

THE ORDER FOR MORNING PRAYER



¶ The Morning Prayer may be begun by the singing of a Hymn or Anthem. Then the Minister shall read one or more of the following Sentences.

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

I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the LORD.

Psalm cxxii. 1.

*Bidding to
Worship*

Praise waiteth for thee, O God, in Sion; and unto thee shall the vow be performed. *Psalm lxxv. 1.*

God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth. *St. John iv. 24.*

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

Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my Strength, and my Redeemer. *Psalm xix. 14.*

FOR ADVENT

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

Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced

him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. *Rev. i. 7.*

He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, LORD Jesus. *Rev. xxii. 20.*

Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. *St. Matt. iii. 2.*

FOR CHRISTMAS

When the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the Law, to redeem them that were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. *Galatians iv. 4, 5.*

FOR THE EPIPHANY

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. *St. John i. 14.*

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

FOR PALM SUNDAY

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee; he is just, and having salvation. *Zech. ix. 9.*

FOR GOOD FRIDAY

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

Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree. *1 St. Peter ii. 24.*

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

FOR EASTER

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

I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live. *St. John xi. 25.*

FOR ