hand there is pleasure for evermore.

PSALM 17
2 Trinity, E.

Hear the right, O Lord, consider my complaint: and hearken unto my prayer, that goeth not out of feigned lips.
2 Let my sentence come forth from thy presence: and let thine eyes look upon the thing that is equal [just].
3 Thou hast proved and visited mine heart in the night-season; thou hast tried me, and shalt find no wickedness in me: for I am utterly purposed that my mouth shall not offend.
4 Because of men's works, that are done against the words of thy lips: I have kept me from the ways of the destroyer.

5 O hold thou up my goings in thy paths: that my footsteps slip not.
6 I have called upon thee, O God, for thou shalt hear me: incline thine ear to me, and hearken unto my words.
7 Shew thy marvellous loving-kindness, thou that art the Saviour of them which put their trust in thee: from such as resist thy right hand.
8 Keep me as the apple of an eye: hide me under the shadow of thy wings.
9 From the ungodly that trouble me: mine enemies compass me round about to take away my soul.
10 They are inclosed in their own fat: and their mouth speaketh proud things.
11 They lie waiting in our way on every side: turning their eyes down to the ground;
12 Like as a lion that is greedy of his prey: and as it were a lion's whelp, lurking in secret places.
13 Up, Lord, disappoint him, and cast him down: deliver my soul from the ungodly, which is a sword of thine;
14 From the men of thy hand, O Lord, from the men, I say, and from the evil world: which have their portion in this life, whose bellies thou fillest with thy hid treasure.
15 They have children at their desire: and leave the rest of their substance for their babes.
16 But as for me I will behold thy presence in righteousness: and when I awake up after thy likeness, I shall be satisfied with it.
I WILL love thee, O Lord, my strength; the Lord is my stony rock, and my defence: my Saviour, my God, and my might, in whom I will trust, my buckler, the horn also of my salvation, and my refuge.

2 I will call upon the Lord, which is worthy to be praised: so shall I be safe from mine enemies.

3 The sorrows of death compassed me: and the overflowings of ungodliness made me afraid.

4 The pains of hell came about me: the snares of death overtook me.

5 In my trouble I will call upon the Lord: and complain unto my God.

6 So shall he hear my voice out of his holy temple: and my complaint shall come before him, it shall enter even into his ears.

7 The earth trembled and quaked: the very foundations also of the hills shook, and were removed, because he was wroth.

8 There went a smoke out in his presence: and a consuming fire out of his mouth, so that coals were kindled at it.

9 He bowed the heavens also, and came down: and it was dark under his feet.

10 He rode upon the cherubims, and did fly: he came flying upon the wings of the wind.

11 He made darkness his secret place: his pavilion round about him with dark water, and thick clouds to cover him.
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my righteous dealing: and according unto the
cleanliness of my hands in his eye-sight.
25 With the holy thou shalt be holy: and
with a perfect man thou shalt be perfect.
26 With the clean thou shalt be clean: and
with the froward thou shalt learn frowardness.
27 For thou shalt save the people that are in
adversity: and shalt bring down the high
looks of the proud.
28 Thou also shalt light my candle: the Lord
my God shall make my darkness to be light.
29 For in thee I shall discomfit an host of
men: and with the help of my God I shall
leap over the wall.
30 The way of God is an undefiled way: the
word of the Lord also is tried in the fire; he is
the defender of all them that put their trust in
him.
31 For who is God, but the Lord: or who
hath any strength, except our God?
32 It is God, that girdeth me with strength
of war: and maketh my way perfect.
33 He maketh my feet like harts' feet: and
setteth me up on high.
34 He teacheth mine hands to fight: and
mine arms shall break even a bow of steel.
35 Thou hast given me the defence of thy
salvation: thy right hand also shall hold me up,
and thy loving correction shall make me great.
36 Thou shalt make room enough under me
for to go: that my footsteps shall not slide.
37 I will follow upon mine enemies, and

Overture them: neither will I turn again till
I have destroyed them.
38 I will smite them, that they shall not be
able to stand: but fall under my feet.
39 Thou hast girded me with strength unto
the battle: thou shalt throw down mine
enemies under me.
40 Thou hast made mine enemies also to turn
their backs upon me: and I shall destroy them
that hate me.
41 They shall cry, but there shall be none
to help them: yea, even unto the Lord shall
they cry, but he shall not hear them.
42 I will beat them as small as the dust
before the wind: I will cast them out as the
clay in the streets.
43 Thou shalt deliver me from the strivings
of the people: and thou shalt make me the
head of the heathen.
44 A people whom I have not known: shall
serve me.
45 As soon as they hear of me, they shall
obey me: but the strange children shall
dissemble with me.
46 The strange children shall fail: and be
afraid out of their prisons.
47 The Lord liveth, and blessed be my strong
helper: and praised be the God of my salvation.
48 Even the God that seeth that I be
avenged: and subdueth the people unto me.
49 It is he that delivereth me from my cruel
enemies, and setteth me up above mine

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adversaries: thou shalt rid me from the wicked man.

50 For this cause will I give thanks unto thee, O Lord, among the Gentiles: and sing praises unto thy Name.

51 Great prosperity giveth he unto his King: and sheweth loving-kindness unto David his Anointed, and unto his seed for evermore.

**Fourth Morning**

**PSALM 19**

Christmas Day, M.  Epiphany Eve, E.  3 Trinity, E.

THE heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament sheweth his handy-work.

2 One day telleth another: and one night certifieth another.

3 There is neither speech nor language: but their voices are heard among them.

4 Their sound is gone out into all lands: and their words into the ends of the world.

5 In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun: which cometh forth as a bridegroom out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a giant to run his course.

6 It goeth forth from the uttermost part of the heaven, and runneth about unto the end of it again: and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.

7 The law of the Lord is an undefiled law, converting the soul: the testimony of the Lord is sure, and giveth wisdom unto the simple.

8 The statutes of the Lord are right, and rejoice the heart: the commandment of the Lord is pure, and giveth light unto the eyes.

9 The fear of the Lord is clean, and endureth for ever: the judgements of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether.

10 More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey, and the honey-comb.

11 Moreover, by them is thy servant taught: and in keeping of them there is great reward.

12 Who can tell how oft he offendeth: O cleanse thou me from my secret faults.

13 Keep thy servants also from presumptuous sins, lest they get the dominion over me: so shall I be undefiled, and innocent from the great offence.

14 Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart: be alway acceptable in thy sight.

15 O Lord: my strength, and my redeemer.

**PSALM 20**

Quinquagesima, M.  3 Trinity, E.

THE Lord hear thee in the day of trouble: the Name of the God of Jacob defend thee;

2 Send thee help from the sanctuary: and strengthen thee out of Sion:

3 Remember all thy offerings: and accept thy burnt sacrifice;

4 Grant thee thy heart's desire: and fulfil all thy mind.
5 We will rejoice in thy salvation, and triumph in the Name of the Lord our God: the Lord perform all thy petitions.
6 Now know I, that the Lord helpeth his Anointed, and will hear him from his holy heaven: even with the wholesome strength of his right hand.
7 Some put their trust in chariots, and some in horses: but we will remember the Name of the Lord our God.
8 They are brought down, and fall: we are risen, and stand upright.
9 Save, Lord, and hear us, O King of heaven: when we call upon thee.

PSALM 21
Ascension Day, M. 3 Trinity, E.

The King shall rejoice in thy strength, O Lord: exceeding glad shall he be of thy salvation.
2 Thou hast given him his heart’s desire: and hast not denied him the request of his lips.
3 For thou shalt prevent [precede] him with the blessings of goodness: and shalt set a crown of pure gold upon his head.
4 He asked life of thee, and thou gavest him a long life: even for ever and ever.
5 His honour is great in thy salvation: glory and great worship shalt thou lay upon him.
6 For thou shalt give him everlasting felicity: and make him glad with the joy of thy countenance.

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7 And why? because the King putteth his trust in the Lord: and in the mercy of the most Highest he shall not miscarry.
8 All thine enemies shall feel thy hand: thy right hand shall find out them that hate thee.
9 Thou shalt make them like a fiery oven in time of thy wrath: the Lord shall destroy them in his displeasure, and the fire shall consume them.
10 Fruit shalt thou root out of the earth: and seed from among the children of men.
11 For they intended mischief against thee: and imagined such a device as they are not able to perform.
12 Therefore shalt thou put them to flight: and the strings of thy bow shalt thou make ready against the face of them.
13 Be thou exalted, Lord, in thine own strength: so will we sing, and praise thy power.

Fourth Evening

PSALM 22

5 Lent, M. Good Friday, M. 4 Trinity, E.

My God, my God, look upon me; why hast thou forsaken me: and art so far from my health, and from the words of my complaint?
2 O my God, I cry in the day-time, but thou hearest not: and in the night-season also I take no rest.
3 And thou continuest holy: O thou worship of Israel.
4 Our fathers hoped in thee: they trusted in thee, and thou didst deliver them.
5 They called upon thee, and were holpen: they put their trust in thee, and were not confounded.
6 But as for me, I am a worm, and no man: a very scorn of men, and the outcast of the people.
7 All they that see me laugh me to scorn: they shoot out their lips, and shake their heads, saying,
8 He trusted in God, that he would deliver him: let him deliver him, if he will have him.
9 But thou art he that took me out of my mother's womb: thou wast my hope, when I hanged yet upon my mother's breasts.
10 I have been left unto thee ever since I was born: thou art my God even from my mother's womb.
11 O go not from me, for trouble is hard at hand: and there is none to help me.
12 Many oxen are come about me: fat bulls of Basan close me in on every side.
13 They gape upon me with their mouths: as it were a ramping and a roaring lion.
14 I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint: my heart also in the midst of my body is even like melting wax.
15 My strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue cleaveth to my gums: and thou shalt bring me into the dust of death.
16 For many dogs are come about me: and the council of the wicked layeth siege against me.
17 They pierced my hands and my feet; I may tell all my bones: they stand staring and looking upon me.
18 They part my garments among them: and cast lots upon my vesture.
19 But be not thou far from me, O Lord: for my soul is hid with thee to help me.
20 Deliver my soul from the sword: my heart from the power of the dog.
21 Save me from the lion's mouth: thou hast heard me also from among the horns of the unicorns.
22 I will declare thy Name unto my brethren: in the midst of the congregation will I praise thee.
23 O praise the Lord, ye that fear him: magnify him, all ye of the seed of Jacob, and fear him, all ye seed of Israel;
24 For he hath not despised, nor abhorred, the low estate of the poor: he hath not hid his face from him, but when he called unto him he heard him.
25 My praise is of thee in the great congregation: my vows will I perform in the sight of them that fear him.
26 The poor shall eat, and be satisfied: they that seek after the Lord shall praise him; your heart shall live for ever.
27 All the ends of the world shall remember themselves, and be turned unto the Lord: and
all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before him.
28 For the kingdom is the Lord’s: and he is the Governour among the people.
29 All such as be fat upon earth: have eaten, and worshipped.
30 All they that go down into the dust shall kneel before him: and no man hath quickened his own soul.
31 My seed shall serve him: they shall be counted unto the Lord for a generation.
32 They shall come, and the heavens shall declare his righteousness: unto a people that shall be born, whom the Lord hath made.

PSALM 23
Maundy Thursday, E. Easter Even, M. 4 Trinity, E.

The Lord is my shepherd: therefore can I lack nothing.
2 He shall feed me in a green pasture: and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.
3 He shall convert my soul: and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his Name’s sake.
4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.
5 Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me: thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.
6 But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

PSALM 24
Ascension Day, E. 4 Trinity, M.

The earth is the Lord’s, and all that therein is: the compass of the world, and they that dwell therein.
2 For he hath founded it upon the seas: and prepared it upon the floods.
3 Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord: or who shall stand in his holy place?
4 He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart, and that hath not lifted up his mind unto vanity, nor sworn to deceive his neighbour.
5 He shall receive the blessing from the Lord: and righteousness from the God of his salvation.
6 This is the generation of them that seek him: even of them that seek thy face, O Jacob.
7 Lift up your heads, 0 ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors: and the King of glory shall come in.
8 Who is the King of glory: it is the Lord strong and mighty, even the Lord mighty in battle.
9 Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors: and the King of glory shall come in.
10 Who is the King of glory: even the Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

PSALM 25
Sexagesima, E. Mon. in Holy Week, M. 4 Trinity, M.

Unto thee, O Lord, will I lift up my soul; my God, I have put my trust in
thee: O let me not be confounded, neither let mine enemies triumph over me.
 2 For all they that hope in thee shall not be ashamed: but such as transgress without a cause shall be put to confusion.
 3 Shew me thy ways, O Lord: and teach me thy paths.
 4 Lead me forth in thy truth, and learn me: for thou art the God of generation; in thee hast been my hope all the days of my youth.
 5 Call to remembrance, O Lord, thy mercies: and thy loving-kindnesses, which have been ever of old.
 6 O remember not the sins and offences of my youth: but according to thy mercy think thou upon me, O Lord, for thy goodness.
 7 Gracious and righteous is the Lord: therefore will he teach sinners in the way.
 8 Them that are meek shall he guide in judgement: and such as are gentle, them shall he learn his way.
 9 All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth: unto such as keep his covenant, and his testimonies.
10 For thy Name's sake, O Lord: be merciful unto my sin, for it is great.
11 What man is he, that feareth the Lord: him shall he teach in the way that he shall choose.
12 His soul shall dwell at ease: and his seed shall inherit the land.
13 The secret of the Lord is among them that fear him: and he will shew them his covenant.
14 Mine eyes are ever looking unto the Lord: for he shall pluck my feet out of the net.
15 Turn thee unto me, and have mercy upon me: for I am desolate, and in misery.
16 The sorrows of my heart are enlarged: O bring thou me out of my troubles.
17 Look upon my adversity and misery: and forgive me all my sin.
18 Consider mine enemies, how many they are: and thou seest a tyrannous hate against me.
19 Keep my soul, and deliver me: let me not be confounded, for I have put my trust in thee.
20 Let perfectness and righteous dealing wait upon me: for my hope hath been in thee.
21 Deliver Israel, O God: out of all his troubles.

PSALM 26
Sexagesima, E. Mon. in Holy Week, E. 5 Trinity, M.

Be thou my judge, O Lord, for I have walked innocently: my trust hath been also in the Lord, therefore shall I not fail.
2 Examine me, O Lord, and prove me: try out my reins and my heart.
3 For thy loving-kindness is ever before mine eyes: and I will walk in thy truth.
4 I have not dwelt with vain persons: neither will I have fellowship with the deceitful.
5 I have hated the congregation of the wicked: and will not sit among the ungodly.
6 I will wash my hands in innocency, O Lord: and so will I go to thine altar;
7 That I may shew the voice of thanksgiving: and tell of all thy wondrous works.
8 Lord, I have loved the habitation of thy house: and the place where thine honour dwelleth.
9 O shut not up my soul with the sinners: nor my life with the blood-thirsty;
10 In whose hands is wickedness: and their right hand is full of gifts.
11 But as for me, I will walk innocently.
O deliver me, and be merciful unto me:
12 My foot standeth right: I will praise the Lord in the congregations.

Fifth Evening

PSALM 27

2 Epiphany, M. Mon. in Holy Week, E. 5 Trinity, E.

The Lord is my light, and my salvation; whom then shall I fear: the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?
2 When the wicked, even mine enemies, and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh: they stumbled and fell.
3 Though an host of men were laid against me, yet shall not my heart be afraid: and though there rose up war against me, yet will I put my trust in him.
4 One thing have I desired of the Lord, which I will require: even that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the fair beauty of the Lord, and to visit his temple.
5 For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his tabernacle: yea, in the secret place of his dwelling shall he hide me, and set me up upon a rock of stone.
6 And now shall I lift up mine head: above mine enemies round about me.
7 Therefore will I offer in his dwelling an and with great gladness: I will sing, and
19. praises unto the Lord.
8 Hearken unto my voice, O Lord, when I cry unto thee: have mercy upon me, and hear me.
9 My heart hath talked of thee, Seek ye my face: Thy face, Lord, will I seek.
10 O hide not thou thy face from me: nor cast thy servant away in displeasure.
11 Thou hast been my succour: leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.
12 When my father and my mother forsake me: the Lord taketh me up.
13 Teach me thy way, O Lord: and lead me in the right way, because of mine enemies.
14 Deliver me not over into the will of mine adversaries: for there are false witnesses risen up against me, and such as speak wrong.
15 I should utterly have fainted: but that I believe verily to see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.
16 O tarry thou the Lord's leisure: be strong, and he shall comfort thine heart; and put thou thy trust in the Lord.
Day 5

**PSALM 28**

**Monday in Holy Week, E. 5 Trinity, M.**

Unto thee will I cry, O Lord, my strength: think no scorn of me; lest, if thou make as though thou hearest not, I become like them that go down into the pit.

2 Hear the voice of my humble petitions, when I cry unto thee: when I hold up my hands towards the mercy-seat of thy holy temple.

3 O pluck me not away, neither destroy me with the ungodly and wicked doers — speak friendly to their neighbours, but imagine mischief in their hearts.

4 Reward them according to their deeds: and according to the wickedness of their own inventions.

5 Recompense them after the work of their hands: pay them that they have deserved.

6 For they regard not in their mind the works of the Lord, nor the operation of his hands: therefore shall he break them down, and not build them up.

7 Praised be the Lord: for he hath heard the voice of my humble petitions.

8 The Lord is my strength, and my shield; my heart hath trusted in him, and I am helped: therefore my heart danceth for joy, and in my song will I praise him.

9 The Lord is my strength: and he is the wholesome defence of his Anointed.

10 O save thy people, and give thy blessing unto thine inheritance: feed them, and set them up for ever.

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**PSALM 29**

**Trinity Sunday, M. 5 Trinity, E.**

Bring unto the Lord, ye mighty, bring young rams unto the Lord: ascribe unto the Lord worship and strength.

2 Give the Lord the honour due unto his Name: worship the Lord with holy worship.

3 It is the Lord, that commandeth the waters: it is the glorious God, that maketh thunder.

4 As the Lord, that ruleth the sea; the voice of the Lord is mighty in operation: the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice.

5 The voice of the Lord breaketh the cedar-trees: yea, the Lord breaketh the cedars of Libanus.

6 He maketh them also to skip like a calf: Libanus also, and Sirion, like a young unicorn.

7 The voice of the Lord divideth the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shaketh the wilderness: yea, the Lord shaketh the wilderness of Cades [Kadesh].

8 The voice of the Lord maketh the hinds to bring forth young, and discovereth [strippeth bare] the thick bushes: in his temple doth every man speak of his honour.

9 The Lord sitteth above the water-flood: and the Lord remaineth a King for ever.

10 The Lord shall give strength unto his people: the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.
WILL magnify thee, O Lord, for thou hast set me up: and not made my foes to triumph over me.

2 O Lord my God, I cried unto thee: and thou hast healed me.

3 Thou, Lord, hast brought my soul out of hell: thou hast kept my life from them that go down to the pit.

4 Sing praises unto the Lord, O ye saints of his: and give thanks unto him for a remembrance of his holiness.

5 For his wrath endureth but the twinkling of an eye, and in his pleasure is life: heaviness may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning.

6 And in my prosperity I said, I shall never be removed: thou, Lord, of thy goodness hast made my hill so strong.

7 Thou didst turn thy face from me: and I was troubled.

8 Then cried I unto thee, O Lord: and gat me to my Lord right humbly.

9 What profit is there in my blood: when I go down to the pit?

10 Shall the dust give thanks unto thee: or shall it declare thy truth?

11 Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me: Lord, be thou my helper.

12 Thou hast turned my heaviness into joy:

13 Therefore shall every good man sing of thy praise without ceasing: O my God, I will give thanks unto thee for ever.

I N thee, O Lord, have I put my trust: let me never be put to confusion, deliver me in thy righteousness.

2 Bow down thine ear to me: make haste to deliver me.

3 And be thou my strong rock, and house of defence: that thou mayest save me.

4 For thou art my strong rock, and my castle: be thou also my guide, and lead me for thy Name's sake.

5 Draw me out of the net, that they have laid privily for me: for thou art my strength.

6 Into thy hands I commend my spirit: for thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, thou God of truth.

7 I have hated them that hold of superstitious vanities: and my trust hath been in the Lord.

8 I will be glad, and rejoice in thy mercy: for thou hast considered my trouble, and hast known my soul in adversities.

9 Thou hast not shut me up into the hand of the enemy: but hast set my feet in a large room.

10 Have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am in trouble: and mine eye is consumed for very heaviness; yea, my soul and my body.
Day 6  
PSALM 31  
Morn.

11 For my life is waxen old with heaviness: and my years with mourning.
12 My strength faileth me, because of mine iniquity: and my bones are consumed.
13 I became a reproof among all mine enemies, but especially among my neighbours: and they of mine acquaintance were afraid of me; and they that did see me without conveyed themselves from me.
14 I am clean forgotten, as a dead man out of mind: I am become like a broken vessel.
15 For I have heard the blasphemy of the multitude: and fear is on every side, while they conspire together against me, and take their counsel to take away my life.
16 But my hope hath been in thee, O Lord: I have said, Thou art my God.
17 My time is in thy hand; deliver me from the hand of mine enemies: and from them that persecute me.
18 Shew thy servant the light of thy countenance: and save me for thy mercy's sake.
19 Let me not be confounded, O Lord, for I have called upon thee: let the ungodly be put to confusion, and be put to silence in the grave.
20 Let the lying lips be put to silence: which cruelly, disdainfully, and despitefully, speak against the righteous.
21 O how plentiful is thy goodness, which thou hast laid up for them that fear thee: and that thou hast prepared for them that put their trust in thee, even before the sons of men!

Even.  
PSALM 32  
Day 6

22 Thou shalt hide them privily by thine own presence from the provoking of all men: thou shalt keep them secretly in thy tabernacle from the strife of tongues.
23 Thanks be to the Lord: for he hath shewed me marvellous great kindness in a strong city.
24 And when I made haste, I said: I am cast out of the sight of thine eyes.
25 Nevertheless, thou heardest the voice of my prayer: when I cried unto thee.
26 O love the Lord, all ye his saints: for the Lord preserveth them that are faithful, and plenteously rewardeth the proud doer.
27 Be strong, and he shall establish your heart: all ye that put your trust in the Lord.

Sixth Evening

PSALM 32

Ash Wednesday, M. 1 Lent, E. 6 Trinity, M.

BLESSED is he whose unrighteousness is forgiven: and whose sin is covered.
2 Blessed is the man unto whom the Lord imputeth no sin: and in whose spirit there is no guile.
3 For while I held my tongue: my bones consumed away through my daily complaining.
4 For thy hand is heavy upon me day and night: and my moisture is like the drought in summer.
5 I will acknowledge my sin unto thee: and mine unrighteousness have I not hid.
6 I said, I will confess my sins unto the Lord:
and so thou forgavest the wickedness of my sin.
7 For this shall every one that is godly make his prayer unto thee, in a time when thou mayest be found: but in the great water-floods they shall not come nigh him.
8 Thou art a place to hide me in, thou shalt preserve me from trouble: thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance.
9 I will inform thee, and teach thee in the way wherein thou shalt go: and I will guide thee with mine eye.
10 Be ye not like to horse and mule, which have no understanding: whose mouths must be held with bit and bridle, lest they fall upon thee.
11 Great plagues remain for the ungodly: but whoso putteth his trust in the Lord, mercy embraceth him on every side.
12 Be glad, O ye righteous, and rejoice in the Lord: and be joyful, all ye that are true of heart.

PSALM 33
3 Epiphany, E. Trinity Sunday, M. 6 Trinity, E.
RJOICE in the Lord, O ye righteous: for it becometh well the just to be thankful.
2 Praise the Lord with harp: sing praises unto him with the lute, and instrument of ten strings.
3 Sing unto the Lord a new song: sing praises lustily unto him with a good courage.
4 For the word of the Lord is true: and all his works are faithful.
5 He loveth righteousness and judgement: the earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.
6 By the word of the Lord were the heavens made: and all the hosts of them by the breath of his mouth.
7 He gathereth the waters of the sea together, as it were upon an heap: and layeth up the deep, as in a treasure-house.
8 Let all the earth fear the Lord: stand in awe of him, all ye that dwell in the world.
9 For he spake, and it was done: he commanded, and it stood fast.
10 The Lord bringeth the counsel of the heathen to nought: and maketh the devices of the people to be of none effect, and casteth out the counsels of princes.
11 The counsel of the Lord shall endure for ever: and the thoughts of his heart from generation to generation.
12 Blessed are the people, whose God is the Lord Jehovah: and blessed are the folk, that he hath chosen to him to be his inheritance.
13 The Lord looked down from heaven, and beheld all the children of men: from the habitation of his dwelling he considereth all them that dwell on the earth.
14 He fashioneth all the hearts of them: and understandeth all their works.
15 There is no king that can be saved by the multitude of an host: neither is any mighty man delivered by much strength.
16 A horse is counted but a vain thing to
save a man: neither shall he deliver any man by his great strength.

17 Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon them that fear him: and upon them that put their trust in his mercy;

18 To deliver their soul from death: and to feed them in the time of dearth.

19 Our soul hath patiently tarried for the Lord: for he is our help, and our shield.

20 For our heart shall rejoice in him: because we have hoped in his holy Name.

21 Let thy merciful kindness, O Lord, be upon us: like as we do put our trust in thee.

**PSALM 34**

3 Epiphany, E. 7 Trinity, M. Rogation Mon., M. Michaelmas, M.

**I** WILL alway give thanks unto the Lord: his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

2 My soul shall make her boast in the Lord: the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.

3 O praise the Lord with me: and let us magnify his Name together.

4 I sought the Lord, and he heard me: yea, he delivered me out of all my fear.

5 They had an eye unto him, and were lightened: and their faces were not ashamed.

6 Lo, the poor crieth, and the Lord heareth him: yea, and saveth him out of all his troubles.

7 The angel of the Lord tarieth round about them that fear him: and delivereth them.

8 O taste, and see, how gracious the Lord is: blessed is the man that trusteth in him.
servants: and all they that put their trust in him shall not be destitute.

Seventh Morning
PSALM 35

Plead thou my cause, O Lord, with them that strive with me: and fight thou against them that fight against me.
2 Lay hand upon the shield and buckler: and stand up to help me.
3 Bring forth the spear, and stop the way against them that persecute me: say unto my soul, I am thy salvation.
4 Let them be confounded, and put to shame, that seek after my soul: let them be turned back, and brought to confusion, that imagine mischief for me.
5 Let them be as the dust before the wind: and the angel of the Lord scattering them.
6 Let their way be dark and slippery: and let the angel of the Lord persecute them.
7 For they have privily laid their net to destroy me without a cause: yea, even without a cause have they made a pit for my soul.
8 Let a sudden destruction come upon him unawares, and his net, that he hath laid privily, catch himself: that he may fall into his own mischief.
9 And, my soul, be joyful in the Lord: it shall rejoice in his salvation.
10 All my bones shall say, Lord, who is like unto thee, who deliverest the poor from him that is too strong for him: yea, the poor, and him that is in misery, from him that spoileth him?
11 False witnesses did rise up: they laid to my charge things that I knew not.
12 They rewarded me evil for good: to the great discomfort of my soul.
13 Nevertheless, when they were sick, I put on sackcloth, and humbled my soul with fasting: and my prayer shall turn into mine own bosom.
14 I behaved myself as though it had been my friend, or my brother: I went heavily, as one that mourneth for his mother.
15 But in mine adversity they rejoiced, and gathered themselves together: yea, the very abjects came together against me unawares, making mouths at me, and ceased not.
16 With the flatterers were busy mockers: who gnashed upon me with their teeth.
17 Lord, how long wilt thou look upon this: O deliver my soul from the calamities which they bring on me, and my darling from the lions.
18 So will I give thee thanks in the great congregation: I will praise thee among much people.
19 O let not them that are mine enemies triumph over me ungodly: neither let them wink with their eyes that hate me without a cause.
20 And why? their communing is not for peace: but they imagine deceitful words against them that are quiet in the land.
21 They gaped upon me with their mouths, and said: Fie on thee, fie on thee, we saw it with our eyes.
Day 7

PSALM 36

Morn.

22 This thou hast seen, O Lord: hold not thy tongue then, go not far from me, O Lord.
23 Awake, and stand up to judge my quarrel: avenge thou my cause, my God, and my Lord.
24 Judge me, O Lord my God, according to thy righteousness: and let them not triumph over me.
25 Let them not say in their hearts, There, there, so would we have it: neither let them say, We have devoured him.
26 Let them be put to confusion and shame together, that rejoice at my trouble: let them be clothed with rebuke and dishonour, that boast themselves against me.
27 Let them be glad and rejoice, that favour my righteous dealing: yea, let them say alway, Blessed be the Lord, who hath pleasure in the prosperity of his servant.
28 And as for my tongue, it shall be talking of thy righteousness: and of thy praise all the day long.

PSALM 36

2 Epiphany, M. 6 Trinity, E.

My heart sheweth me the wickedness of the ungodly: that there is no fear of God before his eyes.
2 For he flattereth himself in his own sight: until his abominable sin be found out.
3 The words of his mouth are unrighteous, and full of deceit: he hath left off to behave himself wisely, and to do good.
4 He imagineth mischief upon his bed, and hath set himself in no good way: neither doth he abhor any thing that is evil.
5 Thy mercy, O Lord, reacheth unto the heavens: and thy faithfulness unto the clouds.
6 Thy righteousness standeth like the strong mountains: thy judgements are like the great deep.
7 Thou, Lord, shalt save both man and beast: How excellent is thy mercy, O God: and the children of men shall put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.
8 They shall be satisfied with the plenteousness of thy house: and thou shalt give them drink of thy pleasures, as out of the river.
9 For with thee is the well of life: and in thy light shall we see light.
10 O continue forth thy loving-kindness unto them that know thee: and thy righteousness unto them that are true of heart.
11 O let not the foot of pride come against me: and let not the hand of the ungodly cast me down.
12 There are they fallen, all that work wickedness: they are cast down, and shall not be able to stand.

Seventh Evening

PSALM 37

Day 7

Even.

FRET not thyself because of the ungodly: neither be thou envious against the evil doers.
2 For they shall soon be cut down like the grass: and be withered even as the green herb.
3 Put thou thy trust in the Lord, and be doing good: dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.
4 Delight thou in the Lord: and he shall give thee thy heart’s desire.
5 Commit thy way unto the Lord, and put thy trust in him: and he shall bring it to pass.
6 He shall make thy righteousness as clear as the light: and thy just dealing as the noon-day.
7 Hold thee still in the Lord, and abide patiently upon him: but grieve not thyself at him, whose way doth prosper, against the man that doeth after evil counsels.
8 Leave off from wrath, and let go displeasure: fret not thyself, else shalt thou be moved to do evil.
9 Wicked doers shall be rooted out: and they that patiently abide the Lord, those shall inherit the land.
10 Yet a little while, and the ungodly shall be clean gone: thou shalt look after his place, and he shall be away.
11 But the meek-spirited shall possess the earth: and shall be refreshed in the multitude of peace.
12 The ungodly seeketh counsel against the just: and gnasheth upon him with his teeth.
13 The Lord shall laugh him to scorn: for he hath seen that his day is coming.
14 The ungodly have drawn out the sword, and have bent their bow: to cast down the poor and needy, and to slay such as are of a right conversation.
15 Their sword shall go through their own heart: and their bow shall be broken.
16 A small thing that the righteous hath: is better than great riches of the ungodly.
17 For the arms of the ungodly shall be broken: and the Lord upholdeth the righteous.
18 The Lord knoweth the days of the godly: and their inheritance shall endure for ever.
19 They shall not be confounded in the perilous time: and in the days of dearth they shall have enough.
20 As for the ungodly, they shall perish: and the enemies of the Lord shall consume as the fat of lambs: yea, even as the smoke, shall they consume away.
21 The ungodly borroweth, and payeth not again: but the righteous is merciful, and liberal.
22 Such as are blessed of God shall possess the land: and they that are cursed of him shall be rooted out.
23 The Lord ordereth a good man’s going: and maketh his way acceptable to himself.
24 Though he fall, he shall not be cast away: for the Lord upholdeth him with his hand.
25 I have been young, and now am old: and yet saw I never the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging their bread.
26 The righteous is ever merciful, and lendeth: and his seed is blessed.
27 Flee from evil, and do the thing that is good: and dwell for evermore.
28 For the Lord loveth the thing that is right: he forsaketh not his that be godly, but they are preserved for ever.
29 The unrighteous shall be punished: as for the seed of the ungodly, it shall be rooted out.
30 The righteous shall inherit the land: and dwell therein for ever.
31 The mouth of the righteous is exercised in wisdom: and his tongue will be talking of judgement.
32 The law of his God is in his heart: and his goings shall not slide.
33 The ungodly seeth the righteous: and seeketh occasion to slay him.
34 The Lord will not leave him in his hand: nor condemn him when he is judged.
35 Hope thou in the Lord, and keep his way, and he shall promote thee, that thou shalt possess the land: when the ungodly shall perish, thou shalt see it.
36 I myself have seen the ungodly in great power: and flourishing like a green bay-tree.
37 I went by, and lo, he was gone: I sought him, but his place could no where be found.
38 Keep innocency, and take heed unto the thing that is right: for that shall bring a man peace at the last.
39 As for the transgressors, they shall perish together: and the end of the ungodly is, they shall be rooted out at the last.

40 But the salvation of the righteous cometh of the Lord: who is also their strength in the time of trouble.
41 And the Lord shall stand by them, and save them: he shall deliver them from the ungodly, and shall save them, because they put their trust in him.

Eighth Morning

PSALM 38

Ash Wednesday, M.

P ut me not to rebuke, O Lord, in thine anger: neither chasten me in thy heavy displeasure.
2 For thine arrows stick fast in me: and thy hand presseth me sore.
3 There is no health in my flesh, because of thy displeasure: neither is there any rest in my bones, by reason of my sin.
4 For my wickednesses are gone over my head: and are like a sore burden, too heavy for me to bear.
5 My wounds stink, and are corrupt: through my foolishness.
6 I am brought into so great trouble and misery: that I go mourning all the day long.
7 For my loins are filled with a sore disease: and there is no whole part in my body.
8 I am feeble, and sore smitten: I have roared for the very disquietness of my heart.
9 Lord, thou knowest all my desire: and my groaning is not hid from thee.
10 My heart panteth, my strength hath failed
me: and the sight of mine eyes is gone from me.

11 My lovers and my neighbours did stand looking upon my trouble: and my kinsmen stood afar off.

12 They also that sought after my life laid snares for me: and they that went about to do me evil talked of wickedness, and imagined deceit all the day long.

13 As for me, I was like a deaf man, and heard not: and as one that is dumb, who doth not open his mouth.

14 I became even as a man that heareth not: and in whose mouth are no reproofs.

15 For in thee, O Lord, have I put my trust: thou shalt answer for me, O Lord my God.

16 I have required that they, even mine enemies, should not triumph over me: for when my foot slipped, they rejoiced greatly against me.

17 And I, truly, am set in the plague: and my heaviness is ever in my sight.

18 For I will confess my wickedness: and be sorry for my sin.

19 But mine enemies live, and are mighty: and they that hate me wrongfully are many in number.

20 They also that reward evil for good are against me: because I follow the thing that good is.

21 Forsake me not, O Lord my God: be not thou far from me.

22 Haste thee to help me: O Lord God of my salvation.

I SAID, I will take heed to my ways: that I offend not in my tongue.

2 I will keep my mouth as it were with a bridle: while the ungodly is in my sight.

3 I held my tongue, and spake nothing: I kept silence, yea, even from good words; but it was pain and grief to me.

4 My heart was hot within me, and while I was thus musing the fire kindled: and at the last I spake with my tongue;

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

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

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

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

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

10 I became dumb, and opened not my mouth: for it was thy doing.

11 Take thy plague away from me: I am even consumed by the means of thy heavy hand.

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

13 Hear my prayer, O Lord, and with thine ears consider my calling: hold not thy peace at my tears.

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

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

PSALM 40

4 Lent, E. Good Friday, E. S Trinity, M.

I waited patiently for the Lord: and he inclined unto me, and heard my calling.

2 He brought me also out of the horrible pit, out of the mire and clay: and set my feet upon the rock, and ordered my goings.

3 And he hath put a new song in my mouth: even a thanksgiving unto our God.

4 Many shall see it, and fear: and shall put their trust in the Lord.

5 Blessed is the man that hath set his hope in the Lord; and turned not unto the proud, and to such as go about with lies.

6 O Lord my God, great are the wondrous works which thou hast done, like as be also thy thoughts which are to us-ward: and yet there is no man that ordereth them unto thee.

7 If I should declare them, and speak of them: they should be more than I am able to express.

8 Sacrifice, and meat-offering, thou wouldest not: but mine ears hast thou opened.

9 Burnt-offerings, and sacrifice for sin, hast thou not required: then said I, Lo, I come.

10 In the volume of the book it is written of me, that I shall fulfill thy will, O my God: I am content to do it; yea, thy law is within my heart.

11 I have declared thy righteousness in the great congregation: lo, I will not refrain my lips, O Lord, and that thou knowest.

12 I have not hid thy righteousness within my heart: my talk hath been of thy truth, and of thy salvation.

13 I have not kept back thy loving mercy and truth: from the great congregation.

14 Withdraw not thou thy mercy from me, O Lord: let thy loving-kindness and thy truth always preserve me.

15 For innumerable troubles are come about me; my sins have taken such hold upon me that I am not able to look up: yea, they are more in number than the hairs of my head, and my heart hath failed me.

16 O Lord, let it be thy pleasure to deliver me: make haste, O Lord, to help me.

17 Let them be ashamed, and confounded together, that seek after my soul to destroy it: let them be driven backward, and put to rebuke, that wish me evil.

18 Let them be desolate, and rewarded with shame: that say unto me, Fie upon thee, fie upon thee.

19 Let all those that seek thee be joyful and glad in thee: and let such as love thy salvation say alway, The Lord be praised.
Day 8

PSALM 41

Eyen.

20 As for me, I am poor and needy: but the Lord careth for me.
21 Thou art my helper and redeemer: make no long tarrying, O my God.

Eighth Evening

PSALM 41

Wednesday in Holy Week, M. 8 Trinity, E.

BLESSED is he that considereth the poor and needy: the Lord shall deliver him in the time of trouble.
2 The Lord preserve him, and keep him alive, that he may be blessed upon earth: and deliver not thou him into the will of his enemies.
3 The Lord comfort him, when he lieth sick upon his bed: make thou all his bed in his sickness.
4 I said, Lord, be merciful unto me: heal my soul, for I have sinned against thee.
5 Mine enemies speak evil of me: When shall he die, and his name perish?
6 And if he come to see me, he speaketh vanity: and his heart conceiveth falsehood within himself, and when he cometh forth he telleth it.
7 All mine enemies whisper together against me: even against me do they imagine this evil.
8 Let the sentence of guiltiness proceed against him: and now that he lieth, let him rise up no more.
9 Yea, even mine own familiar friend, whom I trusted: who did also eat of my bread, hath laid great wait for me.

PSALM 42

3 Epiphany, M. Wed. in Holy Week, M. 8 Trinity, E.

LIKE as the hart desireth the water-brooks: so longeth my soul after thee, O God.
2 My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God: when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?
3 My tears have been my meat day and night: while they daily say unto me, Where is now thy God?
4 Now when I think thereupon, I pour out my heart by myself: for I went with the multitude, and brought them forth into the house of God;
5 In the voice of praise and thanksgiving: among such as keep holy-day.
6 Why art thou so full of heaviness, O my soul: and why art thou so disquieted within me?
7 Put thy trust in God: for I will yet give him thanks for the help of his countenance.
8 My God, my soul is vexed within me: therefore will I remember thee concerning the land of Jordan, and the little hill of Hermon.
PSALM 43

9 One deep calleth another, because of the noise of the water-pipes: all thy waves and storms are gone over me.

10 The Lord hath granted his loving-kindness in the day-time: and in the night-season did I sing of him, and made my prayer unto the God of my life.

11 I will say unto the God of my strength, Why hast thou forgotten me: why go I thus heavily, while the enemy oppresseth me?

12 My bones are smitten asunder as with a sword: while mine enemies that trouble me cast me in the teeth;

13 Namely, while they say daily unto me: Where is now thy God?

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

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

PSALM 44

3 Epiphany, M. Wed. in Holy Week, M. 8 Trinity, E.

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

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

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

4 And that I may go unto the altar of God,

Morn.

PSALM 44

9 Trinity, E.

WE have heard with our ears, O God, our fathers have told us: what thou hast done in their time of old;

2 How thou hast driven out the heathen with thy hand, and planted them in; how thou hast destroyed the nations, and cast them out.

3 For they gat not the land in possession through their own sword: neither was it their own arm that helped them;

4 But thy right hand, and thine arm, and the light of thy countenance: because thou hadst a favour unto them.

5 Thou art my King, O God: send help unto Jacob.

6 Through thee will we overthrow our enemies: and in thy Name will we tread them under, that rise up against us.

7 For I will not trust in my bow: it is not my sword that shall help me;

8 But it is thou that savest us from our
enemies: and puttest them to confusion that hate us.

9 We make our boast of God all day long: and will praise thy Name for ever.

10 But now thou art far off, and puttest us to confusion: and goest not forth with our armies.

11 Thou makest us to turn our backs upon our enemies: so that they which hate us spoil our goods.

12 Thou lettest us be eaten up like sheep: and hast scattered us among the heathen.

13 Thou sellest thy people for nought: and takest no money for them.

14 Thou makest us to be rebuked of our neighbours: to be laughed to scorn, and had in derision of them that are round about us.

15 Thou makest us to be a by-word among the heathen: and that the people shake their heads at us.

16 My confusion is daily before me: and the shame of my face hath covered me;

17 For the voice of the slanderer and blasphemer: for the enemy and avenger.

18 And though all this be come upon us, yet do we not forget thee: nor behave ourselves frowardly in thy covenant.

19 Our heart is not turned back: neither our steps gone out of thy way;

20 No, not when thou hast smitten us into the place of dragons: and covered us with the shadow of death.

21 If we have forgotten the Name of our God, and holden up our hands to any strange god: shall not God search it out? for he knoweth the very secrets of the heart.

22 For thy sake also are we killed all the day long: and are counted as sheep appointed to be slain.

23 Up, Lord, why sleepest thou: awake, and be not absent from us for ever.

24 Wherefore hidest thou thy face: and forgettest our misery and trouble?

25 For our soul is brought low, even unto the dust: our belly cleaveth unto the ground.

26 Arise, and help us: and deliver us for thy mercy's sake.

PSALM 45

1 My heart is inditing of a good matter: I speak of the things which I have made unto the King.

2 My tongue is the pen: of a ready writer.

3 Thou art fairer than the children of men: full of grace are thy lips, because God hath blessed thee for ever.

4 Gird thee with thy sword upon thy thigh, O thou most Mighty: according to thy worship and renown.

5 Good luck have thou with thine honour: ride on, because of the word of truth, of meekness, and righteousness; and thy right hand shall teach thee terrible things.

6 Thy arrows are very sharp, and the people
shall be subdued unto thee: even in the midst among the King's enemies.

7 Thy seat, O God, endureth for ever: the sceptre of thy kingdom is a right sceptre.

8 Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity: wherefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.

9 All thy garments smell of myrrh, aloes, and cassia: out of the ivory palaces, whereby they have made thee glad.

10 Kings' daughters were among thy honourable women: upon thy right hand did stand the queen in a vesture of gold, wrought about with divers colours.

11 Hearken, O daughter, and consider, incline thine ear: forget also thine own people, and thy father's house.

12 So shall the King have pleasure in thy beauty: for he is thy Lord God, and worship thou him.

13 And the daughter of Tyre shall be there with a gift: like as the rich also among the people shall make their supplication before thee.

14 The King's daughter is all glorious within: her clothing is of wrought gold.

15 She shall be brought unto the King in raiment of needle-work: the virgins that be her fellows shall bear her company, and shall be brought unto thee.

16 With joy and gladness shall they be brought: and shall enter into the King's palace.

17 Instead of thy fathers thou shalt have children: whom thou mayest make princes in all lands.

18 I will remember thy Name from one generation to another: therefore shall the people give thanks unto thee, world without end.

PSALM 46

1 Advent, E. 1 Epiphany, M. 9 Trinity, M.

Morn.

GOD is our hope and strength: a very present help in trouble.

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

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

4 The rivers of the flood thereof shall make glad the city of God: the holy place of the tabernacle of the most High.

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

6 The heathen make much ado, and the kingdoms are moved: but God hath shewed his voice, and the earth shall melt away.

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

8 O come hither, and behold the works of the Lord: what destruction he hath brought upon the earth.

9 He maketh wars to cease in all the world:
he breaketh the bow, and knappeth the spear in
sunder, and burneth the chariots in the fire.
10 Be still then, and know that I am God: I
will be exalted among the heathen, and I will
be exalted in the earth.
11 The Lord of hosts is with us: the God of
Jacob is our refuge.

Ninth Evening

PSALM 47

1 Epiphany, M. Ascension Day, E. 9 Trinity, M.
Missions.

O CLAP your hands together, all ye people:
O sing unto God with the voice of
melody.
2 For the Lord is high, and to be feared: he
is the great King upon all the earth.
3 He shall subdue the people under us: and
the nations under our feet.
4 He shall choose out an heritage for us:
even the worship of Jacob, whom he loved.
5 God is gone up with a merry noise: and
the Lord with the sound of the trump.
6 O sing praises, sing praises unto our God:
O sing praises, sing praises unto our King.
7 For God is the King of all the earth: sing
ye praises with understanding.
8 God reigneth over the heathen: God
sitteth upon his holy seat.
9 The princes of the people are joined unto
the people of the God of Abraham: for God,
which is very high exalted, doth defend the
earth, as it were with a shield.
PSALM 49

13 For this God is our God for ever and ever: he shall be our guide unto death.

O HEAR ye this, all ye people: ponder it with your ears, all ye that dwell in the world;
2 High and low, rich and poor: one with another.
3 My mouth shall speak of wisdom: and my heart shall muse of understanding.
4 I will incline mine ear to the parable: and shew my dark speech upon the harp.
5 Wherefore should I fear in the days of wickedness: and when the wickedness of my heels compasseth me round about?
6 There be some that put their trust in their goods: and boast themselves in the multitude of their riches.
7 But no man may deliver his brother: nor make agreement unto God for him;
8 For it cost more to redeem their souls: so that he must let that alone for ever;
9 Yea, though he live long; and see not the grave.
10 For he seeth that wise men also die, and perish together: as well as the ignorant and foolish, and leave their riches for other.
11 And yet they think that their houses shall continue for ever: and that their dwelling-places shall endure from one generation to another; and call the lands after their own names.

Tenth Morning

PSALM 50

12 Nevertheless, man will not abide in honour: seeing he may be compared unto the beasts that perish; this is the way of them.
13 This is their foolishness: and their posterity praise their saying.
14 They lie in the hell like sheep, death gnaweth upon them, and the righteous shall have dominion over them in the morning: their beauty shall consume in the sepulchre out of their dwelling.
15 But God hath delivered my soul from the place of hell: for he shall receive me.
16 Be not thou afraid, though one be made rich: or if the glory of his house be increased;
17 For he shall carry nothing away with him when he dieth: neither shall his pomp follow him.
18 For while he lived, he counted himself an happy man: and so long as thou doest well unto thyself, men will speak good of thee.
19 He shall follow the generation of his fathers: and shall never see light.
20 Man being in honour hath no understanding: but is compared unto the beasts that perish.
Psalm 60

2 Out of Sion hath God appeared: in perfect beauty.

3 Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence: there shall go before him a consuming fire, and a mighty tempest shall be stirred up round about him.

4 He shall call the heaven from above: and the earth, that he may judge his people.

5 Gather my saints together unto me: those that have made a covenant with me with sacrifice.

6 And the heaven shall declare his righteousness: for God is Judge himself.

7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak: I myself will testify against thee, O Israel; for I am God, even thy God.

8 I will not reprove thee because of thy sacrifices, or for thy burnt-offerings: because they were not alway before me.

9 I will take no bullock out of thine house: nor he-goat out of thy folds.

10 For all the beasts of the forest are mine: and so are the cattle upon a thousand hills.

11 I know all the fowls upon the mountains: and the wild beasts of the field are in my sight.

12 If I be hungry, I will not tell thee: for the whole world is mine, and all that is therein.

13 Thinkest thou that I will eat bulls' flesh: and drink the blood of goats?

14 Offer unto God thanksgiving: and pay thy vows unto the most Highest.

15 And call upon me in the time of trouble:

Psalm 51

1 Have mercy upon me, O God, after thy great goodness: according to the multitude of thy mercies do away mine offences.
2 Wash me throughly from my wickedness: and cleanse me from my sin.
3 For I acknowledge my faults: and my sin is ever before me.
4 Against thee only have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight: that thou mightest be justified in thy saying, and clear when thou art judged.
5 Behold, I was shapen in wickedness: and in sin hath my mother conceived me.
6 But lo, thou requirest truth in the inward parts: and shalt make me to understand wisdom secretly.
7 Thou shalt purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
8 Thou shalt make me hear of joy and gladness: that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice.
9 Turn thy face from my sins: and put out all my misdeeds.
10 Make me a clean heart, O God: and renew a right spirit within me.
11 Cast me not away from thy presence: and take not thy holy Spirit from me.
12 O give me the comfort of thy help again: and stablish me with thy free Spirit.
13 Then shall I teach thy ways unto the wicked: and sinners shall be converted unto thee.
14 Deliver me from blood-guiltiness, O God, thou that art the God of my health: and my tongue shall sing of thy righteousness.
15 Thou shalt open my lips, O Lord: and my mouth shall shew thy praise.
16 For thou desirdest no sacrifice, else would I give it thee: but thou delightest not in burnt-offerings.
17 The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit: a broken and contrite heart, O God, shalt thou not despise.
18 O be favourable and gracious unto Sion: build thou the walls of Jerusalem.
19 Then shalt thou be pleased with the sacrifice of righteousness, with the burnt-offerings and oblations: then shall they offer young bullocks upon thine altar.

WHY boastest thou thyself, thou tyrant: that thou canst do mischief;
2 Whereas the goodness of God: endureth yet daily?
3 Thy tongue imagineth wickedness: and with lies thou cuttest like a sharp razor.
4 Thou hast loved unrighteousness more than goodness: and to talk of lies more than righteousness.
5 Thou hast loved to speak all words that may do hurt: O thou false tongue.
6 Therefore shall God destroy thee for ever: he shall take thee, and pluck thee out of thy dwelling, and root thee out of the land of the living.
7 The righteous also shall see this, and fear: and shall laugh him to scorn;
8 Lo, this is the man that took not God for his strength: but trusted unto the multitude of his riches, and strengthened himself in his wickedness.
9 As for me, I am like a green olive-tree in the house of God: my trust is in the tender mercy of God for ever and ever.
10 I will always give thanks unto thee for that thou hast done: and I will hope in thy Name, for thy saints like it well.

Tenth Evening

PSALM 53
10 Trinity, M.

10 The foolish body hath said in his heart:
There is no God.
2 Corrupt are they, and become abominable in their wickedness: there is none that doeth good.
3 God looked down from heaven upon the children of men: to see if there were any, that would understand, and seek after God.
4 But they are all gone out of the way, they are altogether become abominable: there is also none that doeth good, no not one.
5 Are not they without understanding that work wickedness: eating up my people as if they would eat bread? they have not called upon God.
6 They were afraid where no fear was: for God hath broken the bones of him that besieged thee; thou hast put them to confusion, because God hath despised them.

PSALM 54
Wed. in Holy Week, E. 10 Trinity, E.

S AV E me, O God, for thy Name's sake: and avenge me in thy strength.
2 Hear my prayer, O God: and hearken unto the words of my mouth.
3 For strangers are risen up against me: and tyrants, which have not God before their eyes, seek after my soul.
4 Behold, God is my helper: the Lord is with them that uphold my soul.
5 He shall reward evil unto mine enemies: destroy thou them in thy truth.
6 An offering of a free heart will I give thee, and praise thy Name, O Lord: because it is so comfortable.
7 For he hath delivered me out of all my trouble: and mine eye hath seen his desire upon mine enemies.

PSALM 55
Wednesday in Holy Week, E.

H EAR my prayer, O God: and hide not thyself from my petition.
2 Take heed unto me, and hear me: how I mourn in my prayer, and am vexed.
3 The enemy crieth so, and the ungodly
cometh on so fast: for they are minded to do me some mischief; so maliciously are they set against me.

4 My heart is disquieted within me: and the fear of death is fallen upon me.

5 Fearfulness and trembling are come upon me: and an horrible dread hath overwhelmed me.

6 And I said, O that I had wings like a dove: for then would I flee away, and be at rest.

7 Lo, then would I get me away far off: and remain in the wilderness.

8 I would make haste to escape: because of the stormy wind and tempest.

9 Destroy their tongues, O Lord, and divide them: for I have spied unrighteousness and strife in the city.

10 Day and night they go about within the walls thereof: mischief also and sorrow are in the midst of it.

11 Wickedness is therein: deceit and guile go not out of their streets.

12 For it is not an open enemy, that hath done me this dishonour: for then I could have borne it.

13 Neither was it mine adversary, that did magnify himself against me: for then peradventure I would have hid myself from him.

14 But it was even thou, my companion: my guide, and mine own familiar friend.

15 We took sweet counsel together: and walked in the house of God as friends.

16 Let death come hastily upon them, and let
Day 11

PSALM 56
Morn.

2 Mine enemies are daily in hand to swallow me up: for they be many that fight against me, O thou most Highest.
3 Nevertheless, though I am sometime afraid: yet put I my trust in thee.
4 I will praise God, because of his word: I have put my trust in God, and will not fear what flesh can do unto me.
5 They daily mistake my words: all that they imagine is to do me evil.
6 They hold all together, and keep themselves close: and mark my steps, when they lay wait for my soul.
7 Shall they escape for their wickedness?: thou, O God, in thy displeasure shalt cast them down.
8 Thou tellest my flittings: put my tears into thy bottle: are not these things noted in thy book?
9 Whencever I call upon thee, then shall mine enemies be put to flight: this I know; for God is on my side.
10 In God’s word will I rejoice: in the Lord’s word will I comfort me.
11 Yea, in God have I put my trust: I will not be afraid what man can do unto me.
12 Unto thee, O God, will I pay my vows: unto thee will I give thanks.
13 For thou hast delivered my soul from death, and my feet from falling: that I may walk before God in the light of the living.

PSALM 57
Day 11

1 Easter, M.

BE merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me, for my soul trusteth in thee: and under the shadow of thy wings shall be my refuge, until this tyranny be overpast.
2 I will call unto the most high God: even unto the God that shall perform the cause which I have in hand.
3 He shall send from heaven: and save me from the reproof of him that would eat me up.
4 God shall send forth his mercy and truth: my soul is among lions.
5 And I lie even among the children of men, that are set on fire: whose teeth are spears and arrows, and their tongue a sharp sword.
6 Set up thyself, O God, above the heavens: and thy glory above all the earth.
7 They have laid a net for my feet, and pressed down my soul: they have digged a pit before me, and are fallen into the midst of it themselves.
8 My heart is fixed, O God, my heart is fixed: I will sing, and give praise.
9 Awake up, my glory: awake, lute and harp: I myself will awake right early.
10 I will give thanks unto thee, O Lord, among the people: and I will sing unto thee among the nations.
11 For the greatness of thy mercy reacheth unto the heavens: and thy truth unto the clouds.
12 Set up thyself, O God, above the heavens: and thy glory above all the earth.
PSALM 58

A RE your minds set upon righteousness, O ye congregation: and do ye judge the thing that is right, O ye sons of men?

2 Yea, ye imagine mischief in your heart upon the earth: and your hands deal with wickedness.

3 The ungodly are froward, even from their mother's womb: as soon as they are born, they go astray, and speak lies.

4 They are as venomous as the poison of a serpent: even like the deaf adder that stoppeth her ears;

5 Which refuseth to hear the voice of the charmer: charm he never so wisely.

6 Break their teeth, O God, in their mouths; smite the jaw-bones of the lions, O Lord: let them fall away like water that runneth apace; and when they shoot their arrows let them be rooted out.

7 Let them consume away like a snail, and be like the untimely fruit of a woman: and let them not see the sun.

8 Or ever your pots be made hot with thorns: so let indignation vex him, even as a thing that is raw.

9 The righteous shall rejoice when he seeth the vengeance: he shall wash his footsteps in the blood of the ungodly.

10 So that a man shall say, Verily there is a reward for the righteous: doubtless there is a God that judgeth the earth.
words of their lips, they shall be taken in their pride: and why? their preaching is of cursing and lies.

13 Consume them in thy wrath, consume them, that they may perish: and know that it is God that ruleth in Jacob, and unto the ends of the world.

14 And in the evening they will return: grin like a dog, and will go about the city.

15 They will run here and there for meat: and grudge [tarry] if they be not satisfied.

16 As for me, I will sing of thy power, and will praise thy mercy betimes in the morning: for thou hast been my defence and refuge in the day of my trouble.

17 Unto thee, O my strength, will I sing: for thou, O God, art my refuge, and my merciful God.

**PSALM 60**

4 Epiphany, M.

O GOD, thou hast cast us out, and scattered us abroad: thou hast also been displeased; O turn thee unto us again.

2 Thou hast moved the land, and divided it: heal the sores thereof, for it shaketh.

3 Thou hast shewed thy people heavy things: thou hast given us a drink of deadly wine.

4 Thou hast given a token for such as fear thee: that they may triumph because of the truth.

5 Therefore were thy beloved delivered: help me with thy right hand, and hear me.

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Even.

**PSALM 61**

6 Lent, M. 11 Trinity, E.

H EAR my crying, O God: give ear unto my prayer.

2 From the ends of the earth will I call upon thee: when my heart is in heaviness.

3 O set me up upon the rock that is higher than I: for thou hast been my hope, and a strong tower for me against the enemy.

4 I will dwell in thy tabernacle for ever: and my trust shall be under the covering of thy wings.

5 For thou, O Lord, hast heard my desires: and hast given an heritage unto those that fear thy Name.

6 Thou shalt grant the King a long life: that his
years may endure throughout all generations.
7 He shall dwell before God for ever: O prepare thy loving mercy and faithfulness, that they may preserve him.
8 So will I alway sing praise unto thy Name: that I may daily perform my vows.

**Twelfth Morning**

**PSALM 62**

6 Lent, M. 11 Trinity, E. Rogation Mon., E.

My soul truly waiteth still upon God: for of him cometh my salvation.
2 He verily is my strength and my salvation: he is my defence, so that I shall not greatly fall.
3 How long will ye imagine mischief against every man: ye shall be slain all the sort of you; yea, as a tottering wall shall ye be, and like a broken hedge.
4 Their device is only how to put him out whom God will exalt: their delight is in lies; they give good words with their mouth, but curse with their heart.
5 Nevertheless, my soul, wait thou still upon God: for my hope is in him.
6 He truly is my strength and my salvation: he is my defence, so that I shall not fall.
7 In God is my health, and my glory: the rock of my might, and in God is my trust.
8 O put your trust in him alway, ye people: pour out your hearts before him, for God is our hope.
9 As for the children of men, they are but vanity: the children of men are deceitful upon the weights, they are altogether lighter than vanity itself.
10 O trust not in wrong and robbery, give not yourselves unto vanity: if riches increase, set not your heart upon them.
11 God spake once, and twice I have also heard the same: that power belongeth unto God: 12 And that thou, Lord, art merciful: for thou rewardest every man according to his work.

**PSALM 63**

4 Epiphany, M. 11 Trinity, E. Rogation Mon., E.

O GOD, thou art my God: early will I seek thee.
2 My soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh also longeth after thee: in a barren and dry land where no water is.
3 Thus have I looked for thee in holiness: that I might behold thy power and glory.
4 For thy loving-kindness is better than the life itself: my lips shall praise thee.
5 As long as I live will I magnify thee on this manner: and lift up my hands in thy Name.
6 My soul shall be satisfied, even as it were with marrow and fatness: when my mouth praiseth thee with joyful lips.
7 Have I not remembered thee in my bed: and thought upon thee when I was waking?
8 Because thou hast been my helper: therefore under the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice.
9 My soul hangeth upon thee: thy right hand hath upheld me.
PSALM 64

Day 12

10 These also that seek the hurt of my soul:
they shall go under the earth.
11 Let them fall upon the edge of the sword:
that they may be a portion for foxes.
12 But the King shall rejoice in God; all they
also that swear by him shall be commended:
for the mouth of them that speak lies shall be
stopped.

PSALM 64

Maundy Thursday, M.

HEAR my voice, O God, in my prayer:
preserve my life from fear of the enemy.
2 Hide me from the gathering together of the
froward: and from the insurrection of wicked
doers;
3 Who have whet their tongue like a sword:
and shoot out their arrows, even bitter words;
4 That they may privily shoot at him that is
perfect: suddenly do they hit him, and fear not.
5 They encourage themselves in mischief:
and commune among themselves how they may
lay snares, and say, that no man shall see them.
6 They imagine wickedness, and practise it:
that they keep secret among themselves, every
man in the deep of his heart.
7 But God shall suddenly shoot at them with
a swift arrow: that they shall be wounded.
8 Yea, their own tongues shall make them
fall: insomuch that whoso seeth them shall
laugh them to scorn.
9 And all men that see it shall say, This hath
God done: for they shall perceive that it is
his work.

PSALM 65

Even.

Day 12

10 The righteous shall rejoice in the Lord,
and put his trust in him: and all they that are
true of heart shall be glad.

Twelfth Evening

PSALM 65

2 Easter, E. 12 Trinity, M. Harvest Thanks., E.
Thanksgivings. Rogation Tues., M.

THOU, O God, art praised in Sion: and
unto thee shall the vow be performed
in Jerusalem.
2 Thou that hearest the prayer: unto thee
shall all flesh come.
3 My misdeeds prevail against me: O be
thou merciful unto our sins.
4 Blessed is the man, whom thou choosest,
and receivest unto thee: he shall dwell in thy
court, and shall be satisfied with the pleasures
of thy house, even of thy holy temple.
5 Thou shalt shew us wonderful things in
thy righteousness, O God of our salvation: thou
that art the hope of all the ends of the earth,
and of them that remain in the broad sea.
6 Who in his strength setteth fast the
mountains: and is girded about with power.
7 Who stilleth the raging of the sea:
and the noise of his waves, and the madness of
the people.
8 They also that dwell in the uttermost parts
of the earth shall be afraid at thy tokens: thou
that maketh the outgoings of the morning and
evening to praise thee.
9 Thou visitest the earth, and blessest it: thou makest it very plenteous.

10 The river of God is full of water: thou preparest their corn, for so thou providest for the earth.

11 Thou waterest her furrows, thou sendest rain into the little valleys thereof: thou makest it soft with the drops of rain, and blessest the increase of it.

12 Thou crownest the year with thy goodness: and thy clouds drop fatness.

13 They shall drop upon the dwellings of the wilderness: and the little hills shall rejoice on every side.

14 The folds shall be full of sheep: the valleys also shall stand so thick with corn, that they shall laugh and sing.

PSALM 66

2 Easter, E. 12 Trinity, M. Rogation Tues., M.

O BE joyful in God, all ye lands: sing praises unto the honour of his Name, make his praise to be glorious.

2 Say unto God, O how wonderful art thou in thy works: through the greatness of thy power shall thine enemies be found liars unto thee.

3 For all the world shall worship thee: sing of thee, and praise thy Name.

4 O come hither, and behold the works of God: how wonderful he is in his doing toward the children of men.

5 He turned the sea into dry land: so that they went through the water on foot; there did we rejoice thereof.

6 He ruleth with his power for ever: his eyes behold the people: and such as will not believe shall not be able to exalt themselves.

7 O praise our God, ye people: and make the voice of his praise to be heard;

8 Who holdeth our soul in life: and suffereth not our feet to slip.

9 For thou, O God, hast proved us: thou also hast tried us, like as silver is tried.

10 Thou broughtest us into the snare: and laidest trouble upon our loins.

11 Thou s distressed men to ride over our heads: we went through fire and water, and thou broughtest us out into a wealthy place.

12 I will go into thine house with burnt-offerings: and will pay thee my vows, which I promised with my lips, and spake with my mouth, when I was in trouble.

13 I will offer unto thee fat burnt-sacrifices, with the incense of rams: I will offer bullocks and goats.

14 O come hither, and hearken, all ye that fear God: and I will tell you what he hath done for my soul.

15 I called unto him with my mouth: and gave him praises with my tongue.

16 If I incline unto wickedness with mine heart: the Lord will not hear me.

17 But God hath heard me: and considered the voice of my prayer.
18 Praised be God who hath not cast out my prayer: nor turned his mercy from me.

**PSALM 67**

2 Advent, E. 1 Epiphany, M. 13 Trinity, E. 
Harvest Thanks., E. Missions. Rogation Tues., M.

GOD be merciful unto us, and bless us: and shew us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us;
2 That thy way may be known upon earth: thy saving health among all nations.
3 Let the people praise thee, O God: yea, let all the people praise thee.
4 O let the nations rejoice and be glad: for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.
5 Let the people praise thee, O God: let all the people praise thee.
6 Then shall the earth bring forth her increase: and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.
7 God shall bless us: and all the ends of the world shall fear him.

**Thirteenth Morning**

**PSALM 68**

2 Epiphany, E. Whit-Sunday, M. 12 Trinity, E.

LET God arise, and let his enemies be scattered: let them also that hate him flee before him.
2 Like as the smoke vanisheth, so shalt thou drive them away: and like as wax melteth at the fire, so let the ungodly perish at the presence of God.

3 But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God: let them also be merry and joyful.
4 O sing unto God, and sing praises unto his Name: magnify him that rideth upon the heavens, as it were upon an horse; praise him in his Name JAH, and rejoice before him.
5 He is a Father of the fatherless, and defendeth the cause of the widows: even God in his holy habitation.
6 He is the God that maketh men to be of one mind in an house, and bringeth the prisoners out of captivity: but leteth the runagates [rebellious] continue in scarceness.
7 O God, when thou wentest forth before the people: when thou wentest through the wilderness,
8 The earth shook, and the heavens dropped at the presence of God: even as Sinai also was moved at the presence of God, who is the God of Israel.
9 Thou, O God, sentest a gracious rain upon thine inheritance: and refreshedst it when it was weary.
10 Thy congregation shall dwell therein: for thou, O God, hast of thy goodness prepared for the poor.
11 The Lord gave the word: great was the company of the preachers.
12 Kings with their armies did flee, and were discomfited: and they of the household divided the spoil.
13 Though ye have lien among the pots, yet
shall ye be as the wings of a dove: that is covered with silver wings, and her feathers like gold.

14 When the Almighty scattered kings for their sake: then were [fell] they as white [thick] as snow in Salmon.

15 As the hill of Basan, so is God's hill: even an high hill, as the hill of Basan.

16 Why hop [mock] ye so, ye high hills? this is God's hill, in the which it pleaseth him to dwell: yea, the Lord will abide in it for ever.

17 The chariots of God are twenty thousand, even thousands of angels: and the Lord is among them, as in the holy place of Sinai.

18 Thou art gone up on high, thou hast led captivity captive, and received gifts for men: yea, even for thine enemies, that the Lord God might dwell among them.

19 Praised be the Lord daily: even the God who helpeth us, and poureth his benefits upon us.

20 He is our God, even the God of whom cometh salvation: God is the Lord, by whom we escape death.

21 God shall wound the head of his enemies: and the hairy scalp of such a one as goeth on still in his wickedness.

22 The Lord hath said, I will bring my people again, as I did from Basan: mine own will I bring again, as I did sometime from the deep of the sea.

23 That thy foot may be dipped in the blood of thine enemies: and that the tongue
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35 O God, wonderful art thou in thy holy places: even the God of Israel; he will give strength and power unto his people; blessed be God.

**Thirteenth Evening**

**PSALM 69**

**SAVE** me, O God: for the waters are come in, even unto my soul.

1 I stick fast in the deep mire, where no ground is: I am come into deep waters, so that the floods run over me.

2 I am weary of crying; my throat is dry: my sight faileth me for waiting so long upon my God.

3 They that hate me without a cause are more than the hairs of my head: they that are mine enemies, and would destroy me guiltless, are mighty.

4 I paid them the things that I never took: God, thou knowest my simpleness, and my faults are not hid from thee.

5 Let not them that trust in thee, O Lord God of hosts, be ashamed for my cause: let not those that seek thee be confounded through me, O Lord God of Israel.

6 And why? for thy sake have I suffered reproof: shame hath covered my face.

7 I am become a stranger unto my brethren: even an alien unto my mother's children.

8 For the zeal of thine house hath even eaten me: and the rebukes of them that rebuked thee are fallen upon me.

9 I wept, and chastened myself with fasting: and that was turned to my reproof.

10 I put on sackcloth also: and they jested upon me.

11 They that sit in the gate speak against me: and the drunkards make songs upon me.

12 But, Lord, I make my prayer unto thee: in an acceptable time.

13 Hear me, O God, in the multitude of thy mercy: even in the truth of thy salvation.

14 Take me out of the mire, that I sink not: let me be delivered from them that hate me, and out of the deep waters.

15 Let not the water-flood drown me, neither let the deep swallow me up: and let not the pit shut her mouth upon me.

16 Hear me, O Lord, for thy loving-kindness is comfortable: turn thee unto me according to the multitude of thy mercies.

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

18 Draw nigh unto my soul, and save it: O deliver me, because of mine enemies.

19 Thou hast known my reproach, my shame, and my dishonour: mine adversaries are all in thy sight.

20 Thy rebuke hath broken my heart: I am full of heaviness: I looked for some to have pity on me, but there was no man, neither found I any to comfort me.
22 They gave me gall to eat: and when I was thirsty they gave me vinegar to drink.
23 Let their table be made a snare to take themselves withal: and let the things that should have been for their wealth be unto them an occasion of falling.
24 Let their eyes be blinded, that they see not: and ever bow thou down their backs.
25 Pour out thine indignation upon them: and let thy wrathful displeasure take hold of them.
26 Let their habitation be void: and no man to dwell in their tents.
27 For they persecute him whom thou hast smitten: and they talk how they may vex them whom thou hast wounded.
28 Let them fall from one wickedness to another: and not come into thy righteousness.
29 Let them be wiped out of the book of the living: and not be written among the righteous.
30 As for me, when I am poor and in heaviness: thy help, O God, shall lift me up.
31 I will praise the Name of God with a song: and magnify it with thanksgiving.
32 This also shall please the Lord: better than a bullock that hath horns and hoofs.
33 The humble shall consider this, and be glad: seek ye after God, and your soul shall live.
34 For the Lord heareth the poor: and despiseth not his prisoners.

35 Let heaven and earth praise him: the sea, and all that moveth therein.
36 For God will save Sion, and build the cities of Judah: that men may dwell there, and have it in possession.
37 The posterity also of his servants shall inherit it: and they that love his Name shall dwell therein.

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HASTE thee, O God, to deliver me: make haste to help me, O Lord.
2 Let them be ashamed and confounded that seek after my soul: let them be turned backward and put to confusion that wish me evil.
3 Let them for their reward be soon brought to shame: that cry over me, There, there.
4 But let all those that seek thee be joyful and glad in thee: and let all such as delight in thy salvation say alway, The Lord be praised.
5 As for me, I am poor and in misery: haste thee unto me, O God.
6 Thou art my helper, and my redeemer: O Lord, make no long tarrying.

Fourteenth Morning

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13 Trinity, M.

IN thee, O Lord, have I put my trust, let me never be put to confusion: but rid me, and deliver me, in thy righteousness; incline thine ear unto me, and save me.
2 Be thou my strong hold, whereunto I may alway resort: thou hast promised to help me, for thou art my house of defence, and my castle.

3 Deliver me, O my God, out of the hand of the ungodly: out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man.

4 For thou, O Lord God, art the thing that I long for: thou art my hope, even from my youth.

5 Through thee have I been holden up ever since I was born: thou art he that took me out of my mother's womb; my praise shall be always of thee.

6 I am become as it were a monster unto many: but my sure trust is in thee.

7 O let my mouth be filled with thy praise: that I may sing of thy glory and honour all the day long.

8 Cast me not away in the time of age: forsake me not when my strength faileth me.

9 For mine enemies speak against me, and they that lay wait for my soul take their counsel together, saying: God hath forsaken him; persecute him, and take him, for there is none to deliver him.

10 Go not far from me, O God: my God, haste thee to help me.

11 Let them be confounded and perish that are against my soul: let them be covered with shame and dishonour that seek to do me evil.

12 As for me, I will patiently abide alway: and will praise thee more and more.

13 My mouth shall daily speak of thy righteousness and salvation: for I know no end thereof.

14 I will go forth in the strength of the Lord God: and will make mention of thy righteousness only.

15 Thou, O God, hast taught me from my youth up until now: therefore will I tell of thy wondrous works.

16 Forsake me not, O God, in mine old age, when I am gray-headed: until I have shewed thy strength unto this generation, and thy power to all them that are yet for to come.

17 Thy righteousness, O God, is very high: and great things are they that thou hast done; O God, who is like unto thee?

18 O what great troubles and adversities hast thou shewed me! and yet didst thou turn and refresh me: yea, and broughtest me from the deep of the earth again.

19 Thou hast brought me to great honour: and comforted me on every side.

20 Therefore will I praise thee and thy faithfulness, O God, playing upon an instrument of music: unto thee will I sing upon the harp, O thou Holy One of Israel.

21 My lips will be fain when I sing unto thee: and so will my soul whom thou hast delivered.

22 My tongue also shall talk of thy righteousness all the day long: for they are confounded and brought unto shame that seek to do me evil.
GIVE the King thy judgements, O God: and thy righteousness unto the King's son.
2 Then shall he judge thy people according unto right: and defend the poor.
3 The mountains also shall bring peace: and the little hills righteousness unto the people.
4 He shall keep the simple folk by their right: defend the children of the poor, and punish the wrong doer.
5 They shall fear thee, as long as the sun and moon endureth: from one generation to another.
6 He shall come down like the rain into a fleece of wool: even as the drops that water the earth.
7 In his time shall the righteous flourish: yea, and abundance of peace, so long as the moon endureth.
8 His dominion shall be also from the one sea to the other: and from the flood unto the world's end.
9 They that dwell in the wilderness shall kneel before him: his enemies shall lick the dust.
10 The kings of Tharsis and of the isles shall give presents: the kings of Arabia and Saba shall bring gifts.
11 All kings shall fall down before him: all nations shall do him service.
12 For he shall deliver the poor when he crieth: the needy also, and him that hath no helper.
13 He shall be favourable to the simple and needy: and shall preserve the souls of the poor.

14 He shall deliver their souls from falsehood and wrong: and dear shall their blood be in his sight.
15 He shall live, and unto him shall be given of the gold of Arabia: prayer shall be made ever unto him, and daily shall he be praised.
16 There shall be an heap of corn in the earth, high upon the hills: his fruit shall shake like Libanus, and shall be green in the city like grass upon the earth.
17 His Name shall endure for ever; his Name shall remain under the sun among the posterities: which shall be blessed through him; and all the heathen shall praise him.
18 Blessed be the Lord God, even the God of Israel: which only doeth wondrous things;
19 And blessed be the Name of his Majesty for ever: and all the earth shall be filled with his Majesty. Amen, Amen.

True God is loving unto Israel: even unto such as are of a clean heart.
2 Nevertheless, my feet were almost gone: my treadings had well-nigh slipt.
3 And why? I was grieved at the wicked: I do also see the ungodly in such prosperity.
4 For they are in no peril of death: but are lusty and strong.
5 They come in no misfortune like other folk: neither are they plagued like other men.
6 And this is the cause that they are so holden with pride: and overwhelmed with cruelty.
7 Their eyes swell with fatness: and they do even what they lust.
8 They corrupt other, and speak of wicked blasphemy: their talking is against the most High.
9 For they stretch forth their mouth unto the heaven: and their tongue goeth through the world.
10 Therefore fall the people unto them: and thereout suck they no small advantage.
11 Tush, say they, how should God perceive it: is there knowledge in the most High?
12 Lo, these are the ungodly, these prosper in the world, and these have riches in possession: and I said, Then have I cleansed my heart in vain, and washed mine hands in innocency.
13 All the day long have I been punished: and chastened every morning.
14 Yea, and I had almost said even as they: but lo, then I should have condemned the generation of thy children.
15 Then thought I to understand this: but it was too hard for me,
16 Until I went into the sanctuary of God: then understood I the end of these men;
17 Namely, how thou dost set them in slippery places: and castest them down, and destroyest them.
18 Oh, how suddenly do they consume: perish, and come to a fearful end!
19 Yea, even like as a dream when one awaketh: so shalt thou make their image to vanish out of the city.
20 Thus my heart was grieved: and it went even through my reins [mind].
21 So foolish was I, and ignorant: even as it were a beast before thee.
22 Nevertheless, I am alway by thee: for thou hast holden me by my right hand.
23 Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel: and after that receive me with glory.
24 Whom have I in heaven but thee: and there is none upon earth that I desire in comparison of thee.
25 My flesh and my heart faileth: but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever.
26 For lo, they that forsake thee shall perish: thou hast destroyed all them that commit fornication against thee.
27 But it is good for me to hold me fast by God, to put my trust in the Lord God: and to speak of all thy works in the gates of the daughter of Sion.
and mount Sion, wherein thou hast dwelt.
4 Lift up thy feet, that thou mayest utterly destroy every enemy: which hath done evil in thy sanctuary.
5 Thine adversaries roar in the midst of thy congregations: and set up their banners for tokens.
6 He that hewed timber afore out of the thick trees: was known to bring it to an excellent work.
7 But now they break down all the carved work thereof: with axes and hammers.
8 They have set fire upon thy holy places: and have defiled the dwelling-place of thy Name, even unto the ground.
9 Yea, they said in their hearts, Let us make havoc of them altogether: thus have they burnt up all the houses of God in the land.
10 We see not our tokens, there is not one prophet more: no, not one is there among us, that understandeth any more.
11 O God, how long shall the adversary do this dishonour: how long shall the enemy blaspheme thy Name, for ever?
12 Why withdrawest thou thy hand: why pluckest thou not thy right hand out of thy bosom to consume the enemy?
13 For God is my King of old: the help that is done upon earth he doeth it himself.
14 Thou didst divide the sea through thy power: thou brakest the heads of the dragons in the waters.

15 Thou smonest the heads of Leviathan in pieces: and gavest him to be meat for the people in the wilderness.
16 Thou broughtest out fountains and waters out of the hard rocks: thou driedst up mighty waters.
17 The day is thine, and the night is thine: thou hast prepared the light and the sun.
18 Thou hast set all the borders of the earth: thou hast made summer and winter.
19 Remember this, O Lord, how the enemy hath rebuked: and how the foolish people hath blasphemed thy Name.
20 O deliver not the soul of thy turtle-dove unto the multitude of the enemies: and forget not the congregation of the poor for ever.
21 Look upon the covenant: for all the earth is full of darkness, and cruel habitations.
22 O let not the simple go away ashamed: but let the poor and needy give praise unto thy Name.
23 Arise, O God, maintain thine own cause: remember how the foolish man blasphemeth thee daily.
24 Forget not the voice of thine enemies: the presumption of them that hate thee increaseth ever more and more.

Fifteenth Morning

PSALM 75

3 Advent, E. 14 Trinity, M.

UNTO thee, O God, do we give thanks: yea, unto thee do we give thanks.
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2 Thy Name also is so nigh: and that do thy wondrous works declare.
3 When I receive the congregation: I shall judge according unto right.
4 The earth is weak, and all the inhabiters thereof: I bear up the pillars of it.
5 I said unto the fools, Deal not so madly: and to the ungodly, Set not up your horn.
6 Set not up your horn on high: and speak not with a stiff neck.
7 For promotion cometh neither from the east, nor from the west: nor yet from the south.
8 And why? God is the Judge: he putteth down one, and setteth up another.
9 For in the hand of the Lord there is a cup, and the wine is red: it is full mixed, and he poureth out of the same.
10 As for the dregs thereof: all the ungodly of the earth shall drink them, and suck them out.
11 But I will talk of the God of Jacob: and praise him for ever.
12 All the horns of the ungodly also will I break: and the horns of the righteous shall be exalted.

PSALM 77

4 Thou art of more honour and might: than the hills of the robbers.
5 The proud are robbed, they have slept their sleep: and all the men whose hands were mighty have found nothing.
6 At thy rebuke, O God of Jacob: both the chariot and horse are fallen.
7 Thou, even thou art to be feared: and who may stand in thy sight when thou art angry?
8 Thou didst cause thy judgement to be heard from heaven: the earth trembled, and was still,
9 When God arose to judgement: and to help all the meek upon earth.
10 The fierceness of man shall turn to thy praise: and the fierceness of them shalt thou refrain.
11 Promise unto the Lord your God, and keep it, all ye that are round about him: bring presents unto him that ought to be feared.
12 He shall refrain the spirit of princes: and is wonderful among the kings of the earth.

PSALM 77

I WILL cry unto God with my voice: even unto God will I cry with my voice, and he shall hearken unto me.
2 In the time of my trouble I sought the Lord: my sore ran, and ceased not in the night-season; my soul refused comfort.
3 When I am in heaviness, I will think upon God: when my heart is vexed, I will complain.

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4 Thou holdest mine eyes waking: I am so feeble, that I cannot speak.
5 I have considered the days of old: and the years that are past.
6 I call to remembrance my song: and in the night I commune with mine own heart, and search out my spirits.
7 Will the Lord absent himself for ever: and will he be no more intreated?
8 Is his mercy clean gone for ever: and is his promise come utterly to an end for evermore?
9 Hath God forgotten to be gracious: and will he shut up his loving-kindness in displeasure?
10 And I said, It is mine own infirmity: but I will remember the years of the right hand of the most High.
11 I will remember the works of the Lord: and call to mind thy wonders of old time.
12 I will think also of all thy works: and my talking shall be of thy doings.
13 Thy way, O God, is holy: who is so great a God as our God?
14 Thou art the God that doest wonders: and hast declared thy power among the people.
15 Thou hast mightily delivered thy people: even the sons of Jacob and Joseph.
16 The waters saw thee, O God, the waters saw thee, and were afraid: the depths also were troubled.
17 The clouds poured out water, the air thundered: and thine arrows went abroad.
18 The voice of thy thunder was heard round about: the lightnings shone upon the ground; the earth was moved, and shook withal.
19 Thy way is in the sea, and thy paths in the great waters: and thy footsteps are not known.
20 Thou leadest thy people like sheep: by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

Fifteenth Evening

PSALM 78

6 Epiphany, E.

Hear my law, O my people: incline your ears unto the words of my mouth.
2 I will open my mouth in a parable: I will declare hard sentences of old;
3 Which we have heard and known: and such as our fathers have told us;
4 That we should not hide them from the children of the generations to come: but to shew the honour of the Lord, his mighty and wonderful works that he hath done.
5 He made a covenant with Jacob, and gave Israel a law: which he commanded our forefathers to teach their children;
6 That their posterity might know it: and the children which were yet unborn;
7 To the intent that when they came up: they might shew their children the same;
8 That they might put their trust in God: and not to forget the works of God, but to keep his commandments;
9 And not to be as their forefathers, a faithless
and stubborn generation: a generation that set not their heart aright, and whose spirit cleaveth not stedfastly unto God;
10 Like as the children of Ephraim: who being harnessed, and carrying bows, turned themselves back in the day of battle.
11 They kept not the covenant of God: and would not walk in his law;
12 But forgat what he had done: and the wonderful works that he had shewed for them.
13 Marvellous things did he in the sight of our forefathers, in the land of Egypt: even in the field of Zoan.
14 He divided the sea, and let them go through: he made the waters to stand on an heap.
15 In the day-time also he led them with a cloud: and all the night through with a light of fire.
16 He clave the hard rocks in the wilderness: and gave them drink thereof, as it had been out of the great depth.
17 He brought waters out of the stony rock: so that it gushed out like the rivers.
18 Yet for all this they sinned more against him: and provoked the most Highest in the wilderness.
19 They tempted God in their hearts: and required meat for their lust.
20 They spake against God, also, saying: Shall God prepare a table in the wilderness?
21 He smote the stony rock indeed, that the water gushed out, and the streams flowed

withal: but can he give bread also, or provide flesh for his people?
22 When the Lord heard this, he was wroth: so the fire was kindled in Jacob, and there came up heavy displeasure against Israel;
23 Because they believed not in God: and put not their trust in his help.
24 So he commanded the clouds above: and opened the doors of heaven.
25 He rained down manna also upon them for to eat: and gave them food from heaven.
26 So man did eat angels’ food: for he sent them meat enough.
27 He caused the east-wind to blow under heaven: and through his power he brought in the south-west-wind.
28 He rained flesh upon them as thick as dust: and feathered fowls like as the sand of the sea.
29 He let it fall among their tents: even round about their habitation.
30 So they did eat, and were well filled; for he gave them their own desire: they were not disappointed of their lust.
31 But while the meat was yet in their mouths, the heavy wrath of God came upon them, and slew the wealthiest of them: yea, and smote down the chosen men that were in Israel.
32 But for all this they sinned yet more: and believed not his wondrous works.
33 Therefore their days did he consume in vanity: and their years in trouble.
34 When he slew them, they sought him: and turned them early, and enquired after God.
35 And they remembered that God was their strength: and that the high God was their redeemer.
36 Nevertheless, they did but flatter him with their mouth: and dissembled with him in their tongue.
37 For their heart was not whole with him: neither continued they steadfast in his covenant.
38 But he was so merciful, that he forgave their misdeeds: and destroyed them not.
39 Yea, many a time turned he his wrath away: and would not suffer his whole displeasure to arise.
40 For he considered that they were but flesh: and that they were even a wind that passeth away, and cometh not again.
41 Many a time did they provoke him in the wilderness: and grieved him in the desert.
42 They turned back, and tempted God: and moved the Holy One in Israel.
43 They thought not of his hand: and of the day when he delivered them from the hand of the enemy;
44 How he had wrought his miracles in Egypt: and his wonders in the field of Zaan.
45 He turned their waters into blood: so that they might not drink of the rivers.
46 He sent lice among them, and devoured them up: and frogs to destroy them.
47 He gave their fruit unto the caterpillar:
59 For they grieved him with their hill-altars: and provoked him to displeasure with their images.
60 When God heard this, he was wroth: and took sore displeasure at Israel.
61 So that he forsook the tabernacle in Silo: even the tent that he had pitched among men.
62 He delivered their power into captivity: and their beauty into the enemy’s hand.
63 He gave his people over also unto the sword: and was wroth with his inheritance.
64 The fire consumed their young men: and their maidens were not given to marriage.
65 Their priests were slain with the sword: and there were no widows to make lamentation.
66 So the Lord awaked as one out of sleep: and like a giant refreshed with wine.
67 He smote his enemies in the hinder parts: and put them to a perpetual shame.
68 He refused the tabernacle of Joseph: and chose not the tribe of Ephraim:
69 But chose the tribe of Judah: even the hill of Sion which he loved.
70 And there he built his temple on high: and laid the foundation of it like the ground which he hath made continually.
71 He chose David also his servant: and took him away from the sheep-folds.
72 As he was following the ewes great with young ones he took him: that he might feed Jacob his people, and Israel his inheritance.
73 So he fed them with a faithful and true heart: and ruled them prudently with all his power.

Sixteenth Morning

PSALM 79
25 Trinity, E.

O GOD, the heathen are come into thine inheritance: thy holy temple have they defiled, and made Jerusalem an heap of stones.
2 The dead bodies of thy servants have they given to be meat unto the fowls of the air: and the flesh of thy saints unto the beasts of the land.
3 Their blood have they shed like water on every side of Jerusalem: and there was no man to bury them.
4 We are become an open shame to our enemies: a very scorn and derision unto them that are round about us.
5 Lord, how long wilt thou be angry: shall thy jealousy burn like fire for ever?
6 Pour out thine indignation upon the heathen that have not known thee: and upon the kingdoms that have not called upon thy Name.
7 For they have devoured Jacob: and laid waste his dwelling-place.
8 O remember not our old sins, but have mercy upon us, and that soon: for we are come to great misery.
9 Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of thy Name: O deliver us, and be merciful unto our sins, for thy Name’s sake.
Wherefore do the heathen say: Where is now their God?
O let the vengeance of thy servants’ blood that is shed: be openly shewed upon the heathen in our sight.
O let the sorrowful sighing of the prisoners come before thee: according to the greatness of thy power, preserve thou those that are appointed to die.
And for the blasphemy wherewith our neighbours have blasphemed thee: reward thou them, O Lord, seven-fold into their bosom.
So we, that are thy people, and sheep of thy pasture, shall give thee thanks for ever: and will alway be shewing forth thy praise from generation to generation.

PSALM 80
6 Epiphany, M.

Hear, O thou shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep: shew thyself also, thou that sittest upon the cherubims.
Before Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasses: stir up thy strength, and come, and help us.
Turn us again, O God: shew the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole.
O Lord God of hosts: how long wilt thou be angry with thy people that prayeth?
Thou feedest them with the bread of tears: and givest them plenteousness of tears to drink.
Thou hast made us a very strife unto our neighbours: and our enemies laugh us to scorn.

7 Turn us again, thou God of hosts: shew the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole.
8 Thou hast brought a vine out of Egypt: thou hast cast out the heathen, and planted it.
9 Thou madest room for it: and when it had taken root it filled the land.
10 The hills were covered with the shadow of it: and the boughs thereof were like the goodly cedar-trees.
11 She stretched out her branches unto the sea: and her boughs unto the river.
12 Why hast thou then broken down her hedge: that all they that go by pluck off her grapes?
13 The wild boar out of the wood doth root it up: and the wild beasts of the field devour it.
14 Turn thee again, thou God of hosts, look down from heaven; behold, and visit this vine; And the place of the vineyard that thy right hand hath planted: and the branch that thou madest so strong for thyself.
15 It is burnt with fire, and cut down: and they shall perish at the rebuke of thy countenance.
16 Let thy hand be upon the man of thy right hand: and upon the son of man, whom thou madest so strong for thine own self.
17 And so will not we go back from thee: O let us live, and we shall call upon thy Name.
19 Turn us again, O Lord God of hosts: shew the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole.
SING we merrily unto God our strength: make a cheerful noise unto the God of Jacob.

2 Take the psalm, bring hither the tabret: the merry harp with the lute.

3 Blow up the trumpet in the new-moon: even in the time appointed, and upon our solemn feast-day.

4 For this was made a statute for Israel: and a law of the God of Jacob.

5 This he ordained in Joseph for a testimony: when he came out of the land of Egypt, and had heard a strange language.

6 I eased his shoulder from the burden: and his hands were delivered from making the pots.

7 Thou calledst upon me in troubles, and I delivered thee: and heard thee what time as the storm fell upon thee.

8 I proved thee also: at the waters of strife.

9 Hear, O my people, and I will assure thee, O Israel: if thou wilt hearken unto me,

10 There shall no strange god be in thee: neither shalt thou worship any other god.

11 I am the Lord thy God, who brought thee out of the land of Egypt: open thy mouth wide, and I shall fill it.

12 But my people would not hear my voice: and Israel would not obey me.

13 So I gave them up unto their own hearts' lusts: and let them follow their own imaginations.

14 O that my people would have hearkened unto me: for if Israel had walked in my ways,

15 I should soon have put down their enemies: and turned my hand against their adversaries.

16 The haters of the Lord should have been found liars: but their time should have endured for ever.

17 He should have fed them also with the finest wheat-flour: and with honey out of the stony rock should I have satisfied thee.

God standeth in the congregation of princes: he is a Judge among gods.

2 How long will ye give wrong judgement: and accept the persons of the ungodly?

3 Defend the poor and fatherless: see that such as are in need and necessity have right.

4 Deliver the out-cast and poor: save them from the hand of the ungodly.

5 They will not be learned nor understand, but walk on still in darkness: all the foundations of the earth are out of course.

6 I have said, Ye are gods: and ye are all the children of the most Highest.

7 But ye shall die like men: and fall like one of the princes.

8 Arise, O God, and judge thou the earth: for thou shalt take all heathen to thine inheritance.
HOLD not thy tongue, O God, keep not still silence: refrain not thyself, O God.
2 For lo, thine enemies make a murmuring: and they that hate thee have lift up their head.
3 They have imagined craftily against thy people: and taken counsel against thy secret ones.
4 They have said, Come, and let us root them out, that they be no more a people: and that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance.
5 For they have cast their heads together with one consent: and are confederate against thee;
6 The tabernacles of the Edomites, and the Ismaelites: the Moabites, and Hagarens;
7 Gebal, and Ammon, and Amalek: the Philistines, with them that dwell at Tyre.
8 Assur also is joined with them: and have holpen the children of Lot.
9 But do thou to them as unto the Madianites: unto Sisera, and unto Jabin at the brook of Kison;
10 Who perished at Endor: and became as the dung of the earth.
11 Make them and their princes like Oreb and Zeb: yea, make all their princes like as Zeba and Salmana;
12 Who say, Let us take to ourselves: the houses of God in possession.
13 O my God, make them like unto a wheel: and as the stubble before the wind;
14 Like as the fire that burneth up the wood: and as the flame that consumeth the mountains.
15 Persecute them even so with thy tempest: and make them afraid with thy storm.
16 Make their faces ashamed, O Lord: that they may seek thy Name.
17 Let them be confounded and vexed ever more and more: let them be put to shame, and perish.
18 And they shall know that thou, whose Name is Jehovah: art only the most Highest over all the earth.

O HOW amiable are thy dwellings: thou Lord of hosts!
2 My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord: my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
3 Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young: even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
4 Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: they will be alway praising thee.
5 Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee: in whose heart are thy ways.
6 Who going through the vale of misery use it for a well: and the pools are filled with water.
7 They will go from strength to strength:
and unto the God of gods appeareth every one of them in Sion.

8 O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer: hearken, O God of Jacob.

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

10 For one day in thy courts: is better than a thousand.

11 I had rather be a door-keeper in the house of my God: than to dwell in the tents of ungodliness.

12 For the Lord God is a light and defence: the Lord will give grace and worship, and no good thing shall he withhold from them that live a godly life.

13 O Lord God of hosts: blessed is the man that putteth his trust in thee.

**PSALM 85**

Christmas Day, M. 15 Trinity, M. Missions.

**LORD,** thou art become gracious unto thy land: thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob.

2 Thou hast forgiven the offence of thy people: and covered all their sins.

3 Thou hast taken away all thy displeasure: and turned thyself from thy wrathful indignation.

4 Turn us then, O God our Saviour: and let thine anger cease from us.

5 Wilt thou be displeased at us for ever: and wilt thou stretch out thy wrath from one generation to another?

6 Wilt thou not turn again, and quicken us: that thy people may rejoice in thee?

7 Shew us thy mercy, O Lord: and grant us thy salvation.

8 I will hearken what the Lord God will say concerning me: for he shall speak peace unto his people, and to his saints, that they turn not again.

9 For his salvation is nigh them that fear him: that glory may dwell in our land.

10 Mercy and truth are met together: righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

11 Truth shall flourish out of the earth: and righteousness hath looked down from heaven.

12 Yea, the Lord shall shew loving-kindness: and our land shall give her increase.

13 Righteousness shall go before him: and he shall direct his going in the way.

**Seventeenth Morning**

**PSALM 86**

6 Lent, E. 16 Trinity, M.

**BOW** down thine ear, O Lord, and hear me: for I am poor, and in misery.

2 Preserve thou my soul, for I am holy: my God, save thy servant that putteth his trust in thee.

3 Be merciful unto me, O Lord: for I will call daily upon thee.

4 Comfort the soul of thy servant: for unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

5 For thou, Lord, art good and gracious: and
of great mercy unto all them that call upon thee.
6 Give ear, Lord, unto my prayer: and ponder the voice of my humble desires.
7 In the time of my trouble I will call upon thee: for thou hearest me.
8 Among the gods there is none like unto thee, O Lord: there is not one that can do as thou doest.
9 All nations whom thou hast made shall come and worship thee, O Lord: and shall glorify thy Name.
10 For thou art great, and doest wondrous things: thou art God alone.
11 Teach me thy way, O Lord, and I will walk in thy truth: O knit my heart unto thee, that I may fear thy Name.
12 I will thank thee, O Lord my God, with all my heart: and will praise thy Name for evermore.
13 For great is thy mercy toward me: and thou hast delivered my soul from the nethermost hell.
14 O God, the proud are risen against me: and the congregations of naughty men have sought after my soul, and have not set thee before their eyes.
15 But thou, O Lord God, art full of compassion and mercy: long-suffering, plenteous in goodness and truth.
16 O turn thee then unto me, and have mercy upon me: give thy strength unto thy servant and help the son of thine handmaid.

17 Shew some token upon me for good, that they who hate me may see it, and be ashamed: because thou, Lord, hast holpen me, and comforted me.

HER foundations are upon the holy hills: the Lord loveth the gates of Sion more than all the dwellings of Jacob.
2 Very excellent things are spoken of thee: thou city of God.
3 I will think upon Rahab [Egypt] and Babylon: with them that know me.
4 Behold ye the Philistines also: and they of Tyre, with the Morians; lo, there was he born.
5 And of Sion it shall be reported that he was born in her: and the most High shall establish her.
6 The Lord shall rehearse it when he writeth up the people: that he was born there.
7 The singers also and trumpeters shall he rehearse: All my fresh springs shall be in thee.

O LORD God of my salvation, I have cried day and night before thee: O let my prayer enter into thy presence, incline thine ear unto my calling.
2 For my soul is full of trouble: and my life draweth nigh unto hell.
3 I am counted as one of them that go down
Day 17

PSALM 88

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into the pit: and I have been even as a man that hath no strength.
4 Free among the dead, like unto them that are wounded, and lie in the grave: who are out of remembrance, and are cut away from thy hand.
5 Thou hast laid me in the lowest pit: in a place of darkness, and in the deep.
6 Thine indignation lieth hard upon me: and thou hast vexed me with all thy storms.
7 Thou hast put away mine acquaintance far from me: and made me to be abhorred of them.
8 I am so fast in prison: that I cannot get forth.
9 My sight faileth for very trouble: Lord, I have called daily upon thee, I have stretched forth my hands unto thee.
10 Dost thou shew wonders among the dead: or shall the dead rise up again, and praise thee?
11 Shall thy loving-kindness be shewed in the grave: or thy faithfulness in destruction?
12 Shall thy wondrous works be known in the dark: and thy righteousness in the land where all things are forgotten?
13 Unto thee have I cried, O Lord: and early shall my prayer come before thee.
14 Lord, why abhorrest thou my soul: and hidest thou thy face from me?
15 I am in misery, and like unto him that is at the point to die: even from my youth up thy terrors have I suffered with a troubled mind.

Even.

PSALM 89

Day 17

16 Thy wrathful displeasure goeth over me: and the fear of thee hath undone me.
17 They came round about me daily like water: and compassed me together on every side.
18 My lovers and friends hast thou put away from me: and hid mine acquaintance out of my sight.

Seventeenth Evening

PSALM 89

Christmas Eve, E. (verses 1-36). 15 Trinity, E.

My song shall be alway of the loving-kindness of the Lord: with my mouth will I ever be shewing thy truth from one generation to another.
2 For I have said, Mercy shall be set up for ever: thy truth shalt thou stablish in the heavens.
3 I have made a covenant with my chosen: I have sworn unto David my servant;
4 Thy seed will I stablish for ever: and set up thy throne from one generation to another.
5 O Lord, the very heavens shall praise thy wondrous works: and thy truth in the congregation of the saints.
6 For who is he among the clouds: that shall be compared unto the Lord?
7 And what is he among the gods: that shall be like unto the Lord?
8 God is very greatly to be feared in the council of the saints: and to be had in reverence of all them that are round about him.

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9 O Lord God of hosts, who is like unto thee: thy truth, most mighty Lord, is on every side.
10 Thou rulest the raging of the sea: thou stillest the waves thereof when they arise.
11 Thou hast subdued Egypt, and destroyed it: thou hast scattered thine enemies abroad with thy mighty arm.
12 The heavens are thine, the earth also is thine: thou hast laid the foundation of the round world, and all that therein is.
13 Thou hast made the north and the south: Tabor and Hermon shall rejoice in thy Name.
14 Thou hast a mighty arm: strong is thy hand, and high is thy right hand.
15 Righteousness and equity are the habitation of thy seat: mercy and truth shall go before thy face.
16 Blessed is the people, O Lord, that can rejoice in thee: they shall walk in the light of thy countenance.
17 Their delight shall be daily in thy Name: and in thy righteousness shall they make their boast.
18 For thou art the glory of their strength: and in thy loving-kindness thou shalt lift up our horns.
19 For the Lord is our defence: the Holy One of Israel is our King.
20 Thou spakest sometime in visions unto thy saints, and saidst: I have laid help upon one that is mighty; I have exalted one chosen out of the people.
21 I have found David my servant: with my holy oil have I anointed him.
22 My hand shall hold him fast: and my arm shall strengthen him.
23 The enemy shall not be able to do him violence: the son of wickedness shall not hurt him.
24 I will smite down his foes before his face: and plague them that hate him.
25 My truth also and my mercy shall be with him: and in my Name shall his horn be exalted.
26 I will set his dominion also in the sea: and his right hand in the floods.
27 He shall call me, Thou art my Father: my God, and my strong salvation.
28 And I will make him my firstborn: higher than the kings of the earth.
29 My mercy will I keep for him for evermore: and my covenant shall stand fast with him.
30 His seed also will I make to endure for ever: and his throne as the days of heaven.
31 But if his children forsake my law: and keep not my commandments: I will visit their offences with the rod, and their sin with scourges.
32 If they break my statutes, and keep not my commandments: I will visit their offences with the rod, and their sin with scourges.
33 Nevertheless, my loving-kindness will I not utterly take from him: nor suffer my truth to fail.
34 My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips: I have sworn once by my holiness, that I will not fail David.
35 His seed shall endure for ever: and his seed shall endure for ever: and his seat is like as the sun before me.
36 He shall stand fast for evermore as the moon: and as the faithful witness in heaven.
37 But thou hast abhorred and forsaken thine Anointed: and art displeased at him.
38 Thou hast broken the covenant of thy servant: and cast his crown to the ground.
39 Thou hast overthrown all his hedges: and broken down his strong holds.
40 All they that go by spoil him: and he is become a reproach to his neighbours.
41 Thou hast set up the right hand of his enemies: and made all his adversaries to rejoice.
42 Thou hast taken away the edge of his sword: and givest him not victory in the battle.
43 Thou hast put out his glory: and cast his throne down to the ground.
44 The days of his youth hast thou shortened: and covered him with dishonour.
45 Lord, how long wilt thou hide thyself, for ever: and shall thy wrath burn like fire?
46 O remember how short my time is: wherefore hast thou made all men for nought?
47 What man is he that liveth, and shall not see death: and shall he deliver his soul from the hand of hell?
48 Lord, where are thy old loving-kindnesses: which thou swarest unto David in thy truth?
49 Remember, Lord, the rebuke that thy servants have: and how I do bear in my bosom the rebukes of many people;

50 Wherewith thine enemies have blasphemed thee, and slandered the footsteps of thine Anointed: Praised be the Lord for evermore, Amen, and Amen.

Eighteenth Morning

PSALM 90

New Year's Eve, E. 18 Trinity, E.

LORD, thou hast been our refuge: from one generation to another.
2 Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever the earth and the world were made: thou art God from everlasting, and world without end.
3 Thou turnest man to destruction: again thou sayest, Come again, ye children of men.
4 For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday: seeing that is past as a watch in the night.
5 As soon as thou scatterest them they are even as a sleep: and fade away suddenly like the grass.
6 In the morning it is green, and groweth up: but in the evening it is cut down, dried up, and withered.
7 For we consume away in thy displeasure: and are afraid at thy wrathful indignation.
8 Thou hast set our misdeeds before thee: and our secret sins in the light of thy countenance.
9 For when thou art angry all our days are gone: we bring our years to an end, as it were a tale that is told.
10 The days of our age are threescore years and ten; and though men be so strong that they come to fourscore years: yet is their strength then but labour and sorrow; so soon passeth it away, and we are gone.

11 But who regardeth the power of thy wrath: for even thereafter as a man feareth, so is thy displeasure.

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

13 Turn thee again, O Lord, at the last: and be gracious unto thy servants.

14 O satisfy us with thy mercy, and that soon: so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

15 Comfort us again now after the time that thou hast plagued us: and for the years wherein we have suffered adversity.

16 Shew thy servants thy work: and their children thy glory.

17 And the glorious Majesty of the Lord our God be upon us: prosper thou the work of our hands upon us, O prosper thou our handy-work.

PSALM 91

Circumcision, E. 16 Trinity, E. Michaelmas Eve, E.

W HOSO dwelleth under the defence of the most High: shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

2 I will say unto the Lord, Thou art my hope, and my strong hold: my God, in him will I trust.

3 For he shall deliver thee from the snare of the hunter: and from the noisome pestilence.

4 He shall defend thee under his wings, and thou shalt be safe under his feathers: his faithfulness and truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

5 Thou shalt not be afraid for any terror by night: nor for the arrow that flieth by day;

6 For the pestilence that walketh in darkness: nor for the sickness that destroyeth in the noon-day.

7 A thousand shall fall beside thee, and ten thousand at thy right hand: but it shall not come nigh thee.

8 Yea, with thine eyes shalt thou behold: and see the reward of the ungodly.

9 For thou, Lord, art my hope: thou hast set thine house of defence very high.

10 There shall no evil happen unto thee: neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.

11 For he shall give his angels charge over thee: to keep thee in all thy ways.

12 They shall bear thee in their hands: that thou hurt not thy foot against a stone.

13 Thou shalt go upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou tread under thy feet.

14 Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him up, because he hath known my Name.

15 He shall call upon me, and I will hear him: yea, I am with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and bring him to honour.
PSALM 92
17 Trinity, M.

It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord: and to sing praises unto thy Name, O most Highest;
2 To tell of thy loving-kindness early in the morning: and of thy truth in the night-season;
3 Upon an instrument of ten strings, and upon the lute: upon a loud instrument, and upon the harp.
4 For thou, Lord, hast made me glad through thy works: and I will rejoice in giving praise for the operations of thy hands.
5 O Lord, how glorious are thy works: thy thoughts are very deep.
6 An unwise man doth not well consider this: and a fool doth not understand it.
7 When the ungodly are green as the grass, and when all the workers of wickedness do flourish: then shall they be destroyed for ever; but thou, Lord, art the most Highest for evermore.
8 For lo, thine enemies, O Lord, lo, thine enemies shall perish: and all the workers of wickedness shall be destroyed.
9 But mine horn shall be exalted like the horn of an unicorn: for I am anointed with fresh oil.
10 Mine eye also shall see his lust of mine enemies: and mine ear shall hear his desire of the wicked that arise up against me.
11 The righteous shall flourish like a palm-tree: and shall spread abroad like a cedar in Libanus.
12 Such as are planted in the house of the Lord: shall flourish in the courts of the house of our God.
13 They also shall bring forth more fruit in their age: and shall be fat and well-liking.
14 That they may shew how true the Lord my strength is: and that there is no unrighteousness in him.

Eighteenth Evening

PSALM 93
S. after Ascension, M. Trinity Sunday, E. 17 Trinity, M.

The Lord is King, and hath put on glorious apparel: the Lord hath put on his apparel, and girded himself with strength.
2 He hath made the round world so sure: that it cannot be moved.
3 Ever since the world began hath thy seat been prepared: thou art from everlasting.
4 The floods are risen, O Lord, the floods have lift up their voice: the floods lift up their waves.
5 The waves of the sea are mighty, and rage horribly: but yet the Lord, who dwelleth on high, is mightier.
6 Thy testimonies, O Lord, are very sure: holiness becometh thine house for ever.
O LORD GOD, to whom vengeance belongeth: thou God, to whom vengeance belongeth, shew thyself.

2 Arise, thou Judge of the world: and reward the proud after their deserving.

3 Lord, how long shall the ungodly: how long shall the ungodly triumph?

4 How long shall all wicked doers speak so disdainfully: and make such proud boasting?

5 They smite down thy people, O Lord: and trouble thine heritage.

6 They murder the widow, and the stranger: and put the fatherless to death.

7 And yet they say, Tush, the Lord shall not see: neither shall the God of Jacob regard it.

8 Take heed, ye unwise among the people: O ye fools, when will ye understand?

9 He that planted the ear, shall he not hear: or he that made the eye, shall he not see?

10 Or he that nurtureth the heathen: it is he that teacheth man knowledge, shall not he punish?

11 The Lord knoweth the thoughts of man: that they are but vain.

12 Blessed is the man whom thou chastenest, O Lord: and teachest him in thy law;

13 That thou mayest give him patience in time of adversity: until the pit be digged up for the ungodly.

14 For the Lord will not fail his people: neither will he forsake his inheritance;

15 Until righteousness turn again unto judgement: all such as are true in heart shall follow it.

16 Who will rise up with me against the wicked: or who will take my part against the evil-doers?

17 If the Lord had not helped me: it had not failed but my soul had been put to silence.

18 But when I said, My foot hath slipt: thy mercy, O Lord, held me up.

19 In the multitude of the sorrows that I had in my heart: thy comforts have refreshed my soul.

20 Wilt thou have any thing to do with the stool of wickedness: which imagineth mischief as a law?

21 They gather them together against the soul of the righteous: and condemn the innocent blood.

22 But the Lord is my refuge: and my God is the strength of my confidence.

23 He shall recompense them their wickedness, and destroy them in their own malice: yea, the Lord our God shall destroy them.

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

2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving: and shew ourselves glad in him with psalms.
PSALM 96

3 For the Lord is a great God: and a great King above all gods.
4 In his hand are all the corners of the earth: and the strength of the hills is his also.
5 The sea is his, and he made it: and his hands prepared the dry land.
6 O come, let us worship and fall down: and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
7 For he is the Lord our God: and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.
8 To-day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts: as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness;
9 When your fathers tempted me: proved me, and saw my works.
10 Forty years long was I grieved with this generation, and said: It is a people that do err in their hearts, for they have not known my ways;
11 Unto whom I sware in my wrath: that they should not enter into my rest.

PSALM 96

4 Advent, E. Epiphany, E. S. after Ascension, M.

O SING unto the Lord a new song: sing unto the Lord, all the whole earth.
2 Sing unto the Lord, and praise his Name: be telling of his salvation from day to day.
3 Declare his honour unto the heathen: and his wonders unto all people.
4 For the Lord is great, and cannot worthily be praised: he is more to be feared than all gods.

PSALM 97

5 As for all the gods of the heathen, they are but idols: but it is the Lord that made the heavens.
6 Glory and worship are before him: power and honour are in his sanctuary.
7 Ascribe unto the Lord, O ye kindreds of the people: ascribe unto the Lord worship and power.
8 Ascribe unto the Lord the honour due unto his Name: bring presents, and come into his courts.
9 O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: let the whole earth stand in awe of him.
10 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.
11 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad: let the sea make a noise, and all that therein is.
12 Let the field be joyful, and all that is in it: then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice before the Lord.
13 For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth: and with righteousness to judge the world, and the people with his truth.

THE Lord is King, the earth may be glad thereof: yea, the multitude of the isles may be glad thereof.
PSALM 97

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2 Clouds and darkness are round about him: righteousness and judgement are the habitation of his seat.

3 There shall go a fire before him: and burn up his enemies on every side.

4 His lightnings gave shine unto the world: the earth saw it, and was afraid.

5 The hills melted like wax at the presence of the Lord: at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

6 The heavens have declared his righteousness: and all the people have seen his glory.

7 Confounded be all they that worship carved images, and that delight in vain gods: worship him, all ye gods.

8 Sion heard of it, and rejoiced: and the daughters of Judah were glad, because of thy judgements, O Lord.

9 For thou, Lord, art higher than all that are in the earth: thou art exalted far above all gods.

10 O ye that love the Lord, see that ye hate the thing which is evil: the Lord preserveth the souls of his saints; he shall deliver them from the hand of the ungodly.

11 There is sprung up a light for the righteous: and joyful gladness for such as are true-hearted.

12 Rejoice in the Lord, ye righteous: and give thanks for a remembrance of his holiness.

PSALM 98

4 Advent, E.

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

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

3 The Lord declared his salvation: his righteousness hath he openly shewed in the sight of the heathen.

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

5 Shew yourselves joyful unto the Lord, all ye lands: sing, rejoice, and give thanks.

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

7 With trumpets also and shawms: O shew yourselves joyful before the Lord the King.

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

9 Let the floods clap their hands, and let the hills be joyful together before the Lord: for he is come to judge the earth.

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

PSALM 99

5 Epiphany, M. Eve of Ascension, E. Trinity Sunday, E.

T HE Lord is King, be the people never so impatient: he sitteth between the cherubims, be the earth never so unquiet.
The Lord is great in Sion: and high above all people.

They shall give thanks unto thy Name: which is great, wonderful, and holy.

The King's power loveth judgement; thou hast prepared equity: thou hast executed judgement and righteousness in Jacob.

O magnify the Lord our God: and fall down before his footstool, for he is holy.

Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among such as call upon his Name: these called upon the Lord, and he heard them.

He spake unto them out of the cloudy pillar: for they kept his testimonies, and the law that he gave them.

Thou heardest them, O Lord our God: thou forgavest them, O God, and punishedst their own inventions.

O magnify the Lord our God, and worship him upon his holy hill: for the Lord our God is holy.

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

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

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

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

My song shall be of mercy and judgement: unto thee, O Lord, will I sing.

O let me have understanding: in the way of godliness.

When wilt thou come unto me: I will walk in my house with a perfect heart.

I will take no wicked thing in hand; I hate the sins of unfaithfulness: there shall no such cleave unto me.

A froward heart shall depart from me: I will not know a wicked person.

Whoso privily slandereth his neighbour: him will I destroy.

Whoso hath also a proud look and high stomach: I will not suffer him.

Mine eyes look upon such as are faithful in the land: that they may dwell with me.

Whoso leadeth a godly life: he shall be my servant.

There shall no deceitful person dwell in my house: he that telleth lies shall not tarry in my sight.

I shall soon destroy all the ungodly that are in the land: that I may root out all wicked doers from the city of the Lord.
Hear my prayer, O Lord: and let my crying come unto thee.

2 Hide not thy face from me in the time of my trouble: incline thine ear unto me when I call; O hear me, and that right soon.

3 For my days are consumed away like smoke: and my bones are burnt up as it were a fire-brand.

4 My heart is smitten down, and withered like grass: so that I forget to eat my bread.

5 For the voice of my groaning: my bones will scarce cleave to my flesh.

6 I am become like a pelican in the wilderness: and like an owl that is in the desert.

7 I have watched, and am even as it were a sparrow: that sitteth alone upon the house-top.

8 Mine enemies revile me all the day long: and they that are mad upon me are sworn together against me.

9 For I have eaten ashes as it were bread: and mingled my drink with weeping;

10 And that because of thine indignation and wrath: for thou hast taken me up, and cast me down.

11 My days are gone like a shadow: and I am withered like grass.

12 But, thou, O Lord, shalt endure for ever: and thy remembrance throughout all generations.

13 Thou shalt arise, and have mercy upon Sion: for it is time that thou have mercy upon her, yea, the time is come.

14 And why? thy servants think upon her stones: and it pitieth them to see her in the dust.

15 The heathen shall fear thy Name, O Lord: and all the kings of the earth thy Majesty;

16 When the Lord shall build up Sion: and when his glory shall appear;

17 When he turneth him unto the prayer of the poor destitute: and despiseth not their desire.

18 This shall be written for those that come after: and the people which shall be born shall praise the Lord.

19 For he hath looked down from his sanctuary: out of the heaven did the Lord behold the earth;

20 That he might hear the mourning of such as are in captivity: and deliver the children appointed unto death;

21 That they may declare the Name of the Lord in Sion: and his worship at Jerusalem;

22 When the people are gathered together: and the kingdoms also, to serve the Lord.

23 He brought down my strength in my journey: and shortened my days.

24 But I said, O my God, take me not away in the midst of mine age: as for thy years, they endure throughout all generations.

25 Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth: and the heavens are the work of thy hands.
26 They shall perish, but thou shalt endure:
they all shall wax old as doth a garment;
27 And as a vesture shalt thou change them,
and they shall be changed: but thou art the
same, and thy years shall not fail.
28 The children of thy servants shall continue:
and their seed shall stand fast in thy sight.

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PRAISE the Lord, O my soul: and all that
is within me praise his holy Name.
2 Praise the Lord, O my soul: and forget
not all his benefits.
3 Who forgiveth all thy sin: and healeth all
thine infirmities;
4 Who saveth thy life from destruction: and
crowneth thee with mercy and loving-kindness;
5 Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things:
making thee young and lusty as an eagle.
6 The Lord executeth righteousness and
judgement: for all them that are oppressed
with wrong.
7 He shewed his ways unto Moses: his
works unto the children of Israel.
8 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy:
long-suffering, and of great goodness.
9 He will not alway be chiding: neither
keepeth he his anger for ever.
10 He hath not dealt with us after our sins:
nor rewarded us according to our wickednesses.

11 For look how high the heaven is in
comparison of the earth: so great is his mercy
also toward them that fear him.
12 Look how wide also the east is from the
west: so far hath he set our sins from us.
13 Yea, like as a father pitieth his own
children: even so is the Lord merciful unto
them that fear him.
14 For he knoweth whereof we are made:
he remembereth that we are but dust.
15 The days of man are but as grass: for
he flourisheth as a flower of the field.
16 For as soon as the wind goeth over it,
it is gone: and the place thereof shall know
it no more.
17 But the merciful goodness of the Lord
endureth for ever and ever upon them that
fear him: and his righteousness upon children’s
children;
18 Even upon such as keep his covenant:
and think upon his commandments to do
them.
19 The Lord hath prepared his seat in
heaven: and his kingdom ruleth over all.
20 O praise the Lord, ye angels of his, ye that
excel in strength: ye that fulfil his command-
ment, and hearken unto the voice of his words.
21 O praise the Lord, all ye his hosts: ye
servants of his that do his pleasure.
22 O speak good of the Lord, all ye works
of his, in all places of his dominion: praise
thou the Lord, O my soul.
PRAISE the Lord, O my soul: O Lord my God, thou art become exceeding glorious; thou art clothed with majesty and honour.

1 Thou deckest thyself with light as it were with a garment: and spreadest out the heavens like a curtain.

2 Who layeth the beams of his chambers in the waters: and maketh the clouds his chariot, and walketh upon the wings of the wind.

3 He maketh his angels spirits: and his ministers a flaming fire.

4 He laid the foundations of the earth: that it never should move at any time.

5 Thou coveredst it with the deep like as with a garment: the waters stand in the hills.

6 At thy rebuke they flee: at the voice of thy thunder they are afraid.

7 They go up as high as the hills, and down to the valleys beneath: even unto the place which thou hast appointed for them.

8 Thou hast set them their bounds which they shall not pass: neither turn again to cover the earth.

9 He sendeth the springs into the rivers: which run among the hills.

10 All beasts of the field drink thereof: and the wild asses quench their thirst.

11 Beside them shall the fowls of the air have their habitation: and sing among the branches.

12 He watereth the hills from above: the earth is filled with the fruit of thy works.

13 He bringeth forth grass for the cattle: and green herb for the service of men.

14 That he may bring food out of the earth, and wine that maketh glad the heart of man: and oil to make him a cheerful countenance, and bread to strengthen man's heart.

15 The trees of the Lord also are full of sap: even the cedars of Libanus which he hath planted.

16 Wherein the birds make their nests: and the fir-trees are a dwelling for the stork.

17 The high hills are a refuge for the wild goats: and so are the stony rocks for the conies.

18 He appointed the moon for certain seasons: and the sun knoweth his going down.

19 Thou maketh darkness that it may be night: wherein all the beasts of the forest do move.

20 The lions roaring after their prey: do seek their meat from God.

21 The sun ariseth, and they get them away together: and lay them down in their dens.

22 Man goeth forth to his work, and to his labour: until the evening.

23 O Lord, how manifold are thy works: in wisdom hast thou made them all: the earth is full of thy riches.

24 So is the great and wide sea also: wherein are things creeping innumerables, both small and great beasts.

25 There go the ships, and there is that
Leviathan: whom thou hast made to take his pastime therein.

27 These wait all upon thee: that thou mayest give them meat in due season.

28 When thou givest it them they gather it: and when thou openest thy hand they are filled with good.

29 When thou hidest thy face they are troubled: when thou takest away their breath they die, and are turned again to their dust.

30 When thou lettest thy breath go forth they shall be made: and thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

31 The glorious Majesty of the Lord shall endure for ever: the Lord shall rejoice in his works.

32 The earth shall tremble at the look of him: if he do but touch the hills, they shall smoke.

33 I will sing unto the Lord as long as I live: I will praise my God while I have my being.

34 And so shall my words please him: my joy shall be in the Lord.

35 As for sinners, they shall be consumed out of the earth, and the ungodly shall come to an end: praise thou the Lord, O my soul, praise the Lord.

Twenty-first Morning

PSALM 105

26 Trinity, E.

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, and call upon his Name: tell the people what things he hath done.

2 O let your songs be of him, and praise him: and let your talking be of all his wondrous works.

3 Rejoice in his holy Name: let the heart of them rejoice that seek the Lord.

4 Seek the Lord and his strength: seek his face evermore.

5 Remember the marvellous works that he hath done: his wonders, and the judgements of his mouth.

6 O ye seed of Abraham his servant: ye children of Jacob his chosen.

7 He is the Lord our God: his judgements are in all the world.

8 He hath been alway mindful of his covenant and promise: that he made to a thousand generations;

9 Even the covenant that he made with Abraham: and the oath that he sware unto Isaac;

10 And appointed the same unto Jacob for a law: and to Israel for an everlasting testament;

11 Saying, Unto thee will I give the land of Canaan: the lot of your inheritance.

12 When there were yet but a few of them: and they strangers in the land;

13 Whattimeastheywentfromone nation to another: from one kingdom to another people;

14 He suffered no man to do them wrong: but reproved even kings for their sakes;

15 Touch not mine Anointed: and do my prophets no harm.
Moreover, he called for a dearth upon the land: and destroyed all the provision of bread.

But he had sent a man before them: even Joseph, who was sold to be a bond-servant;

Whose feet they hurt in the stocks: the iron entered into his soul;

Until the time came that his cause was known: the word of the Lord tried him.

The king sent, and delivered him: the prince of the people let him go free.

He made him lord also of his house: and ruler of all his substance;

That he might inform his princes after his will: and teach his senators wisdom.

Israel also came into Egypt: and Jacob was a stranger in the land of Ham.

And he increased his people exceedingly: and made them stronger than their enemies;

Whose heart turned so, that they hated his people: and dealt untruly with his servants.

Then sent he Moses his servant: and Aaron whom he had chosen.

And these shewed his tokens among them: and wonders in the land of Ham.

He sent darkness, and it was dark: and they were not obedient unto his word.

He turned their waters into blood: and slew their fish.

Their land brought forth frogs: yea, even in their kings' chambers.

He spake the word, and there came all manner of flies: and lice in all their quarters.

He gave them hail-stones for rain: and flames of fire in their land.

He smote their vines also and fig-trees: and destroyed the trees that were in their coasts.

He spake the word, and the grasshoppers came, and caterpillars innumerable: and did eat up all the grass in their land, and devoured the fruit of their ground.

He smote all the first-born in their land: even the chief of all their strength.

He brought them forth also with silver and gold: there was not one feeble person among their tribes.

Egypt was glad at their departing: for they were afraid of them.

He spread out a cloud to be a covering: and fire to give light in the night-season.

At their desire he brought quails: and he filled them with the bread of heaven.

He opened the rock of stone, and the waters flowed out: so that rivers ran in the dry places.

For why? he remembered his holy promise: and Abraham his servant.

And he brought forth his people with joy: and his chosen with gladness;

And gave them the lands of the heathen: and they took the labours of the people in possession;

That they might keep his statutes: and observe his laws.
O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious: and his mercy endureth for ever.

2 Who can express the noble acts of the Lord: or shew forth all his praise?

3 Blessed are they that alway keep judgment: and do righteousness.

4 Remember me, O Lord, according to the favour that thou bearest unto thy people: O visit me with thy salvation;

5 That I may see the felicity of thy chosen: and rejoice in the gladness of thy people, and give thanks with thine inheritance.

6 We have sinned with our fathers: we have done amiss, and dealt wickedly.

7 Our fathers regarded not thy wonders in Egypt, neither kept they thy great goodness in remembrance: but were disobedient at the sea, even at the Red sea.

8 Nevertheless, he helped them for his Name's sake: that he might make his power to be known.

9 He rebuked the Red sea also, and it was dried up: so he led them through the deep, as through a wilderness.

10 And he saved them from the adversary's hand: and delivered them from the hand of the enemy.

11 As for those that troubled them, the waters overwhelmed them: there was not one of them left.
27 To cast out their seed among the nations: and to scatter them in the lands.
28 They joined themselves unto Baal-peor; and ate the offerings of the dead.
29 Thus they provoked him to anger with their own inventions: and the plague was great among them.
30 Then stood up Phinees and prayed: and so the plague ceased.
31 And that was counted unto him for righteousness: among all posterities for evermore.
32 They angered him also at the waters of strife: so that he punished Moses for their sakes;
33 Because they provoked his spirit: so that he spake unadvisedly with his lips.
34 Neither destroyed they the heathen, as the Lord commanded them;
35 But were mingled among the heathen: and learned their works.
36 Insomuch that they worshipped their idols, which turned to their own decay: yea, they offered their sons and their daughters unto devils;
37 And shed innocent blood, even the blood of their sons and of their daughters: whom they offered unto the idols of Canaan; and the land was defiled with blood.
38 Thus were they stained with their own works: and went a whoring with their own inventions.
39 Therefore was the wrath of the Lord kindled against his people: insomuch that he abhorred his own inheritance.
40 And he gave them over into the hand of the heathen: and they that hated them were lords over them.
41 Their enemies oppressed them: and had them in subjection.
42 Many a time did he deliver them: but they rebelled against him with their own inventions, and were brought down in their wickedness.
43 Nevertheless, when he saw their adversity: he heard their complaint.
44 He thought upon his covenant, and pitied them, according unto the multitude of his mercies: yea, he made all those that led them away captive to pity them.
45 Deliver us, O Lord our God, and gather us from among the heathen: that we may give thanks unto thy holy Name, and make our boast of thy praise.
46 Blessed be the Lord God of Israel from everlasting, and world without end: and let all the people say, Amen.

Twenty-second Morning

PSALM 107

5 Easter, E. 18 Trinity, E. Thanksgivings.

O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious: and his mercy endureth for ever.
2 Let them give thanks whom the Lord hath redeemed: and delivered from the hand of the enemy;
3 And gathered them out of the lands, from the east, and from the west: from the north, and from the south.
4 They went astray in the wilderness out of the way: and found no city to dwell in;
5 Hungry and thirsty: their soul fainted in them.
6 So they cried unto the Lord in their trouble: and he delivered them from their distress.
7 He led them forth by the right way: that they might go to the city where they dwelt.
8 O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness: and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!
9 For he satisfieth the empty soul: and filleth the hungry soul with goodness.
10 Such as sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death: being fast bound in misery and iron;
11 Because they rebelled against the words of the Lord: and lightly regarded the counsel of the most Highest;
12 He also brought down their heart through heaviness: they fell down, and there was none to help them.
13 So when they cried unto the Lord in their trouble: he delivered them out of their distress.
14 For he brought them out of darkness, and out of the shadow of death: and brake their bonds in sunder.
15 O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness: and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!
16 For he hath broken the gates of brass: and smitten the bars of iron in sunder.
17 Foolish men are plagued for their offence: and because of their wickedness.
18 Their soul abhorred all manner of meat: and they were even hard at death's door.
19 So when they cried unto the Lord in their trouble: he delivered them out of their distress.
20 He sent his word, and healed them: and they were saved from their destruction.
21 O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness: and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!
22 That they would offer unto him the sacrifice of thanksgiving: and tell out his works with gladness!
23 They that go down to the sea in ships: and occupy their business in great waters;
24 These men see the works of the Lord: and his wonders in the deep.
25 For at his word the stormy wind ariseth: which lifteth up the waves thereof.
26 They are carried up to the heaven, and down again to the deep: their soul melteth away because of the trouble.
27 They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man: and are at their wit's end.
28 So when they cry unto the Lord in their trouble: he delivereth them out of their distress.
29 For he maketh the storm to cease: so that the waves thereof are still.
Then are they glad, because they are at rest: and so he bringeth them unto the haven where they would be.

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

That they would exalt him also in the congregation of the people: and praise him in the seat of the elders!

Who turneth the floods into a wilderness: and drencheth up the water-springs.

A fruitful land maketh he barren: for the wickedness of them that dwell therein.

Again, he maketh the wilderness a standing water: and water-springs of a dry ground.

And there he setteth the hungry: that they may build them a city to dwell in;

That they may sow their land, and plant vineyards: to yield them fruits of increase.

He blesseth them, so that they multiply exceedingly: and suffereth not their cattle to decrease.

And again, when they are minished, and brought low: through oppression, through any plague, or trouble;

Though he suffer them to be evil intreated through tyrants: and let them wander out of the way in the wilderness;

Yet helpeth he the poor out of misery: and maketh him households like a flock of sheep.

The righteous will consider this, and rejoice: and the mouth of all wickedness shall be stopped.

Whoso is wise will ponder these things: and they shall understand the loving-kindness of the Lord.

O GOD, my heart is ready, my heart is ready: I will sing and give praise with the best member that I have.

Awake, thou lute, and harp: I myself will awake right early.

I will give thanks unto thee, O Lord, among the people: I will sing praises unto thee among the nations.

For thy mercy is greater than the heavens: and thy truth reacheth unto the clouds.

Set up thyself, O God, above the heavens: and thy glory above all the earth.

That thy beloved may be delivered: let thy right hand save them, and hear thou me.

God hath spoken in his holiness: I will rejoice therefore, and divide Sichem, and mete out the valley of Succoth.

Gilead is mine, and Manasses is mine: Ephraim also is the strength of my head.

Judah is my law-giver [sceptre], Moab is my wash-pot: over Edom will I cast out my shoe: upon Philistia will I triumph.

Who will lead me into the strong city: and who will bring me into Edom?
Hast not thou forsaken us, O God: and wilt not thou, O God, go forth with our hosts?

12 O help us against the enemy: for vain is the help of man.

13 Through God we shall do great acts: and it is he that shall tread down our enemies.

HOLD not thy tongue, O God of my praise: for the mouth of the ungodly, yea, the mouth of the deceitful is opened upon me.

2 And they have spoken against me with false tongues: they compassed me about also with words of hatred, and fought against me without a cause.

3 For the love that I had unto them, lo, they take now my contrary part: but I give myself unto prayer.

4 Thus have they rewarded me evil for good: and hatred for my good will.

5 Set thou an ungodly man to be ruler over him: and let Satan stand at his right hand.

6 When sentence is given upon him, let him be condemned: and let his prayer be turned into sin.

7 Let his days be few: and let another take his office.

8 Let his children be fatherless: and his wife a widow.

9 Let his children be vagabonds, and beg their bread: let them seek it also out of desolate places.

10 Let the extortioner consume all that he hath: and let the stranger spoil his labour.

11 Let there be no man to pity him: nor to have compassion upon his fatherless children.

12 Let his posterity be destroyed: and in the next generation let his name be clean put out.

13 Let the wickedness of his fathers be had in remembrance in the sight of the Lord: and let not the sin of his mother be done away.

14 Let them alway be before the Lord: that he may root out the memorial of them from off the earth;

15 And that, because his mind was not to do good: but persecuted the poor helpless man, that he might slay him that was vexed at the heart.

16 His delight was in cursing, and it shall happen unto him: he loved not blessing, therefore shall it be far from him.

17 He clothed himself with cursing, like as with a raiment: and it shall come into his bowels like water, and like oil into his bones.

18 Let it be unto him as the cloak that he hath upon him: and as the girdle that he is alway girded withal.

19 Let it thus happen from the Lord unto mine enemies: and to those that speak evil against my soul.

20 But deal thou with me, O Lord God,
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according unto thy Name: for sweet is thy mercy.
21 O deliver me, for I am helpless and poor:
and my heart is wounded within me.
22 I go hence like the shadow that departeth:
and am driven away as the grasshopper.
23 My knees are weak through fasting: my flesh is dried up for want of fatness.
24 I became also a reproach unto them: they that looked upon me shaked their heads.
25 Help me, O Lord my God: O save me according to thy mercy;
26 And they shall know, how that this is thy hand: and that thou, Lord, hast done it.
27 Though they curse, yet bless thou: and let them be confounded that rise up against me; but let thy servant rejoice.
28 Let mine adversaries be clothed with shame: and let them cover themselves with their own confusion, as with a cloke.
29 As for me, I will give great thanks unto the Lord with my mouth: and praise him among the multitude;
30 For he shall stand at the right hand of the poor: to save his soul from unrighteous judges.

Twenty-third Morning

PSALM 110

1 Christmas, E. Ascension Day, E. 23 Trinity, M.

The Lord said unto my Lord: Sit thou on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool.

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2 The Lord shall send the rod of thy power out of Sion: be thou ruler, even in the midst among thine enemies.
3 In the day of thy power shall the people offer thee free-will offerings with an holy worship: the dew of thy birth is of the womb of the morning.
4 The Lord sware, and will not repent: Thou art a Priest for ever after the order of Melchisedech.
5 The Lord upon thy right hand: shall wound even kings in the day of his wrath.
6 He shall judge among the heathen; he shall fill the places with the dead bodies: and smite in sunder the heads over divers countries.
7 He shall drink of the brook in the way: therefore shall he lift up his head.

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I WILL give thanks unto the Lord with my whole heart: secretly among the faithful, and in the congregation.
2 The works of the Lord are great: sought out of all them that have pleasure therein.
3 His work is worthy to be praised, and had in honour: and his righteousness endureth for ever.
4 The merciful and gracious Lord hath so done his marvellous works: that they ought to be had in remembrance.
5 He hath given meat unto them that fear
him: he shall ever be mindful of his covenant.
6 He hath shewed his people the power of his works: that he may give them the heritage of the heathen.
7 The works of his hands are verity and judgement: all his commandments are true.
8 They stand fast for ever and ever: and are done in truth and equity.
9 He sent redemption unto his people: he hath commanded his covenant for ever; holy and reverend is his Name.
10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: a good understanding have all they that do thereafter; the praise of it endureth for ever.

PSALM 112

5 Epiphany, M. 19 Trinity, M. Holy-days, M.
BLESS ED is the man that feareth the Lord: he hath great delight in his commandments.
2 His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the faithful shall be blessed.
3 Riches and plenteousness shall be in his house: and his righteousness endureth for ever.
4 Unto the godly there ariseth up light in the darkness: he is merciful, loving, and righteous.
5 A good man is merciful, and lendeth: and will guide his words with discretion.
6 For he shall never be moved: and the righteous shall be had in everlasting remembrance.

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7 He will not be afraid of any evil tidings: for his heart standeth fast, and believeth in the Lord.
8 His heart is established, and will not shrink: until he see his desire upon his enemies.
9 He hath dispersed abroad, and given to the poor: and his righteousness remaineth for ever; his horn shall be exalted with honour.
10 The ungodly shall see it, and it shall grieve him: he shall gnash with his teeth, and consume away; the desire of the ungodly shall perish.

PSALM 113

1 Christmas, E. Easter Day, E. 19 Trinity, M.
PRAISE the Lord, ye servants: O praise the name of the Lord.
2 Blessed be the Name of the Lord: from this time forth for evermore.
3 The Lord's Name is praised: from the rising up of the sun unto the going down of the same.
4 The Lord is high above all heathen: and his glory above the heavens.
5 Who is like unto the Lord our God, that hath his dwelling so high: and yet humbleth himself to behold the things that are in heaven and earth?
6 He taketh up the simple out of the dust: and lifteth the poor out of the mire;
7 That he may set him with the princes: even with the princes of his people.
8 He maketh the barren woman to keep house: and to be a joyful mother of children.
WHEN Israel came out of Egypt: and the house of Jacob from among the strange people,
2 Judah was his sanctuary: and Israel his dominion.
3 The sea saw that, and fled: Jordan was driven back.
4 The mountains skipped like rams: and the little hills like young sheep.
5 What aileth thee, O thou sea, that thou reddest: and thou Jordan, that thou wast driven back?
6 Ye mountains, that ye skipped like rams: and ye little hills, like young sheep?
7 Tremble, thou earth, at the presence of the Lord: at the presence of the God of Jacob;
8 Who turned the hard rock into a standing water: and the flint-stone into a springing well.

NOT unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto thy Name give the praise: for thy loving mercy, and for thy truth's sake.
2 Wherefore shall the heathen say: Where is now their God?
3 As for our God, he is in heaven: he hath done whatsoever pleased him.
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Easter Even, E.

I am well pleased: that the Lord hath heard the voice of my prayer;
2 That he hath inclined his ear unto me: therefore will I call upon him as long as I live.
3 The snares of death compassed me round about: and the pains of hell gat hold upon me.
4 I shall find trouble and heaviness, and I will call upon the Name of the Lord: O Lord, I beseech thee, deliver my soul.
5 Gracious is the Lord, and righteous: yea, our God is merciful.
6 The Lord preserveth the simple: I was in misery, and he helped me.
7 Turn again then unto thy rest, O my soul: for the Lord hath rewarded thee.
8 And why? thou hast delivered my soul from death: mine eyes from tears, and my feet from falling.
9 I will walk before the Lord: in the land of the living.
10 I believed, and therefore will I speak; but I was sore troubled: I said in my haste, All men are liars.
11 What reward shall I give unto the Lord: for all the benefits that he hath done unto me?
12 I will receive the cup of salvation: and call upon the Name of the Lord.
13 I will pay my vows now in the presence of all his people: right dear in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.

PSALM 117

Epiphany, E.

O praise the Lord, all ye heathen: praise him, all ye nations.
2 For his merciful kindness is ever more and more towards us: and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever. Praise the Lord.

PSALM 118

Easter Day, E.

O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious: because his mercy endureth for ever.
2 Let Israel now confess, that he is gracious: and that his mercy endureth for ever.
3 Let the house of Aaron now confess: that his mercy endureth for ever.
4 Yea, let them now that fear the Lord confess: that his mercy endureth for ever.
5 I called upon the Lord in trouble: and the Lord heard me at large.
6 The Lord is on my side: I will not fear what man doeth unto me.
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7 The Lord taketh my part with them that help me: therefore shall I see my desire upon mine enemies.
8 It is better to trust in the Lord: than to put any confidence in man.
9 It is better to trust in the Lord: than to put any confidence in princes.
10 All nations compassed me round about: but in the Name of the Lord will I destroy them.
11 They kept me in on every side, they kept me in, I say, on every side: but in the Name of the Lord will I destroy them.
12 They came about me like bees, and are extinct even as the fire among the thorns: for in the Name of the Lord I will destroy them.
13 Thou hast thrust sore at me, that I might fall: but the Lord was my help.
14 The Lord is my strength, and my song: and is become my salvation.
15 The voice of joy and health is in the dwellings of the righteous: the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass.
16 The right hand of the Lord hath the pre-eminence: the right hand of the Lord bringeth mighty things to pass.
17 I shall not die, but live: and declare the works of the Lord.
18 The Lord hath chastened and corrected me: but he hath not given me over unto death.
19 Open me the gates of righteousness: that I may go into them, and give thanks unto the Lord.

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20 This is the gate of the Lord: the righteous shall enter into it.
21 I will thank thee, for thou hast heard me: and art become my salvation.
22 The same stone which the builders refused: is become the head-stone in the corner.
23 This is the Lord's doing: and it is marvellous in our eyes.
24 This is the day which the Lord hath made: we will rejoice and be glad in it.
25 Help me now, O Lord: O Lord, send us now prosperity.
26 Blessed be he that cometh in the Name of the Lord: we have wished you good luck, ye that are of the house of the Lord.
27 God is the Lord who hath shewed us light: bind the sacrifice with cords, yea, even unto the horns of the altar.
28 Thou art my God, and I will thank thee: thou art my God, and I will praise thee.
29 O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious: and his mercy endureth for ever.

Twenty-fourth Evening

PSALM 119, verses 1–32

BLESSED are those that are undefiled in the way: and walk in the law of the Lord.
2 Blessed are they that keep his testimonies: and seek him with their whole heart.
3 For they who do no wickedness: walk in his ways.

Circumcision, M.  2 Lent, M.
4 Thou hast charged: that we shall diligently keep thy commandments.

5 O that my ways were made so direct: that I might keep thy statutes!

6 So shall I not be confounded: while I have respect unto all thy commandments.

7 I will thank thee with an unfeigned heart: when I shall have learned the judgements of thy righteousness.

8 I will keep thy ceremonies: O forsake me not utterly.

WHEREWITHAL shall a young man cleanse his way: even by ruling himself after thy word.

10 With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not go wrong out of thy commandments.

11 Thy words have I hid within my heart: that I should not sin against thee.

12 Blessed art thou, O Lord: O teach me thy statutes.

13 With my lips have I been telling: of all the judgements of thy mouth.

14 I have had as great delight in the way of thy testimonies: as in all manner of riches.

15 I will talk of thy commandments: and have respect unto thy ways.

16 My delight shall be in thy statutes: and I will not forget thy word.

O DO well unto thy servant: that I may live, and keep thy word.
PSALM 119, verses 33-72
2 Lent, E.

TEACH me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes: and I shall keep it unto the end.

34 Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law: yea, I shall keep it with my whole heart.

35 Make me to go in the path of thy commandments: for therein is my desire.

36 Incline my heart unto thy testimonies: and not to covetousness.

37 O turn away mine eyes, lest they behold vanity: and quicken thou me in thy way.

38 O establish thy word in thy servant: that I may fear thee.

39 Take away the rebuke that I am afraid of: for thy judgements are good.

40 Behold, my delight is in thy commandments: O quicken me in thy righteousness.

LET thy loving mercy come also unto me, O Lord: even thy salvation, according unto thy word.

42 So shall I make answer unto my blasphemers: for my trust is in thy word.

43 O take not the word of thy truth utterly out of my mouth: for my hope is in thy judgements.

44 So shall I alway keep thy law: yea, for ever and ever.

45 And I will walk at liberty: for I seek thy commandments.

46 I will speak of thy testimonies also, even before kings: and will not be ashamed.

47 And my delight shall be in thy commandments: which I have loved.

48 My hands also will I lift up unto thy commandments, which I have loved: and my study shall be in thy statutes.

O THINK upon thy servant, as concerning thy word: wherein thou hast caused me to put my trust.

50 The same is my comfort in my trouble: for thy word hath quickened me.

51 The proud have had me exceedingly in derision: yet have I not shrunked from thy law.

52 For I remembered thine everlasting judgements, O Lord: and received comfort.

53 I am horribly afraid: for the ungodly that forsake thy law.

54 Thy statutes have been my songs: in the house of my pilgrimage.

55 I have thought upon thy Name, O Lord: and received comfort.

56 This I had: because I kept thy commandments.

THOU art my portion, O Lord: I have promised to keep thy law.

58 I made my humble petition in thy presence with my whole heart: O be merciful unto me, according to thy word.

59 I called mine own ways to remembrance: and turned my feet unto thy testimonies.

60 I made haste, and prolonged not the time: to keep thy commandments.
61 The congregations of the ungodly have robbed me: but I have not forgotten thy law.
62 At midnight I will rise to give thanks unto thee: because of thy righteous judgements.
63 I am a companion of all them that fear thee: and keep thy commandments.
64 The earth, O Lord, is full of thy mercy: O teach me thy statutes.

O LORD, thou hast dealt graciously with thy servant: according unto thy word.
66 O learn me true understanding and knowledge: for I have believed thy commandments.
67 Before I was troubled, I went wrong: but now have I kept thy word.
68 Thou art good and gracious: O teach me thy statutes.
69 The proud have imagined a lie against me: but I will keep thy commandments with my whole heart.
70 Their heart is as fat as brawn: but my delight hath been in thy law.
71 It is good for me that I have been in trouble: that I may learn thy statutes.
72 The law of thy mouth is dearer unto me: than thousands of gold and silver.

Twenty-fifth Evening
PSALM 119, verses 73-104
3 Lent, M.

THY hands have made me and fashioned me: O give me understanding, that I may learn thy commandments.

74 They that fear thee will be glad when they see me: because I have put my trust in thy word.
75 I know, O Lord, that thy judgements are right: and that thou of very faithfulness hast caused me to be troubled.
76 O let thy merciful kindness be my comfort: according to thy word unto thy servant.
77 O let thy loving mercies come unto me, that I may live: for thy law is my delight.
78 Let the proud be confounded, for they go wickedly about to destroy me: but I will be occupied in thy commandments.
79 Let such as fear thee, and have known thy testimonies: be turned unto me.
80 O let my heart be sound in thy statutes: that I be not ashamed.

MY soul hath longed for thy salvation: and I have a good hope because of thy word.
82 Mine eyes long sore for thy word: saying, O when wilt thou comfort me?
83 For I am become like a bottle in the smoke: yet do I not forget thy statutes.
84 How many are the days of thy servant: when wilt thou be avenged of them that persecute me?
85 The proud have digged pits for me: which are not after thy law.
86 All thy commandments are true: they persecute me falsely; O be thou my help.
87 They had almost made an end of me upon earth: but I forsook not thy commandments.
88 O quicken me after thy loving-kindness: and so shall I keep the testimonies of thy mouth.

O LORD, thy word: endureth for ever in heaven.

90 Thy truth also remaineth from one generation to another: thou hast laid the foundation of the earth, and it abideth.

91 They continue this day according to thine ordinance: for all things serve thee.

92 If my delight had not been in thy law: I should have perished in my trouble.

93 I will never forget thy commandments: for with them thou hast quickened me.

94 I am thine, O save me: for I have sought thy commandments.

95 The ungodly laid wait for me to destroy me: but I will consider thy testimonies.

96 I see that all things come to an end: but thy commandment is exceeding broad.

LORD, what love have I unto thy law: all the day long is my study in it.

98 Thou through thy commandments hast made me wiser than mine enemies: for they are ever with me.

99 I have more understanding than my teachers: for thy testimonies are my study.

100 I am wiser than the aged: because I keep thy commandments.

101 I have refrained my feet from every evil way: that I may keep thy word.

102 I have not shrunk from thy judgements: for thou teachest me.

103 O how sweet are thy words unto my throat: yea, sweeter than honey unto my mouth.

104 Through thy commandments I get understanding: therefore I hate all evil ways.

Twenty-sixth Morning

PSALM 119, verses 105-144

3 Lent, E.

THY word is a lantern unto my feet: and a light unto my paths.

106 I have sworn, and am stedfastly purposed: to keep thy righteous judgements.

107 I am troubled above measure: quicken Lord, according to thy word.

108 Let the free-will offerings of my mouth please thee, O Lord: and teach me thy judgements.

109 My soul is alway in my hand: yet do I not forget thy law.

110 The ungodly have laid a snare for me: but yet I swerved not from thy commandments.

111 Thy testimonies have I claimed as mine heritage for ever: and why? they are the very joy of my heart.

112 I have applied my heart to fulfil thy statutes alway: even unto the end.

I HATE them that imagine evil things: but thy law do I love.

114 Thou art my defence and shield: and my trust is in thy word.
Away from me, ye wicked: I will keep the commandments of my God.

O stablish me according to thy word, that I may live: and let me not be disappointed of my hope.

Hold thou me up, and I shall be safe: yea, my delight shall be ever in thy statutes.

Thou hast trodden down all them that depart from thy statutes: for they imagine but deceit.

Thou puttest away all the ungodly of the earth like dross: therefore I love thy testimonies.

My flesh trembleth for fear of thee: and I am afraid of thy judgements.

Deal with the thing that is lawful and right:

O give me not over unto mine oppressors.

Make thou thy servant to delight in that which is good: that the proud do me no wrong.

Mine eyes are wasted away with looking for thy health: and for the word of thy righteousness.

O deal with thy servant according unto thy loving mercy: and teach me thy statutes.

I am thy servant, O grant me understanding: that I may know thy testimonies.

It is time for thee, Lord, to lay to thine hand: for they have destroyed thy law.

For I love thy commandments: above gold and precious stone.

Therefore hold I straight all thy commandments: and all false ways I utterly abhor.

Thy testimonies are wonderful: therefore doth my soul keep them.

When thy word goeth forth: it giveth light and understanding unto the simple.

I opened my mouth, and drew in my breath: for my delight was in thy commandments.

O look thou upon me, and be merciful unto me: as thou usest to do unto those that love thy Name.

Order my steps in thy word: and so shall no wickedness have dominion over me.

Deliver me from the wrongful dealings of men: and so shall I keep thy commandments.

Shew the light of thy countenance upon thy servant: and teach me thy statutes.

Mine eyes gush out with water: because men keep not thy law.

Righteous art thou, O Lord: and true is thy judgement.

The testimonies that thou hast commanded: are exceeding righteous and true.

My zeal hath even consumed me: because mine enemies have forgotten thy words.

Thy word is tried to the uttermost: and thy servant loveth it.

I am small, and of no reputation: yet do I not forget thy commandments.

Thy righteousness is an everlasting righteousness: and thy law is the truth.

Trouble and heaviness have taken hold
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upon me: yet is my delight in thy commandments.

144 The righteousness of thy testimonies is everlasting: O grant me understanding, and I shall live.

Twenty-sixth Evening

PSALM 119, verses 145-176
4 Lent, M.

I CALL with my whole heart: hear me, O Lord, I will keep thy statutes.

146 Yea, even unto thee do I call: help me, and I shall keep thy testimonies.

147 Early in the morning do I cry unto thee: for in thy word is my trust.

148 Mine eyes prevent the night-watches: that I might be occupied in thy words.

149 Hear my voice, O Lord, according unto thy loving-kindness: quicken me, according as thou art wont.

150 They draw nigh that of malice persecute me: and are far from thy law.

151 Be thou nigh at hand, O Lord: for all thy commandments are true.

152 As concerning thy testimonies, I have known long since: that thou hast grounded them for ever.

O CONSIDER mine adversity, and deliver me: for I do not forget thy law.

154 Avenge thou my cause, and deliver me: quicken me, according to thy word.

155 Health is far from the ungodly: for they regard not thy statutes.

156 Great is thy mercy, O Lord: quicken me, as thou art wont.

157 Many there are that trouble me, and persecute me: yet do I not swerve from thy testimonies.

158 It grieveth me when I see the transgressors: because they keep not thy law.

159 Consider, O Lord, how I love thy commandments: O quicken me, according to thy loving-kindness.

160 Thy word is true from everlasting: all the judgements of thy righteousness endure for evermore.

PRINCES have persecuted me without a cause: but my heart standeth in awe of thy word.

162 I am as glad of thy word: as one that findeth great spoils.

163 As for lies, I hate and abhor them: but thy law do I love.

164 Seven times a day do I praise thee: because of thy righteous judgements.

165 Great is the peace that they have who love thy law: and they are not offended at it.

166 Lord, I have looked for thy saving health: and done after thy commandments.

167 My soul hath kept thy testimonies: and loved them exceedingly.

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168 I have kept thy commandments and testimonies: for all my ways are before thee.

169 Let my complaint come before thee, O Lord: give me understanding, according to thy word.

170 Let my supplication come before thee: deliver me, according to thy word.

171 My lips shall speak of thy praise: when thou hast taught me thy statutes.

172 Yea, my tongue shall sing of thy word: for all thy commandments are righteous.

173 Let thine hand help me: for I have chosen thy commandments.

174 I have longed for thy saving health, O Lord: and in thy law is my delight.

175 O let my soul live, and it shall praise thee: and thy judgements shall help me.

176 I have gone astray like a sheep that is lost: O seek thy servant, for I do not forget thy commandments.

 Twenty-seventh Morning

PSALM 120

2 Easter, M. 19 Trinity, E.

WHEN I was in trouble I called upon the Lord: and he heard me.

2 Deliver my soul, O Lord, from lying lips: and from a deceitful tongue.

3 What reward shall be given or done unto thee, thou false tongue: even mighty and sharp arrows, with hot burning coals.

4 Woe is me, that I am constrained to dwell with Mesech: and to have my habitation among the tents of Kedar.

5 My soul hath long dwelt among them: that are enemies unto peace.

6 I labour for peace, but when I speak unto them thereof: they make them ready to battle.

PSALM 121

Circumcision, E. 2 Easter, M. 19 Trinity, E. Rogation Wednesday, M.

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

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

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

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

5 The Lord himself is thy keeper: the Lord is thy defence upon thy right hand.

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

7 The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: yea, it is even he that shall keep thy soul.

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

PSALM 122

2 Easter, M. 19 Trinity, E. Feast of Dedication, E.

I WAS glad when they said unto me: We will go into the house of the Lord.

2 Our feet shall stand in thy gates: O Jerusalem.
PSALM 123

3 Jerusalem is built as a city: that is at unity in itself.
4 For thither the tribes go up, even the tribes of the Lord: to testify unto Israel, to give thanks unto the Name of the Lord.
5 For there is the seat of judgement: even the seat of the house of David.
6 O pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee.
7 Peace be within thy walls: and plenteousness within thy palaces.
8 For my brethren and companions’ sakes: I will wish thee prosperity.
9 Yea, because of the house of the Lord our God: I will seek to do thee good.

PSALM 124

3 If the Lord himself had not been on our side, when men rose up against us;
2 They had swallowed us up quick: when they were so wrathfully displeased at us.
3 Yea, the waters had drowned us: and the stream had gone over our soul.
4 The deep waters of the proud: had gone even over our soul.
5 But praised be the Lord: who hath not given us over for a prey unto their teeth.
6 Our soul is escaped even as a bird out of the snare of the fowler: the snare is broken, and we are delivered.
7 Our help standeth in the Name of the Lord: who hath made heaven and earth.

PSALM 125

3 They that put their trust in the Lord shall be even as the mount Sion: which may not be removed, but standeth fast for ever.
2 The hills stand about Jerusalem: even so standeth the Lord round about his people, from this time forth for evermore.
3 For the rod of the ungodly cometh not into the lot of the righteous: lest the righteous put their hand unto wickedness.
4 Do well, O Lord: unto those that are good and true of heart.
5 As for such as turn back unto their own wickedness: the Lord shall lead them forth with the evil-doers; but peace shall be upon Israel.
PSALM 126
3 Easter, M.  20 Trinity, E.

WHEN the Lord turned again the captivity of Sion: then were we like unto them that dream.
1 Then was our mouth filled with laughter: and our tongue with joy.
3 Then said they among the heathen: The Lord hath done great things for them.
4 Yea, the Lord hath done great things for us already: whereof we rejoice.
5 Turn our captivity, O Lord: as the rivers in the south.
6 They that sow in tears: shall reap in joy.
7 He that now goeth on his way weeping, and beareth forth good seed: shall doubtless come again with joy, and bring his sheaves with him.

PSALM 127
3 Easter, M.  20 Trinity, E.  Rogation Mon., M.

EXCEPT the Lord build the house: their labour is but lost that build it.
2 Except the Lord keep the city: the watchman waketh but in vain.
3 It is but lost labour that ye haste to rise up early, and so late take rest, and eat the bread of carefulness: for so he giveth his beloved sleep.
4 Lo, children and the fruit of the womb: are an heritage and gift that cometh of the Lord.
5 Like as the arrows in the hand of the giant: even so are the young children.
6 Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them: they shall not be ashamed when they speak with their enemies in the gate.

PSALM 128
4 Easter, M.  21 Trinity, E.

BLESSED are all they that fear the Lord: and walk in his ways.
2 For thou shalt eat the labours of thine hands: O well is thee, and happy shalt thou be.
3 Thy wife shall be as the fruitful vine: upon the walls of thine house.
4 Thy children like the olive-branches: round about thy table.
5 Lo, thus shall the man be blessed: that feareth the Lord.
6 The Lord from out of Sion shall so bless thee: that thou shalt see Jerusalem in prosperity all thy life long.
7 Yea, that thou shalt see thy children’s children: and peace upon Israel.

PSALM 129
4 Easter, M.  21 Trinity, E.

MANY a time have they fought against me from my youth up: may Israel now say.
2 Yea, many a time have they vexed me from my youth up: but they have not prevailed against me.
3 The plowers plowed upon my back: and made long furrows.
4 But the righteous Lord: hath hewn the snares of the ungodly in pieces.
5 Let them be confounded and turned backward: as many as have evil will at Sion.
PSALM 130

Even.

6 Let them be even as the grass growing upon the house-tops: which withereth afore it be plucked up;
7 Whereof the mower filleth not his hand: neither he that bindeth up the sheaves his bosom.
8 So that they who go by say not so much as, The Lord prosper you: we wish you good luck in the Name of the Lord.

PSALM 130

Ash Wednesday, E. 6 Lent, E. 4 Easter, M.
21 Trinity, E.

OUT of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice.
2 O let thine ears consider well: the voice of my complaint.
3 If thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss: O Lord, who may abide it?
4 For there is mercy with thee: therefore shalt thou be feared.
5 I look for the Lord; my soul doth wait for him: in his word is my trust.
6 My soul fleeth unto the Lord: before the morning watch, I say, before the morning watch.
7 O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy: and with him is plenteous redemption.
8 And he shall redeem Israel: from all his sins.

PSALM 131

4 Easter, M. 21 Trinity, E.

LORD, I am not high-minded: I have no proud looks.

PSALM 132

Day 28

Morn.

2 I do not exercise myself in great matters: which are too high for me.
3 But I refrain my soul, and keep it low, like as a child that is weaned from his mother: yea, my soul is even as a weaned child.
4 O Israel, trust in the Lord: from this time forth for evermore.

Twenty-eighth Morning

PSALM 132

Christmas Day, E. 5 Easter, M. 22 Trinity, E.
Feast of Dedication, M.

LORD, remember David: and all his trouble.
2 How he sware unto the Lord: and vowed a vow unto the Almighty God of Jacob;
3 I will not come within the tabernacle of mine house: nor climb up into my bed;
4 I will not suffer mine eyes to sleep, nor mine eye-lids to slumber: neither the temples of my head to take any rest;
5 Until I find out a place for the temple of the Lord: an habitation for the mighty God of Jacob.
6 Lo, we heard of the same at Ephrata: and found it in the wood.
7 We will go into his tabernacle: and fall low on our knees before his footstool.
8 Arise, O Lord, into thy resting-place: thou, and the ark of thy strength.
9 Let thy priests be clothed with righteousness: and let thy saints sing with joyfulness.
10 For thy servant David's sake: turn not away the presence of thine Anointed.
11 The Lord hath made a faithful oath unto David: and he shall not shrink from it;
12 Of the fruit of thy body: shall I set upon thy seat.
13 If thy children will keep my covenant, and my testimonies that I shall learn them: their children also shall sit upon thy seat for evermore.
14 For the Lord hath chosen Sion to be an habitation for himself: he hath longed for her.
15 This shall be my rest for ever: here will I dwell, for I have a delight therein.
16 I will bless her victuals with increase: and will satisfy her poor with bread.
17 I will deck her priests with health: and her saints shall rejoice and sing.
18 There shall I make the horn of David to flourish: I have ordained a lantern for mine Anointed.
19 As for his enemies, I shall clothe them with shame: but upon himself shall his crown flourish.

**PSALM 133**

New Year's Eve, E. 5 Easter, M. 22 Trinity, E.

**BEHOLD, how good and joyful a thing it is: brethren, to dwell together in unity!**

2 It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down unto the beard: even unto Aaron's beard, and went down to the skirts of his clothing.
3 Like as the dew of Hermon: which fell upon the hill of Sion.

**PSALM 134**

New Year's Eve, E. 5 Easter, M. 22 Trinity, E.

**BEHOLD now, praise the Lord: all ye servants of the Lord;**
2 Ye that by night stand in the house of the Lord: even in the courts of the house of our God.
3 Lift up your hands in the sanctuary: and praise the Lord.
4 The Lord that made heaven and earth: give thee blessing out of Sion.

**PSALM 135**

23 Trinity, M.

**O PRAISE the Lord, laud ye the Name of the Lord: praise it, O ye servants of the Lord;**
2 Ye that stand in the house of the Lord: in the courts of the house of our God.
3 O praise the Lord, for the Lord is gracious: O sing praises unto his Name, for it is lovely.
4 For why? the Lord hath chosen Jacob unto himself: and Israel for his own possession.
5 For I know that the Lord is great: and that our Lord is above all gods.
6 Whatsoever the Lord pleased, that did he in heaven, and in earth: and in the sea, and in all deep places.
7 He bringeth forth the clouds from the ends of the world: and sendeth forth lightnings
with the rain, bringing the winds out of his treasures.
8 He smote the first-born of Egypt: both of man and beast.
9 He hath sent tokens and wonders into the midst of thee, O thou land of Egypt: upon Pharaoh, and all his servants.
10 He smote divers nations: and slew mighty kings;
11 Sehon king of the Amorites, and Og the king of Basan: and all the kingdoms of Canaan;
12 And gave their land to be an heritage; even an heritage unto Israel his people.
13 Thy Name, O Lord, endureth for ever: so doth thy memorial, O Lord, from one generation to another.
14 For the Lord will avenge his people: and be gracious unto his servants.
15 As for the images of the heathen, they are but silver and gold: the work of men’s hands.
16 They have mouths, and speak not: eyes have they, but they see not.
17 They have ears, and yet they hear not: neither is there any breath in their mouths.
18 They that make them are like unto them: and so are all they that put their trust in them.
19 Praise the Lord, ye house of Israel: praise the Lord, ye house of Aaron.
20 Praise the Lord, ye house of Levi: ye that fear the Lord, praise the Lord.
21 Praised be the Lord out of Sion: who dwelleth at Jerusalem.

Twenty-eighth Evening

PSALM 136
24 Trinity, M.

O GIVE thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious: and his mercy endureth for ever.
2 O give thanks unto the God of all gods: for his mercy endureth for ever.
3 O thank the Lord of all lords: for his mercy endureth for ever.
4 Who only doeth great wonders: for his mercy endureth for ever.
5 Who by his excellent wisdom made the heavens: for his mercy endureth for ever.
6 Who laid out the earth above the waters: for his mercy endureth for ever.
7 Who hath made great lights: for his mercy endureth for ever;
8 The sun to rule the day: for his mercy endureth for ever;
9 The moon and the stars to govern the night: for his mercy endureth for ever.
10 Who smote Egypt with their first-born: for his mercy endureth for ever;
11 And brought out Israel from among them: for his mercy endureth for ever;
12 With a mighty hand, and stretched out arm: for his mercy endureth for ever.
13 Who divided the Red sea in two parts: for his mercy endureth for ever;
14 And made Israel to go through the midst of it: for his mercy endureth for ever.
15 But as for Pharaoh and his host, he
overthrew them in the Red sea: for his mercy endureth for ever.
16 Who led his people through the wilderness: for his mercy endureth for ever.
17 Who smote great kings: for his mercy endureth for ever:
18 Yea, and slew mighty kings: for his mercy endureth for ever:
19 Sehon king of the Amorites: for his mercy endureth for ever;
20 And Og the king of Basan: for his mercy endureth for ever;
21 And gave away their land for an heritage: for his mercy endureth for ever;
22 Even for an heritage unto Israel his servant: for his mercy endureth for ever.
23 Who remembered us when we were in trouble: for his mercy endureth for ever;
24 And hath delivered us from our enemies: for his mercy endureth for ever.
25 Who giveth food to all flesh: for his mercy endureth for ever.
26 O give thanks unto the God of heaven: for his mercy endureth for ever.
27 O give thanks unto the Lord of lords: for his mercy endureth for ever.

PSALM 138

23 Trinity, E.

Thanksgivings.

I WILL give thanks unto thee, O Lord, with my whole heart: even before the gods will I sing praise unto thee.
2 I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy Name, because of thy loving-kindness and truth: for thou hast magnified thy Name, and thy Word, above all things.
3 When I called upon thee, thou hearest me: and enduest my soul with much strength.
4 All the kings of the earth shall praise thee, O Lord: for they have heard the words of thy mouth.
5 Yea, they shall sing in the ways of the Lord: that great is the glory of the Lord.
6 For though the Lord be high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly: as for the proud, he beholdeth them afar off.
7 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, yet shalt thou refresh me: thou shalt stretch forth thy hand upon the furiousness of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me.
8 The Lord shall make good his loving-kindness toward me: yea, thy mercy, O Lord, endureth for ever; despise not then the works of thine own hands.

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O LORD, thou hast searched me out, and known me: thou knowest my downsitting, and mine up-Rising; thou understandest my thoughts long before.
1 Thou art about my path, and about my bed: and spiest out all my ways.
2 For lo, there is not a word in my tongue: but thou, O Lord, knowest it altogether.
3 Thou hast fashioned me behind and before: and laid thine hand upon me.
4 Such knowledge is too wonderful and excellent for me: I cannot attain unto it.
5 Whither shall I go then from thy Spirit: or whither shall I go then from thy presence?
6 If I climb up into heaven, thou art there: if I go down to hell, thou art there also.
7 If I take the wings of the morning: and remain in the uttermost parts of the sea;
8 Even there also shall thy hand lead me: and thy right hand shall hold me.
9 If I say, Peradventure the darkness shall cover me: then shall my night be turned to day.
10 Yea, the darkness is no darkness with thee, but the night is as clear as the day: the darkness and light to thee are both alike.
11 For my reins are thine: thou hast covered me in my mother's womb.
12 I will give thanks unto thee, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works, and that my soul knoweth right well.
13 My bones are not hid from thee: though I be made secretly, and fashioned beneath in the earth.
14 Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being imperfect: and in thy book were all my members written;
15 Which day by day were fashioned: when as yet there was none of them.
16 How dear are thy counsels unto me, O God: O how great is the sum of them!
17 If I tell them, they are more in number than the sand: when I wake up I am present with thee.
18 Wilt thou not slay the wicked, O God: depart from me, ye blood-thirsty men.
19 For they speak unrighteously against thee: and thine enemies take thy Name in vain.
20 Do not I hate them, O Lord, that hate
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thee: and am not I grieved with those that rise up against thee?

22 Yea, I hate them right sore: even as though they were mine enemies.

23 Try me, O God, and seek the ground of my heart: prove me, and examine my thoughts.

24 Look well if there be any way of wickedness in me: and lead me in the way everlasting.

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DELIVER me, O Lord, from the evil man: and preserve me from the wicked man.

2 Who imagine mischief in their hearts: and stir up strife all the day long.

3 They have sharpened their tongues like a serpent: adder's poison is under their lips.

4 Keep me, O Lord, from the hands of the ungodly: preserve me from the wicked men, who are purposed to overthrow my goings.

5 The proud have laid a snare for me, and spread a net abroad with cords: yea, and set traps in my way.

6 I said unto the Lord, Thou art my God: hear the voice of my prayers, O Lord.

7 O Lord God, thou strength of my health: thou hast covered my head in the day of battle.

8 Let not the ungodly have his desire, O Lord: let not his mischievous imagination prosper, lest they be too proud.

9 Let the mischief of their own lips fall upon the head of them: that compass me about.

10 Let hot burning coals fall upon them:

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let them be cast into the fire, and into the pit, that they never rise up again.

11 A man full of words shall not prosper upon the earth: evil shall hunt the wicked person to overthrow him.

12 Sure I am that the Lord will avenge the poor: and maintain the cause of the helpless.

13 The righteous also shall give thanks unto thy Name: and the just shall continue in thy sight.

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24 Trinity, E.

ORD, I call upon thee, haste thee unto me: and consider my voice when I cry unto thee.

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

3 Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth: and keep the door of my lips.

4 O let not mine heart be inclined to any evil thing: let me not be occupied in ungodly works with the men that work wickedness, lest I eat of such things as please them.

5 Let the righteous rather smite me friendly: and reprove me.

6 But let not their precious balms break my head: yea, I will pray yet against their wickedness.

7 Let their judges be overthrown in stony places: that they may hear my words, for they are sweet.
8 Our bones lie scattered before the pit: like as when one breaketh and heweth wood upon the earth.
9 But mine eyes look unto thee, O Lord God: in thee is my trust, O cast not out my soul.
10 Keep me from the snare that they have laid for me: and from the traps of the wicked doers.
11 Let the ungodly fall into their own nets together: and let me ever escape them.

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Easter Even, M. 24 Trinity, E.

I CRIED unto the Lord with my voice: yea, even unto the Lord did I make my supplication.
2 I poured out my complaints before him: and shewed him of my trouble.
3 When my spirit was in heaviness thou knewest my path: in the way wherein I walked have they privily laid a snare for me.
4 I looked also upon my right hand: and saw there was no man that would know me.
5 I had no place to flee unto: and no man cared for my soul.
6 I cried unto thee, O Lord, and said: Thou art my hope, and my portion in the land of the living.
7 Consider my complaint: for I am brought very low.
8 O deliver me from my persecutors: for they are too strong for me.

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Ash Wednesday, E. 1 Lent, E.

Hear my prayer, O Lord, and consider my desire: hearken unto me for thy truth and righteousness’ sake.
2 And enter not into judgement with thy servant: for in thy sight shall no man living be justified.
3 For the enemy hath persecuted my soul: he hath smitten my life down to the ground: he hath laid me in the darkness, as the men that have been long dead.
4 Therefore is my spirit vexed within me: and my heart within me is desolate.
5 Yet do I remember the time past; I muse upon all thy works: yea, I exercise myself in the works of thy hands.
6 I stretch forth my hands unto thee: my soul gaspeth unto thee as a thirsty land.
7 Hear me, O Lord, and that soon, for my spirit waxeth faint: hide not thy face from me, lest I be like unto them that go down into the pit.
8 O let me hear thy loving-kindness betimes in the morning, for in thee is my trust: shew thou me the way that I should walk in, for I lift up my soul unto thee.
9 Deliver me, O Lord, from mine enemies: for I flee unto thee to hide me.
10 Teach me to do the thing that pleaseth thee, for thou art my God: let thy loving Spirit lead me forth into the land of righteousness.
11 Quicken me, O Lord, for thy Name's sake: and for thy righteousness' sake bring my soul out of trouble.
12 And of thy goodness slay mine enemies: and destroy all them that vex my soul; for I am thy servant.

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26 Trinity, M. Rogation Wednesday, M.

Blessed be the Lord my strength: who teacheth my hands to war, and my fingers to fight;
2 My hope and my fortress, my castle and deliverer, my defender in whom I trust: who subdueth my people that is under me.
3 Lord, what is man, that thou hast such respect unto him: or the son of man, that thou so regardest him?
4 Man is like a thing of nought: his time passeth away like a shadow.
5 Bow thy heavens, O Lord, and come down: touch the mountains, and they shall smoke.
6 Cast forth thy lightning, and tear them: shoot out thine arrows, and consume them.
7 Send down thine hand from above: deliver me, and take me out of the great waters, from the hand of strange children;

8 Whose mouth talketh of vanity: and their right hand is a right hand of wickedness.
9 I will sing a new song unto thee, O God: and sing praises unto thee upon a ten-stringed lute.
10 Thou hast given victory unto kings: and hast delivered David thy servant from the peril of the sword.
11 Save me, and deliver me from the hand of strange children: whose mouth talketh of vanity, and their right hand is a right hand of iniquity.
12 That our sons may grow up as the young plants: and that our daughters may be as the polished corners of the temple.
13 That our garners may be full and plentiful with all manner of store: that our sheep may bring forth thousands and ten thousands in our streets [fields].
14 That our oxen may be strong to labour, that there be no decay: no leading into captivity, and no complaining in our streets.
15 Happy are the people that are in such a case: yea, blessed are the people who have the Lord for their God.

PSALM 145

4 Easter, E. Whitsun Eve, E. S. before Advent, M. All Saints, E. Thanksgivings.

I will magnify thee, O God, my King: and I will praise thy Name for ever and ever.
2 Every day will I give thanks unto thee: and praise thy Name for ever and ever.
3 Great is the Lord, and marvellous worthy
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to be praised: there is no end of his greatness.
4 One generation shall praise thy works unto
another: and declare thy power.
5 As for me, I will be talking of thy worship:
thy glory, thy praise, and wondrous works;
6 So that men shall speak of the might of
thy marvellous acts: and I will also tell of
thy greatness.
7 The memorial of thine abundant kindness
shall be shewed: and men shall sing of thy
righteousness.
8 The Lord is gracious, and merciful: long-
suffering, and of great goodness.
9 The Lord is loving unto every man: and
his mercy is over all his works.
10 All thy works praise thee, O Lord: and
thy saints give thanks unto thee.
11 They shew the glory of thy kingdom: and
talk of thy power;
12 That thy power, thy glory, and mightiness
of thy kingdom: might be known unto men.
13 Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom:
and thy dominion endureth throughout all ages.
14 The Lord upholdeth all such as fall: and
liftest up all those that are down.
15 The eyes of all wait upon thee, O Lord:
and thou givest them their meat in due season.
16 Thou openest thine hand: and fillest all
things living with plenteousness.
17 The Lord is righteous in all his ways:
and holy in all his works.
18 The Lord is nigh unto all them that call
upon him: yea, all such as call upon him
faithfully.
19 He will fulfil the desire of them that fear
him: he also will hear their cry, and will help
them.
20 The Lord preserveth all them that love
him: but scattereth abroad all the ungodly.
21 My mouth shall speak the praise of the
Lord: and let all flesh give thanks unto his
holy Name for ever and ever.

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4 Easter, E.  S. before Advent, M.  All Saints, E.

PRAISE the Lord, O my soul; while I live
will I praise the Lord: yea, as long as I
have any being, I will sing praises unto my
God.
2 O put not your trust in princes, nor in any
child of man: for there is no help in them.
3 For when the breath of man goeth forth he
shall turn again to his earth: and then all his
thoughts perish.
4 Blessed is he that hath the God of Jacob
for his help: and whose hope is in the Lord
his God;
5 Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and
all that therein is: who keepeth his promise
for ever;
6 Who helpeth them to right that suffer
wrong: who feedeth the hungry.
7 The Lord looseth men out of prison: the
Lord giveth sight to the blind.
8 The Lord helpeth them that are fallen: the Lord careth for the righteous.
9 The Lord careth for the strangers; he defendeth the fatherless and widow: as for the way of the ungodly, he turneth it upside down.
10 The Lord thy God, O Sion, shall be King for evermore: and throughout all generations.

Thirtieth Evening

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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.
1 The Lord doth build up Jerusalem: and gather together the out-casts of Israel.
2 He healeth those that are broken in heart: and giveth medicine to heal their sickness.
3 He telleth the number of the stars: and calleth them all by their names.
4 Great is our Lord, and great is his power: yea, and his wisdom is infinite.
5 The Lord setteth up the meek: and bringeth the ungodly down to the ground.
6 O sing unto the Lord with thanksgiving: sing praises upon the harp unto our God;
7 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;
8 Who giveth fodder unto the cattle: and feedeth the young ravens that call upon him.
9 He hath no pleasure in the strength of an horse: neither delighteth he in any man's legs.
10 But the Lord's delight is in them that fear him: and put their trust in his mercy.
11 Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem: praise thy God, O Sion.
12 For he hath made fast the bars of thy gates: and hath blessed thy children within thee.
13 He maketh peace in thy borders: and filleth thee with the flour of wheat.
14 He sendeth forth his commandment upon earth: and his word runneth very swiftly.
15 He casteth forth his ice like morsels: who is able to abide his frost?
16 He sendeth out his word, and melteth them: he bloweth with his wind, and the waters flow.
17 He sheweth his word unto Jacob: his statutes and ordinances unto Israel.
18 He hath not dealt so with any nation: neither have the heathen knowledge of his laws.

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PRAISE the Lord of heaven: praise him in the height.
2 Praise him, all ye angels of his: praise him, all his host.
3 Praise him, sun and moon: praise him, all ye stars and light.
4 Praise him, all ye heavens: and ye waters that are above the heavens.
5 Let them praise the Name of the Lord: for he spake the word, and they were made; he commanded, and they were created.
6 He hath made them fast for ever and ever: he hath given them a law which shall not be broken.
7 Praise the Lord upon earth: ye dragons, and all deeps;
8 Fire and hail, snow and vapours: wind and storm, fulfilling his word;
9 Mountains and all hills: fruitful trees and all cedars;
10 Beasts and all cattle: worms and feathered fowls;
11 Kings of the earth and all people: princes and all judges of the world;
12 Young men and maidens, old men and children, praise the Name of the Lord: for his Name only is excellent, and his praise above heaven and earth.
13 He shall exalt the horn of his people; all his saints shall praise him: even the children of Israel, even the people that serveth him.

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PRAISE God in his holiness: praise him in the firmament of his power.
2 Praise him in his noble acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness.
3 Praise him in the sound of the trumpet: praise him upon the lute and harp.
4 Praise him in the cymbals and dances: praise him upon the strings and pipe.
5 Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals: praise him upon the loud cymbals.
6 Let every thing that hath breath: praise the Lord.
Holy Communion

The Priest says:

Our Father, which 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. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

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

The Ten Commandments

Priest. God spake these words, and said; I am the Lord thy God: Thou shalt have none other gods but me.
Answer. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Priest. Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them: for I the Lord thy God am a jealous
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Priest. Thou shalt not steal.
Answer. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Priest. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.
Answer. Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Priest. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his servant, nor his maid, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor anything that is his.
Answer. Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.

The Summary of the Law,

Sometimes said instead of the Commandments.

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: Hear, O Israel, The Lord our God is one Lord; and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength. This is the first commandment. And the second is like, namely this: Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

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

Or else,

Priest. Lord, have mercy upon us.
Answer. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Priest. Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE PRAYER FOR THE KING

Let us pray.

One of these Prayers is said.

ALMIGHTY God, whose kingdom is everlasting, and power infinite: Have mercy upon the whole Church; and so rule the heart of thy chosen Servant GEORGE, our King and Governor, that he (knowing whose minister he is) may above all things seek thy honour and glory: and that we, and all his subjects (duly considering whose authority he hath) may faithfully serve, honour, and humbly obey him, in thee, and for thee, according to thy blessed Word and ordinance; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end.

Answer. Amen.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, we are taught by thy holy Word, that the hearts of kings are in thy rule and governance, and that thou dost dispose and turn them as it seemeth best to thy godly wisdom: We humbly beseech thee so to dispose and govern the heart of GEORGE thy Servant, our King and Governor, that, in all his thoughts, words, and works, he may ever seek thy honour and glory, and study to preserve thy people committed to his charge, in wealth, peace, and godliness: Grant this, O merciful Father, for thy dear Son’s sake, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Answer. Amen.
The Collect, Epistle, and Gospel

see pages 307 to 467.

Turn to the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel of the Sunday or Holy-Day.

It is customary to sit for the Epistle, and to stand for the Gospel.

Before the Gospel, you may say:

Glory be to Thee, 0 Lord.

After the Gospel, you may say:

Praise be to Thee, 0 Christ.

The Nicene Creed

All say with the Priest.

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

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

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

The Minister gives out the Notices.

Then may follow the Sermon.

The Offertory begins.

The Priest reads the Offertory Verse, and the Alms are collected.

LET your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

Lay not up for yourselves treasure upon the earth ; where the rust and moth doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal; but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven; where neither rust nor moth doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through and steal.

Whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, even so do unto them; for this is the Law and the Prophets.
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The Priest places upon the Holy Table sufficient Bread and Wine.

The Prayer for the Church

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ’s Church militant here in earth.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks, for all men: We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant, that all they that do confess thy holy name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity, and godly love.

We beseech thee also to save and defend all Christian Kings, Princes, and Governors; and specially thy Servant GEORGE our King; that under him we may be godly and quietly governed: And grant unto his whole Council, and to all that are put in authority under him, that they may truly and indifferently minister justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue.

PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and Curates [Clergy], that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments:

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace; and specially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy holy all Christians. Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom:

Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ’s sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Answer. Amen.
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The Invitation

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

The General Confession

To be said by those minded to receive.

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

The Comfortable Words

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

C OME unto me all that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you.

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

Hear also what Saint Paul saith.
This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, That Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

Hear also what Saint John saith.
If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins.
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The Preface

Priest. Lift up your hearts.
Answer. We lift them up unto the Lord.
Priest. Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
Answer. It is meet and right so to do.
Priest. It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

A Proper Preface may follow here, see page 302.

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

Say with the Priest:

HOLY, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most High. Amen.

The Prayer of Access

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table.

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he is us.

Answer. Amen.

The Prayer of Consecration

The Priest, standing before the Table, says:

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death, until his coming again; Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood: who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it,
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The Priest breaks the Bread.
and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat,
He lays his hand on the Bread.
this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me.

The Priest takes the Cup.
Likewise after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of this;
He lays his hand on the Cup.
for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.
Answer. Amen.

The Priest receives the Communion in both kinds, and proceeds to deliver the same to the people, saying:

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

He delivers the Cup, saying:

THE Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Drink this in remembrance that Christ's Blood was shed for thee, and be thankful.

OUR Father, which 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.

The Priest says one of these Prayers.

LORD and heavenly Father, we thy humble servants entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all A

LORD and heavenlving God we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us, who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and
thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that all we, who are partakers of this Holy Communion, may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction. And although we be unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of the most precious death and passion of thy dear Son. And we most humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Answer. Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis

Say with the Priest,

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

O Lord, the only-begotten Son Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Blessing

THE 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. Answer. Amen.
Proper Prefaces

**Christmastide**

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

**Eastertide**

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

**Ascensiontide**

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

**Whitsuntide**

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; according to whose most true promise, the Holy Ghost came down as at this time from heaven with a sudden great sound, as it had been a mighty wind, in the likeness of fiery tongues, lighting upon the Apostles, to teach them, and to lead them to all truth; giving them both the gift of divers languages, and also boldness with fervent zeal constantly to preach the Gospel unto all nations; whereby we have been brought out of darkness and error into the clear light and true knowledge of thee, and of thy Son Jesus Christ. Therefore, &c.

HOLY COMMUNION

The Feast of Trinity

Who art one God, one Lord; not one only Person, but three Persons in one Substance. For that which we believe of the glory of the Father, the same we believe of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, without any difference or inequality. Therefore with Angels, &c.

Collects

To be used at the discretion of the Minister.

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

O Almighty Lord, and everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech thee, to direct, sanctify, and govern, both our hearts and bodies, in the ways of thy laws, and in the works of thy commandments; that through thy most mighty
A Longer Exhortation

DEARLY beloved, on — day next I purpose, through God's assistance, to administer to all such as shall be religiously and devoutly disposed the most comfortable Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ; to be by them received in remembrance of his meritorious Cross and Passion; whereby alone we obtain remission of our sins, and are made partakers of the kingdom of heaven. Wherefore it is our duty to render most humble and hearty thanks to Almighty God our heavenly Father, for that he hath given his Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, not only to die for us, but also to be our spiritual food and sustenance in that Holy Sacrament. Which being so divine and comfortable a thing to them who receive it worthily, and so dangerous to them that will presume to receive it unworthily; my duty is to exhort you in the mean season to consider the dignity of that holy mystery, and the great peril of the unworthy receiving thereof; and so to search and examine your own consciences, (and that not lightly, and after the manner of dissemblers with God; but so) that ye may come holy and clean to such a heavenly Feast, in the marriage-garment required by God in Holy Scripture, and be received as worthy partakers of that Holy Table.

The way and means thereto is; First, to examine your lives and conversations by the rule of God's commandments; and whereinsoever ye shall perceive yourselves to have offended, either by will, word, or deed, there to bewail your own sinfulness, and to confess yourselves to Almighty God, with full purpose of amendment of life.
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And if ye shall perceive your offences to be such as are not only against God, but also against your neighbours; then ye shall reconcile yourselves unto them; being ready to make restitution and satisfaction, according to the uttermost of your powers, for all injuries and wrongs done by you to any other; and being likewise ready to forgive others that have offended you, as ye would have forgiveness of your offences at God's hand; for otherwise the receiving of the holy Communion doth nothing else but increase your damnation. Therefore if any of you be a blasphemer of God, an hinderer or slanderer of his Word, an adulterer, or be in malice, or envy or in any other grievous crime, repent you of your sins, or else come not to that Holy Table; lest, after the taking of that Holy Sacrament, the devil enter into you, as he entered into Judas, and fill you full of all iniquities, and bring you to destruction both of body and soul. And because it is requisite, that no man should come to the Holy Communion, but with a full trust in God's mercy, and with a quiet conscience; therefore if there be any of you, who by this means cannot quiet his own conscience herein, but requireth further comfort or counsel, let him come to me, or to some other discreet and learned Minister of God's Word, and open his grief; that by the ministry of God's holy Word he may receive the benefit of absolution, together with ghostly counsel and advice, to the quieting of his conscience, and avoiding of all scruple and doubtfulness.

The Collects, Epistles, and Gospels

First Sunday in Advent

The Collect

A LMIGHTY God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious Majesty to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal, through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, now and ever. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. Romans 13. 8

O WE no man any thing, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law. For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet; and if there be any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. Love worketh no ill to his neighbour; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law. And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand; let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light. Let us walk honestly as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying. But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof.

The Gospel. St. Matthew 21. 1

W HEN they drew nigh unto Jerusalem, and were come to Bethphage, unto the mount of Olives,
then sent Jesus two disciples, saying unto them, Go into the village over against you, and straightway ye shall find an ass tied, and a colt with her: loose them, and bring them unto me. And if any man say ought unto you, ye shall say, The Lord hath need of them; and straightway he will send them. All this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Prophet, saying, Tell ye the daughter of Sion, Behold, thy King cometh unto thee, meek, and sitting upon an ass, and a colt the foal of an ass. And the disciples went, and did as Jesus commanded them; and brought the ass, and the colt, and put on them their clothes, and they set him thereon. And a very great multitude spread their garments in the way; others cut down branches from the trees, and strawed them in the way. And the multitudes that went before, and that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna to the son of David; Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. And when he was come into Jerusalem all the city was moved saying, Who is this? And the multitude said, This is Jesus the Prophet of Nazareth of Galilee. And Jesus went into the temple of God, and cast out all them that sold and bought in the temple; and overthrew the tables of the money-changers, and the seats of them that sold doves; and said unto them, It is written, My house shall be called the house of prayer; but ye have made it a den of thieves.

Second Sunday in Advent

The Collects

BLESSED Lord, who hast caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience, and comfort of thy holy Word, we may embrace, and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which thou hast given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. Answer. Amen.


AND there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity, the sea and the waves roaring; men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming
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on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken. And then shall they see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh. And he spake to them a parable, Behold the fig-tree, and all the trees; when they now shoot forth, ye see and know of your own selves that summer is now nigh at hand. So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the Kingdom of God is nigh at hand. Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass away till all be fulfilled: heaven and earth shall pass away; but my words shall not pass away.

Third Sunday in Advent

The Collects

O LORD Jesu Christ, who at thy first coming didst send thy messenger to prepare thy way before thee: Grant that the ministers and stewards of thy mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready thy way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at thy second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in thy sight, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Answer. Amen.

ALMIGHTY God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious Majesty to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal, through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, now and ever. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. 1 Corinthians 4. 1

Let a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God. Moreover, it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful. But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged of you, or of man's judgement: yea, I judge not mine own self. For I know nothing against myself, yet am I not hereby justified; but he that judgeth me is the Lord. Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts; and then shall every man have his praise from God.

The Gospel. St. Matthew 11. 2

Now when John had heard in the prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples, and said unto him, Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another? Jesus answered and said unto them, Go and shew John again those things which ye do hear and see: The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the Gospel preached to them: And blessed is he whosoever shall not be offended in me. And as they departed, Jesus began to say unto the multitudes concerning John, What went ye out into the wilderness to see? a reed shaken with the wind? But what went ye out for to see? a man clothed in soft rainment? behold, they that wear soft clothing are in kings' houses. But what went ye out for to see? a prophet? yea, I say unto you, and more than a prophet. For this is he of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.

Fourth Sunday in Advent

The Collects

O LORD, raise up (we pray thee) thy power and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness, we are sore let and hindered in running
the race that is set before us, thy bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through the satisfaction of thy Son our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost be honour and glory, world without end. Answer. Amen.

**ALMIGHTY God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious Majesty to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal, through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, now and ever. Answer. Amen.**

**The Epistle. Philippians 4. 4**

Rejoice in the Lord alway, and again I say, Rejoice. Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand. In nothing be anxious: but in every thing, by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

**The Gospel. St. John 1. 19**

This is the record of John, when the Jews sent Priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, Who art thou? And he confessed, and denied not; but confessed, I am not the Christ. And they asked him, What then? Art thou Elijah? And he saith, I am not. Art thou that Prophet? And he answered, No. Then said they unto him, Who art thou? that we may give an answer to them that sent us. What sayest thou of thyself? He said, I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord, as said the prophet Isaiah. And they which were sent were of the Pharisees. And they asked him, and said unto him, Why baptizest thou then, if thou be not that

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Christ, nor Elijah, neither that Prophet? John answered them, saying, I baptize with water: but there standeth one among you, whom ye know not: He it is who coming after me is preferred before me, whose shoe's latchet I am not worthy to unloose. These things were done in Bethabara beyond Jordan, where John was baptizing.

**The Birthday of Christ COMMONLY CALLED Christmas Day, December 25**

**The Collect**

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and as at this time to be born of a pure Virgin: Grant that we being regenerate, and made thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by thy Holy Spirit; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Answer. Amen.

**The Epistle. Hebrews 1. 1**

God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds; who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high; being made so much better than the angels, as he hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they. For unto which of the angels said he at any time, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee? And again, I will be to him a Father, and he shall be to me a Son? And again, when he bringeth in the first-begotten into the world, he saith, And let all the angels of God worship
him. And of the angels he saith, Who maketh his angels spirits, and his ministers a flame of fire. But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever; a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom: Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows. And, Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth; and the heavens are the works of thine hands: they shall perish, but thou remainest; and they all shall wax old as doth a garment; and as a vesture shalt thou fold them up, and they shall be changed; but thou art the same, and thy years shall not fail.

The Gospel. St. John 1. 1

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not anything that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness, and the darkness comprehended it not. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that light, but was sent to bear witness of that light. That was the true light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his Name: which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only-begotten of the Father) full of grace and truth.
kill and crucify; and some of them shall ye scourge in your synagogues, and persecute them from city to city; that upon you may come all the righteous blood shed upon the earth, from the blood of righteous Abel unto the blood of Zacharias, son of Barachias, whom ye slew between the temple and the altar. Verily I say unto you, All these things shall come upon this generation. O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee; how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not! Behold, your house is left unto you desolate. For I say unto you, Ye shall not see me henceforth, till ye shall say, Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord.

The Collects

MERCIFUL Lord, we beseech thee to cast thy bright beams of light upon thy Church, that it being enlightened by the doctrine of thy blessed Apostle and Evangelist Saint John may so walk in the light of thy truth, that it may at length attain to the light of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and as at this time to be born of a pure Virgin: Grant that we being regenerate, and made thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by thy Holy Spirit; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. 1 St. John 1. 1

THAT which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled of the word of life; (for the life was manifested, and we have seen it, and bear witness, and shew unto you that eternal life, which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us;) That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ. And these things write we unto you, that your joy may be full. This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, That God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth: but if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.


JESUS said unto Peter, Follow me. Then Peter, turning about, seeth the disciple whom Jesus loved following; which also leaned on his breast at supper, and said, Lord, which is he that betrayeth thee? Peter seeing him saith to Jesus, Lord, and what shall this man do? Jesus saith unto him, If I will that he tarry till I come, what is that to thee? Follow thou me. Then went this saying abroad among the brethren, That that disciple should not die: yet Jesus said not unto him, He shall not die; but, If I will that he tarry till I come, what is that to thee? This is the disciple which testifieth of these things, and wrote these things, and we know that his testimony is true. And there are also many other things which Jesus did, the which if they should be written every one, I suppose, that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written.
The Collect

O ALMIGHTY God, who out of the mouth of babes and sucklings hast ordained strength, and madest infants to glorify thee by their deaths: Mortify and kill all vices in us, and so strengthen us by thy grace, that by the innocency of our lives, and constancy of our faith even unto death, we may glorify thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Collect

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and as at this time to be born of a pure Virgin: Grant that we being regenerate, and made thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by thy Holy Spirit; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Answer. Amen.

For the Epistle. Revelation 14. 
I LOOKED, and lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's Name written in their foreheads. And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps: and they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four creatures, and the elders; and no man could learn that song, but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth. These are they which were not defiled with women, for they are virgins: these are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth: these were redeemed from among men, being the first-fruits unto God, and to the Lamb. And in their mouth was found no guile; for they are without fault before the throne of God.

The Gospel. St. Matthew 2. 13
THE Angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child, and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him. When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt, and was there until the death of Herod; that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Out of Egypt have I called my Son. Then Herod, when he saw that he was mocked of the wise men, was exceeding wroth; and sent forth, and slew all the children that were in Bethlehem, and in all the coasts thereof, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had diligently enquired of the wise men. Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by Jeremiah the prophet, saying, In Rama was there a voice heard, lamentation, and weeping, and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children, and would not be comforted, because they are not.

The Sunday after Christmas Day

The Collect

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and as at this time to be born of a pure Virgin: Grant that we being regenerate, and made thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by thy Holy Spirit; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. Galatians 4. 1
THE heir, as long as he is a child, differeth nothing from a servant, though he be lord of all; but is under tutors and governors, until the time appointed of the father. Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world: but when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, to redeem...
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them that were under the law, that we might receive
the adoption of sons. And because ye are sons,
God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your
hearts, crying, Abba, Father. Wherefore thou art
no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an
heir of God through Christ.

The Gospel. St. Matthew 1. 18

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HE birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise:
When as his mother Mary was espoused to
Joseph, before they came together she was found
with child of the Holy Ghost. Then Joseph her
husband, being a just man, and not willing to
make her a publick example, was minded to put her
away privily. But while he thought on these things,
 beheld, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him
in a dream, saying, Joseph thou son of David, fear
not to take unto thee Mary thy wife; for that
which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost:
And she shall bring forth a Son, and thou shalt
call his name JESUS; for he shall save his
people from their sins. (Now all this was done, that it
might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord
by the prophet, saying, Behold, a Virgin shall be
with child, and shall bring forth a Son, and they
shall call his name Emmanuel, which being inter­
preted is, God with us.) Then Joseph, being raised
from sleep, did as the angel of the Lord had bidden
him, and took unto him his wife; and knew her
not till she had brought forth her first-born son:
and he called his name JESUS.

Circumcision of Christ, January 1

The Collect

ALMIGHTY God, who madest thy blessed Son
to be circumcised, and obedient to the law
for man: Grant us the true circumcision of the
Spirit; that, our hearts, and all our members,
being mortified from all worldly and carnal lusts,
we may in all things obey thy blessed will; through
the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

Circumcision of Christ, January 1

The Epistle. Romans 4. 8

BLESSED is the man to whom the Lord will not
impute sin. Cometh this blessedness then
upon the circumcision only, or upon the uncircum­
cision also? For we say, that faith was reckoned
to Abraham for righteousness. How was it then
reckoned? when he was in circumcision, or in
uncircumcision? Not in circumcision, but in
uncircumcision. And he received the sign of cir­
cumcision, a seal of the righteousness of the faith
which he had yet being uncircumcised; that he
might be the father of all them that believe, though
they be not circumcised; that righteousness might
be imputed unto them also: And the father of
circumcision to them who are not of the circum­
cision only, but also walk in the steps of that faith
of our father Abraham, which he had being yet
uncircumcised. For the promise, that he should
be the heir of the world, was not to Abraham, or
to his seed, through the law, but through the
righteousness of faith. For if they which are of the
law be heirs, faith is made void, and the promise
made of none effect.

The Gospel. St. Luke 2. 15

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ND it came to pass, as the angels were gone
away from them into heaven, the shepherds
said one to another, Let us now go even unto
Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to
pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us.
And they came with haste, and found Mary and
Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when
they had seen it, they made known abroad the
saying which was told them concerning this child.
And all they that heard it wondered at those things
which were told them by the shepherds. But Mary
kept all these things, and pondered them in her
heart. And the shepherds returned, glorifying and
praising God for all the things that they had heard
and seen, as it was told unto them. And when
eight days were accomplished for the circumcising
of the child, his name was called JESUS, which was so named of the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

The Collect

O GOD, who didst wonderfully create, and yet more wonderfully restore, the dignity of man's nature; Grant, we beseech thee, that we may be united to the Divinity of thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who deigned to become partaker of our humanity: through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. Ephesians 3. 1

FOR this cause, I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles; if ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God, which is given me to you-ward: How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery (as I wrote afore in few words, whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ) which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy Apostles and Prophets by the Spirit; That the Gentiles should be fellow-heirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ, by the Gospel: whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power. Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ; and to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ: to the intent, that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the Church the manifold wisdom of God, according to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord: In whom we have boldness and access with confidence through our faith in him.

The Gospel. St. Matthew 2. 1

WHEN Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judæa, in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem,
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Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him. When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them, where Christ should be born. And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judaea: for thus it is written by the prophet, And thou, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, art not the least among the princes of Judah: for out of thee shall come a Governor that shall rule my people Israel. Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go, and search diligently for the young child, and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also. When they had heard the king, they departed; and lo, the star which they saw in the east went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh. And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.

The Collect

O LORD, we beseech thee mercifully to receive the prayers of thy people which call upon thee; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.
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with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them: but his mother kept all these sayings in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom, and stature, and in favour with God and man.

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The Collect

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who dost govern all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of thy people, and grant us thy peace all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. Romans 12. 6

HAVING gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith; or ministry, let us wait on our ministering; or he that teacheth, on teaching; or he that exhorteth, on exhortation; he that giveth, let him do it with simplicity; he that ruleth, with diligence; he that sheweth mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be without dissimulation. Abhor that which is evil, cleave to that which is good. Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love, in honour preferring one another: not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord; rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer; distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality. Bless them which persecute you; bless, and curse not. Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep. Be of the same mind one towards another. Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate.

The Gospel. St. John 2. 1

AND the third day there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. And both Jesus was called, and his disciples.
place unto wrath; for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord. Therefore, if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

The Gospel. St. Matthew 8.1

WHEN Jesus was come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed him. And behold, there came a leper and worshipped him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean. And Jesus put forth his hand, and touched him, saying, I will; be thou clean. And immediately his leprosy was cleansed. And Jesus saith unto him, See thou tell no man, but go thy way, shew thyself to the priest, and offer the gift that Moses commanded (or a testimony unto them. And when Jesus entered into Capernaum, there came unto him a centurion beseeching him, and saying, Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented. And Jesus saith unto him, I will come and heal him. The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof; but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed. For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say unto this man, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it. When Jesus heard it, he marvelled, and said to them that followed, Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no not in Israel. And I say unto you, That many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven. But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. And Jesus said unto the centurion, Go thy way, and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee. And his servant was healed in the self-same hour.
and there was a great calm. But the men marvelled, saying, What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him! And when he was come to the other side into the country of the Gergesenes, there met him two possessed with devils, coming out of the tombs, exceeding fierce, so that no man might pass by that way. And behold, they cried out, saying, What have we to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of God? art thou come hither to torment us before the time? And there was a good way off from them an herd of many swine, feeding. So the devils besought him, saying, If thou cast us out, suffer us to go away into the herd of swine. And he said unto them, Go. And when they were come out, they went into the herd of swine: and behold, the whole herd of swine ran violently down a steep place into the sea, and perished in the waters. And they that kept them fled, and went their ways into the city, and told every thing and what was befallen to the possessed of the devils. And behold, the whole city came out to meet Jesus: and when they saw him, they besought him, that he would depart out of their territory.

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

The Collect

O LORD, we beseech thee to keep thy Church and household continually in thy true religion; that they who do lean only upon the hope of thy heavenly grace may evermore be defended by thy mighty power; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. Colossians 3. 12

Put therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, feelings of mercy, kindness, humility of mind, meekness, long-suffering; forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any; even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye. And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness.

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And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms, and hymns, and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. And whatsoever ye do, in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.


The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field. But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way. But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also. So the servants of the householder came, and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? from whence then hath it tares? He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up? But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them. Let both grow together until the harvest; and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

The Collect

O GOD, whose blessed Son was manifested that he might destroy the works of the devil, and make us the sons of God, and heirs of eternal life: Grant us, we beseech thee, that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves, even as he is pure; that, when he shall appear again with power and great glory, we may be made like unto him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where with thee, O Father, and thee, O Holy Ghost, he liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. Answer. Amen.
The Epistle. 1 St. John 3. 1

Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not. Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know, that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is. And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure. Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law. And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin. Whosoever abideth in him sinneth not: whosoever sinneth hath not seen him, neither known him. Little children, let no man deceive you: he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as he is righteous. He that committeth sin is of the devil: for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil.

The Gospel. St. Matthew 24. 23

Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not. For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that (if it were possible) they shall deceive the very elect. Behold, I have told you before. Wherefore, if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth: behold, he is in the secret chambers; believe it not. For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of Man be. For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together. Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken. And then shall appear the sign of the Son of Man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of Man coming in the clouds of heaven, with power and great glory. And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

Septuagesima Sunday,
The Third Sunday before Lent

The Collect

O Lord, we beseech thee favourably to hear the prayers of thy people; that we, who are justly punished for our offences, may be mercifully delivered by thy goodness, for the glory of thy name; through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. 1 Corinthians 9. 24

Now ye not, that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run that ye may obtain. And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things: now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown, but we an incorruptible. I therefore so run, not as under wherein: so fight I, not as one that beateth the air: but I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection, lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a cast-away.

The Gospel. St. Matthew 20. 1

The kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is an householder, which went out early in the morning to hire labourers into his vineyard. And when he had agreed with the labourers for a crown a day, he sent them into his vineyard. And he went out about the third hour, and saw others standing idle in the market-place, and said unto
them, Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will give you. And they went their way.

Again he went out about the sixth and ninth hour, and did likewise. And about the eleventh hour he went out, and found others standing idle, and said unto them, Why stand ye here all the day idle? They say unto him, Because no man hath hired us. He saith unto them, Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right, I will give you.

And when they came that were hired about the eleventh hour, they received every man a crown. But when the first came, they supposed that they should have received more; and they likewise received every man a crown. And when they had received it, they murmured against the good-man of the house, saying, These last have wrought but one hour, and thou hast made them equal unto us, which have borne the burden and heat of the day. But he answered one of them, and said, Friend, I do thee no wrong; didst not thou agree with me for a crown? Take that thine is, and go thy way; I will give unto this last even as unto thee. Is it not lawful for me to do what I will with mine own? Is thine eye evil, because I am good? So the last shall be first, and the first last: for many be called, but few chosen.

The Collect

O LORD God, who seest that we put not our trust in any thing that we do: Mercifully grant that by thy power we may be defended against all adversity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.
thorns sprang up with it, and choked it. And other fell on good ground, and sprang up, and bare fruit an hundred-fold. And when he had said these things, he cried, He that hath ears to hear, let him hear. And his disciples asked him, saying, What might this parable be? And he said, Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God: but to others in parables; that seeing they might not see, and hearing they might not understand. Now the parable is this: The seed is the Word of God. Those by the way-side are they that hear; then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe, and be saved. They on the rock are they, which, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away. And that which fell among thorns, are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares, and riches, and pleasures of this life, and bring no fruit to perfection. But that on the good ground, are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience.

Quinquagesima Sunday,
The Sunday next before Lent

The Collect

O LORD, who hast taught us that all our doings without charity are nothing worth: Send thy Holy Ghost, and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of charity, the very bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whosoever liveth is counted dead before thee: Grant this for thine only Son Jesus Christ's sake. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. 1 Corinthians 13. 1

THOUGH I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal. And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing. And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing. Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil, rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth; beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away. For we know in part, and we prophesy in part. But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away. When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things. For now we see through a glass darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known. And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity.


THEN Jesus took unto him the twelve, and said unto them, Behold, we go up to Jerusalem, and all things that are written by the prophets concerning the Son of Man shall be accomplished. For he shall be delivered unto the Gentiles, and shall be mocked, and spitefully entreated, and spitted on: and they shall scourge him, and put him to death; and the third day he shall rise again. And they understood none of these things: and this saying was hid from them, neither knew they the things which were spoken. And it came to pass, that as he was come nigh unto Jericho,
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a certain blind man sat by the way-side begging: and hearing the multitude pass by, he asked what it meant. And they told him, that Jesus of Nazareth passeth by. And he cried, saying, Jesus, thou Son of David, have mercy on me. And they which went before rebuked him, that he should hold his peace: but he cried so much the more, Thou Son of David, have mercy on me. And Jesus stood, and commanded him to be brought unto him: and when he was come near, he asked him, saying, What wilt thou that I should do unto thee? And he said, Lord, that I may receive my sight. And Jesus said unto him, Receive thy sight; thy faith hath saved thee. And immediately he received his sight, and followed him, glorifying God: and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise unto God.

The First Day of Lent
COMMONLY CALLED
Ash Wednesday

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

For the Epistle. Joel 2. 12

TURN ye even to me, saith the Lord, with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning. And rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God: for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil. Who knoweth if he will return, and repent, and leave a blessing behind him, even a meal-offering and a drink-offering unto the Lord your God? Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly, gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children, and those that suck the breasts; let the bridegroom go forth of his chamber, and the bride out of her closet; let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say, Spare thy people, O Lord, and give not thine heritage to reproach, that the heathen should rule over them: wherefore should they say among the peoples, Where is their God?

The Gospel. St. Matthew 6. 16

WHEN ye fast, be not as the hypocrites, of a sad countenance: for they disfigure their faces, that they may appear unto men to fast. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. But thou, when thou fastest, anoint thine head, and wash thy face, that thou appear not unto men to fast, but unto thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father, which seeth in secret, shall reward thee openly. Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

First Sunday in Lent

The Collects

O LORD, who for our sake didst fast forty days and forty nights: Give us grace to use such abstinence, that, our flesh being subdued to the Spirit, we may ever obey thy godly motions in righteousness, and true holiness, to thy honour and glory, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Answer. Amen.
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A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent: Create and make us new and contrite hearts, that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. 2 Corinthians 6. 1

W E then, as workers together with him, beseech you also, that ye receive not the grace of God in vain; (for he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation;) giving no offence in any thing, that the ministry be not blamed; but in all things approving ourselves as the ministers of God, in much patience, in afflictions, in necessities, in distresses, in stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labours, in watchings, in fastings; by pureness, by knowledge, by long-suffering, by kindness, by the Holy Ghost, by love unfeigned, by the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armour of righteousness on the right hand and on the left, in honour and dishonour, in evil report and good report; as deceivers, and yet true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as chastened, and not killed; as sorrowful, yet alway rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things.

The Gospel. St. Matthew 4. 1

T HEN was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness, to be tempted of the devil. And when he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he was afterward an-hungred. And when the tempter came to him, he said, If thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread. But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God. Then the devil taketh him up into the holy city, and setteth him on a pinnacle of the temple, and saith unto him, If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down; for it is written, He shall give his angels charge concerning thee, and in their hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone. Jesus said unto him, It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God. Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them; and saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me. Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan; for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve. Then the devil leaveth him, and behold, angels came and ministered unto him.

Second Sunday in Lent

The Collects

A LMIGHTY God, who seest that we have no power of ourselves, to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls: that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent: Create and make us new and contrite hearts, that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. 1 Thessalonians 4. 1

W E beseech you, brethren, and exhort you by the Lord Jesus, that as ye have received of us
how ye ought to walk, and to please God, so ye would abound more and more. For ye know what commandments we gave you by the Lord Jesus. For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication; that every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour; not in the lust of concupiscence, even as the Gentiles which know not God; that no man go beyond and defraud his brother in the matter; because that the Lord is the avenger of all such, as we also have forewarned you, and testified. For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness. He therefore that despiseth despiseth not man, but God, who hath also given unto us his Holy Spirit.

The Gospel. St. Matthew 15. 21

Jesus went thence, and departed into the coasts of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a woman of Canaan came out of the same coasts, and cried unto him, saying, Have mercy on me, O Lord thou Son of David; my daughter is grievously vexed with a devil. But he answered her not a word. And his disciples came and besought him, saying, Send her away; for she crieth after us, but he answered and said, I am not sent, but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel. Then came she and worshipped him, saying, Lord, help me. But he answered and said, It is not meet to take the children's bread, and cast it to the dogs. And she said, Truth, Lord; yet the dogs eat of the crumbs which fall from their masters' table. Then Jesus answered and said unto her, O woman, great is thy faith: be it unto thee even as thou wilt. And her daughter was made whole from that very hour.

Third Sunday in Lent

The Collects

We beseech thee, Almighty God, look upon the hearty desires of thy humble servants, and stretch forth the right hand of thy Majesty, to be our defence against all our enemies; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

A L M I G H T Y and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. Ephesians 5. 1

Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children; and walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling savour. But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named amongst you, as becometh saints; neither filthiness, nor foolish-talking, nor jesting, which are not befitting; but rather giving of thanks: for this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ, and of God. Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience. Be not ye therefore partakers with them: for ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light; (for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness, and righteousness, and truth;) proving what is acceptable unto the Lord. And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them: for it is a shame even to speak of those things which are done of them in secret. But all things that are reproved are made manifest by the light: for whatsoever doth make manifest is light. Wherefore he saith, Awake, thou that
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sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light.


JESUS was casting out a devil, and it was dumb. And it came to pass, when the devil was gone out, the dumb spake; and the people wondered. But some of them said, He casteth out devils through Beelzebub, the chief of the devils. And others, tempting him, sought of him a sign from heaven. But he, knowing their thoughts, said unto them, Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and a house divided against a house falleth. If Satan also be divided against himself, how shall his kingdom stand? because ye say, that I cast out devils through Beelzebub. And if I by Beelzebub cast out devils, by whom do your sons cast them out? therefore shall they be your judges. But if I with the finger of God cast out devils, no doubt the kingdom of God is come upon you. When a strong man armed keepeth his palace, his goods are in peace; but when a stronger than he shall come upon him, and overcome him, he taketh from him all his armour wherein he trusted, and divideth his spoils. He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not with me scattereth. When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man, he walketh through dry places, seeking rest; and finding none, he saith, I will return unto my house whence I came out. And when he cometh, he findeth it swept and garnished. Then goeth he and taketh to him seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in, and dwell there; and the last state of that man is worse than the first. And it came to pass, as he spake these things, a certain woman of the company lift up her voice, and said unto him, Blessed is the womb that bare thee, and the paps which thou hast sucked. But he said, Yea rather, blessed are they that hear the Word of God, and keep it.

Fourth Sunday in Lent

The Collects

GRANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that we, who for our evil deeds do worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of thy grace may mercifully be relieved; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Answer. Amen.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. Gal. 4. 21

TELL me, ye that desire to be under the law, do ye not hear the law? For it is written, that Abraham had two sons, the one by a bond-maid, the other by a free-woman. But he who was of the bond-woman was born after the flesh; but he of the free-woman was by promise. Which things are an allegory: heavenly Jerusalem, and to the general assembly and church of the first-born, which are written in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect, and

The Epistle. Heb. 12. 22

Ye are come unto Mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels.
for the desolate hath many more children than she which hath an husband. Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are the children of promise. But as then he that was born after the flesh persecuted him that was born after the Spirit; even so it is now. Nevertheless, what saith the Scripture? Cast out the bondwoman and her son; for the son of the bond-woman shall not be heir with the son of the free-woman. So then, brethren, we are not children of the bondwoman, but of the free.

The Gospel. St. John 6. 1

Jesus went over the sea of Galilee, which is the sea of Tiberias. And a great multitude followed him, because they saw his signs which he did on them that were diseased. And Jesus went up into a mountain, and there he sat with his disciples. And the Passover, a feast of the Jews, was nigh. When Jesus then lift up his eyes, and saw a great company come unto him, he saith unto Philip, Whence shall we buy bread, that these may eat? (And this he said to prove him; for he himself knew what he would do.) Philip answered him, Two hundred penny-worth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may take a little. One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, saith unto him, There is a lad here, which hath five barley-loaves, and two small fishes: but what are they among so many? And Jesus said, Make the men sit down. Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. And Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks he distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to them that were set down; and likewise of the fishes as much as they would.

When they were filled, he said unto his disciples, Gather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost. Therefore they gathered them together, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley-loaves, which remained over and above unto them that had eaten. Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Jesus did, said, This is of a truth that Prophet that should come into the world.

The Fifth Sunday in Lent
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Passion Sunday

The Collects

We beseech thee, Almighty God, mercifully to look upon thy people; that by thy great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore, both in body and soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

Almighty and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent: Create and make us new and contrite hearts, that we worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. Hebrews 9. 11

Christ being come an High Priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands; that is to say, not of this building; neither by the blood of goats and calves; but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us. For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean,
sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh; how much more shall the blood of Christ, who, through the eternal Spirit, offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? And for this cause he is the Mediator of the new covenant, that by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions that were under the first covenant, they which are called might receive the promise of eternal inheritance.

The Gospel. St. John 8. 46

Jesus said, Which of you convinceth me of sin? and if I say the truth, why do ye not believe me? He that is of God heareth God's words; ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God. Then answered the Jews, and said unto him, Say we not well, that thou art a Samaritan, and hast a devil? Jesus answered, I have not a devil; but I honour my Father, and ye do dishonour me. And I seek not mine own glory i there is one that seeketh and judgeth. Verily, verily, I say unto you, If a man keep my saying, he shall never see death. Then said the Jews unto him, Thou art not yet fifty years old, and hast thou seen Abraham? Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I am. Then took they up stones to cast at him: but Jesus hid himself, and went out of the temple.

The Epistle. Philippians 2. 5

Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God; but made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: and being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death even the death of the cross. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a Name which is above every name; that at the Name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things on earth, and things under the earth: and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.


When the morning was come, all the chief priests and elders of the people took counsel against Jesus, to put him to death. And when they had bound him, they led at a Second Celebration of the Holy Communion the following Gospel may be read.


When they drew nigh unto Jerusalem, and were come to Bethphage, unto the mount of Olives, then
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him away, and del-
ivered him to Pontius
Pilate the governor.
Then Judas who had
betrayed him, when he
saw that he was con-
demned, repented him-
self, and brought again
the thirty pieces of sil-
ver to the chief priests
and elders, saying, I
have sinned, in that I
have betrayed the inno-
cent blood. And they
said, What is that to
us? see thou to that.
And he cast down the
pieces of silver in the
temple, and departed,
and went and hanged
himself. And the chief
priests took the silver
pieces, and said, It is
not lawful for to put
them into the treasury,
because it is the price of
blood. And they took
counsel, and bought
with them the potter's
field, to bury strangers
in. Wherefore that
field was called, The
field of blood, unto this
day. (Then was ful-
filled that which was
spoken by Jeremiah the
prophet, saying, And
they took the thirty
pieces of silver, the
price of him that was
valued, whom they of
sent Jesus two disciples,
saying unto them, Go
into the village over
against you, and stra-
ightway ye shall
find an ass tied, and a
colt with her: loose
them, and bring them
unto me. And if any
man say ought unto
you, ye shall say, The
Lord hath need of
them; and straight-
way he will send them.
All this was done, that
it might be fulfilled
which was spoken by
the Prophet, saying,
Tell ye the daughter
of Sion, Behold, thy
King cometh unto
thee, meek, and sitting
upon an ass, and a
colt the foal of an ass.
And the disciples went,
and did as Jesus com-
manded them; and
brought the ass, and
the colt, and put on
them their clothes, and
they set him thereon.
And a very great mul-
titude spread their gar-
ments in the way; oth-
ers cut down branches
from the trees, and
strawed them in the
way. And the multi-
tudes that went before,
and that followed, cried,
saying, Hosanna to the

the children of Israel
did value, and gave
them for the potter's
field, as the Lord ap-
pointed me.) And Jesus
stood before the gover-
nor; and the governor
asked him, saying, Art
thou the King of the
Jews? And Jesus said
unto him, Thou sayest.
And when he was ac-
cused of the chief
priests and elders, he answered
nothing. Then saith
Pilate unto him, Hear-
est thou not how many
things they witness
against thee? And he
answered him to never
a word, insomuch that
the governor marvelled
greatly. Now at that
feast the governor was
wont to release unto
the people a prisoner,
whom they would. And
they had then a not-
able prisoner, called
Barabbas. Therefore
when they were gathered together, Pilate said
unto them, Whom will ye that I release unto
you? Barabbas, or Jesus which is called Christ?
For he knew that for envy they had delivered
him. When he was set down on the judg-
ment-seat, his wife sent unto him, saying, Have
thou nothing to do with that just man: for I
have suffered many things this day in a dream
because of him. But the chief priests and elders
persuaded the multitude that they should ask
Barabbas, and destroy Jesus. The governor

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son of David; Blessed
is he that cometh in the
name of the Lord;
Hosanna in the highest.
And when he was come
into Jerusalem, all the
city was moved, saying,
Who is this? And the
multitude said, This is
Jesus the Prophet of
Nazareth of Galilee.
And Jesus went into the
temple of God, and cast
out all them that sold
and bought in the
temple, and overthrew
the tables of the money-
changers, and the seats
of them that sold
doves; and said unto
them, It is written, My
house shall be called
the house of prayer;
but ye have made it a
den of thieves.
answered and said unto them, Whether of the twain will ye that I release unto you? They said, Barabbas. Pilate saith unto them, What shall I do then with Jesus, which is called Christ? They all say unto him, Let him be crucified. And the governor said, Why, what evil hath he done? But they cried out the more, saying, Let him be crucified. When Pilate saw that he could prevail nothing, but that rather a tumult was made, he took water, and washed his hands before the multitude, saying, I am innocent of the blood of this just person: see ye to it. Then answered all the people, and said, His blood be on us, and on our children. Then released he Barabbas unto them: and when he had scourged Jesus he delivered him to be crucified.

Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the common hall, and gathered unto him the whole band of soldiers. And they stripped him, and put on him a scarlet robe. And when they had platted a crown of thorns they put it upon his head, and a reed in his right hand: and they bowed the knee before him, and mocked him, saying, Hail, King of the Jews. And they spit upon him, and took the reed, and smote him on the head. And after that they had mocked him they took the robe off from him, and put his own raiment on him, and led him away to crucify him.

And as they came out they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name; him they compelled to bear his cross. And when they were come unto a place called Golgotha, that is to say, a place of a skull, they gave him vinegar to drink mingled with gall: and when he had tasted thereof, he would not drink. And they crucified him, and parted his garments, casting lots: that it might be fulfilled, which was spoken by the prophet, They parted my garments among them, and upon my vesture did they cast lots. And sitting down they watched him there; and set up over his head his accusation written, THIS IS JESUS THE KING OF THE JEWS. Then were there two thieves crucified with him; one on the right hand, and another on the left. And they that passed by reviled him, wagging their heads, and saying, Thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest it in three days, save thyself: if thou be the Son of God, come down from the cross. Likewise also the chief priests mocking him, with the scribes and elders, said, He saved others, himself he cannot save: if he be the King of Israel, let him now come down from the cross, and we will believe him. He trusted in God; let him deliver him now, if he will have him: for he said, I am the Son of God. The thieves also, which were crucified with him, cast the same in his teeth. Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land unto the ninth hour. And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? Some of them that stood there, when they heard that, said This man calleth for Elijah. And straightway one of them ran, and took a sponge, and filled it with vinegar and put it on a reed, and gave him to drink. The rest said, Let be, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him. Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost. And behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom, and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent, and the graves were opened, and many bodies of saints which slept arose, and came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many. Now when the centurion, and they that were with him, watching Jesus, saw the earthquake, and those things that were done, they feared greatly, saying, Truly this was the Son of God.

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The Collect

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who, of thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon him
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our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant, that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

For the Epistle. Isaiah 63. 1

WHO is this that cometh from Edom, with dyed garments from Bozrah? this that is glorious in his apparel, travelling in the greatness of his strength? I that speak in righteousness, mighty to save. Wherefore art thou red in thine apparel, and thy garments like him that treadeth in the wine-vat? I have trodden the wine-press alone, and of the people there was none with me: for I will tread them in mine anger, and trample them in my fury, and their blood shall be sprinkled upon my garments, and I will stain all my raiment. For the day of vengeance is in mine heart, and the year of my redeemed is come. And I looked, and there was none to help; and I wondered that there was none to uphold: therefore mine own arm brought salvation unto me, and my fury it upheld me. And I trod down the peoples in mine anger, and made them drunk in my fury, and I poured out their life blood on the earth.

I will mention the loving-kindness of the Lord and the praises of the Lord, according to all that the Lord hath bestowed on us, and the great goodness towards the house of Israel, which he hath bestowed on them, according to his mercies, and according to the multitude of his loving-kindnesses. For he said, Surely they are my people, children that will not lie: so he was their Saviour. In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the angel of his presence saved them: in his love, and in his pity, he redeemed them, and he bare them, and carried them all the days of old. But they rebelled, and vexed his Holy Spirit; therefore he was turned to be their enemy, and he fought against them. Then

he remembered the days of old, Moses and his people, saying, Where is he that brought them up out of the sea with the shepherd of his flock? where is he that put his Holy Spirit in the midst of them? that led them by the right hand of Moses, with his glorious arm, dividing the water before them, to make himself an everlasting name? that led them through the deep as an horse in the wilderness, that they should not stumble? As a beast goeth down into the valley, the Spirit of the Lord caused them to rest: so didst thou lead thy people, to make thyself a glorious name.

Look down from heaven, and behold from the habitation of thy holiness and of thy glory; where is thy zeal and thy strength, the sounding of thy bowels, and of thy mercies towards me? Are they restrained? Doubtless thou art our Father, though Abraham be ignorant of us, and Israel acknowledge us not: Thou, O Lord, art our Father, our Redeemer, thy name is from everlasting. O Lord, why hast thou made us to err from thy ways? and hardened our heart from thy fear? Return for thy servants’ sake, the tribes of thine inheritance. The people of thy holiness have possessed it but a little while: our adversaries have trodden down thy sanctuary. We are thine: thou never barest rule over them; they were not called by thy name.

The Gospel. St. Mark 14. 1

AFTEr two days was the feast of the Passover, and of unleavened bread: and the chief priests and the scribes sought how they might take him by craft, and put him to death. But they said, Not on the feast-day, lest there be an uproar of the people. And being in Bethany, in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at meat, there came a woman having an alabaster box of ointment of spikenard, very precious; and she brake the box, and poured it on his head. And there were some that had indignation within themselves, and said, Why was this waste of the ointment made? for it
might have been sold for more than three hundred pence, and have been given to the poor: and they murmured against her. And Jesus said, Let her alone: why trouble ye her? she hath wrought a good work on me: for ye have the poor with you always, and whencesoever ye will ye may do them good; but me ye have not always. She hath done what she could; she is come aforehand to anoint my body to the burying. Verily I say unto you, Wheresoever this Gospel shall be preached throughout the whole world, this also that she hath done shall be spoken of for a memorial of her. And Judas Iscariot, one of the twelve, went unto the chief priests to betray him unto them. And when they heard it they were glad, and promised to give him money. And he sought how he might conveniently betray him.

And the first day of unleavened bread, when they killed the passover, his disciples said unto him, Where wilt thou that we go and prepare, that thou mayest eat the passover? And he sendeth forth two of his disciples, and saith unto them, Go ye into the city, and shall meet you a man bearing a pitcher of water; follow him: And wheresoever he shall go in, say ye to the good-man of the house, The Master saith, Where is the guest-chamber, where I shall eat the passover with my disciples? And he will shew you a large upper-room furnished, and prepared: there make ready for us. And his disciples went forth, and came into the city, and found as he had said unto them: and they made ready the passover. And in the evening he cometh with the twelve. And as they sat, and did eat, Jesus said, Verily, I say unto you, One of you which eateth with me shall betray me. And they began to be sorrowful, and to say unto him one by one, Is it I? and another said, Is it I? And he answered and said unto them, It is one of the twelve that dipbeth with me in the dish. The Son of Man indeed goeth, as it is written of him: but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed: good were it if he had never been born. And as they did eat, Jesus took bread, and blessed, and brake it, and gave to them, and said, Take, eat: this is my body. And he took the cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them: and they all drank of it. And he said unto them, This is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many. Verily I say unto you, I will drink no more of the fruit of the vine, until that day that I drink it new in the Kingdom of God. And when they had sung an hymn they went out into the mount of Olives. And Jesus saith unto them, All ye shall be offended because of me this night: for it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered. But, after that I am risen, I will go before you unto Galilee. But Peter said unto him, Although all shall be offended, yet will not I. And Jesus saith unto him, Verily, I say unto thee, That this day, even in this night, before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny me thrice. But he spake the more vehemently, If I should die with thee, I will not deny thee in any wise. Likewise also said they all. And they came to a place which was named Gethsemane: and he saith to his disciples, Sit ye here, while I shall pray. And he taketh with him Peter, and James, and John, and began to be sore amazed, and to be very heavy, and saith unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful unto death; tarry ye here, and watch. And he went forward a little, and fell on the ground, and prayed, that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. And he said, Abba, Father, all things are possible unto thee; take away this cup from me; nevertheless, not what I will, but what thou wilt. And he cometh and findeth them sleeping, and saith unto Peter, Simon, sleepest thou? coudest not thou watch one hour? Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation: the spirit truly is ready, but the flesh is weak. And again he went away, and prayed, and spake the same words. And when he returned he found them asleep again, (for their eyes were heavy,) neither
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wist they what to answer him. And he cometh the third time, and saith unto them, Sleep on now, and take your rest: it is enough, the hour is come; behold, the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Rise up, let us go; lo, he that betrayeth me is at hand. And immediately, while he yet spake, cometh Judas, one of the twelve, and with him a great multitude with swords and staves, from the chief priests, and the scribes, and the elders. And he that betrayed him had given them a token, saying, Whomsoever I shall kiss, that same is he; take him, and lead him away safely. And as soon as he was come he goeth straightway to him, and saith, Master, master; and kissed him. And they laid their hands on him, and took him. And one of them that stood by drew a sword, and smote a servant of the high priest, and cut off his ear. And Jesus answered, and said unto them, Art ye come out as against a thief, with swords and with staves, to take me? I was daily with you in the temple teaching, and ye took me not: but the Scriptures must be fulfilled. And they all forsook him, and fled. And there followed him a certain young man, having a linen cloth cast about his naked body; and the young men laid hold on him: and he left the linen cloth, and fled from them naked. And they led Jesus away to the high priest: and with him were assembled all the chief priests, and the elders, and the scribes. And Peter followed him afar off, even into the palace of the high priest; and he sat with the servants, and warmed himself at the fire. And the chief priests and all the council sought for witness against Jesus to put him to death; and found none. For many bare false witness against him, but their witness agreed not together. And there arose certain, and bare false witness against him, saying, We heard him say, I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and within three days I will build another made without hands. But neither so did their witness agree together. And the high priest stood up in the midst, and asked Jesus, saying, Answerest thou nothing? what is it which these witness against thee? But he held his peace, and answered nothing. Again the high priest asked him, and said unto him, Art thou the Christ, the Son of the Blessed? And Jesus said, I am; and ye shall see the Son of Man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven. Then the high priest rent his clothes, and saith, What need we any further witnesses? ye have heard the blasphemy: what think ye? And they all condemned him to be guilty of death. And some began to spit on him, and to cover his face, and to buffet him, and to say unto him, Prophesy: and the servants did strike him with the palms of their hands. And as Peter was beneath in the palace there cometh one of the maids of the high priest; and when she saw Peter warming himself she looked upon him, and said, And thou also wast with Jesus of Nazareth. But he denied, saying, I know not, neither understand I what thou sayest. And he went out into the porch; and the cock crew. And a maid saw him again, and began to say to them that stood by, This is one of them. But he denied it again. And a little after, they that stood by said again to Peter, Surely thou art one of them; for thou art a Galilean, and thy speech agreeth thereto. But he began to curse and to swear, saying, I know not this man of whom ye speak. And the second time the cock crew. And Peter called to mind the word that Jesus said unto him, Before the cock crow twice thou shalt deny me thrice. And when he thought thereon he wept.

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The Collect

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, who, of thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great
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hymility: Mercifully grant, that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

For the Epistle. Isaiah 50. 5

The Lord God hath opened mine ear, and I was not rebellious, neither turned away back. I gave my back to the smiters, and my cheeks to them that plucked off the hair: I hid not my face from shame and spitting. For the Lord God will help me; therefore shall I not be confounded: therefore have I set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be ashamed. He is near that justifieth me; who will contend with me? Let us stand together; who is mine adversary? let him come near to me. Behold, the Lord God will help me; who is he that shall condemn me? Lo, they all shall wax old as a garment: the moth shall eat them up. Who is among you that feareth the Lord, that obeyeth the voice of his servant, that walketh in darkness, and hath no light? let him trust in the Name of the Lord, and stay upon his God. Behold all ye that kindle a fire, that compass yourselves about with sparks; walk in the light of your fire, and in the sparks that ye have kindled. This shall ye have of mine hand, ye shall lie down in sorrow.

The Gospel. St. Mark 15. 1

And straightway in the morning the chief priests held a consultation with the elders, and scribes, and the whole council, and bound Jesus, and carried him away, and delivered him to Pilate. And Pilate asked him, Art thou the King of the Jews? And he answering said unto him, Thou sayest it. And the chief priests accused him of many things: but he answered nothing. And Pilate asked him again, saying, Answerest thou nothing? behold how many things they witness against thee. But Jesus yet answered nothing: so that Pilate marvelled. Now at that feast he released unto them one prisoner, whomsoever they desired. And there was one named Barabbas, which lay bound with them that had made insurrection with him, who had committed murder in the insurrection. And the multitude, crying aloud, began to desire him to do as he had ever done unto them. But Pilate answered them, saying, Will ye that I release unto you the King of the Jews? For he knew that the chief priests had delivered him for envy. But the chief priests moved the people, that he should rather release Barabbas unto them. And Pilate answered, and said again unto them, What will ye then that I shall do unto him whom ye call the King of the Jews? And they cried out again, Crucify him. Then Pilate said unto them, Why, what evil hath he done? And they cried out the more exceedingly, Crucify him. And so Pilate, willing to content the people, released Barabbas unto them, and delivered Jesus, when he had scourged him, to be crucified. And the soldiers led him away into the hall, called Praetorium; and they call together the whole band. And they clothed him with purple, and platted a crown of thorns, and put it about his head: and began to salute him, Hail, King of the Jews. And they smote him on the head with a reed, and did spit upon him, and bowing their knees worshipped him. And when they had mocked him they took off the purple from him, and put his own clothes on him, and led him out to crucify him. And they compel one Simon a Cyrenian, who passed by, coming out of the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to bear his cross. And they bring him unto the place Golgotha, which is, being interpreted, The place of a skull. And they gave him to drink wine mingled with myrrh; but he received it not. And when they had crucified him they parted his garments, casting lots upon them, what every man should take. And it was the third hour, and they crucified him. And the superscription of his accusation was written over, THE KING OF THE JEWS. And with him they crucify two.
thieves, the one on his right hand, and the other on his left. And the scripture was fulfilled, which saith, And he was numbered with the transgressors. And they that passed by railed on him, wagging their heads, and saying, Ah, thou that destroyed the temple, and buildest it in three days, save thyself, and come down from the cross. Likewise also the chief priests mocking said among themselves, with the scribes, He saved others; himself he cannot save. Let Christ the King of Israel descend now from the cross, that we may see and believe. And they that were crucified with him reviled him. And when the sixth hour was come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani? which is, being interpreted, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? And some of them that stood by, when they heard it, said, Behold, he calleth Elijah. And one ran and filled a sponge full of vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave him to drink, saying, Let alone; let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down. And Jesus cried with a loud voice, and gave up the ghost. And the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom. And when the centurion, which stood over against him, saw that he so cried out, and gave up the ghost, he said, Truly this man was the Son of God.

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**The Collect**

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who, of thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant, that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection: through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

**The Epistle.** Hebrews 9. 16

WHERE a testament is, there must also of necessity be the death of the testator; for a testament is of force after men are dead; otherwise it is of no strength at all whilst the testator liveth. Whereupon, neither the first covenant was dedicated without blood: for when Moses had spoken every precept to all the people, according to the law, he took the blood of calves and of goats, with water, and scarlet wool, and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book, and all the people, saying, This is the blood of the covenant, which God hath enjoined unto you. Moreover, he sprinkled with blood both the tabernacle, and all the vessels of the ministry. And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission. It was therefore necessary that the copies of the things in the heavens should be purified with these; but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these. For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us; nor yet that he should offer himself often, as the high priest entereth into the holy place every year with blood of others: for then must he often have suffered since the foundation of the world; but now once in the end of the world hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself. And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgement: so Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.

**The Gospel.** St. Luke 22. 1

NOW the feast of unleavened bread drew nigh, which is called the Passover. And the chief priests and scribes sought how they might kill him; for they feared the people. Then entered Satan into Judas surnamed Iscariot, being of the number of
the twelve. And he went his way, and communed with the chief priests and captains, how he might betray him unto them. And they were glad, and covenanted to give him money. And he promised, and sought opportunity to betray him unto them in the absence of the multitude. Then came the day of unleavened bread, when the passover must be killed. And he sent Peter and John, saying, Go and prepare us the passover, that we may eat. And they said unto him, Where wilt thou that we prepare? And he said unto them, Behold, when ye enter into the city, there shall a man meet you, bearing a pitcher of water; follow him into the house where he entereth in. And ye shall say unto the good-man of the house, The Master saith unto thee, Where is the guest-chamber, where I shall eat the passover with my disciples? And he shall shew you a large upper room furnished; there make ready. And they went, and found as he had said unto them: and they made ready the passover. And when the hour was come he sat down, and the twelve Apostles with him. And he said unto them, With desire I have desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer: for I say unto you, I will not any more eat thereof, until it be fulfilled in the Kingdom of God. And he took the Cup, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them, saying, This is my body, which is given for you: this do in remembrance of me. Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you. But behold, the hand of him that betrayeth me is with me on the table. And truly the Son of Man goeth as it was determined; but woe unto that man by whom he is betrayed. And they began to enquire among themselves, which of them it was that should do this thing. And there was also a strife among them, which of them should be accounted the greatest. And he said unto them, The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them, and they that exercise authority upon them are called benefactors. But ye shall not be so: but he that is greatest among you, let him be as the younger; and he that is chief, as he that doth serve. For whether is greater, he that sitteth at meat, or he that serveth? Is not he that sitteth at meat? but I am among you as he that serveth. Ye are they which have continued with me in my temptations. And I appoint unto you a kingdom, as my Father hath appointed unto me; that ye may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and sit on thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And the Lord said, Simon Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat: but I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not; and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren. And he said unto him, Lord, I am ready to go with thee, both into prison and to death. And he said, I tell thee, Peter, the cock shall not crow this day, before that thou shalt thrice deny that thou knowest me. And he said unto them, When I sent you without purse, and scrip, and shoes, lacked ye any thing? And they said, Nothing. Then said he unto them, But now, he that hath a purse, let him take it, and likewise his scrip: and he that hath no sword, let him sell his garment, and buy one. For I say unto you, That this that is written must yet be accomplished in me, and he was reckoned among the transgressors: for the things concerning me have an end. And they said, Lord, behold, here are two swords. And he said unto them, It is enough.
nevertheless, not my will, but thine be done. And there appeared an angel unto him from heaven, strengthening him. And being in an agony, he prayed more earnestly; and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground. And when he rose up from prayer, and was come to his disciples, he found them sleeping for sorrow, and said unto them, Why sleep ye? rise and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. And while he yet spake, behold, a multitude, and he that was called Judas, one of the twelve, went before them, and drew near unto Jesus to kiss him. But Jesus said unto him, Judas, betrayest thou the Son of Man with a kiss? When they who were about him saw what would follow, they said unto him, Lord, shall we smite with the sword? And one of them smote the servant of the high priest, and cut off his right ear. And Jesus answered and said, Suffer ye thus far. And he touched his ear, and healed him. Then Jesus said unto the chief priests, and captains of the temple, and the elders who were come to him, Be ye come out as against a thief, with swords and staves? When I was daily with you in the temple, ye stretched forth no hands against me: but this is your hour, and the power of darkness. Then took they him, and led him, and brought him into the high priest's house: and Peter followed afar off. And when they had kindled a fire in the midst of the hall, and were set down together, Peter sat down among them. But a certain maid beheld him, as he sat by the fire, and earnestly looked upon him, and said, This man was also with him. And he denied him, saying, Woman, I know him not. And after a little while another saw him, and said, Thou art also of them. And Peter said, Man, I am not. And about the space of one hour after, another confidently affirmed, saying, Of a truth this fellow also was with him; for he is a Galilean. And Peter said, Man, I know not what thou sayest. And immediately, while he yet spake, the cock crew. And the Lord turned, and looked upon Peter; and Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said unto him, Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice. And Peter went out, and wept bitterly. And the men that held Jesus mocked him, and smote him. And when they had blindfolded him, they struck him on the face, and asked him, saying, Prophesy, who is it that smote thee? And many other things blasphemously spake they against him. And as soon as it was day, the elders of the people, and the chief priests, and the scribes, came together, and led him into their council, saying, Art thou the Christ? tell us. And he said unto them, If I tell you, ye will not believe: and if I also ask you, ye will not answer me, nor let me go. Hereafter shall the Son of Man sit on the right hand of the power of God. Then said they all, Art thou then the Son of God? And he said unto them, Ye say that I am. And they said, What need we any further witness? for we ourselves have heard of his own mouth.

The Collect

A LMIGHTY and everlasting God, who, of thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant, that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. 1 Corinthians 11. 17

IN this that I declare unto you, I praise you not: that ye come together not for the better, but for the
worse. For first of all, when ye come together in the church, I hear that there be divisions among you, and I partly believe it. For there must be also heresies among you, that they who are approved may be made manifest among you. When ye come together therefore into one place, this is not to eat the Lord's supper: for in eating every one taketh before other his own supper; and one is hungry, and another is drunken. What, have ye not houses to eat and to drink in? or despise ye the church of God, and shame them that have not? What shall I say to you? shall I praise you in this? I praise you not. For I have received of the Lord that also I delivered unto you, That the Lord Jesus, the same night in which he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, Take, eat; this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me. After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup is the new covenant in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me. For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come. Wherefore, whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of his body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup. For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily eateth and drinketh judgement unto himself, not discerning the Lord's body. For this cause many are weak and sickly among you, and many sleep. For if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged. But when we are judged, we are chastened of the Lord, that we should not be condemned with the world. Wherefore, my brethren, when ye come together to eat, tarry one for another. And if any man hunger, let him eat at home; that ye come not together unto condemnation. And the rest will I set in order when I come.
certain sedition made in the city, and for murder, was cast into prison.) Pilate therefore, willing to release Jesus, spake again to them. But they cried, saying, Crucify him, crucify him. And he said unto them the third time, Why, what evil hath he done? I have found no cause of death in him: I will therefore chastise him, and let him go. And they were instant with loud voices, requiring that he might be crucified: and the voices of them and of the chief priests prevailed. And Pilate gave sentence that it should be as they required. And he released unto them him that for sedition and murder was cast into prison, whom they had desired; but he delivered Jesus to their will. And as they led him away, they laid hold upon one Simon a Cyrenian, coming out of the country, and on him they laid the cross, that he might bear it after Jesus. And there followed him a great company of people, and of women, which also bewailed and lamented him. But Jesus, turning unto them, said, Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not for me, but weep for yourselves, and for your children. For behold, the days are coming, in the which they shall say, Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bare, and the paps which never gave suck. Then shall they begin to say to the mountains, Fall on us; and to the hills, Cover us. For if they do these things in a green tree, what shall be done in the dry? And there were also two other, malefactors, led with him to be put to death. And when they were come to the place which is called Calvary, there they crucified him; and the malefactors, one on the right hand, and the other on the left. Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do. And they parted his raiment, and cast lots. And the people stood beholding: and the rulers also with them derided him, saying, He saved others; let him save himself, if he be Christ, the chosen of God. And the soldiers also mocked him, coming to him, and offering him vinegar, and saying, If thou be the King of the Jews, save thyself. And a superscription also was written over him in letters of Greek, and Latin, and Hebrew, THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS. And one of the malefactors, which were hanged, railed on him, saying, If thou be Christ, save thyself, and us. But the other answering rebuked him, saying, Dost not thou fear God, seeing thou art in the same condemnation? And we indeed justly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds, but this man hath done nothing amiss. And he said unto Jesus, Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom. And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, To-day shalt thou be with me in paradise. And it was about the sixth hour: and there was a darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour. And the sun was darkened, and the veil of the temple was rent in the midst. And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, he said, Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit: and having said thus, he gave up the ghost. Now when the centurion saw what was done, he glorified God, saying, Certainly this was a righteous man. And all the people that came together to that sight, beholding the things that were done, smote their breasts, and returned. And all his acquaintance, and the women that followed him from Galilee, stood afar off, beholding these things.

Good Friday

The Collects

Almighty God, we beseech thee graciously to behold this thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed, and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the cross, who now liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Answer. Amen.

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is
do thy will, O God: He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second. By which will we are sanctified, through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. And every priest standeth daily ministering, and offering oftentimes the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God; from henceforth expecting till his enemies be made his footstool. For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified: Whereof the Holy Ghost also is a witness to us: for after that he had said before, This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them; and their sins and iniquities will I remember no more. Now where remission of these is, there is no more offering for sin. Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh; and having an High Priest over the house of God; let us draw near with a true heart, in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;) and let us consider one another to provoke unto love, and to good works; not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

The Gospel. St. John 19. 1

PILATE therefore took Jesus, and scourged him. And the soldiers platted a crown of thorns, and put it on his head, and they put on him a purple robe, and said, Hail, King of the Jews: and they smote him with their hands. Pilate therefore went forth again, and saith unto them, Behold, I
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bring him forth to you, that ye may know that I find no fault in him. Then came Jesus forth, wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe. And Pilate saith unto them, Behold the man! When the chief priests therefore and officers saw him, they cried out, saying, Crucify him, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Take ye him, and crucify him: for I find no fault in him. The Jews answered him, We have a law, and by our law he ought to die, because he made himself the Son of God. When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he was the more afraid; and went again into the judgement-hall, and saith unto Jesus, Whence art thou? But Jesus gave him no answer. Then saith Pilate unto him, Speakest thou not unto me? knowest thou not that I have power to crucify thee, and have power to release thee? Jesus answered, Thou couldest have no power at all against me, except it were given thee from above: therefore he that delivered me unto thee hath the greater sin. And from thenceforth Pilate sought to release him: but the Jews cried out, saying, If thou let this man go, thou art not Caesar's friend: whosoever maketh himself a king speaketh against Caesar. When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he brought Jesus forth, and sat down in the judgement-seat, in a place that is called the Pavement, but in the Hebrew, Gabbatha. And it was the preparation of the passover, and about the sixth hour: and he saith unto the Jews, Behold your King! But they cried out, Away with him, away with him, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Shall I crucify your King? The chief priests answered, We have no king but Caesar. Then delivered he him therefore unto them to be crucified: and they took Jesus, and led him away. And he, bearing his cross, went forth into a place called the place of a skull, which is called in the Hebrew, Golgotha: where they crucified him, and two other with him, on either side one, and Jesus in the midst. And Pilate wrote a title, and put it on the cross; and the writing was,
his legs. But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came thereout blood and water. And he that saw it bare record, and his record is true: and he knoweth that he saith true, that ye might believe. For these things were done that the Scripture should be fulfilled, A bone of him shall not be broken. And again, another Scripture saith, They shall look on him whom they pierced.

Easter Even

The Collect

GRANT, O Lord, that as we are baptized into the death of thy blessed Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, so by continual mortifying our corrupt affections we may be buried with him; and that through the grave, and gate of death, we may pass to our joyful resurrection; for his merits, who died, and was buried, and rose again for us, thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. 1 St. Peter 3. 17

IT is better, if the will of God be so, that ye suffer for well-doing, than for evil-doing. For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit. By which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison; which sometime were disobedient, when once the long-suffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing; wherein few, that is, eight souls, were saved by water. The like figure whereunto, even baptism, doth also now save us, (not the putting away the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience towards God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ: who is gone into heaven, and is on the right hand of God, angels and authorities and powers being made subject unto him.

Easter Day

The Gospel. St. Matthew 27. 57

WHEN the even was come, there came a rich man of Arimathæa, named Joseph, who also himself was Jesus' disciple. He went to Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus. Then Pilate commanded the body to be delivered. And when Joseph had taken the body, he wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn out in the rock; and he rolled a great stone to the door of the sepulchre, and departed. And there was Mary Magdalene, and the other Mary, sitting over against the sepulchre. Now the next day that followed the day of the preparation, the chief priests and Pharisees came together unto Pilate, saying, Sir, we remember that that deceiver said, while he was yet alive, After three days I will rise again. Command therefore that the sepulchre be made sure until the third day, lest his disciples come by night and steal him away, and say unto the people, He is risen from the dead: so the last error shall be worse than the first. Pilate said unto them, Ye have a watch; go your way, make it as sure as you can. So they went and made the sepulchre sure, sealing the stone, and setting a watch.

Easter Day

At Mattins instead of Venite these Anthems are sung.

CHRIST our passover is sacrificed for us: therefore let us keep the feast; Not with the old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness: but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

CHRIST being raised from the dead dieth no more: death hath no more dominion over him. For in that he died, he died unto sin once: but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God. Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead
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indeed unto sin: but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

CHRIST is risen from the dead: and become the first-fruits of them that slept.
For since by man came death: by man came also the resurrection of the dead.
For as in Adam all die: even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

The Collect

ALMIGHTY God, who through thine only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life: We humbly beseech thee, that, as by thy special grace preventing [preceding] us thou dost put into our minds good desires, so by thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. Colossians 3. 1

IF ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth: For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory. Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry: For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience. In the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them.

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The Gospel. St. John 20. 1

THE first day of the week cometh Mary Magdalene early, when it was yet dark, unto the sepulchre, and seeth the stone taken away from the sepulchre. Then she runneth and cometh to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and saith unto them, They have taken away the Lord out of the sepulchre, and we know not where they have laid him. Peter therefore went forth, and that other disciple, and came to the sepulchre. So they ran both together; and the other disciple did outrun Peter, and came first to the sepulchre; and he, stooping down and looking in, saw the linen cloths lying; yet went he not in. Then cometh Simon Peter following him, and went into the sepulchre, and seeth the linen cloths lie; and the napkin that was about his head, not lying with the linen cloths, but wrapped together in a place by itself. Then went in also that other disciple which came first to the sepulchre, and he saw, and believed. For as yet they knew not the Scripture, that he must rise again from the dead. Then the disciples went away again unto their own home.

Monday in Easter Week

The Collect

ALMIGHTY God, who through thy only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life: We humbly beseech thee, that, as by thy special grace preceding us thou dost put into our minds good desires, so by thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. R. Amen.

For the Epistle. Acts 10. 34

PETER opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons; but in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh
righteousness, is accepted with him. The word which God sent unto the children of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ; (he is Lord of all;) that word (I say) ye know, which was published throughout all Judæa, and began from Galilee, after the baptism which John preached: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost, and with power; who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil: for God was with him. And we are witnesses of all things which he did, both in the land of the Jews, and in Jerusalem; whom they slew, and hanged on a tree; him God raised up the third day. and showed him openly; not to all the people, but unto witnesses chosen before of God, even to us, who did eat and drink with him after he rose from the dead. And he commanded us to preach unto the people, and to testify that it is he who was ordained of God to be the Judge of quick and dead. To him give all the prophets witness, that through his Name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins.


BEHOLD, two of his disciples went that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was from Jerusalem about threescore furlongs. And they talked together of all these things which had happened. And it came to pass, that while they communed together, and reasoned, Jesus himself drew near, and went with them. But their eyes were holden, that they should not know him. And he said unto them, What manner of communications are these that ye have one to another, as ye walk, and are sad? And the one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answering, said unto him, Art thou only a stranger in Jerusalem, and hast not known the things which are come to pass there in these days? And he said unto them, What things? And they said unto him, Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word, before God and all the people: and how the chief priests and our rulers delivered him to be condemned to death, and have crucified him. But we trusted that it had been he which should have redeemed Israel: and besides all this, to-day is the third day since these things were done. Yea, and certain women also of our company made us astonished, which were early at the sepulchre; and when they found not his body, they came, saying, that they had also seen a vision of angels, which said that he was alive. And certain of them which were with us went to the sepulchre, and found it even so as the women had said; but him they saw not. Then he said unto them, O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken: ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory? And beginning at Moses, and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself. And they drew nigh unto the village whither they went; and he made as though he would have gone further: but they constrained him, saying, Abide with us, for it is towards evening, and the day is far spent. And he went in to tarry with them. And it came to pass, as he sat at meat with them, he took bread, and blessed it, and brake, and gave to them. And their eyes were opened, and they knew him, and he vanished out of their sight. And they said one to another, Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked With us by the way, and while he opened to us the Scriptures? And they rose up the same hour, and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven gathered together, and them that were with them, saying, The Lord is risen indeed, and hath appeared to Simon. And they told what things were done in the way, and how he was known of them in breaking of bread.

Tuesday in Easter Week
The Collect

ALMIGHTY God, who through thy only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death, and
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opened unto us the gate of everlasting life: We humbly beseech thee, that, as by thy special grace preceding us thou dost put into our minds good desires, so by thy continual help we may bring the same to good effect; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. R. Amen.

For the Epistle. Acts 13. 26

MEN and brethren, children of the stock of Abraham, and whosoever among you feareth God, to you is the word of this salvation sent. For they that dwell at Jerusalem, and their rulers, because they knew him not, nor yet the voices of the prophets which are read every sabbath-day, they have fulfilled them in condemning him. And though they found no cause of death in him, yet desired they Pilate that he should be slain. And when they had fulfilled all that was written of him, they took him down from the tree, and laid him in a sepulchre. But God raised him from the dead: and he was seen many days of them which came up with him from Galilee to Jerusalem, who are his witnesses unto the people. And we declare unto you glad tidings, how that the promise which was made unto the fathers, God hath fulfilled the same unto us their children, in that he hath raised up Jesus again; as it is also written in the second Psalm, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee. And as concerning that he raised him up from the dead, now no more to return to corruption, he said on this wise, I will give you the sure mercies of David. Wherefore he saith also in another Psalm, Thou shalt not suffer thine Holy One to see corruption. For David, after he had served his own generation by the will of God, fell on sleep, and was laid unto his fathers, and saw corruption: But he whom God raised again saw no corruption. Be it known unto you therefore, men and brethren, that through this man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins: and by him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses. Beware therefore, lest that come upon you which is spoken of in the prophets; Behold, ye despisers, and wonder, and perish: for I work a work in your days, a work which ye shall in no wise believe, though a man declare it unto you.


JESUS himself stood in the midst of them, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. But they were terrified and affrighted, and supposed that they had seen a spirit. And he said unto them, Why are ye troubled, and why do thoughts arise in your hearts? Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have. And when he had thus spoken, he shewed them his hands and his feet. And while they yet believed not for joy, and wondered, he said unto them, Have ye here any meat? And they gave him a piece of a broiled fish, and of an honey-comb. And he took it, and did eat before them. And he said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled which were written in the law of Moses, and in the Prophets, and in the Psalms concerning me. Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the Scriptures, and said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day; and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his Name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. And ye are witnesses of these things.

First Sunday after Easter

The Collect

ALMIGHTY Father, who hast given thine only Son to die for our sins, and to rise again for our justification: Grant us so to put away the
leaven of malice and wickedness, that we may alway serve thee in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. 1 St. John 5. 4

Whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world; and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God? This is he that came by water and blood, even Jesus Christ; not by water only, but by water and blood: and it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is truth. [For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.] And there are three that bear witness [in earth,] the spirit, and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one. If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater: for this is the witness of God, which he hath testified of his Son. He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself: he that believeth not God hath made him a liar, because he believeth not the record that God gave of his Son. And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life; and this life is in his Son. He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son hath not life.


The same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut, where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you. And when he had so said, he shewed unto them his hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad when they saw the Lord. Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you. And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the holy Ghost. Whosesoever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whosesoever sins ye retain, they are retained.

Second Sunday after Easter

The Collect

Almighty God, who hast given thine only Son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin, and also an ensample of godly life: Give us grace that we may always most thankfully receive that his inestimable benefit, and also daily endeavour ourselves to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

The Epistle. 1 St. Peter 2. 19

This is thankworthy, if a man for conscience toward God endure grief, suffering wrongfully. For what glory is it, if, when ye be buffeted for your faults, ye shall take it patiently? But if, when ye do well, and suffer for it, ye take it patiently; this is acceptable with God. For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps: who did no sin neither was guile found in his mouth: who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; but committed himself to him that judgeth righteously: who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed. For ye were as sheep going astray; but are now returned unto the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls.

The Gospel. St. John 10. 11

Jesus said, I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep. But he that is an hireling, and not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, seeth the wolf coming, and leaveth the sheep, and fleeth; and the wolf catcheth
them, and scattereth the sheep. The hireling fleeth, because he is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep. I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine. As the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father: and I lay down my life for the sheep. And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold; them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one flock, and one shepherd.

Third Sunday after Easter

The Collect

ALMIGHTY God, who shewest to them that be in error the light of thy truth, to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness: Grant unto all them that are admitted into the fellowship of Christ’s Religion, that they may eschew those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. St. Peter 2. 11

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.

Fourth Sunday after Easter

The Collect

ALMIGHTY God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men: Grant unto thy people, that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. St. James 1. 17

EVERY good gift, and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of
lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow cast by turning. Of his own will begat he us with the Word of truth, that we should be a kind of first-fruits of his creatures. Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath; for the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God. Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness and receive with meekness the engrafted Word, which is able to save your souls.


Jesus said unto his disciples, Now I go my way to him that sent me, and none of you asketh me, Whither goest thou? But, because I have said these things unto you, sorrow hath filled your heart. Nevertheless, I tell you the truth; it is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. And when he is come, he will convince the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgement; of sin, because they believe not on me; of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more; of judgement, because the prince of this world is judged. I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. Howbeit, when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth; for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come. He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you.

All things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall shew it unto you.

Fifth Sunday after Easter

The Collect

O Lord, from whom all good things do come: Grant to us thy humble servants, that by thy holy inspiration we may think those things that be good, and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. R. Amen.

The Epistle. St. James 1. 22

Be ye doers of the Word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. For if any be a hearer of the Word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass. For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was. But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed. If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain. Pure religion, and undefiled before God and the Father, is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world.

The Gospel. St. John 16. 23

Verily, verily I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my Name, he will give it you. Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my Name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full. These things have I spoken unto you in proverbs: the time cometh when I shall no more speak to you in proverbs, but I shall shew you plainly of the Father. At that day ye shall ask in my name: and I say not unto you, that I will pray the Father for you; for the Father himself loveth you, because ye have loved me, and have believed that I came out from God. I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again, I leave the world, and go to the Father. His disciples said unto him, Lo, now speakest thou plainly, and speakest no proverb. Now are we sure that thou knowest all things, and needest not that any man should ask thee: by this we believe that thou...
ASCENSION DAY

Jesus answered them, Do ye now believe? Behold, the hour cometh, yea, is now come, that ye shall be scattered every man to his own, and shall leave me alone: and yet I am not alone, because the Father is with me. These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.

The Ascension Day
The Collect

GRANT, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that like as we do believe thy only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to have ascended into the heavens; so we may also in heart and mind thither ascend, and with him continually dwell, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Answer. Amen.

For the Epistle. Acts 1. 1

THE former treatise have I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach, until the day in which he was taken up, after that he through the Holy Ghost had given commandments unto the Apostles whom he had chosen: to whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion, by many infallible proofs; being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the Kingdom of God: and, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me. For John truly baptized with water, but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence. When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel? And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power. But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you; and ye shall be witnesses unto me, both in Jerusalem, and in all Judæa, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up, and a cloud received him out of their sight. And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven, as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel; which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come, in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.


JESUS appeared unto the eleven as they sat at meat, and upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they believed not them which had seen him after he was risen. And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be condemned. And these signs shall follow them that believe: In my Name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover. So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God. And they went forth and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the Word with signs following.

Sunday after Ascension Day
The Collect

O GOD the King of glory, who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven: We beseech thee, leave us not comfortless; but send to us thine Holy Ghost to comfort us, and exalt us unto the same place, whither our Saviour Christ is gone. Answer. Amen.
before, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. R. Amen.

The Epistle. 1 St. Peter 4. 7

THE end of all things is at hand ; be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer. And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves : for charity shall cover the multitude of sins. Use hospitality one to another without grudging. As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God: if any man minister, let him do it as of the ability which God giveth; that God in all things may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom be praise and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

The Gospel. St. John 15. 26

WHEN the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me. And ye also shall bear witness, because ye have been with me from the beginning. These things have I spoken unto you, that ye should not be offended. They shall put you out of the synagogues: yea, the time cometh, that whosoever killeth you will think that he doeth God service. And these things will they do unto you, because they have not known the Father, nor me. But these things have I told you, that, when the time shall come, ye may remember that I told you of them.

Whitsunday

The Collect

GOD, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. Answer. Amen.

For the Epistle. Acts 2. 1

WHEN the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues, like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them: and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven. Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own language. And they were all amazed, and marvelled, saying one to another, Behold, are not all these which speak Galileans? And how hear we every man in our own tongue wherein we were born? Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and the dwellers in Mesopotamia, and in Judæa, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Asia, Phrygia, and Pamphylia, in Egypt, and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews, and Proselytes, Cretes, and Arabians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God.

The Gospel. St. John 14. 15

JESUS said unto his disciples, If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless; I will come to you. Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because
I live, ye shall live also. At that day ye shall know, that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you. He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me; and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him. Judas saith unto him, (not Iscariot,) Lord, how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto us, and not unto the world? Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words, and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him. He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me. These things have I spoken unto you, being yet present with you. But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my Name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you. Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come again unto you. If ye loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said unto you, I go away, and come again unto you. If ye loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father: for my Father is greater than I. And now I have told you before it come to pass, that, when it is come to pass, ye might believe. Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for the prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me. But that the world may know that I love the Father; and as the Father gave me commandment, even so I do.

GOD, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. Answer. Amen.

For the Epistle. Acts 10. 34

THEN Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons; but in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him. The word which God sent unto the children of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ; (he is Lord of all;) that word, I say, ye know, which was published throughout all Judæa, and began from Galilee, after the baptism which John preached: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost, and with power; who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil: for God was with him. And we are witnesses of all things which he did, both in the land of the Jews, and in Jerusalem; whom they slew, and hanged on a tree: him God raised up the third day, and shewed him openly; not to all the people, but unto witnesses chosen before of God; even to us who did eat and drink with him after he rose from the dead. And he commanded us to preach unto the people, and to testify that it is he which was ordained of God to be the Judge of quick and dead. To him give all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins. While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word. And they of the circumcision, which believed, were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost. For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God. Then answered Peter, Can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized which have received the Holy Ghost as well as we? And he commanded them to be baptized in the Name of the Lord. Then prayed they him to tarry certain days.
**TUESDAY IN WHITSUN WEEK**

The Gospel. St. John 3. 16

GOD so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved. He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already; because he hath not believed in the Name of the only-begotten Son of God. And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved. But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God.

**Tuesday in Whitsun Week**

The Collect

GOD, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by the sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. R. Amen.

For the Epistle. Acts 8. 14

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

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**TRINITY-SUNDAY**

The Gospel. St. John 10. 1

VERILY, verily I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheep-fold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber. But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep: to him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice, and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out. And, when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him; for they know his voice. And a stranger will they not follow; but will flee from him; for they know not the voice of strangers. This parable spake Jesus unto them: but they understood not what things they were which he spake unto them. Then said Jesus unto them again; Verily, verily I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep. All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers; but the sheep did not hear them. I am the door; by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture. The thief cometh not but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

The Collect

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hast given unto us thy servants grace by the confession of a true faith to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the Divine Majesty to worship the Unity: We beseech thee, that thou wouldest keep us stedfast in this faith, and evermore defend us from all adversities, who livest and reignest, one God, world without end. R. Amen.

For the Epistle. Revelation 4. 1

AFTER this I looked, and behold, a door was opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with
me; which said, Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter. And immediately I was in the Spirit; and behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne: and he that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: and there was a rainbow round about the throne, in sight like unto an emerald. And round about the throne were four and twenty seats; and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold: And out of the throne proceeded lightnings, and thunderings, and voices. And there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven spirits of God. And before the throne there was a sea of glass like unto crystal: and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne were four living creatures full of eyes before and behind. And the first creature was like a lion, and the second creature like a calf, and the third creature had a face as a man, and the fourth creature was like a flying eagle. And the four living creatures had each of them six wings about him; and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come. And when those living creatures give glory, and honour, and thanks, to him that sat on the throne, who liveth for ever and ever, the four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying, Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory, and honour, and power; for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are, and were created.

The Collect

O GOD, the strength of all them that put their trust in thee, mercifully accept our prayers; and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without thee, grant us the help of thy grace, that in keeping of thy commandments we may please thee, both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. R. Amen.
1st SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

The Epistle. 1 St. John 4. 7

BELOVED, let us love one another: for love is of God, and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love. In this was manifested the love of God towards us, because that God sent his only-begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him. Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another.

No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is perfected in us. Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us; because he hath given us of his Spirit. And we have seen, and do testify, that the Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world. Whoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God God dwelleth in him, and he in God. And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him. Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgement; because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear; because fear hath torment: He that feareth is not made perfect in love. We love him, because he first loved us. If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that loveth not his brother, whom he hath seen, how can he love God, whom he hath not seen? And this commandment have we from him, That he who loveth God love his brother also.


THERE was a certain rich man, which was clothed in purple, and fine linen, and fared sumptuously every day. And there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, which was laid at his gate full of sores, and desiring to be fed with the crumbs, which fell from the rich man's table: moreover, the dogs came and licked his sores. And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died, and was buried: and in hell he lifted up his eyes being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame. But Abraham said, Son, remember that thou in thy life-time receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things; but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented. And besides all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they who would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that would come from thence. Then he said, I pray thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest send him to my father's house: for I have five brethren; that he may testify unto them, lest they also come into this place of torment. Abraham saith unto him, They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them. And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead.

Second Sunday after Trinity

The Collect

O LORD, who never failest to help and govern them whom thou dost bring up in thy stedfast fear and love: Keep us, we beseech thee, under the protection of thy good providence, and make us to have a perpetual fear and love of thy holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. 1 St. John 3. 13

MARVEL not, my brethren, if the world hate you. We know that we have passed from death
unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death. Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer: and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him. Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his feelings of compassion from him; how dwelleth the love of God in him? My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed, and in truth. And hereby we know that we are of the truth, and shall assure our hearts before him. For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things. Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence towards God. And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight. And this is his commandment, That we should believe on the Name of his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as he gave us commandment. And he that keepeth his commandments dwelleth in him, and he in him: and hereby we know that he abideth in us, by the Spirit which he hath given us.


A CERTAIN man made a great supper, and bade many; and sent his servant at supper-time to say to them that were bidden, Come, for all things are now ready. And they all with one consent began to make excuse. The first said unto him, I have bought a piece of ground, and I must needs go and see it; I pray thee have me excused. And another said, I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them; I pray thee have me excused. And another said, I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come. So that servant came, and shewed his lord these things. Then the master of the house being angry said to his servant, Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in hither the poor, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blind. And the servant said, Lord, it is done as thou hast commanded, and yet there is room. And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the high-ways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled. For I say unto you, That none of those men which were bidden shall taste of my supper.

Third Sunday after Trinity

The Collect

O LORD, we beseech thee mercifully to hear us; and grant that we, to whom thou hast given an hearty desire to pray, may by thy mighty aid be defended and comforted in all dangers and adversities; through Jesus Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

The Epistle. 1 St. Peter 5. 5

A LL of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble. Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time; casting all your care upon him, for he careth for you. Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about seeking whom he may devour: whom resist stedfast in the faith knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world. But the God of all grace, who hath called us into his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you. To him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.


T HEN drew near unto him all the Publicans and sinners for to hear him. And the Pharisees and Scribes murmured, saying, This man receiveth
4th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

The Collect

O God, the protector of all that trust in thee, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us thy mercy; that, thou being our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we finally lose not the things eternal: Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ’s sake our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. Romans 8. 18

I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. For the earnest expectation of the creation waiteth for the revealing of the sons of God. For the creation was subjected to vanity, not of its own will, but by reason

of him who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption, into the glorious liberty of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation groaneth, and travaileth in pain together until now. And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the first-fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.


Be ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful: Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven: give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal, it shall be measured to you again. And he spake a parable unto them, Can the blind lead the blind? shall they not both fall into the ditch? The disciple is not above his master; but every one that is perfect shall be as his master. And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother’s eye, but perceivest not the beam that is in thine own eye? Either how canst thou say to thy brother, Brother, let me pull out the mote that is in thine eye, when thou thyself beholdest not the beam that is in thine own eye? Thou hypocrite, cast out first the beam out of thine own eye, and then shalt thou see clearly to pull out the mote that is in thy brother’s eye.

Fifth Sunday after Trinity

The Collect

Grant, 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. Answer. Amen.
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The Epistle. 1 St. Peter 3. 8

Be ye all of one mind, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous; not rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing; but contrariwise blessing; knowing that ye are thereunto called, that ye should inherit a blessing. For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile: let him avoid evil, and do good; let him seek peace, and pursue it. For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil. And who is he that will harm you, if ye be followers of that which is good? But and if ye suffer for righteousness’ sake, happy are ye: and be not afraid of their terror, neither be troubled; but sanctify the Lord God in your hearts.

The Gospel. St. Luke 5. 1

It came to pass, that as the people pressed upon him to hear the Word of God, he stood by the lake of Gennesareth, and saw two ships standing by the lake; but the fishermen were gone out of them, and were washing their nets. And he entered into one of the ships, which was Simon’s, and prayed him that he would thrust out a little from the land: and he sat down, and taught the people out of the ship. Now when he had left speaking, he said unto Simon, Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a draught. And Simon answering said unto him, Master, we have toiled all the night, and have taken nothing; nevertheless, at thy word I will let down the net. And when they had this done, they inclosed a great multitude of fishes, and their net brake. And they beckoned unto their partners which were in the other ship, that they should come and help them. And they came, and filled both the ships, so that they began to sink. When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus’ knees, saying, Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord. For he was astonished, and all that were with him, at the draught of the fishes which they had taken; and so was also James, and John, the sons of Zebedee, which were partners with Simon. And Jesus said unto Simon, Fear not, from henceforth thou shalt catch men. And when they had brought their ships to land, they forsook all, and followed him.

Sixth Sunday after Trinity

The Collect

O God, who hast prepared for them that love thee such good things as pass man’s understanding: Pour into our hearts such love toward thee, that we, loving thee above all things, may obtain thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

The Epistle. Romans 6. 3

Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death; that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection: knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin. For he that is dead is freed from sin. Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him; knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him. For in that he died, he died unto sin once; but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God. Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.
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The Gospel. St. Matthew 5. 20

JESUS said unto his disciples, Except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the Scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven. Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not kill: and whosoever shall kill, shall be in danger of the judgement. But I say unto you, that whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgement; and whosoever shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell-fire. Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath ought against thee; leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way. First be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift. Agree with thine adversary quickly, whiles thou art in the way with him; lest at any time the adversary deliver thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and thou be cast into prison. Verily I say unto thee, Thou shalt by no means come out thence, till thou hast paid the uttermost farthing.

Seventh Sunday after Trinity

The Collect

ORD of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of thy name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of thy great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. Romans 6. 19

I SPEAK after the manner of men, because of the infirmity of your flesh: for as ye have yielded your members servants to uncleanness, and to iniquity, unto iniquity; even so now yield your members servants to righteousness, unto holiness.

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The Gospel. St. Mark 8. 1

IN those days the multitude being very great, and having nothing to eat, Jesus called his disciples unto him, and saith unto them, I have compassion on the multitude, because they have now been with me three days, and have nothing to eat: and if I send them away fasting to their own houses, they will faint by the way; for divers of them came from far. And his disciples answered him, From whence can a man satisfy these men with bread here in the wilderness? And he asked them, How many loaves have ye? And they said, Seven. And he commanded the people to sit down on the ground. And he took the seven loaves, and gave thanks and brake, and gave to his disciples to set before them; and they did set them before the people. And they had a few small fishes; and he blessed, and commanded to set them also before them. So they did eat, and were filled: and they took up of the broken meat that was left seven baskets. And they that had eaten were about four thousand. And he sent them away.

Eighth Sunday after Trinity

The Collect

GOD, whose never-failing providence ordereth all things both in heaven and earth: We humbly beseech thee to put away from us all hurtful things, and to give us those things which be profitable for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. R. Amen.
9th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

The Epistle. Romans 8. 12

BRETHREN, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh. For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die; but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live. For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: and if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ: if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.

The Gospel. St. Matthew 7. 15

Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Ye shall know them by their fruits: do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit; neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them. Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the Kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.

Ninth Sunday after Trinity

The Collect.

Grant to us, Lord, we beseech thee, the spirit to think and do always such things as be rightful; that we, who cannot do anything that is good without thee, may by thee be enabled to live according to thy will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

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resolved what to do, that, when I am put out of the stewardship, they may receive me into their houses. So he called every one of his lord's debtors unto him, and said unto the first, How much owest thou unto my lord? And he said, An hundred measures of oil. And he said unto him, Take thy bill, and sit down quickly, and write fifty. Then said he to another, And how much owest thou? And he said, An hundred measures of wheat. And he said unto him, Take thy bill, and write fourscore. And his lord commended the unjust steward, because he had done wisely: for the children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light. And I say unto you, Make to yourselves friends by means of the mammon of unrighteousness; that when it shall fail, they may receive you into everlasting habitations.

Tenth Sunday after Trinity

The Collect

LET thy merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of thy humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. 1 Corinthians 12. 1

CONCERNING spiritual gifts, brethren, I would not have you ignorant. Ye know that ye were Gentiles, carried away unto these dumb idols, even as ye were led. Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Jesus accursed; and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost. Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. And there are differences of administrations, but the same Lord. And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God, who worketh all in all. But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal. For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit; to another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit; to another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues. But all these worketh that one and the self-same Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will.

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

The Collect

O GOD, who declarest thy almighty power most chiefly in shewing mercy and pity: Mercifully grant unto us such a measure of thy grace, that we, running the way of thy commandments, may obtain thy gracious promises, and be made partakers of thy heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. 1 Corinthians 15. 1

BRETHREN, I declare unto you the Gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye
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have received, and wherein ye stand: by which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. For I delivered unto you first of all, that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins, according to the Scriptures; and that he was buried; and that he rose again the third day, according to the Scriptures; and that he was seen of Cephas, then of the twelve: after that, he was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present; but some are fallen asleep: after that, he was seen of James; then of all the Apostles: and last of all, he was seen of me also, as of one born out of due time. For I am the least of the Apostles, that am not meet to be called an Apostle, because I persecuted the Church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which was bestowed upon me was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all; yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me. Therefore whether it were I or they, so we preach, and so ye believed.


JESUS spake this parable unto certain which trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others: Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a Publican. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank thee, that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this Publican: I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess. And the Publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner. I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other: for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.

Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

The Collect

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who art always more ready to hear than we to pray, and art wont to give more than either we desire, or deserve: Pour down upon us the abundance of thy mercy; forgiving us those things whereof our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord.

Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. 2 Corinthians 3. 4

SUCH trust have we through Christ to God-ward: not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think any thing as of ourselves; but our sufficiency is of God. Who also hath made us able ministers of a new covenant; not of the letter, but of the Spirit: for the letter killeth, but the Spirit giveth life. But if the ministration of death written and engraven in stones was glorious, so that the children of Israel could not stedfastly behold the face of Moses for the glory of his countenance, which glory was to be done away; how shall not the ministration of the Spirit be rather glorious? For if the ministration of condemnation be glory, much more doth the ministration of righteousness exceed in glory.

The Gospel. St. Mark 7. 31

JESUS, departing from the coasts of Tyre and Sidon, came unto the sea of Galilee, through the midst of the coasts of Decapolis. And they bring unto him one that was deaf, and had an impediment in his speech; and they beseech him to put his hand upon him. And he took him aside from the multitude, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spit, and touched his tongue; and looking up to heaven, he sighed, and saith unto him, Ephphatha, that is, Be opened. And straightway his ears were opened, and the string of his tongue was loosed, and he spake plain. And he charged them that they should tell no man: but the more he charged them,
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so much the more a great deal they published it; and were beyond measure astonished, saying, He hath done all things well; he maketh both the deaf to hear, and the dumb to speak.

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

The Collect

ALMIGHTY and merciful God, of whose only gift it cometh that thy faithful people do unto thee true and laudable service: Grant, we beseech thee, that we may so faithfully see thee in this life, that we fail not finally to attain thy heavenly promises; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. Galatians 3. 16

To Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ. And this I say, that the covenant that was confirmed before of God in Christ, the law, which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul, that it should make the promise of none effect. For if the inheritance be of the law, it is no more of promise; but God gave it to Abraham by promise. Wherefore then serveth the law? It was added because of transgressions, till the seed should come, to whom the promise was made; and it was ordained by angels in the hand of a mediator. Now a mediator is not a mediator of one; but God is one. Is the law then against the promises of God? God forbid; for if there had been a law given which could have given life, verily righteousness should have been by the law. But the Scripture hath comprised all under sin, that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe.


BLESSED are the eyes which see the things that ye see. For I tell you, That many prophets

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and kings have desired to see those things which ye see, and have not seen them; and to hear those things which ye hear, and have not heard them. And behold, a certain Lawyer stood up, and tempted him, saying, Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life? He said unto him, What is written in the law? how readest thou? And he answering said, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself. And he said unto him, Thou hast answered right; this do, and thou shalt live. But he, willing to justify himself, said unto Jesus, And who is my neighbour? And Jesus answering said, A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, which stripped him of his raiment, and wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead. And by chance there came down a certain Priest that way, and, when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. And likewise a Levite, when he was at the place, came and looked on him, and passed by on the other side. But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was; and, when he saw him, he had compassion on him and went to him, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And on the morrow, when he departed, he took out two pence, and gave them to the host, and said unto him, Take care of him; and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again, I will repay thee. Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbour unto him that fell among the thieves? And he said, He that shewed mercy on him. Then said Jesus unto him, Go, and do thou likewise.

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

The Collect

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity;
and, that we may obtain that which thou dost promise, make us to love that which thou dost command; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. Galatians 5. 16

I SAY then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary the one to the other; so that ye cannot do the things that ye would. But if ye be led by the Spirit, ye are not under the law. Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these, adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variances, emulations, envings, murders, drunkenness, revelings, and such like: of the which I told you before, as I have also told you in time past, That they who do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh, with the affections and lusts.


AND it came to pass, as Jesus went to Jerusalem, that he passed through the midst of Samaria, and Galilee. And as he entered into a certain village, there met him ten men that were lepers, which stood afar off. And they lifted up their voices, and said, Jesus, Master, have mercy on us. And when he saw them, he said unto them, Go, shew yourselves unto the priests. And it came to pass, that, as they went, they were cleansed. And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, and with a loud voice glorified God, and fell down on his face at his feet, giving him thanks; and he was a Samaritan. And Jesus answering said, Were there not ten cleansed? but where are the nine? There are not found that returned to give glory to God, save this stranger. And he said unto him, Arise, go thy way, thy faith hath made thee whole.

Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

The Collect

KEEP, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy Church with thy perpetual mercy: and, because the frailty of man without thee cannot but fall, keep us ever by thy help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. Galatians 6. 11

YE see how large a letter I have written unto you with mine own hand. As many as desire to make a fair shew in the flesh, they constrain you to be circumcised: only lest they should suffer persecution for the cross of Christ. For neither they themselves who are circumcised keep the law; but desire to have you circumcised, that they may glory in your flesh. But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me and I unto the world. For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision, but a new creature. And as many as walk according to this rule, peace be on them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God. From henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus. Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.


NO man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and Mammon. Therefore I say unto you, Be not anxious for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment? Behold
the fowls of the air; for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they? Which of you by being anxious can add one cubit unto his stature? And why be ye anxious for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin: and yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to-day is, and to-morrow is cast unto the oven; shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith? Therefore be not anxious, saying, What shall we eat? or what shall we drink? or wherein shall we be clothed? (for after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you. Be not therefore anxious for the morrow; for the morrow shall be anxious for the things of itself: sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.

Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

The Collect

O LORD, we beseech thee, let thy continual pity cleanse and defend thy Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without thy succour, preserve it evermore by thy help and goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. Ephesians 3. 13

I DESIRE that ye faint not at my tribulations for you, which is your glory. For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, that he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man; that Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all saints, what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; and to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God. Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto him be glory in the Church by Christ Jesus, throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.


AND it came to pass the day after, that Jesus went into a city called Nain; and many of his disciples went with him, and much people. Now when he came nigh to the gate of the city, behold, there was a dead man carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and much people of the city was with her. And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her, and said unto her, Weep not. And he came and touched the bier, (and they that bare him stood still,) and he said, Young man, I say unto thee, Arise. And he that was dead sat up, and began to speak: and he delivereth him to his mother. And there came a fear on all, and they glorified God, saying, That a great Prophet is risen up among us, and that God hath visited his people. And this rumour of him went forth throughout all Judæa, and throughout all the region round about.

Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

The Collect

LORD, we pray thee that thy grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. Ephesians 4. 1

I THEREFORE the prisoner of the Lord beseech you, that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called, with all lowliness and meekness,
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with long-suffering, forbearing one another in love; endeavouring to keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.


It came to pass, as Jesus went into the house of one of the chief Pharisees to eat bread on the sabbath-day, that they watched him. And behold, there was a certain man before him which had the dropsy. And Jesus answering spake unto the Lawyers and Pharisees saying, Is it lawful to heal on the sabbath-day? And they held their peace. And he took him, and healed him, and let him go; and answered them, saying, Which of you shall have an ass, or an ox, fallen into a pit, and will not straightway pull him out on the sabbath-day? And they could not answer him again to these things. And he put forth a parable to those which were bidden, when he marked how they chose out the chief seats, saying unto them, When thou art bidden of any man to a wedding, sit not down in the chief seat; lest a more honourable man than thou be bidden of him; and he that bade thee and him come and say to thee, Give this man place; and thou begin with shame to take the lowest place. But when thou art bidden, go and sit down in the lowest place; that, when he that bade thee cometh, he may say unto thee, Friend, go up higher: then shalt thou have honour in the presence of them that sit at meat with thee. For whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.

Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

The Collect

LORD, we beseech thee, grant thy people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow thee the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. 1 Corinthians 1. 4

I THANK my God always on your behalf, for the grace of God which is given you by Jesus Christ; that in every thing ye are enriched by him, in all utterance, and in all knowledge; even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you; so that ye come behind in no gift; waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, who shall also confirm you unto the end, that ye may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Gospel. St. Matthew 22. 34

WHEN the Pharisees had heard that Jesus had put the Sadducees to silence, they were gathered together. Then one of them, who was a Lawyer, asked him a question, tempting him, and saying, Master, which is the great commandment in the law? Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets. While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them, saying, What think ye of Christ? whose son is he? They say unto him, The son of David. He saith unto them, How then doth David in spirit call him, Lord, saying, The Lord said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, till I make thine enemies thy foot-stool? If David then call him Lord, how is he his Son? And no man was able to answer him a word; neither durst any man from that day forth ask him any more questions.
Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

The Collect

O GOD, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee; Mercifully grant, that thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. Ephesians 4. 17

THIS I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind; having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart: who, being past feeling, have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness. But ye have not so learned Christ; if so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus: that ye put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; and be renewed in the spirit of your mind; and that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

Therefore, putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour: for we are members one of another. Be ye angry and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath: neither give place to the devil. Let him that stole steal no more; but rather let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth. Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.

And give not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption. Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil-speaking, be put away from you, with all malice. And be ye kind one to another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another. even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you,
The Gospel. St. Matthew 22. 1

Jesus said, The kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain king, who made a marriage for his son; and sent forth his servants to call them that were bidden to the wedding; and they would not come. Again, he sent forth other servants, saying, Tell them which are bidden, Behold, I have prepared my dinner; my oxen and my fatlings are killed, and all things are ready; come unto the marriage. But they made light of it, and went their ways, one to his farm, another to his merchandise: and the remnant took his servants, and entreated them spitefully, and slew them. But when the king heard thereof, he was wrath; and he sent forth his armies, and destroyed those murderers, and burnt up their city. Then saith he to his servants, The wedding is ready, but they who were bidden were not worthy. Go ye therefore into the high-ways, and as many as ye shall find bid to the marriage. So those servants went out into the high-ways, and gathered together all, as many as they found, both bad and good; and the wedding was furnished with guests. And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man which had not on a wedding-garment. And he saith unto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither, not having a wedding-garment? And he was speechless. Then said the king to the servants, Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. For many are called, but few are chosen.

Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity

The Collect

Grant, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.
amend: and they said unto him, Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him. So the father knew that it was at the same hour, in which Jesus said unto him, Thy son liveth; and himself believed, and his whole house. This is again the second miracle that Jesus did, when he was come out of Judæa into Galilee.

Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity

The Collect

ORD, we beseech thee to keep thy household the Church in continual godliness; that through thy protection it may be free from all adversities, and devoutly given to serve thee in good works, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. Philippians 1. 3

THANK my God upon every remembrance of you, (always in every prayer of mine for you all making requests with joy,) for your fellowship in the Gospel from the first day until now; being confident of this very thing, that he who hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ; even as it is meet for me to think this of you all, because I have you in my heart, inasmuch as both in my bonds, and in the defence and confirmation of the Gospel, ye all are partakers of my grace. For God is my record, how greatly I long after you all with the yearning of Jesus Christ. And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge, and in all judgement: that ye may approve things that are excellent, that ye may be sincere, and without offence, till the day of Christ: being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God.

The Gospel. St. Matthew 18. 21

ETER said unto Jesus, Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? till seven times? Jesus saith unto him, I say not unto thee, until seven times; but until seventy times seven. Therefore is the kingdom of heaven likened unto a certain king, which would take account of his servants. And when he had begun to reckon, one was brought unto him, which owed him ten thousand talents. But forasmuch as he had not to pay, his lord commanded him to be sold, and his wife and children, and all that he had, and payment to be made. The servant therefore fell down and worshipped him, saying, Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay thee all. Then the lord of that servant was moved with compassion, and loosed him, and forgave him the debt. But the same servant went out, and found one of his fellow-servants, which owed him an hundred pence; and he laid hands on him, and took him by the throat, saying, Pay me that thou owest. And his fellow-servant fell down at his feet, and besought him, saying, Have patience with me, and I will pay thee all. And he would not; but went and cast him into prison, till he should pay the debt. So when his fellow-servants saw what was done, they were very sorry, and came and told unto their lord all that was done. Then his lord, after that he had called him, said unto him, 0 thou wicked servant, I forgave thee all that debt, because thou desiredst me: shouldest not thou also have had compassion on thy fellow-servant, even as I had pity on thee? And his lord was wrath, and delivered him to the tormentors, till he should pay all that was due unto him. So likewise shall my heavenly Father do also unto you, if ye from your hearts forgive not every one his brother their trespasses.

Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity

The Collect

OD, our refuge and strength, who art the author of all godliness: Be ready, we beseech thee, to hear the devout prayers of thy Church; and grant that those things which we ask faithfully we may obtain effectually; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.
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The Epistle. Philippians 3. 17

Brethren, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for an ensample. (For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ; whose end is destruction, whose god is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things.) For our citizenship is in heaven; from whence also we wait for a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ; who shall change the body of our low estate that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.

The Gospel. St. Matthew 22. 15

Then went the Pharisees and took counsel how they might entangle him in his talk. And 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 for any man: for thou regardest not the person of men. Tell us therefore, what thinkest thou? Is it lawful to give tribute unto Caesar, 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, Caesar's. Then saith he unto them, Render therefore unto Caesar the things which are Caesar'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.

Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity

The Collect

O Lord, we beseech thee, absolve thy people from their offences; that through thy bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the bands of those sins, which by our frailty we have committed: Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour.

Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. Colossians 1. 3

We give thanks to God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you, since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus, and of the love which ye have to all the saints; for the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, whereof ye heard before in the word of the truth of the Gospel; which is come unto you, as it is in all the world, and bringeth forth fruit, as it doth also in you, since the day ye heard of it, and knew the grace of God in truth. As ye also learned of Epaphras, our dear fellow-servant, who is for you a faithful minister of Christ; who also declared unto us your love in the Spirit. For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding: that ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God; strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power, unto all patience and long-suffering with joyfulness; giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light.

The Gospel. St. Matthew 9. 18

While Jesus spake these things unto John's disciples, behold, there came a certain ruler, and worshipped him, saying, My daughter is even now dead, but come and lay thy hand upon her, and she shall live. And Jesus arose, and followed him, and so did his disciples. (And behold, a woman, which was diseased with an issue of blood twelve years, came behind him, and touched the hem of his garment; for she said within herself,
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If I may but touch his garment, I shall be whole. But Jesus turned him about, and, when he saw her, he said, Daughter, be of good comfort, thy faith hath made thee whole. And the woman was made whole from that hour.) And when Jesus came into the ruler's house, and saw the minstrels and the people making a noise, he said unto them, Give place; for the maid is not dead, but sleeppeth. And they laughed him to scorn. But when the people were put forth, he went in, and took her by the hand, and the maid arose. And the fame of him went abroad into all that land.

Sunday next before Advent

The Collect

STIR up, we beseech thee, O Lord, the wills of thy faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may of thee be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

For the Epistle. Jeremiah 23. 5

BEHOLD, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign, and prosper, and shall execute judgement and justice in the earth. In his days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely: and this is his name whereby he shall be called, THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS. Therefore behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that they shall no more say, The Lord liveth, which brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt; but, The Lord liveth, which brought up, and which led the seed of the house of Israel out of the north-country, and from all countries whither I had driven them; and they shall dwell in their own land.

The Gospel. St. John 6. 5

WHEN Jesus then lift up his eyes, and saw a great company come unto him, he saith unto Philip, Whence shall we buy bread that these may eat? (And this he said to prove him; for he himself knew what he would do.) Philip answered him, Two hundred penny-worth of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may take a little. One of his disciples, Andrew Simon Peter's brother, saith unto him, There is a lad here, which hath five barley-loaves, and two small fishes; but what are they among so many? And Jesus said, Make the men sit down. Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. And Jesus took the loaves, and, when he had given thanks, he distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to them that were set down, and likewise of the fishes, as much as they would. When they were filled, he said unto his disciples, Gather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost. Therefore they gathered them together, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley-loaves, which remained over and above unto them that had eaten. Then those men, when they had seen the miracle that Jesus did, said, This is of a truth that Prophet that should come into the world.

If there are more than twenty-five Sundays after Trinity the Services of some of the Sundays omitted after Epiphany are used.

St. Andrew, November 30

The Collect

ALMIGHTY God, who didst give such grace unto thy holy Apostle Saint Andrew, that he readily obeyed the calling of thy Son Jesus Christ, and followed him without delay: Grant unto us all, that we, being called by thy holy Word, may forthwith give up ourselves obediently to fulfil thy holy commandments; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.
The Epistle. Romans 10. 9

If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. 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! But they have not all obeyed the Gospel. For Isaiah saith, Lord, who hath believed our report? So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God. But I say, Have they not heard? Yes verily, their sound went into all the earth, and their word unto the ends of the world. But I say, Did not Israel know? First Moses saith, I will provoke you to jealousy by them that are no people, and by a foolish nation I will anger you. But Isaiah is very bold, and saith, I was found of them that sought me not; I was made manifest unto them that asked not after me. But to Israel he saith, All day long I have stretched forth my hands unto a disobedient and gainsaying people.

The Gospel. St. Matthew 4. 18

Jesus, walking by the sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, (for they were fishers;) and he saith unto them, Follow me; and I will make you fishers of men. And they straightway left their nets, and followed him.
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hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side; and be not faithless, but believing. And Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord, and my God. Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed; blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed. And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his Name.

Conversion of St. Paul, January 25

The Collect

O GOD, who, through the preaching of the blessed Apostle Saint Paul, hast caused the light of the Gospel to shine throughout the world: Grant, we beseech thee, that we, having his wonderful conversion in remembrance, may shew forth our thankfulness unto thee for the same, by following the holy doctrine which he taught; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

For the Epistle. Acts 9. 1

AND Saul, yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, went unto the high priest, and desired of him letters to Damascus to the synagogues, that, if he found any of this way, whether they were men or women, he might bring them bound unto Jerusalem. And, as he journeyed, he came near Damascus, and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven. And he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest: it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks. And he, trembling and astonished, said, Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou must do. And the men which journeyed with him stood speechless, hearing a voice, but seeing no man. And Saul arose from the earth, and when his eyes were opened he saw no man; but they led him by the hand, and brought him into Damascus. And he was three days without sight, and neither did eat nor drink. And there was a certain disciple at Damascus, named Ananias, and to him said the Lord in a vision, Ananias. And he said, Behold, I am here, Lord. And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the street which is called Straight, and enquire in the house of Judas for one called Saul, of Tarsus: for behold, he prayeth, and hath seen in a vision a man named Ananias, coming in, and putting his hand on him, that he might receive his sight. Then Ananias answered, Lord, I have heard by many of this man, how much evil he hath done to thy saints at Jerusalem; and here he hath authority from the chief priests to bind all that call on thy Name. But the Lord said unto him, Go thy way; for he is a chosen vessel unto me, to bear my Name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel: for I will shew him how great things he must suffer for my Name's sake. And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house; and, putting his hands on him, said, Brother Saul, the Lord, (even Jesus that appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest,) hath sent me, that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the holy Ghost. And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales; and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and was baptized. And when he had received meat, he was strengthened. Then was Saul certain days with the disciples which were at Damascus. And straightway he preached Christ in the synagogues, that he is the Son of God. But all that heard him were amazed, and said, Is not this he that destroyed them which called on this Name in Jerusalem, and came
hither for that intent, that he might bring them bound unto the chief priests? But Saul increased the more in strength, and confounded the Jews which dwelt at Damascus, proving that this is The Christ.

The Gospel. St. Matthew 19. 27

PETER answered and said unto Jesus, Behold, we have forsaken all, and followed thee; what shall we have therefore? And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That ye which have followed me, in the New Age when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my Name's sake, shall receive an hundred-fold, and shall inherit everlasting life. But many that are first shall be last, and the last shall be first.

Presentation of Christ in the Temple

Commonly Called

Purification of B.V. Mary, February 2

The Collect

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we humbly beseech thy Majesty, that, as thy only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple in substance of our flesh, so we may be presented unto thee with pure and clean hearts, by the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

For the Epistle. Malachi 3. 1

BEHOLD, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple; even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in; behold, he shall come, saith the Lord of hosts. But who may abide the day of his coming? and who shall stand when he appeareth? for he is like a refiner's fire, and like fullers' soap. And he shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver; and he shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto the Lord an offering in righteousness. Then shall the offerings of Judah and Jerusalem be pleasant unto the Lord, as in the days of old, and as in former years. And I will come near to you to judgement, and I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, and against the adulterers, and against false-swarers, and against those that oppress the hireling in his wages, the widow, and the fatherless, and that turn aside the stranger from his right, and fear not me, saith the Lord of hosts.


AND when the days of her purification, according to the Law of Moses, were accomplished, they brought him to Jerusalem, to present him to the Lord; (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, Every male that openeth the womb shall be called holy to the Lord;) and to offer a sacrifice, according to that which is said in the Law of the Lord, A pair of turtle-doves, or two young pigeons. And behold, there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon; and the same man was just and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel: and the Holy Ghost was upon him. And it was revealed unto him by the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death, before he had seen the Lord's Christ. And he came by the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him after the custom of the Law, then took he him up in his arms, and blessed God, and said, Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word: for mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; a light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel. And Joseph and his mother marvelled at those things which were
spoken of him. And Simeon blessed them, and said unto Mary his mother, Behold, this child is set for the fall and rising again of many in Israel; and for a sign which shall be spoken against; (yea, a sword shall pierce through thy own soul also;) that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed. And there was one Anna a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher; she was of a great age, and had lived with an husband seven years from her virginity: and she was a widow of about fourscore and four years; which departed not from the temple, but served God with fastings and prayers night and day. And she coming in that instant gave thanks likewise unto the Lord, and spake of him to all them that looked for redemption in Jerusalem. And when they had performed all things according to the Law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee to their own city Nazareth.

And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom; and the grace of God was upon him.

St. Matthias, February 24

The Collect

O ALMIGHTY God, who into the place of the traitor Judas didst choose thy faithful servant Matthias to be of the number of the twelve Apostles: Grant that thy Church, being alway preserved from false Apostles, may be ordered and guided by faithful and true pastors; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

For the Epistle. Acts 1. 15

IN those days Peter stood up in the midst of the disciples, and said, (the number of the names together were about an hundred and twenty,) Men and brethren, this Scripture must needs have been fulfilled, which the Holy Ghost by the mouth of David spake before concerning Judas, which was guide to them that took Jesus: for he was numbered with us, and had obtained part in this ministry.

Now this man purchased a field with the reward of iniquity; and falling headlong he burst asunder in the midst, and all his bowels gushed out. And it was known unto all the dwellers at Jerusalem, insomuch as that field is called in their proper tongue, Aceldama, that is to say, The field of blood. For it is written in the book of Psalms, Let his habitation be desolate, and let no man dwell therein; and, His bishoprick let another take. Wherefore, of these men which have companied with us all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John, unto that same day that he was taken up from us, must one be ordained to be a witness with us of his resurrection. And they appointed two, Joseph called Barsabas, who was surnamed Justus, and Matthias. And they prayed, and said, Thou, Lord, which knowest the hearts of all men, shew whether of these two thou hast chosen; that he may take part in this ministry and apostleship, from which Judas by transgression fell, that he might go to his own place. And they gave forth their lots; and the lot fell upon Matthias, and he was numbered with the eleven Apostles.

The Gospel. St. Matthew 11. 25

AT that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes. Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in thy sight. All things are delivered unto me of my Father: and no man knoweth the Son, but the Father; neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and he to whomsoever the Son will reveal him. Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.
St. David of Wales, March 1
St. Patrick of Ireland, March 17

The Collect

O GOD, who in thy providence didst choose thy servant David (Patrick) to be the Apostle of the Welsh (Irish) people that he might cause the light of the Gospel to shine in the world: Grant us so to walk in that light, that we may come at last to the light of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle.  Revelation 22. 1

A ND he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb. In the midst of the street of it and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him: And they shall see his face; and his name shall be in their foreheads. And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light; and they shall reign for ever and ever.

The Gospel.  St. Matthew 10. 16

B EHOLOD, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves. But beware of men: for they will deliver you up to the councils, and they will scourge you in their synagogues; And ye shall be brought before governors and kings for my sake, for a testimony against them and the Gentiles. But when they deliver you up, take no thought how or what ye shall speak: for it shall be given you in that same hour what ye shall speak. For it is not ye that speak, but the Spirit of your Father which speaketh in you. And the brother shall deliver up the brother to death, and the father the child: and

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the children shall rise up against their parents, and cause them to be put to death. And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake: but he that endureth to the end shall be saved. But when they persecute you in this city, flee ye into another: for verily I say unto you, Ye shall not have gone over the cities of Israel, till the Son of man be come.

Annunciation of B.V. Mary, March 25

The Collect

W E beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts; that, as we have known the incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by his cross and passion we may be brought unto the glory of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

For the Epistle.  Isaiah 7. 10

M OREOVER, the Lord spake again unto Ahaz, saying, Ask thee a sign of the Lord thy God; ask it either in the depth, or in the height above. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, neither will I tempt the Lord. And he said, Hear ye now, O house of David; Is it a small thing for you to weary men, but will ye weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a Virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel. Butter and honey shall he eat, that he may know to refuse the evil, and choose the good.


A ND in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a Virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the Virgin's name was Mary. And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women. And when she saw him she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what

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manner of salutation this should be. And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary ; for thou hast found favour with God. And behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a Son, and shalt call his name JESUS. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David. And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end. Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man? And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God. And behold, thy cousin Elisabeth, she hath also conceived a son in her old age; and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren: for with God nothing shall be impossible. And Mary said, Behold the hand maid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word. And the angel departed from her.

| ST. GEORGE, APRIL 23 |

The Collect

ALMIGHTY God, by whose grace and power thy holy Martyr George triumphed over suffering and despised death: Grant, we beseech thee, that enduring hardness and waxing valiant in fight we may with him receive the crown of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. 2 Timothy 2. 8

REMEMBER that Jesus Christ of the seed of David was raised from the dead according to my gospel: wherein I suffer trouble, as an evil doer, even unto bonds; but the word of God is not bound. Therefore I endure all things for the elect's sakes, that they may also obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.

| ST. MARK, APRIL 25 |

But thou hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, charity, patience, persecutions, afflictions, which came unto me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra; what persecutions I endured: but out of them all the Lord delivered me. Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.

The Gospel. St. John 15. 1

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St. Mark the Evangelist, April 23

The Collect

ALMIGHTY God, who hast instructed thy holy Church with the heavenly doctrine of thy Evangelist Saint Mark: Give us grace, that, being not like children carried away with every blast of vain doctrine, we may be established in the truth of thy holy Gospel; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. Ephesians 4. 7

UNTO every one of us is given grace, according to the measure of the gift of Christ. Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men. (Now that he ascended, what doth it mean but that he also descended first unto this lower earth? He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.) And he gave some Apostles, and some Prophets, and some Evangelists, and some Pastors and Teachers; for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ; till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ; that we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to
deceive; but speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ: from whom the whole body fitly joined together, and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body, unto the edifying of itself in love.

The Gospel. St. John 15. 1

I AM the true vine, and my Father is the husband-man. Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away; and every branch that beareth fruit, he pruneth it, that it may bring forth more fruit. Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you. Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me. I am the vine, ye are the branches. He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit; for without me ye can do nothing. If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned. If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you. Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples. As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love. If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love. These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full.

St. Philip and St. James, May 1

The Collect

O ALMIGHTY God, whom truly to know is everlasting life, Grant us perfectly to know thy Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and
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way ye know. Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest, and how can we know the way? Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father but by me. If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him. Philip saith unto him, Lord, shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us. Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? He that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou, then, Shew us the Father? Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? The words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself; but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works. Believe me, that I am in the Father, and the Father in me; or else believe me for the very works' sake. Verily, verily I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father. And whatsoever ye shall ask in my Name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask any thing in my Name, I will do it.

The Collect

O Lord God Almighty, who didst endue thy holy Apostle Barnabas with singular gifts of the Holy Ghost: Leave us not, we beseech thee, destitute of thy manifold gifts, nor yet of grace to use them alway to thy honour and glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

For the Epistle. Acts 11. 22

TIDINGS of these things came unto the ears of the Church which was in Jerusalem; and they sent forth Barnabas, that he should go as far as Antioch. Who, when he came, and had seen the grace of God, was glad; and exhorted them all that with purpose of heart they would cleave unto the Lord. For he was a good man, and full of the Holy Ghost, and of faith: and much people was added unto the Lord. Then departed Barnabas to Tarsus, for to seek Saul. And when he had found him, he brought him unto Antioch. And it came to pass, that a whole year they assembled themselves with the Church, and taught much people: and the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch. And in these days came prophets from Jerusalem unto Antioch. And there stood up one of them named Agabus, and signified by the Spirit, that there should be great dearth throughout all the world; which came to pass in the days of Claudius Cæsar. Then the disciples, every man according to his ability, determined to send relief unto the brethren which dwelt in Judæa. Which also they did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.


THIS is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you. Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you. Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.

ST. JOHN BAPTIST, JUNE 24

The Collect

ALMIGHTY God, by whose providence thy servant John Baptist was wonderfully born, and sent to prepare the way of thy Son our Saviour, by
preaching of repentance: Make us so to follow his doctrine and holy life, that we may truly repent according to his preaching; and after his example constantly speak the truth, boldly rebuke vice, and patiently suffer for the truth's sake; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

For the Epistle. Isaiah 40. 1

Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God. Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her, That her warfare is accomplished; that her iniquity is pardoned: for she hath received of the Lord's hand double for all her sins. The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a high-way for our God. Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain. And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it. The voice said, Cry. And he said, What shall I cry? All flesh is grass, and all the goodliness thereof is as the flower of the field. The grass withereth, the flower fadeth, because the Spirit of the Lord bloweth upon it: surely the people is grass. The grass withereth, the flower fadeth; but the word of our God shall stand for ever.

0 Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain: o Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength i lift it up, be not afraid: say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God. Behold, the Lord God will come with strong hand, and his arm shall rule for him: behold, his reward is with him, and his work before him. He shall feed his flock like a shepherd; he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom, and shall gently lead those that are with young.


ELISABETH'S full time came that she should be delivered; and she brought forth a son. And her neighbours and her cousins heard how the Lord had shewed great mercy upon her; and they rejoiced with her. And it came to pass, that on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child; and they called him Zacharias, after the name of his father. And his mother answered and said, Not so; but he shall be called John. And they said unto her, There is none of thy kindred that is called by this name. And they made signs to his father, how he would have him called. And he asked for a writing-table, and wrote, saying, His name is John. And they marvelled all. And his mouth was opened immediately, and his tongue loosed, and he spake, and praised God. And fear came on all that dwelt round about them; and all these sayings were noise abroad throughout all the hill-country of Judæa. And all they that had heard them laid them up in their hearts, saying, What manner of child shall this be? And the hand of the Lord was with him. And his father Zacharias was filled with the Holy Ghost, and prophesied, saying, Blessed be the Lord God of Israel: for he hath visited and redeemed his people, and hath raised up an horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David; as he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets, which have been since the world began; that we should be saved from our enemies, and from the hand of all that hate us: to perform the mercy promised to our fathers, and to remember his holy covenant; the oath which he sware to our father Abraham, that he would grant unto us, that we, being delivered out of the hands of our enemies, might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before him all the days of our life. And thou, child, shalt be called the Prophet of the Highest: for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways; to give knowledge of salvation unto his people, by the remission of their sins, through the tender mercy of our God, whereby the day-spring from on high hath visited us; to give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our
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feet into the way of peace. And the child grew, and waxed strong in spirit; and was in the deserts till the day of his announcing himself unto Israel.

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The Collect

O ALMIGHTY God, who by thy Son Jesus Christ didst give to thy Apostle Saint Peter many excellent gifts, and commandedst him earnestly to feed thy flock: Make, we beseech thee, all Bishops and Pastors diligently to preach thy holy Word, and the people obediently to follow the same, that they may receive the crown of everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

For the Epistle. Acts 12. 1

ABOUT that time Herod the king stretched forth his hands to vex certain of the Church. And he killed James the brother of John with the sword. And, because he saw it pleased the Jews, he proceeded further to take Peter also. (Then were the days of unleavened bread.) And when he had apprehended him, he put him in prison, and delivered him to four quaternions of soldiers to keep him, intending after Easter to bring him forth to the people. Peter therefore was kept in prison; but prayer was made without ceasing of the Church unto God for him. And when Herod would have brought him forth, the same night Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains; and the keepers before the door kept the prison. And behold, the angel of the Lord came upon him, and a light shined in the prison; and he smote Peter on the side, and raised him up, saying, Arise up quickly. And his chains fell off from his hands. And the angel said unto him, Gird thyself, and bind on thy sandals: and so he did. And he saith unto him, Cast thy garment about thee, and follow me. And he went out and followed him; and wist not that it was true which was done by the angel; but thought he saw a vision. When they were past the first and the second ward, they came unto the iron gate that leadeth unto the city, which opened to them of his own accord; and they went out, and passed on through one street, and forthwith the angel departed from him. And when Peter was come to himself, he said, Now I know of a surety that the Lord hath sent his angel and hath delivered me out of the hand of Herod, and from all the expectation of the people of the Jews.


WHEN Jesus came into the coasts of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, Whom do men say that I, the Son of man, am? And they said, Some say that thou art John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah, or one of the prophets. He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-jona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven. And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church; and the gates of hades shall not prevail against it. And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

ST. MARY MAGDALEN, JULY 22

The Collect

O ALMIGHTY God, whose blessed Son did call and sanctify Mary Magdalen to be a witness to his resurrection: Mercifully grant that by thy grace we may be healed of all our infirmities and always serve thee in the power of his endless life; through the same thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Answer. Amen.
ST. MARY MAGDALEN, JULY 22

The Epistle. 2 Corinthians 5. 14

The love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead: and that he died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again. Wherefore henceforth know we no man after the flesh: yea, though we have known Christ after the flesh, yet now henceforth know we him no more. Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

The Gospel. St. John 20. 11

MARY stood without at the sepulchre weeping: and as she wept, she stooped down, and looked into the sepulchre, and seeth two angels in white sitting, the one at the head, and the other at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain. And they say unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? She saith unto them, Because they have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laid him. And when she had thus said, she turned herself back, and saw Jesus standing, and knew not that it was Jesus. Jesus saith unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? whom seekest thou? She supposing him to be the gardener, saith unto him, Sir, if thou have borne him hence, tell me where thou hast laid him, and I will take him away. Jesus saith unto her, Mary. She turned herself, and saith unto him, Rabboni; which is to say, Master. Jesus saith unto her, Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father: but go to my brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto my Father, and your Father; and to my God, and your God. Mary Magdalen came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord and that he had spoken these things unto her.

St. James the Apostle, July 25

The Collect

GRANT, O merciful God, that as thine holy Apostle Saint James, leaving his father and all that he had, without delay was obedient unto the calling of thy Son Jesus Christ, and followed him: So we, forsaking all worldly and carnal affections, may be evermore ready to follow thy holy commandments: through Jesus Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

For the Epistle. Acts 11. 27

In those days came prophets from Jerusalem unto Antioch. And there stood up one of them named Agabus, and signified by the Spirit, that there should be great dearth throughout all the world; which came to pass in the days of Claudius Caesar. Then the disciples, every man according to his ability, determined to send relief unto the brethren which dwelt in Judaea. Which also they did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul. Now about that time Herod the king stretched forth his hands to vex certain of the Church. And he killed James the brother of John with the sword. And, because he saw it pleased the Jews, he proceeded further to take Peter also.

The Gospel. St. Matthew 20. 20

THEN came to him the mother of Zebedee's children with her sons, worshipping him, and desiring a certain thing of him. And he said unto her, What wilt thou? She saith unto him, Grant that these my two sons may sit, the one on thy right hand, and the other on the left, in thy kingdom. But Jesus answered and said, Ye know not what ye ask. Are ye able to drink of the cup that I shall drink of, and to be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with? They say unto him, We are able. And he saith unto them, Ye shall drink indeed of my cup, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with: but to sit on my right hand, and on my left, is not mine to give; but it shall
be given to them for whom it is prepared of my Father. And when the ten heard it, they were moved with indignation against the two brethren. But Jesus called them unto him, and said, Ye know that the princes of the Gentiles exercise dominion over them, and they that are great exercise authority upon them. But it shall not be so among you: but whosoever will be great among you, let him be your servant; even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

The Transfiguration, August 6

The Collect

O ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, whose blessed Son revealed himself to his chosen Apostles when he was transfigured on the holy mount, and amidst the excellent glory spake with Moses and Elijah of his decease which he should accomplish at Jerusalem: Grant to us thy servants that beholding the brightness of thy countenance we may be strengthened to bear the cross; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. 1 John 3. 1

BEHOLD, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not. Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is. And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure.

The Gospel. St. Mark 9. 2

AFTER six days Jesus taketh with him Peter, and James, and John, and leadeth them up into an high mountain apart by themselves: and he

St. Bartholomew, August 24

The Collect

O ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who didst give to thine Apostle Bartholomew grace truly to believe and to preach thy Word: Grant, we beseech thee, unto thy Church, to love that Word which he believed, and both to preach and receive the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

For the Epistle. Acts 5. 12

BY the hands of the Apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people: and of the rest durst no man join himself to them: but the people magnified them: and believers were the more added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women: insomuch that they brought forth the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and couches, that at the least the shadow of Peter passing by might overshadow some of them. There came also a multitude out of the cities round about unto Jerusalem, bringing sick folks, and them which were vexed with unclean spirits; and they were healed every one.


AND there was also a strife among them, which of them should be accounted the greatest.
And he said unto them, The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them: and they that exercise authority upon them are called benefactors. But ye shall not so: but he that is greatest among you, let him be as the younger; and he that is chief, as he that doth serve. For whether is greater, he that sitteth at meat, or he that serveth? is not he that sitteth at meat? but I am among you as he that serveth. Ye are they which have continued with me in my temptations. And I appoint unto you a kingdom, as my Father hath appointed unto me; that ye may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

St. Matthew, September 21

The Collect

O ALMIGHTY God, who by thy blessed Son didst call Matthew from the receipt of custom to be an Apostle and Evangelist: Grant us grace to forsake all covetous desires, and inordinate love of riches, and to follow the same thy Son Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. 2 Corinthians 4. 1

THEREFORE seeing we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we faint not; but have renounced the hidden things of dishonesty, not walking in craftiness, nor handling the Word of God deceitfully, but by manifestation of the truth commending ourselves to every man’s conscience in the sight of God. But if our Gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: in whom the God of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious Gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them. For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus’ sake. For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God, in the face of Jesus Christ.

The Gospel. St. Matthew 9. 9

A S Jesus passed forth from thence, he saw a man named Matthew, sitting at the receipt of custom: and he saith unto him, Follow me. And he arose, and followed him. And it came to pass, as Jesus sat at meat in the house, behold, many tax-gatherers and sinners came, and sat down with him and his disciples. And when the Pharisees saw it, they said unto his disciples, Why eateth your Master with tax-gatherers and sinners? But when Jesus heard that, he said unto them, They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick. But go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice; for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

St. Michael and All Angels, Sept. 29

COMMONLY CALLED

Michaelmas Day

The Collect

O EVERLASTING God, who hast ordained and constituted the services of Angels and men in a wonderful order: Mercifully grant, that as thy holy Angels alway do thee service in heaven, so by thy appointment they may succour and defend us on earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

For the Epistle. Revelation 12. 7

THERE was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon, and the dragon fought and his angels; and prevailed not, neither was their place found any more in heaven.
And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the devil and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world; he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night. And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death. Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabiters of the earth and of the sea: for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time.

**The Gospel. St. Matthew 18. 1**

At the same time came the disciples unto Jesus, saying, Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven? And Jesus called a little child unto him, and set him in the midst of them, and said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven. Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And whoso shall receive one such little child in my name, receiveth me. But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for them that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea: Woe unto the world because of offences: for it must needs be that offences come: but woe to that man by whom the offence cometh. Wherefore if thy hand or thy foot offend thee, cut them off, and cast them from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life maimed, rather than having two hands or two feet to be cast into everlasting fire. And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast it from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life with one eye, rather than having two eyes to be cast into hell-fire. Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, That in heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven.

**St. Luke the Evangelist, October 18**

**The Collect**

*Almighty God, who calledest Luke the Physician, whose praise is in the Gospel, to be an Evangelist, and Physician of the soul: May it please thee, that, by the wholesome medicines of the doctrine delivered by him, all the diseases of our souls may be healed; through the merits of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.*

**The Epistle. 2 Timothy 4. 5**

Watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an Evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry. For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing. Do thy diligence to come shortly unto me: for Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world, and is departed unto Thessalonica; Crescens to Galatia, Titus unto Dalmatia. Only Luke is with me. Take Mark and bring him with thee: for he is profitable to me for the ministry. And Tychicus have I sent to Ephesus. The cloke that I left at Troas with Carpus, when thou comest, bring with thee; and the books, but especially the parchments. Alexander the copper-smith did me much evil: the Lord reward him according to his works. Of whom be thou ware also, for he hath greatly withstood our words.

The Lord appointed other seventy also, and sent them two and two before his face into every city and place whither he himself would come. Therefore said he unto them, The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest. Go your ways; behold, I send you forth as lambs among wolves. Carry neither purse, nor bag, nor shoes, and salute no man by the way. And into whatsoever house ye enter, first say, Peace be to this house. And if the son of peace be there, your peace shall rest upon it: if not, it shall turn to you again. And in the same house remain, eating and drinking such things as they give: for the labourer is worthy of his hire.

St. Simon and St. Jude, October 28

The Collect

O ALMIGHTY God, who hast built thy Church upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the head corner-stone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made an holy temple acceptable unto thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. St. Jude 1

JUDE, the servant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James, to them that are sanctified by God the Father, and preserved in Jesus Christ, and called: Mercy unto you, and peace, and love be multiplied. Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you, that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints. For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation; ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ. I will therefore put you in remembrance, though ye once knew this, how that the Lord, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed them that believed not. And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains, under darkness unto the judgement of the great day. Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire. Likewise also these filthy dreamers defile the flesh, despise dominion, and speak evil of dignities.

The Gospel. St. John 15. 17

THOSE things I command you, that ye love one another. If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it hated you. If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you. Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than the lord: if they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept my saying, they will keep yours also. But all these things will they do unto you for my Name's sake, because they know not him that sent me. If I had not come and spoken unto them, they had not had sin: but now they have both seen, and hated both me and my Father. But this cometh to pass, that the word might be fulfilled that is written in their law, They hated me without a cause. But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me. And ye also shall bear witness, because ye have been with me from the beginning.
The Collect

O ALMIGHTY God, who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord: Grant us grace so to follow thy blessed Saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those unspeakable joys, which thou hast prepared for them that unfeignedly love thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

For the Epistle. Revelation 7. 2

A ND I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth, and the sea, saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads. And I heard the number of them which were sealed and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand, of all the tribes of the children of Israel.

The next passage may be omitted

Of the tribe of Juda were sealed twelve thousand.
Of the tribe of Reuben were sealed twelve thousand.
Of the tribe of Gad were sealed twelve thousand.
Of the tribe of Aser were sealed twelve thousand.
Of the tribe of Nephthali were sealed twelve thousand.
Of the tribe of Manasses were sealed twelve thousand.
Of the tribe of Simeon were sealed twelve thousand.
Of the tribe of Levi were sealed twelve thousand.
Of the tribe of Issachar were sealed twelve thousand.
Of the tribe of Zabulon were sealed twelve thousand.
Of the tribe of Joseph were sealed twelve thousand.
Of the tribe of Benjamin were sealed twelve thousand.

After this I beheld, and lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands; and cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb. And all the angels stood round about the throne, and about the elders, and the four living creatures, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God, saying, Amen; Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen.

The Gospel. St. Matthew 5. 1

J ESUS, seeing the multitudes, went up into a mountain; and when he was set, his disciples came unto him. And he opened his mouth, and taught them, saying, Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled. Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God. Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely for my sake. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad; for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

Feast of the Dedication of a Church

The Collect

O GOD, by whose providence we celebrate again the consecration of this holy temple: Send down upon us, we beseech thee, the dew of thy heavenly blessing, and because holiness becometh thine house for ever, sanctify us, that we may be living temples, holy and acceptable unto thee; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. R. Amen.
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The Epistle. 1 St. Peter 2. 1
LAYING aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings, as newborn babes, desire the genuine milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby: if so be ye have tasted that the Lord is gracious. To whom coming, as unto a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, and precious, ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.

JESUS went into the temple of God, and cast out all them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the money changers, and the seats of them that sold doves, and said unto them, It is written, My house shall be called the house of prayer; but ye have made it a den of thieves. And the blind and the lame came to him in the temple; and he healed them. And when the chief priests and scribes saw the wonderful things that he did, and the children crying in the temple, and saying, Hosanna to the Son of David; they were sore displeased, and said unto him, Hearest thou what these say? And Jesus saith unto them, Yea; have ye never read, Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings thou hast perfected praise?

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Other Collects which may be used
STIR up, we beseech thee, O Lord, the wills of thy faithful people, that they who have freely received of thy bounty, may, of thy bounty, freely give; through Jesus Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

O LORD Jesus Christ, who has taught us that man doth not live by bread alone: Feed us, we humbly beseech thee, with the true Bread that cometh down from heaven, even thyself, O blessed Saviour; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, One God, world without end. Answer. Amen.

The Epistle. Galatians 6. 6
LET him that is taught in the word communicate unto him that teacheth in all good things. Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting. And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.

The Gospel. St. John 4. 31
IN the mean while his disciples prayed him, saying, Master, eat. But he said unto them, I have meat to eat that ye know not of. Therefore said the disciples one to another, Hath any man brought him ought to eat? Jesus saith unto them, My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work. Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest, And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal: that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together.
Public Baptism of Infants

Every Boy shall have two Godfathers and one Godmother;
Every Girl shall have one Godfather and two Godmothers.

Minister. Hath this child been already baptized or no? Godparents Answer: No.

Minister.

DEARLY beloved, forasmuch as all men are conceived and born in sin; and that our Saviour Christ saith, None can enter into the kingdom of God, except he be regenerated and born anew of water and of the Holy Ghost; I beseech you to call upon God the Father, through our Lord Jesus Christ, that of his bounteous mercy he will grant to this Child, that thing which by nature he cannot have; that he may be baptized with Water and the Holy Ghost, and received into Christ's holy Church, and be made a lively member of the same.

Let us pray.

The Congregation may stand while the Minister says one or both of these Prayers.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who of thy great mercy didst save Noah and his family in the ark from perishing by water: and also didst safely lead the children of Israel thy people through the Red Sea, figuring thereby thy Holy Baptism; and by the Baptism of thy well-beloved Son Jesus Christ, in the river Jordan, didst sanctify Water to the mystical washing away of sin; We beseech thee, for thine infinite mercies, that thou wilt mercifully look

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upon this Child; wash him and sanctify him with the holy Ghost, that he, being delivered from thy wrath, may be received into the ark of Christ's Church; and being stedfast in faith, joyful through hope, and rooted in charity, may so pass the waves of this troublesome world, that finally he may come to the land of everlasting life, there to reign with thee world without end; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Answer. Amen.

The Gospel

Hear the words of the Gospel, written by Saint Mark, in the tenth Chapter, at the thirteenth Verse.

THEY brought young children to Christ, that he should touch them; and his disciples rebuked those that would have kept them from him. But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not; for of such is the kingdom of God. Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein. And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them.

The Exhortation

The Minister makes this brief Exhortation.

BELOVED, ye hear in this Gospel the words of our Saviour Christ, that he commanded the children to be brought unto him; how he blamed those that would have kept them from him; how he exhorteth all men to follow their innocency. Ye perceive how by his outward gesture and deed he declared his good will toward them; for he embraced them in his arms, he laid his hands upon them, and blessed them. Doubt
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ye not therefore, but earnestly believe, that he will likewise favourably receive this present Infant; that he will embrace him with the arms of his mercy; that he will give unto him the blessing of eternal life, and make him partaker of his everlasting kingdom. Wherefore we being thus persuaded of the good will of our heavenly Father towards this Infant, declared by his son Jesus Christ; and nothing doubting but that he favourably alloweth this charitable work of ours in bringing this Infant to his holy Baptism; let us faithfully and devoutly give thanks unto him, and say,

Priest and People say together,

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, heavenly Father,
We give thee humble thanks, For that thou hast vouchsafed to call us to the knowledge of thy grace, and faith in thee: Increase this knowledge, and confirm this faith in us evermore. Give thy Holy Spirit to this Infant, That he may be born again, And be made an heir of everlasting salvation; Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

The Promises

The Minister addresses the Godparents.

DEARLY beloved, ye have brought this Child here to be baptized, ye have prayed that our Lord Jesus Christ would vouchsafe to receive him, to release him of his sins, to sanctify him with the Holy Ghost, to give him the kingdom of heaven, and everlasting life. Ye have heard also that our Lord Jesus Christ hath promised in his Gospel to grant all these things that ye have prayed for: which promise he, for his part, will most surely keep and perform. Wherefore, after this promise made by Christ, this Infant must also faithfully, for his part, promise by you that are his sureties, (until he come of age to take it upon himself,) that he will renounce the devil and all his works, and constantly believe God's holy Word, and obediently keep his commandments. I demand therefore,

DOST thou, in the name of this Child:
Renounce the devil and all his works;
The vain pomp and glory of the world, with all covetous desires of the same;
And the carnal desires of the flesh;
So that thou wilt not follow, nor be led by them?

Godparents. I renounce them all.

Minister.

DOST thou believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth?
And in Jesus Christ his only-begotten Son our Lord?
And that he was conceived by the Holy Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary; that he suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; that he went down into hell, and also did rise again the third day; that he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; and from thence shall come again at the end of the world, to judge the quick and the dead?
And dost thou believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholick Church; the Communion of Saints; the Remission of sins; the Resurrection of the body; and everlasting life after death?

Godparents. All this I stedfastly believe.

Minister. Wilt thou be baptized in this faith?

Godparents. That is my desire.

Minister. Wilt thou then obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in the same all the days of thy life?

Godparents. I will.

O MERCIFUL God, grant that the old Adam in this Child may be so buried, that the new man may be raised up in him.

Answer. Amen.

GRANT that all the evil desires of the flesh may die in him, and that all things belonging to the Spirit may live and grow in him.

Answer. Amen.
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GRANT that he may have power and strength to have victory, and to triumph, against the devil, the world, and the flesh. Answer. Amen.

GRANT that whosoever is here dedicated to thee by our office and ministry may also be endued with heavenly virtues, and everlastingly rewarded, through thy mercy, O blessed Lord God, who dost live, and govern all things, world without end. Answer. Amen.

ALMIGHTY, everliving God, whose most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of our sins, did shed out of his most precious side both water and blood, and gave commandment to his disciples, that they should go teach all nations, and baptize them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Regard, we beseech thee, the supplications of thy congregation; sanctify this water to the mystical washing away of sin; and grant that this Child, now to be baptized therein, may receive the fulness of thy grace, and ever remain in the number of thy faithful and elect children; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Minister takes the Child into his hands.

Minister. Name this Child.

The Godparents name the Child.

He either dips the child in the water or pours water on its head, and says:

I baptize thee in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

He signs the Cross on its forehead, and says:

We receive this Child into the congregation of Christ's flock, and do sign him with this sign of the Cross, in token that hereafter he shall not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, and manfully to fight under his banner, against sin, the world, and the devil; and to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant unto his life's end. Amen.

The Minister addresses the Godparents.

The Exhortation

FORASMUCH as this Child hath promised by you his sureties to renounce the devil and all his works, to believe in God, and to serve him; ye must remember, that it is your parts and duties to see that this Infant be

Revised Exhortation

YOU who have brought this Child to be baptized into the family of Christ's Church, must see that he be taught the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments, as set forth in the Church Catechism, and all other
taught, so soon as he shall be able to learn, what a solemn vow, promise, and profession, he hath here made by you. And that he may know these things the better, ye shall call upon him to hear Sermons; and chiefly ye shall provide, that he may learn the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments, [in the vulgar tongue], and all other things which a Christian ought to know and believe to his soul's health; and that this Child may be virtuously brought up to lead a godly and Christian life.

Remember always, that Baptism doth represent unto us our profession; which is, to follow the example of our Saviour Christ, and to be made like unto him; that, as he died, and rose again for us, so should we, who are baptized, die from sin, and rise again unto righteousness; continually mortifying all our evil and corrupt affections, and daily proceeding in all virtue and godliness of living.

The child must be confirmed.

Ye are to take care that this Child be brought to the Bishop to be confirmed by him, so soon as he can say the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments, [in the vulgar tongue.]

And be further instructed in the Church Catechism set forth for that purpose.

It is certain by God's Word, that Children which are baptized, dying before they commit actual sin, are undoubtedly saved.

things which a Christian ought to know and believe to his soul's health.

See also that he be virtuously brought up to lead a godly and Christian life.

See also that he be brought to the Bishop to be confirmed by him; so that, strengthened with the gift of the Holy Spirit, he may come with due preparation to receive the Holy Communion of the Body and Blood of Christ, and go forth into the world to serve God faithfully in the fellowship of his Church.

Will you help him to learn and to do all these things?

Answer. I will, the Lord being my helper.

Private Baptism of Infants

The Clergy shall admonish the people that they defer not the Baptism of their Children longer than the second Sunday after their birth.

Children are to be baptized in Church unless there be some urgent necessity.

Baptism by a Layman

If a Clergyman cannot be procured, and extreme urgency shall compel, let someone name the Child, and pour water upon it, saying:

N. I baptize thee In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

All say together,

Our Father, which 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. Amen.

The Baptism should be notified to the Minister of the Parish without delay.

Baptism by a Minister

The Minister uses Collects from the Form of Public Baptism as the time allows.

Minister.

Our Father, which 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. Amen.

A Priest says this Prayer.

Almighty, everliving God, whose most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of our sins,
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did shed out of his most precious side both water and blood; and gave commandment to his disciples, that they should go teach all nations, and baptize them In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; Regard, we beseech thee, the supplications of thy congregation i

sanctify this water to the mystical washing away of sin; and grant that this Child, now to be baptized therein, may receive the fulness of thy grace, and ever remain in the number of thy faithful and elect children; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Answer. Amen.

Minister. Name this Child.

Someone present names the Child.

The Minister pours water on its head, and says:

N. I baptize thee In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Minister gives thanks to God.

WE yield thee hearty thanks, most merciful Father, that it hath pleased thee to regenerate this Infant with thy Holy Spirit, to receive him for thine own Child by adoption, and to incorporate him into thy holy Church. And we humbly beseech thee to grant, that as he is now made partaker of the death of thy Son, so he may be also of his resurrection; and that finally, with the residue of thy Saints, he may inherit thine everlasting kingdom; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Answer. 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.

Answer. Amen.

If the Child lives it must not be baptized again, but must be brought to the Church to be received by the Minister of the Parish.

Reception of a Baptized Child

If the Child was baptized by the Minister of the Parish he shall say:

I CERTIFY you, that according to the due and prescribed Order of the Church, at such a time, and at such a place, before divers witnesses I baptized this Child.

If the Child was baptized by any other person, the Minister must satisfy himself that it was Christened with Water, In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

If need so require he shall examine those who bring the Child to the Church after this manner,

Minister. By whom was this Child baptized?

Answer. By M. (naming the person).

Minister. Who was present when this Child was baptized?

Answer. A. and B. (naming those present).

Minister. Because some things essential to this Sacrament may happen to be omitted through fear or haste, in such times of extremity; therefore I demand further of you, With what matter was this Child baptized?

Was he baptized with Water?

Answer. Yes (or No).

Minister. With what words was this Child baptized?

Was he baptized In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost?

Answer. Yes (or No).

If he is confident that Water and the proper Words were used he shall not Christen the Child again, but receive it as a Christian, saying thus,

I CERTIFY you, that in this case all is well done, and according unto due order, concerning the baptizing of this Child; who being born in original sin, is now, by the laver of Regeneration in Baptism, received into
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the number of the children of God, and heirs of everlasting life: for our Lord Jesus Christ doth not deny his grace and mercy unto such Infants, but most lovingly doth call them unto him, as the holy Gospel doth witness to our comfort on this wise.

Hear the words of the Gospel, written by Saint Mark, in the tenth chapter, at the thirteenth verse.

They brought young children to Christ, that he should touch them; and his disciples rebuked those that brought them. But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not; for of such is the kingdom of God. Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein. And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them.

Minister.

BELIEVED, ye hear in this Gospel the words of our Saviour Christ, that he commanded the children to be brought unto him; how he blamed those that would have kept them from him; how he exhorted all men to follow their innocency. Ye perceive how by his outward gesture and deed he declared his good will toward them; for he embraced them in his arms, he laid his hands upon them, and blessed them. Doubt ye not therefore, but earnestly believe, that he hath likewise favourably received this present Infant; that he hath embraced him with the arms of his mercy; and (as he hath promised in his holy Word) will give unto him the blessing of eternal life, and make him partaker of his everlasting kingdom. Wherefore, we being thus persuaded of the good will of our heavenly Father, declared by his Son Jesus Christ, towards this Infant, let us faithfully and devoutly give thanks unto him, and say the Prayer which the Lord himself taught us:

All say with the Minister,

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done;
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Remission of sins; the Resurrection of the body; and everlasting Life after death?

Godparents. All this I stedfastly believe.

Minister. Wilt thou then obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in the same all the days of thy life?

Godparents. I will.

The Minister takes the Child in his arms.

He signs the Cross on its forehead, saying,

We receive this Child into the congregation of Christ's flock, and do sign him with the sign of the Cross, in token that hereafter he shall not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, and manfully to fight under his banner, against sin, the world, and the devil; and to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant unto his life's end. Amen.

He hands back the Child, and says,

Seeing now, dearly beloved brethren, that this Child is by Baptism regenerate, and grafted into the body of Christ's Church, let us give thanks unto Almighty God for these benefits; and with one accord make our prayers unto him, that he may lead the rest of his life according to this beginning.

The Priest says,

We yield thee most hearty thanks, most merciful Father, that it hath pleased thee to regenerate this Infant with thy Holy Spirit, to receive him for thine own Child by adoption, and to incorporate him into thy holy Church. And humbly we beseech thee to grant, that he being dead unto sin, and living unto righteousness, and being buried with Christ in his death, may crucify the old man, and utterly abolish the whole body of sin; and that, as he is made partaker of the death of thy Son, he may also be partaker of his resurrection; so that finally, with the residue of thy holy Church, he may be an inheritor of thine everlasting kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Answer. Amen.

FORASMUCH as this Child hath promised by you his sureties to renounce the devil and all his works, to believe in God, and to serve him; ye must remember, that it is your parts and duties to see that this Infant be taught, so soon as he shall be able to learn, what a solemn vow, promise, and profession he hath made by you. And that he may know these things the better, ye shall call upon him to hear Sermons; and chiefly ye shall provide, that he may learn the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments, [in the vulgar tongue,] and all other things which a Christian ought to know and believe to his soul's health; and that this Child may be virtuously brought up to lead a godly and a Christian life; remembering alway, that Baptism doth represent unto us our profession; which is, to follow the example of our Saviour Christ, and to be made like unto him; that, as he died, and rose again for us, so should we, who are baptized, die from sin, and rise again unto righteousness; continually mortifying all our evil and corrupt affections, and daily proceeding in all virtue and godliness of living.

The Child must be confirmed.

Ye are to take care that this Child be brought to the Bishop to be confirmed by him, so soon as he can say the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments, [in the vulgar tongue,] and be further instructed in the Church-Catechism set forth for that purpose.

Conditional Baptism

If it is uncertain that any person was baptized with Water, In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, (which are essential for Baptism); then let the Minister baptize him in the form appointed for Public Baptism, saving that he shall use this form of words,

N. IF thou art not already baptized, I baptize thee In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.
**Public Baptism of Adults**

They are to be sufficiently instructed in the Principles of the Christian Religion. They are to prepare themselves with Prayers and Fasting. It is desirable that Baptism should be administered upon Sundays or Holy-days, or when the most number of people come together.

Minister. Hast thou been baptized? Answer. No.

Minister.

DEARLY beloved, forasmuch as all men are conceived and born in sin, (and that which is born of the flesh is flesh,) and they that are in the flesh live in sin, committing many actual transgressions; and that our Saviour Christ saith, None can enter into the kingdom of God, except he be regenerate and born anew of Water and the holy Ghost; I beseech you to call upon God the Father, through our Lord Jesus Christ, that of his bounteous goodness he will grant to these persons that which by nature they cannot have; that they may be baptized with Water and the holy Ghost, and received into Christ's holy Church, and be made lively members of the same.

The Congregation kneels.

The Minister says one or both of these Prayers.

**ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who of thy great mercy didst save Noah and his family in the ark from perishing by water; and also didst safely lead the children of Israel thy people through the Red Sea, figuring thereby thy holy Baptism;**

**ALMIGHTY and immortal God, the aid of all that need, the helper of all that flee to thee for succour, the life of them that believe, and the resurrection of the dead; We call upon thee for these persons, that they, coming to thy holy Baptism, may**

and by the Baptism of thy well-beloved Son Jesus Christ, in the river Jordan, didst sanctify the element of water to the mystical washing away of sin; We beseech thee, for thine infinite mercies, that thou wilt mercifully look upon these thy servants; wash them and sanctify them with the Holy Ghost, that they, being delivered from thy wrath, may be received into the ark of Christ's Church; and being steadfast in faith, joyful through hope, and rooted in charity, may so pass the waves of this troublesome world, that finally they may come to the land of everlasting life, there to reign with thee world without end: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

All stand up for the Gospel.

Hear the words of the Gospel, written by Saint John, in the third Chapter, beginning at the first Verse.

THERE was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God; for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him. Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? Jesus answered, Verily, verily I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. That which is born of the
flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again. The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof; but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.

The Exhortation

BELOVED, ye hear in this Gospel the express words of our Saviour Christ, that except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. Whereby ye may perceive the great necessity of this Sacrament, where it may be had. Likewise, immediately before his ascension into heaven, (as we read in the last Chapter of Saint Mark’s Gospel,) he gave command to his disciples, saying, Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be condemned. Which also sheweth unto us the great benefit we reap thereby. For which cause Saint Peter the Apostle, when upon his first preaching of the Gospel many were pricked at the heart, and said to him and the rest of the Apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do? replied and said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. For the promise is to you and your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.

This next section may be omitted.

And with many other words exhorted he them, saying, Save yourselves from this untoward generation. For (as the same Apostle testifieth in another place) even Baptism doth also now save us, (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience towards God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

The Minister continues.

Doubt ye not therefore, but earnestly believe, that he will favourably receive these present persons, truly repenting, and coming unto him by faith; that he will grant them remission of their sins, and bestow upon them the Holy Ghost; that he will give them the blessing of eternal life, and make them partakers of his everlasting kingdom.

Wherefore we being thus persuaded of the good will of our heavenly Father towards these persons, declared by his Son Jesus Christ; let us faithfully and devoutly give thanks to him, and say,

All say with the Minister,

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, heavenly Father, We give thee humble thanks, For that thou hast vouchsafed to call us to the knowledge of thy grace, and faith in thee: Increase this knowledge, And confirm this faith in us evermore. Give thy Holy Spirit to these persons, That they may be born again, And be made heirs of everlasting salvation; Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

The Minister addresses the Candidates.

WELL-BEL OVED, who are come hither desiring to receive Holy Baptism, ye have heard how the congregation hath prayed, that our Lord Jesus Christ would vouchsafe to receive you and bless you, to release you of your sins, to give you the kingdom of heaven, and everlasting life. Ye have heard also, that our Lord Jesus Christ hath promised in his holy Word to grant all those things that we have prayed for; which promise he, for his part, will most surely keep and perform.

Wherefore, after this promise made by Christ, ye must also faithfully, for your part, promise in the presence of these your Witnesses, and this whole congregation, that ye will renounce the devil and all his works, and constantly believe God’s holy Word, and obediently keep his commandments.

Minister. Dost thou renounce the devil and all his works, the vain pomp and glory of the world, with all covetous desires of the same, and the carnal desires of the flesh, so that thou wilt not follow, nor be led by them?

Answer. I renounce them all.
Minister. Dost thou believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth?
And in Jesus Christ his only-begotten Son our Lord?
And that he was conceived by the Holy Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary; that he suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; that he went down into hell, and also did rise again the third day; that he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; and from thence shall come again at the end of the world, to judge the quick and the dead?
And dost thou believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholic Church; the Communion of Saints; the Remission of sins; the Resurrection of the body; and everlasting life after death?
Answer. All this I stedfastly believe.
Minister. Wilt thou be baptized in this faith?
Answer. That is my desire.
Minister. Wilt thou then obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in the same all the days of thy life?
Answer. I will endeavour so to do, God being my helper.

Then shall the Priest say,
O MERCIFUL God, grant that the old Adam in these persons may be so buried, that the new man may be raised up in them.

Answer. Amen.

Grant that all carnal affections may die in them, and that all things belonging to the Spirit may live and grow in them.

Answer. Amen.

Grant that they may have power and strength to have victory, and to triumph, against the devil, the world, and the flesh.

Answer. Amen.

Grant that they, being here dedicated to thee by our office and ministry, may also be endued with heavenly virtues, and everlastingly rewarded, through thy mercy, O blessed Lord God, who doth live, and govern all things, world without end.

Answer. Amen.

ALMIGHTY, everliving God, whose most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of our sins, did shed out of his most precious side both water and blood, and gave commandment to his disciples, that they should go teach all nations, and baptize them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost; Regard, we beseech thee, the supplications of this congregation; sanctify this water to the mystical washing away of sin; and grant that the persons now to be baptized therein may receive the fulness of thy grace and ever remain in the number of thy faithful and elect children, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Answer. Amen.

The Priest shall take each person by the right hand, and ask the Name; and then shall dip him in the water or pour water upon him, saying,

N. I baptize thee In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

He makes a Cross upon the person's forehead.

WE receive this person into the congregation of Christ's flock; and do sign him with the sign of the Cross, in token that hereafter he shall not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, and manfully to fight under his banner, against sin, the world, and the devil; and to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant unto his life's end. Amen.

SEEING now, dearly beloved brethren, that these persons are regenerate, and grafted into the body of Christ's Church, let us give thanks unto Almighty God for these benefits, and with one accord make our prayers unto him, that they may lead the rest of their life according to this beginning.

All say with the Minister,

OUR Father, which 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. Amen.
PUBLIC BAPTISM OF ADULTS

Minister.

We yield thee humble thanks, O heavenly Father, that thou hast vouchsafed to call us to the knowledge of thy grace, and faith in thee; Increase this knowledge, and confirm this faith in us evermore. Give thy Holy Spirit to these persons; that, being now born again, and made heirs of everlasting salvation, through our Lord Jesus Christ, they may continue thy servants, and attain thy promises; through the same Lord Jesus Christ thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Holy Spirit, everlastingly.

Answer. Amen.

All stand while the Minister addresses the Godparents. Forasmuch as these persons have promised in your presence to renounce the devil and all his works, to believe in God, and to serve him; ye must remember that it is your part and duty to put them in mind, what a solemn vow, promise, and profession they have now made before this congregation, and especially before you their chosen witnesses. And ye are also to call upon them to use all diligence to be rightly instructed in God's holy Word; that so they may grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ, and live godly, righteously, and soberly in this present world.

He addresses the New Baptized Persons.

And as for you, who have now by Baptism put on Christ, it is your part and duty also, being made the children of God and of the light, by faith in Jesus Christ, to walk answerably to your Christian calling and as becometh the children of light; remembering always that Baptism representeth unto us our profession; which is, to follow the example of our Saviour Christ, and to be made like unto him; that as he died, and rose again for us; so should we, who are baptized, die from sin, and rise again unto righteousness; continually mortifying all our evil and corrupt affections, and daily proceeding in all virtue and godliness of living.

Every person, thus baptized, should be confirmed by the Bishop so soon after his Baptism as conveniently may be; that so he may be admitted to the Holy Communion.

The Catechism

An Instruction to be learned by every Person

Question. What is your Name?
Answer. N. or M.

Question. Who gave you this Name?
Answer. My Godfathers and Godmothers in my Baptism; wherein I was made a member of Christ, the child of God, and an inheritor of the kingdom of heaven.

THE BAPTISMAL VOWS

Question. What did your Godfathers and Godmothers then for you?
Answer. They did promise and vow three things in my name. First, that I should renounce the devil and all his works, the pomps and vanity of this wicked world, and all the sinful lusts of the flesh. Secondly, that I should believe all the Articles of the Christian Faith. And thirdly, that I should keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in the same all the days of my life.

Question. Dost thou not think that thou art bound to believe, and to do, as they have promised for thee?
Answer. Yes verily; and by God's help so I will. And I heartily thank our heavenly Father, that he hath called me to this state of salvation, through Jesus Christ our Saviour. And I pray unto God to give me his grace, that I may continue in the same unto my life's end.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Catechist. Rehearse the Articles of thy Belief.
Answer. I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth:
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried, He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead, He ascended into heaven, And sitteth at 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
The Apostles' Creed

of sins; The Resurrection of the body: And the Life everlasting. Amen.

Question. What dost thou chiefly learn in these Articles of thy Belief?

Answer. First, I learn to believe in God the Father, who hath made me, and all the world. Secondly, in God the Son, who hath redeemed me, and all mankind. Thirdly, in God the Holy Ghost, who sanctifieth me, and all the elect people of God.

THE COMMANDMENTS

Question. You said, that your Godfathers and Godmothers did promise for you, that you should keep God's Commandments. Tell me how many there be?

Answer. Ten.

Question. Which be they?

Answer. The same which God spake in the twentieth Chapter of Exodus, saying, I am the Lord thy God, who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

1. Thou shalt have none other gods but me.
2. Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them: for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, and visit the sins of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me, and shew mercy unto thousands in them that love me, and keep my commandments.
3. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain: for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh his Name in vain.
4. Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath-day. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all that thou hast to do; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God. In it thou shalt do no manner of work, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, thy man-servant, and thy maid-servant, thy cattle, and the stranger that is within thy gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day; wherefore the Lord blessed the seventh day, and hallowed it.

5. Honour thy father and thy mother, that thy days may be long in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.
6. Thou shalt do no murder.
7. Thou shalt not commit adultery.
8. Thou shalt not steal.
9. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.
10. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his servant, nor his maid, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is his.

Question. What dost thou chiefly learn by these Commandments?

Answer. I learn two things: my duty towards God, and my duty towards my neighbour.

Question. What is thy duty towards God?

Answer. My duty towards God, is to believe in him, to fear him, and to love him with all my heart, with all my mind, with all my soul, and with all my strength; to worship him, to give him thanks, to put my whole trust in him, to call upon him, to honour his holy name and his Word, and to serve him truly all the days of my life.

Question. What is thy duty towards thy neighbour?

Answer. My duty towards my neighbour, is to love him as myself, and to do to all men, as I would they should do unto me; To love, honour, and succour my father and mother: To honour and obey the King, and all that are put in authority under him: To submit myself to all my governors, teachers, spiritual pastors and masters: To order myself lowly and reverently to all my betters: To hurt no body by word nor deed: To be true and just in all my dealing: To bear no malice nor hatred in my heart: To keep my hands from picking and stealing, and my tongue from evil-speaking, lying, and slandering: To keep my body in temperance, soberness, and chastity: Not to covet nor desire other men's goods; but to learn and labour truly to get mine own living, and to do my duty in that state of life, unto which it shall please God to call me.
Catechist. My good Child, know this, that thou art not able to do these things of thyself, nor to walk in the Commandments of God, and to serve him, without his special grace; which thou must learn at all times to call for by diligent prayer. Let me hear therefore, if thou canst say the Lord's Prayer.

Answer. Our Father, which 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. Amen.

Question. What desirest thou of God in this prayer?

Answer. I desire my Lord God our heavenly Father, who is the giver of all goodness, to send his grace unto me, and to all people; that we may worship him, serve him, and obey him, as we ought to do. And I pray unto God, that he will send us all things that be needful both for our souls and bodies; and that he will be merciful unto us, and forgive us our sins; and that it will please him to save and defend us in all dangers ghostly and bodily; and that he will keep us from all sin and wickedness, and from our ghostly enemy, and from everlasting death. And this I trust he will do of his mercy and goodness, through our Lord Jesus Christ. And therefore I say, Amen, So be it.

THE SACRAMENTS

Question. How many Sacraments hath Christ ordained in his Church?

Answer. Two only, as generally necessary to salvation, that is to say, Baptism, and the Supper of the Lord.

Question. What meanest thou by this word Sacrament?

Answer. I mean an outward and visible sign of an inward and spiritual grace given unto us, ordained by Christ himself, as a means whereby we receive the same, and a pledge to assure us thereof.

Question. How many parts are there in a Sacrament?

Answer. Two; the outward visible sign, and the inward spiritual grace.

Question. What is the outward visible sign or form in Baptism?

Answer. Water; wherein the person is baptized In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the holy Ghost.

Question. What is the inward and spiritual grace?

Answer. A death unto sin, and a new birth unto righteousness: for being by nature born in sin, and the children of wrath, we are hereby made the children of grace.

Question. What is required of persons to be baptized?

Answer. Repentance, whereby they forsake sin; and Faith, whereby they steadfastly believe the promises of God made to them in that Sacrament.

Question. Why then are Infants baptized, when by reason of their tender age they cannot perform them?

Answer. Because they promise them both by their Sureties; which promise, when they come to age, themselves are bound to perform.

Question. Why was the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper ordained?

Answer. For the continual remembrance of the sacrifice of the death of Christ, and of the benefits which we receive thereby.

Question. What is the outward part or sign of the Lord's Supper?

Answer. Bread and Wine, which the Lord hath commanded to be received.

Question. What is the inward part, or thing signified?

Answer. The Body and Blood of Christ, which are verily and indeed taken and received by the faithful in the Lord's Supper.

Question. What are the benefits whereof we are partakers thereby?

Answer. The strengthening and refreshing of our souls by the Body and Blood of Christ, as our bodies are by the Bread and Wine.

Question. What is required of them who come to the Lord's Supper?

Answer. To examine themselves, whether they repent them truly of their former sins, steadfastly purposing to lead a new life; have a lively faith in God's mercy through Christ, with a thankful remembrance of his death; and be in charity with all men.
Order of Confirmation

or
Laying-on-of-hands upon those that are baptized, and come to years of discretion.

Renewal of Baptismal Vows

The Preface is read by a Minister.

To the end that Confirmation may be ministered to the more edifying of such as shall receive it, the Church hath thought good to order, That none hereafter shall be confirmed, but such as can say the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments; and can also answer to such other Questions, as in the short Catechism are contained: which order is very convenient to be observed; to the end, that children, being now come to the years of discretion, and having learned what their Godfathers and Godmothers promised for them in Baptism, they may themselves, with their own mouth and consent, openly before the Church, ratify and confirm (confess) the same; and also promise, that by the grace of God they will evermore endeavour themselves faithfully to observe such things, as they by their own confession have assented unto.

Then shall the Bishop say,

Do ye here, in the presence of God, and of this congregation, renew the solemn promise and vow that was made in your name at your Baptism: ratifying and confirming (confessing) the same in your own persons, and acknowledging yourselves bound to believe, and to do, all those things, which your Godfathers and Godmothers then undertook for you?

All the Candidates say, I do.

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The Bishop's Address

It is customary for the Bishop to speak to the Candidates, and to put them in mind of the Spiritual Gifts they receive through the laying-on-of-hands.

He usually speaks of their privileges and duties as full members of the Church.

It is also customary to invoke the Holy Spirit, by singing Veni, Creator Spiritus; all kneeling.

Veni, Creator Spiritus.
Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
And light with celestial fire;
Thou the anointing Spirit art,
Who dost thy seven-fold gifts impart;
Thy blessed unction from above
Is comfort, life, and fire of Love;
Enable with perpetual light
The dulness of our blinded sight:
Anoint and cheer our soiled face
With the abundance of thy grace;
Keep far our foes, give peace at home;
Where thou art guide no ill can come.

Teach us to know the Father, Son,
And thee, of Both, to be but One;
That through the ages all along,
This may be our endless song:
Praise to thy eternal merit,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

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The Confirmation

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

The Bishop. Let us pray.

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 these thy servants, upon whom (after the example of thy holy Apostles) we have now laid our hands, to certify them (by this sign) of thy favour and gracious goodness towards them. Let thy fatherly hand, we beseech thee, ever be over them; let thy Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of thy Word, that in the end they may obtain everlasting life; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. Answer. Amen.

Each person kneels before the Bishop, and he confirms by laying his hand upon the head of every one, saying,

DEFEND, O Lord, this thy Child [or this thy Servant] with thy heavenly grace, that he may continue thine for ever; and daily increase in thy Holy Spirit more and more, until he come unto thy everlasting kingdom. Amen.

Bishop. The Lord be with you.
Answer. And with thy spirit.

All kneel.

The Bishop. Let us pray.

OUR Father, which 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. Amen.

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

Therefore if any man can shew any just cause, why they may not lawfully be joined together, let him now speak, or else hereafter for ever hold his peace.

**The Priest says,**

I REQUIRE and charge you both, as ye will answer at the dreadful day of judgement when the secrets of all hearts shall be disclosed, that if either of you know any impediment, why ye may not be lawfully joined together in Matrimony, ye do now confess it. For be ye well assured, that so many as are coupled together otherwise than God’s Word doth allow are not joined together by God; neither is their Matrimony lawful.

If no impediment be alleged, the Priest says to the Man,

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

The Man answers. I will.

Then shall the Priest say unto the Woman,

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

The Woman answers. I will.

Priest. Who giveth this Woman to be married to this Man?
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The Man with his right hand takes the Woman by her right hand, and says, after the Priest,

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

They loose their hands. Then the Woman with her right hand takes the Man by his right hand, and says, after the Priest,

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

They loose their hands. The ring is placed upon the book, and the Priest hands it to the Man to be placed on the fourth finger of the Woman's left hand.

The Man, holding his fingers on the ring, says after the Priest,

WITH this ring I thee wed; with my body I thee worship (honour), and with all my worldly goods I thee endow: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Both kneel, but the Congregation stands.

Let us pray.

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

The Priest joins their hands together, and says,

Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder.

The Priest addresses the people.

FORASMUCH as N. and N. have consented together in holy wedlock, and have witnessed the same before God and this company, and thereto have given and pledged their troth either to other, and have declared the same by giving and receiving of a ring, and by joining of hands; I pronounce that they be Man and Wife together, In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Priest gives this Blessing.

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

The Priest, followed by the Man and Woman, goes to the Lord's Table.

One of these Psalms is said or sung.

Psalm 128

BLESSED are all they that fear the Lord; and walk in his ways. For thou shalt eat the labour of thine hands: O well is thee, and happy shalt thou be. Thy wife shall be as the fruitful vine: upon the

Psalm 67

GOD be merciful unto us, and bless us: and shew us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us. That thy way may be known upon earth: thy saving health among all nations.
SOLEMNIZATION OF MATRIMONY

The Man and Woman kneel at the Communion Rail.

Let us pray.

Minister. Lord, have mercy upon us.
Answer. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Minister. Lord, have mercy upon us.

OUR Father, which 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. Amen.

Minister. O Lord, save thy servant, and thy handmaid;
Answer. Who put their trust in thee.

Let the people praise thee, O God: yea, let all the people praise thee.
O let the nations rejoice and be glad; for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.
Let the people praise thee, O God: yea, let all the people praise thee.
Then shall the earth bring forth her increase: and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.
God shall bless us: and all the ends of the world shall fear him.
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.

O GOD, who hast taught us that it should never be lawful to put asunder those whom thou by Matrimony hadst made one, and hast consecrated the state of Matrimony to such an excellent mystery, that in it is signified and represented the spiritual marriage and unity betwixt Christ and his Church: Look mercifully upon these thy servants, that both this man may love his wife, according to thy Word, (as Christ did love his spouse the Church, who gave himself for it, loving and cherishing it even as his own flesh,)
and also that this woman may be loving and amiable, faithful and obedient to her husband,
and in all quietness, sobriety, and peace, be a follower of holy and godly matrons. O Lord, bless them both, and grant them to inherit thy everlasting kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Answer. Amen.

The Priest pronounces this Blessing.

ALMIGHTY God, who from the beginning hast sanctified and joined together Man and Woman in marriage: Pour upon you the riches of his grace, sanctify and bless you, that ye may please him both in body and soul, and live together in holy love unto your lives' end.
Answer. Amen.

If there be a Sermon it shall follow here; or the Address in the Book of Common Prayer; or a portion of Holy Scripture may be read.

Here may follow an Anthem or Hymn.

If there be no Communion at the time of Marriage, the Priest dismisses the Congregation, saying,

Let us pray.

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

THE blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always.
Answer. Amen.

The Communion at a Wedding

It is fitting that the Man and Woman should receive the Holy Communion on the day of their Marriage, or at the first opportunity after their Marriage.

The Collect

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

The Epistle. Ephesians 5. 25

HUSBANDS, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the Church, and gave himself for it; that he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, that he might present it to himself a glorious Church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish. So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself. For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the Church: for we are members of his body. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall become one flesh. This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the Church. Nevertheless let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself; and the wife see that she reverence her husband.

The Gospel. St. Matthew 19. 4

JESUS answered and said unto the Pharisees, Have ye not read, that he which made them at the beginning made them male and female, and said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall become one flesh? Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.
Thanksgiving after Child-birth
COMMONLY CALLED
The Churching of Women

The Woman kneels in the accustomed place.

The Minister.

FORAS MUCH as it hath pleased Almighty God of his goodness to give you safe deliverance, and hath preserved you in the great danger of child-birth; you shall therefore give hearty thanks unto God, and say,

One of these Psalms is said.

Psalm 116
I AM well pleased: that the Lord hath heard the voice of my prayer;
2 That he hath inclined his ear unto me: therefore will I call upon him as long as I live.
3 The snares of death compassed me round about: and the pains of hell gat hold upon me.
4 I found trouble and heaviness, and I called upon the Name of the Lord: O Lord, I beseech thee, deliver my soul.
5 Gracious is the Lord, and righteous: yea, our God is merciful.
6 The Lord preserveth the simple: I was in misery, and he helped me.
7 Turn again then unto thy rest, O my soul: for the Lord hath rewarded thee.

Psalm 127
EXCEPT the Lord build the house: their labour is but lost that build it.
2 Except the Lord keep the city: the watchman waketh but in vain.
3 It is but lost labour that ye haste to rise up early, and so late take rest, and eat the bread of carefulness: for so he giveth his beloved sleep.
4 Lo, children and the fruit of the womb: are an heritage and gift that cometh of the Lord.
5 Like as the arrows in the hand of the giant: even so are the young children.
6 Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them: they shall not be ashamed when they speak with their enemies in the gate.

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.

Let us pray.

Minister. Lord, have mercy upon us.
Answer. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Minister. Lord, have mercy upon us.

All say with the Minister.

OUR Father, which 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.
Visitation of the Sick

When any parishioner is sick, notice shall be given to one of the Clergy.

Suitable Scripture Readings

1. Confidence in God: Psalms 27, 46, 91, 121; Proverbs 3.11-26; Isaiah 26.1-9; or 40.1-11. Isaiah 40.25-end; Lamentations 3.22-41; St. Matthew 6.24-end; Romans 8.31-end.

2. God's Love to us: 1 John 3.1-7; 1 John 4.9-end.


13. Christian Hope on the Approach of Death: Psalm 23; Psalm 16.9-end; 2 Cor. 4.16-51; Rev. 21.4-7.


15. The Life of the World to Come: Rev. 7.9-end; 22.1-5; St. John 14.1-6; Rev. 21.1-7 or 22-end.

16. Praise and Thanksgiving: Isaiah 12; Psalm 103; Psalm 146.

17. Answer to Prayer: Psalm 30; Psalm 34.

18. Preparation for Holy Communion: Psalm 84.

Prayers with the Sick

Minister. Lord, have mercy upon us.
Answer. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Minister. Lord, have mercy upon us.

O UR Father, which 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. Amen.

The Minister says,

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

HEAR us, Almighty and most merciful God and Saviour; extend thy accustomed goodness to this thy servant who is grieved with sickness. Sanctify, we beseech thee, this trial unto him, that the sense of his weakness may add strength to his faith, and seriousness to his repentance: May it be thy good pleasure to restore him to his former health, that he may lead the rest of his life in thy faith and to thy glory. And whatsoever the issue of this illness may be, give him grace to be so conformed to thy will, that he may be made meet to dwell with thee in life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

The Minister is to remind him to set his temporal affairs in order, and to be generous to the poor.
The Minister may read a suitable portion of the Sacred Scriptures, and explain it or some other part of the Christian Faith.
The Minister is to examine whether he truly repents of his sins, and is in charity with all men.
Here shall the sick person be moved to make a special Confession of his sins if he feel his conscience troubled with any weighty matter.

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After which Confession the Priest shall absolve him.

OUR Lord Jesus Christ, who hath left power to his Church to absolve all sinners who truly repent and believe in him, of his great mercy forgive thee thine offences: And by his authority committed to me, I absolve thee from all thy sins, In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Let us pray.

O MOST merciful God, who, according to the multitude of thy mercies, dost so put away the sins of those who truly repent, that thou rememberest them no more: Look upon this thy servant, who most earnestly desirest pardon and forgiveness. And forasmuch as he putteth his full trust only in thy mercy, impute not unto him his former sins, but strengthen him with thy blessed Spirit: and whenever thou art pleased to take him hence, take him into thine everlasting favour; through the merits of thy most dearly beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

Here may follow Psalm 71, or other Psalm.

Then shall the Minister say,

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

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

A Priest gives this Blessing,

UNTO God's gracious mercy and protection we commit thee. The Lord bless thee, and keep thee. The Lord make his face to shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee. The Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace, both now and evermore. Answer. Amen.
Prayers for the Sick

Prayer for a Sick Child

O LORD Jesus Christ, who didst with joy receive and bless the children brought to thee: Give thy blessing to this thy child; and in thine own time deliver him from his bodily pain, that he may live to serve thee all his days.

Answer. Amen.

Prayer for a Convalescent

O LORD, whose compassions fail not, and whose mercies are new every morning: We give thee hearty thanks that it hath pleased thee to give to this our brother both relief from pain and hope of renewed health; continue, we beseech thee, in him the good work that thou hast begun; that, daily increasing in bodily strength, and humbly rejoicing in thy goodness, he may so order his life and conversation as always to think and do such things as shall please thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Answer. Amen.

Commendation of the Dying

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

Answer. Amen.

Communion of the Sick

The Collect

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

The Epistle. Hebrews 12. 5

My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him. For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth; and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth.


VERILY, verily I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation but is passed from death unto life.

The Priest shall then proceed according to the Form for Holy Communion, saying,

YE that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love, etc.

Spiritual Communion

If any man, by reason of any just impediment, do not receive the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood, the Minister shall instruct him:

That if he do truly repent him of his sins, and steadfastly believe that Jesus Christ hath suffered death upon the Cross for him, and shed his Blood for his redemption, earnestly remembering the benefits he hath thereby, and giving him hearty thanks therefor he doth eat and drink the Body and Blood of our Saviour Christ profitably to his Soul's health, although he do not receive the Sacrament with his mouth.
Burial of the Dead

The Minister, going before the body, says one or more of these Sentences:

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

I KNOW that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand up at the last upon the earth. Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another.

WE brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the Name of the Lord.

REMEMBER not the sins and offences of my youth: but according to thy mercy think thou upon me, O Lord, for thy goodness.

THE eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms.

BLESSED are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.

LET not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions.

NEITHER death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

WHETHER we live, we live unto the Lord; and whether we die, we die unto the Lord; whether we live therefore, or die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ both died, and rose, and revived, that he might be Lord both of the dead and living.

The Service in Church

One of the following Psalms is said or sung.

Psalm 39

I SAID, I will take heed to my ways: that I offend not in my tongue.

2 I will keep my mouth as it were with a bridle: while the ungodly is in my sight.

3 I held my tongue, and spake nothing: I kept silence, yea, even from good words: but it was pain and grief to me.

4 My heart was hot within me, and while I was thus musing the fire kindled: and at the last I spake with my tongue:

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

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

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

Psalm 90

LORD, thou hast been our refuge: from one generation to another.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

9 For when thou art angry
8 And now, Lord, what is my hope: truly my hope is even in thee.

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

10 I became dumb, and opened not my mouth: for it was thy doing.

11 But who regardeth the power of thy wrath: for their strength then but labour and sorrow; so soon passeth it away, and we are gone.

12 When thou with rebukes dost chasten man for sin, thou makest his beauty a garment: every man therefore is but vanity.

13 Hear my prayer, O Lord, and with thine ears consider my calling: hold not thy peace at my tears.

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

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

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.

Psalm 23

THE Lord is my shepherd: therefore can I lack nothing.

2 He shall feed me in a green pasture: and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.

3 He shall convert my soul: and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his name's sake.

4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me.

5 Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me: thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

6 But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

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.

Psalm 130

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

8 And he shall redeem Israel: from all his sins.

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.
BURIAL OF THE DEAD

One of the following Lessons is read.

1 Corinthians 15. 20

NOW is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first-fruits of them that slept. For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. But every man in his own order; Christ the first-fruits; afterward they that are Christ's, at his coming. Then cometh the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule, and all authority, and power. For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet. The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death.

The next passage may be omitted.

For he hath put all things under his feet. But when he saith, all things are put under him, it is manifest that he is excepted, which did put all things under him. And when all things shall be subdued unto him, then shall the Son also himself be subject unto him that put all things under him, that God may be all in all. Else what shall they do which are baptized for the dead, if the dead rise not at all? Why are they then baptized for the dead? and why stand we in jeopardy every hour? I protest by your rejoicing, which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die daily. If after the manner of men I have fought with beasts at Ephesus, what advantageth it me? If the dead rise not, let us eat and drink, for to-morrow we die. Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners. Awake to righteousness, and sin not; for some have not the knowledge of God. I speak this to your shame.

The Reader continues at verse 35.

But some man will say, How are the dead raised up? and with what body do they come? Thou fool, that which thou sowest is not quickened, except it die. And that which thou sowest, thou sowest not that body that shall be, but bare grain, it may chance of wheat, or of some other grain: But God giveth it a body, as it hath pleased him, and to every seed his own body. All flesh is not the same flesh; but there is one kind of flesh

of men, another flesh of beasts, another of fishes, and another of birds. There are also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial; but the glory of the celestial is one, and the glory of the terrestrial is another. There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for one star differeth from another star in glory. So also is the resurrection of the dead: It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption: It is sown in dishonour; it is raised in glory: It is sown in weakness; it is raised in power: It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body. And so it is written, The first man was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit. Howbeit, that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual. The first man is of the earth, earthy: the second man is the Lord from heaven. As is the earthy, such are they that are earthy: and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly. And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly. Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption. Behold, I shew you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump, (for the trumpet shall sound,) and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality; then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin, and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.
St. John 5. 24

Jesus said, Verily, verily I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life. Verily, verily I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live. For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have life in himself; and hath given him authority to execute judgement also, because he is the Son of man. Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, and shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of judgement.

St. John 6. 37

Jesus said, All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out. For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me. And this is the Father's will which hath sent me, that of all which he hath given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day. And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day.

2 Corinthians 4. 16

Though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day. For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory; while we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal. For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be covered over by our house which is from heaven: if so be that being covered we shall not be found exposed. For we that are in this tabernacle do groan, being burdened: not for that we would be exposed, but covered over, that mortality might be swallowed up of life. Now he that hath wrought us for the selfsame thing is God, who also hath given unto us the earnest of the Spirit. Therefore we are always confident, knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord: (for we walk by faith, not by sight:) we are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord. Wherefore we labour, that, whether present or absent, we may be accepted of him. For we must all appear before the judgment-seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.

Revelation 7. 9

After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and peoples, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands; and cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb. And all the angels stood round about the throne, and about the elders, and the four living creatures, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God, saying, Amen: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen. And one of the elders answered, saying unto me, What are these which are arrayed in white robes? and whence came they? And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said unto me, These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the Blood of the Lamb. Therefore are they before the Throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple: and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them. They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat. For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.
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Revelation 21. 1

I SAW a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away. And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful. And he said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely. He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.

Wisdom 3. 1

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and there shall no torment touch them. In the sight of the unwise they seemed to die: and their departure is taken for misery, and their going from us to be utter destruction: but they are in peace. For though they be punished in the sight of men, yet is their hope full of immortality. And having been a little chastised they shall be greatly rewarded: for God proved them, and found them worthy for himself. As gold in the furnace hath he tried them, and received them as a burnt offering. And in the time of their visitation they shall shine, and run to and fro like sparks among the stubble. They shall judge the nations, and have dominion over the people, and their Lord shall reign for ever.

Other Lessons

1 Thess. 4. 13, page 527; St. John 11. 21, page 527.

The Burial

While they are making ready the Minister says,

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

In the midst of life we are in death: of whom may we seek for succour, but of thee, O Lord, who for our sins art justly displeased? Yet, O Lord God most holy, O Lord most mighty, O holy and most merciful Saviour, deliver us not into the bitter pains of eternal death.

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

When the earth is cast in the Minister says,

FORASMUCH as it hath pleased Almighty God of his great mercy to take unto himself the soul of our dear brother here departed, we therefore commit his body to the ground;
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earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust: in sure and
certain hope of the Resurrection to eternal life, through
our Lord Jesus Christ; who shall change the body of
our low estate, that it may be like unto his glorious body,
according to the mighty working, whereby he is able to
subdue all things to himself.

Minister.

I HEARD a voice from heaven, saying unto me, Write,
From henceforth blessed are the dead which die
in the Lord: even so saith the Spirit; for they rest
from their labours.

Minister. Lord, have mercy upon us.
Answer. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Minister. Lord, have mercy upon us.

All say with the Minister.

OUR Father, which 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. Amen.

Minister.

ALMIGHTY God, with whom do live the spirits of
them that depart hence in the Lord, and with
whom the souls of the faithful, after they are delivered
from the burden of the flesh, are in joy and felicity;
We give thee hearty thanks, for that it hath pleased
thee to deliver this our
brother out of the miseries
of this sinful world;

beseeching thee, that it may please thee, of thy gracious
goodness, shortly to accomplish the number of thine
elect, and to hasten thy kingdom; that we, with all those
that are departed in the true faith of thy holy Name,
may have our perfect consummation and bliss, both in
body and soul, in thy eternal and everlasting glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

THE COLLECT

O MERCIFUL God, the Father of our Lord Jesus
Christ, who is the resurrection and the life; in
whom whosoever believeth shall live, though he die;
and whosoever liveth, and believeth in him, shall not
die eternally; who also hath taught us, by his holy
Apostle Saint Paul, not to be sorry, as men without
hope, for them that sleep in him; We meekly beseech
thee, O Father, to raise us from the death of sin unto
the life of righteousness; that, when we shall depart
this life, we may rest in him, as our hope is this our
brother doth; and that, at the general Resurrection in
the last day, we may be found acceptable in thy sight;
and receive that blessing, which thy well-beloved Son
shall then pronounce to all that love and fear thee, saying,
Come, ye blessed children of my Father, receive the
kingdom prepared for you from the beginning of the
world: Grant this, we beseech thee, O merciful Father,
through Jesus Christ, our Mediator and Redeemer.
Answer. 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. Answer. Amen.

OTHER PRAYERS WHICH ARE SOMETIMES USED

BLESSED Lord, who art the Father of mercies and
the God of all consolation: We beseech thee of
thy great goodness, to comfort those who by the death
of this our brother are sorely bereaved; and teach us so
to number our days that, while we live here, we may
seriously apply our hearts to that holy and heavenly
wisdom, which may in the end bring us to life ever-
lasting: through the merits of Jesus Christ, thine only
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O HEAVENLY Father, who in thy Son Jesus Christ, hast given us a true faith, and a sure hope: Help us, we pray thee, to live as those who believe and trust in the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the resurrection to life everlasting, and strengthen this faith and hope in us all the days of our life; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

O GOD, the Maker and Redeemer of all believers: Grant to all thy servants a merciful judgement at the last day; that they in the face of all thy creatures may then be acknowledged as thy true children; through Jesus Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

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

O LORD Jesus Christ, before whose judgement-seat we must all appear and give account of the deeds done in the body: Grant, we beseech thee, that when the books are opened in that day, the faces of thy servants may not be ashamed; through thy merits, O blessed Saviour, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Answer. Amen.

Benediction of a Grave

If the ground is not consecrated, the Priest on coming to the Grave may say,

O LORD Jesus Christ, who by thy burial didst sanctify the grave to be a bed of hope to thy people: Vouchsafe, we beseech thee, to bless and hallow this Grave, that it may be a peaceful resting place for the body of thy servant; through thy mercy, O Blessed Saviour, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Answer. Amen.

The Communion

The Collect

GRANT, O Lord, that as we are baptized into the death of thy blessed Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, so by continual mortifying our corrupt affections we may be buried with him; and that through the grave, and gate of death, we may pass to our joyful resurrection; for his merits, who died, and was buried, and rose again for us, thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

The Epistle. 1 Thessalonians 4. 13

I WOULD not have you be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not precede them which are asleep. For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

The Gospel. St. John 11. 21

THEN said Martha unto Jesus, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died. But I know, that even now, whatsoever thou wilt ask of God God will give it thee. Jesus saith unto her, Thy brother shall rise again. Martha saith unto him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day. Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life; he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believeth thou this? She saith unto him, Yea, Lord: I believe that thou art the Christ, the Son of God, which should come into the world.
Burial of a Baptized Child

The Minister going before the body, says one or more of these Sentences:

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

I KNOW that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand up at the last upon the earth. Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another.

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

HE shall feed his flock like a shepherd: he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom.

The Service in Church
Psalm 23

THE Lord is my shepherd: therefore can I lack nothing.
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3 He shall convert my soul: and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his name's sake.
4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.
5 Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me: thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.
6 But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Burial of a Child

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

The Lesson. St. Mark 10. 13

THEY brought young children to him, that he should touch them: and his disciples rebuked those that brought them. But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not; for of such is the kingdom of God. Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein. And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them.

The Burial

While they are making ready the Minister says,

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

When the earth is cast in, the Minister says,

FORASMUCH as it hath pleased Almighty God of his great mercy to take unto himself the soul of this child here departed, we therefore commit his body to the ground; earth to earth, ashes to ashes, dust to dust; in sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life, through our Lord Jesus Christ; who shall change the body of our low estate, that it may be like unto his glorious body, according to the mighty working, whereby he is able to subdue all things to himself.

Minister.

THEY shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat. For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.
BURIAL OF A CHILD

Minister. Lord, have mercy upon us.
Answer. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Minister. Lord, have mercy upon us.

All say with the Minister.

OUR Father, which 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. Amen. Amen. Amen.

Minister.

WE yield thee hearty thanks, most merciful Father, that it hath pleased thee to regenerate this child with thy Holy Spirit, to receive him for thine own by adoption, and to incorporate him into thy holy Church. And humbly we beseech thee to grant that, as he is made partaker of the death of thy Son, he may also be partaker of his resurrection; so that finally, with the residue of thy holy Church, he may be an inheritor of thine everlasting kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Answer. Amen.

Minister.

O LORD Jesu Christ, who didst take little children into thine arms and bless them: Open thou our eyes, we beseech thee, to perceive that it is of thy goodness that thou hast taken this thy child into the everlasting arms of thine infinite love, and hast bestowed upon him the blessings of thy gracious favour; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Answer. Amen.

BLESSED Lord, who art the Father of mercies and the God of all consolation: We beseech thee of thy great goodness to comfort those who by the death of this child are sorely bereaved; and grant that they may so love and serve thee in this world, that in the world to come they may have life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. 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. Answer. Amen.

Ash Wednesday Service

After Mattins, the Litany being ended, the Minister shall say, BRESTHREN, in the Primitive Church there was a godly discipline, that, at the beginning of Lent, such persons as stood convicted of notorious sin were put to open penance, and punished in this world, that their souls might be saved in the day of the Lord; and that others, admonished by their example, might be the more afraid to offend.

Instead whereof, until the said discipline may be restored again, (which is much to be wished,) it is thought good, that at this time (in the presence of you all) should be read the general sentences of God's judgement against impenitent sinners, gathered out of the seven and twentieth Chapter of Deuteronomy, and other places of Scripture; and that ye should answer to every Sentence, Amen: To the intent that, being admonished of the great indignation of God against sin, ye may the rather be moved to earnest and true repentance; and may walk more warily in these dangerous days; fleeing from such vices, for which ye affirm with your own mouths the judgement of God to be due.

Minister. The man that maketh any carved or molten image to worship it, God shall judge.
Answer. Amen.

Minister. Whoso curseth father or mother God shall judge.
Answer. Amen.

Minister. Whoso smiteth his neighbour secretly God shall judge.
Answer. Amen.

Minister. Whoso taketh reward to slay the innocent God shall judge.
Answer. Amen.

Minister. Whoso putteth his trust in man, and in his heart goeth out of the seven and twentieth Chapter of Deuteronomy, and other places of Scripture; and that ye should answer to every Sentence, Amen: To the intent that, being admonished of the great indignation of God against sin, ye may the rather be moved to earnest and true repentance; and may walk more warily in these dangerous days; fleeing from such vices, for which ye affirm with your own mouths the judgement of God to be due.

Answer. Amen.
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Exhortation to Repentance

The Minister reads the Exhortation in the Book of Common Prayer; or gives an Address.

A Revised Exhortation

NOW seeing that God will bring into judgement all who do err from his commandments, let us repent us truly of our sins; let us return unto the Lord our God, with all contrition and meekness of heart; bewailing and lamenting our sinful life, acknowledging and confessing our offences, and seeking to bring forth worthy fruits of penitence.

It is revealed in Holy Scripture that it is appointed unto men once to die, and then there will be judgement, when every man shall give an account of himself to God.

Therefore, brethren, take we heed a little, while the day of salvation lasteth; for the night cometh when none can work. Let us not abuse the goodness of God, who calleth us mercifully to amendment, and of his endless pity promiseth us forgiveness of that which is past, if with a perfect and true heart we return unto him. For though our sins be as red as scarlet, they shall be made white as snow; and though they be like purple, yet they shall be made white as wool.

Let us therefore return unto him, who is the merciful receiver of all true penitent sinners; assuring ourselves that he is ready to receive us, and most willing to pardon us, if we come unto him with faithful repentance; if we submit ourselves unto him, and from henceforth walk in his ways; if we will take his easy yoke, and light burden upon us, to follow him in lowliness, patience, and charity, and be ordered by the governance of his Holy Spirit; seeking always his glory, and serving him duly in our vocation with thanksgiving.

All kneel and say Psalm 51

HAVE mercy upon me, O God, after thy great goodness: according to the multitude of thy mercies do away mine offences.

2 Wash me throughly from my wickedness: and cleanse me from my sin.

3 For I acknowledge my faults: and my sin is ever before me.

4 Against thee only have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight: that thou mightest be justified in thy saying, and clear when thou art judged.

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5 Behold, I was shaped in wickedness: and in sin hath my mother conceived me.

6 But lo, thou requirest truth in the inward parts: and shalt make me to understand wisdom secretly.

7 Thou shalt purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

8 Thou shalt make me hear of joy and gladness: that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice.

9 Turn thy face away from my sins: and put out all my misdeeds.

10 Make me a clean heart, O God: and renew a right spirit within me.

11 Cast me not away from thy presence: and take not thy holy Spirit from me.

12 O give me the comfort of thy help again: and establish me with thy free Spirit.

13 Then shall I teach thy ways unto the wicked: and sinners shall be converted unto thee.

14 Deliver me from blood-guiltiness, O God, thou that art the God of my health: and my tongue shall sing of thy righteousness.

15 Thou shalt open my lips, O Lord: and my mouth shall shew thy praise.

16 For thou desirest no sacrifice, else would I give it thee: but thou delightest not in burnt-offerings.

17 The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit: a broken and contrite heart, O God, shalt thou not despise.

18 O be favourable and gracious unto Sion: build thou the walls of Jerusalem.

19 Then shalt thou be pleased with the sacrifice of righteousness, with the burnt-offerings and oblations: then shall they offer young bullocks upon thine altar. 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.

Minister. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Answer. Christ, have mercy upon us.

Minister. Lord, have mercy upon us.

All say with the Minister.

OUR Father, which 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. Amen.
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O Lord, save thy servants; That put their trust in thee.
Send unto them help from above; And evermore mightily defend them.
Help us, O God our Saviour; And for the glory of thy name deliver us; be merciful to us sinners, for thy name's sake.
O Lord, hear our prayer!
And let our cry come unto thee.

Let us pray.

O LORD, we beseech thee, mercifully hear our prayers, and spare all those who confess their sins unto thee; that they, whose consciences by sin are accused, by thy merciful pardon may be absolved; through Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

O MOST mighty God, and merciful Father, who hast compassion upon all men, and hatest nothing that thou hast made: who wouldest not the death of a sinner, but that he should rather turn from his sin, and be saved; Mercifully forgive us our trespasses; receive and comfort us, who are grieved and wearied with the burden of our sins. Thy property is always to have mercy; to thee only it appertaineth to forgive sins. Spare us therefore, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed; enter not into judgement with thy servants, who are vile earth, and miserable sinners; but so turn thine anger from us, who meekly acknowledge our vileness, and truly repent of our faults, and so make haste to help us in this world, that we may ever live with thee in the world to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

All say with the Minister.

TURN thou us, O good Lord, and so shall we be turned. Be favourable, O Lord, Be favourable to thy people, Who turn to thee in weeping, fasting, and praying. For thou art a merciful God, Full of compassion, Long-suffering, and of great pity. Thou sparest when we deserve punishment, And in thy wrath thinkest upon mercy. Spare thy people, good Lord, spare them, And let not thine heritage be brought to confusion. Hear us, O Lord, for thy mercy is great, And after the multitude of thy mercies look upon us; Through the merits and mediation of thy blessed Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Then the Minister alone shall say,

THE Lord bless us, and keep us; the Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and give us peace, now and for evermore. Answer. Amen.

Family Prayer

It was the pious custom of our forefathers to assemble the Church in their house for united prayer and praise.

This witnessed to their faith in God, and to their dependence upon him, and proved a fruitful source of blessing to the home.

Family Prayer was not a substitute for Public Worship or for Private Prayer, and the family that honoured God in their own house was foremost in honouring him in his House on Sundays.

If the custom of Daily Family Prayer were adopted on any large scale we should witness a great revival of true religion in our midst.

It is desirable that the head of the household should act as Reader, and that the others should take their part by saying the responses aloud.

The Reader chooses a suitable portion of Holy Scripture, or one of the Psalms.

The table of Lessons [pages 550–574] provides Lessons for every day in the year.

Under the headings Occasional Prayers [pages 37–53] and Occasional Thanksgivings [pages 56–60] will be found numerous prayers and thanksgivings suitable for family use.
First Form of Family Prayer
For Morning Use

Bible Reading
A portion of Holy Scripture may be read. At its conclusion the Reader says,

Here endeth the Lesson.

The Reader says,

O GOD, thou art my God, early will I seek thee. In the morning I will direct my prayer unto thee, and will look up.

Let us pray.
Here may follow the Collect for the Day, see pages 307 to 467.

O ALMIGHTY Father, Giver of every good and perfect gift, who hast created the light, and made the light of thy truth to shine in our hearts: Help us to walk as children of the light, that we may have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

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

For Morning Use

Bible Reading
A portion of Holy Scripture may be read. At its conclusion the Reader says,
Here endeth the Lesson.

The Reader says,
We will remember thy presence, O God,
And lift up our hearts unto thee,
To God the Father, to whom we pray,
To God the Son, through whom we pray,
To God the Holy Ghost, in whom we pray.

Thanksgiving

WE thank thee, Heavenly Father, for thy love in creating us, and for taking care of us all through our life, and especially during the past night. Blessed be thy holy Name for ever.

Intercession

MERCIFUL Lord, we pray for all mankind, that every human being may realise thy mighty love, and live according to thy laws.
We pray for thy holy Church throughout all the world, and especially for the Church in this land; for our Bishop, and for the Clergy and people of this parish.
Bless our home, and all the members of this family and household. Grant us purity of heart, meekness of spirit, and charity of speech, that we may walk worthy of our high calling in Christ Jesus. Give us courage to face our daily duties, and diligence to perform them.
Bless our friends and bless our enemies, and create within us the spirit of penitence that we may be forgiven; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.
Answer. Amen.

Reader. Lord, have mercy upon us.
Answer. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Reader. Lord, have mercy upon us.

All say with the Reader.

OUR Father, which 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.

Reader.

GOD the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Ghost, bless, preserve, and keep us, this day and evermore.
Answer. Amen.
**Third Form of Family Prayer**

Bible Reading
A portion of Holy Scripture may be read.
At its conclusion the Reader says,
Here endeth the Lesson.

Reader. We praise thee, O God;
Answer. We acknowledge thee to be the Lord.
Reader. All the earth doth worship thee,
Answer. The Father everlasting.
Reader. Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ;
Answer. Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.
Reader. Thou sittest at the right hand of God;
Answer. In the Glory of the Father.
Reader. Day by day we magnify thee;
Answer. And we worship thy name, ever world without end. Amen.

Let us pray.
Reader. Lord, have mercy upon us.
Answer. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Reader. Lord, have mercy upon us.

All say with the Reader.

**Our Father, which 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.**

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Reader.

Let us pray for the Family.

**Merciful Saviour, who didst love Martha and Mary and Lazarus, blessing their home with thy sacred presence: Bless, we beseech thee, this our home, that thy love may rest upon us, and that thy promised presence may be with us. May we all grow in grace and in the knowledge of thee, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Teach us to love one another as thou didst give us commandment. Help us to choose that better part which shall not be taken away from us. Hear us, O Jesu, who, with the Father and the Holy Spirit livest and reignest, One God, world without end. Answer. Amen.**

Here may follow further prayers and thanksgivings, see pages 37 to 60.

**Let us pray for Faithfulness.**

**Remember, O Lord, what thou hast wrought in us, and not what we deserve; and as thou hast called us to thy service, make us worthy of our calling; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.**

**The Lord bless us and keep us; the Lord make his face to shine upon us, and be gracious unto us; the Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and give us peace, now and for evermore. Answer. Amen.**
**Bible Reading**

A portion of Holy Scripture may be read.

At its conclusion the Reader says,

Here endeth the Lesson.

The Reader says,

COME, Holy Ghost, fill the hearts of Thy faithful people, and kindle in them the fire of Thy love.

Send forth Thy Spirit, and they shall be made, and Thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

MOST Holy and Adorable Trinity, one God in three Persons, we believe that thou art here present; and with all our hearts we worship and adore thee.

All say with the Reader.

OUR Father, which 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.

Prayer for Pardon

LORD, we beseech thee, mercifully hear our prayers, and spare all those who confess their sins unto thee; that they, whose consciences by sin are accused, by thy merciful

**Prayer for Pardon**

O LORD, we beseech thee, mercifully hear our prayers, and spare all those who confess their sins unto thee; that they, whose consciences by sin are accused, by thy merciful
**Fifth Form of Family Prayer**

*Suitable for Friday*

**Bible Reading**

A portion of Holy Scripture may be read.

At its conclusion the Reader says,

Here endeth the Lesson.

**Reader.** O holy, blessed and glorious Trinity,
three Persons and one God;

**Answer.** Have mercy upon us, miserable sinners.

**Reader.** That it may please thee to give us
true repentance; to forgive us all
our sins, negligences and ignorances; and to
endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit to
amend our lives according to thy holy Word;

**Answer.** We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

**Reader.** Lord, have mercy upon us.

**Answer.** Christ, have mercy upon us.

**Reader.** Lord, have mercy upon us.

All say with the Reader.

**O UR Father, which 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.

**Reader.**

**ALMIGHTY God, we beseech thee gra-
ciously to behold this thy family, for
which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to

be betrayed, and given up into the hands of
wicked men and to suffer death upon the cross,
who now liveth and reigneth with thee and the
Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

**Answer.** Amen.

**O LORD, who for our sake didst fast forty
days and forty nights: Give us grace
to use such abstinence, that, our flesh being
subdued to the Spirit, we may ever obey thy
godly motions in righteousness, and true
holiness, to thy honour and glory, who livest
and reignest with the Father and the Holy
Ghost, one God, world without end.

**Answer.** Amen.

**O LORD Jesus Christ, we beseech thee by
the power of thy love even for the
outcast sinners, by thy strong pity for those
who put thee to an open shame; have mercy
on all who have been unfaithful to thee, and
have sold themselves to sin, and draw them
back from the depths of shame into which
they have fallen; hear us, O Saviour, who with
the Father and the Holy Ghost livest and
reignest God for ever and ever.

**Answer.** Amen.

**Reader.** O Saviour of the world, who by thy
Cross and precious blood hast
redeemed us;

**Answer.** Save us and help us, we humbly beseech
thee, O Lord.

**Reader.** May the Lord be with us always.

**Answer.** Amen.
Sixth Form of Family Prayer

For Evening Use

Bible Reading
A portion of Holy Scripture may be read.
At its conclusion the Reader says,
Here endeth the Lesson.

Suitable Evening Psalms
Psalm 4; Psalm 31. 1-6; Psalm 91; Psalm 134.

The Reader says,
ABIDE with us, O Lord, for it is towards evening, and the day is far spent.

MAY our evening prayers ascend up unto thee, O Lord, and thy mercy descend upon us.

Reader. Lord, have mercy upon us.
Answer. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Reader. Lord, have mercy upon us.

All say with the Reader.

OUR Father, which 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.

Reader. Blessed art thou, Lord God of our fathers;

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Answer. To be praised and glorified above all for ever.
Reader. Let us bless the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost;
Answer. Let us praise him and magnify him for ever.
Reader. Blessed art thou, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven;
Answer. To be praised and glorified above all for ever.
Reader. The Almighty and most merciful Lord guard us and give us his blessing.
Answer. Amen.

All say with the Reader.

WE confess to God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, through our own grievous fault. Wherefore we pray God to have mercy upon us.

Reader.

ALMIGHTY God, have mercy upon us, forgive us all our sins and deliver us from all evil, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and bring us to life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Answer. Amen.

Reader. Wilt thou not turn again and quicken us, O Lord;
Answer. That thy people may rejoice in thee.
Reader. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us;
Answer. And grant us thy salvation.
SIXTH FORM OF FAMILY PRAYER

Reader. Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this night without sin;
Answer. O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.
Reader. O Lord, hear our prayer;
Answer. And let our cry come unto thee.

Let us pray.
The Reader says at least three of the following Collects:

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

O LORD Jesus Christ, son of the living God, who at this evening hour didst rest in the sepulchre, and didst thereby sanctify the grave to be a bed of hope to thy people: Make us so to abound in sorrow for our sins, which were the cause of thy passion, that when our bodies lie in the dust, our souls may live with thee; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Answer. Amen.

VISIT, we beseech thee, O Lord, this place, and drive from it all the snares of the enemy; let thy holy angels dwell herein to preserve us in peace; and may thy blessing be upon us evermore; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Answer. Amen.

LOOK down, O Lord, from thy heavenly throne, illuminate the darkness of this night with thy celestial brightness, and from the sons of light banish the deeds of darkness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

BE present, O merciful God, and protect us through the silent hours of this night, so that we who are wearied by the changes and chances of this fleeting world, may repose upon thy eternal changelessness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.

O LORD, support us all the day long of this troublous life, until the shades lengthen, and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then, Lord, in thy mercy, grant us safe lodging, a holy rest, and peace at the last; through Jesus Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

SAVE us, O Lord, while waking, and guard us while sleeping: that awake we may be with Christ, and in peace may take our rest. Answer. Amen.

Reader. We will lay us down in peace and take our rest;
Answer. For it is thou, Lord, only that makest us dwell in safety.
Reader. Let us bless the Lord.
Answer. Thanks be to God.
Reader. The Almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, bless us and keep us;
Answer. Amen.
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Making Deacons, Ordaining Priests, and Consecrating Bishops

The Preface

IT is evident unto all men diligently reading Holy Scripture and ancient Authors, that from the Apostles' time there have been these Orders of Ministers in Christ's Church; Bishops, Priests, and Deacons. Which offices were evermore had in such reverend estimation, that no man might presume to execute any of them, except he were first called, tried, examined, and known to have such qualities as are requisite for the same, and also by publick Prayer, with Imposition of Hands, were approved and admitted thereunto by lawful authority.

And therefore to the intent that these Orders may be continued, and reverently used and esteemed, in the Church of England: No man shall be accounted or taken to be a lawful Bishop, Priest, or Deacon in the Church . . . or suffered to execute any of the said functions, except he be called, tried, examined, and admitted thereunto, according to the form hereafter following, or hath had formerly Episcopal Consecration or Ordination.

MAKING A DEACON

The Bishop lays his hands upon the Ordinand. T
AKE thou authority to execute the office of a Deacon in the Church of God committed unto thee; In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Bishop delivers to him the New Testament.

Take thou authority to read the Gospel in the Church of God, and to preach the same, if thou be thereto licensed by the Bishop himself.

ORDAINING A PRIEST

The Bishop with the Priests present lay their hands upon the head of the Deacon.

Receive the Holy Ghost for the office and work of a Priest in the Church of God, now committed unto thee by the imposition of our
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hands. Whose sins thou dost forgive, they are forgiven; and whose sins thou dost retain, they are retained. And be thou a faithful dispenser of the Word of God, and of his Holy Sacraments; In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Bishop delivers to him the Bible.

TAKE thou Authority to preach the Word of God, and to minister the Holy Sacraments in the Congregation, where thou shalt be lawfully appointed thereunto.

CONSECRATING A BISHOP

The Archbishop and Bishops lay their hands upon the head of the Priest.

RECEIVE the Holy Ghost, for the office and work of a Bishop in the Church of God, now committed unto thee by the imposition of our hands; In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

And remember that thou stir up the grace of God which is given thee by this imposition of our hands: for God hath not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, and love, and soberness.

The Archbishop delivers to him the Bible.

GIVE heed unto reading, exhortation, and doctrine. Think upon the things contained in this Book. Be diligent in them, that the increase coming thereby may be manifest unto all men. Take heed unto thyself, and to doctrine, and be diligent in doing them: for by so doing thou shalt both save thyself and them that hear thee. Be to the flock of Christ a shepherd, not a wolf; feed them, devour them not. Hold up the weak, heal the sick, bind up the broken, bring again the outcasts, seek the lost. Be so merciful, that you be not too remiss; so minister discipline, that you forget not mercy: that when the chief Shepherd shall appear you may receive the never-fading crown of glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Answer. Amen.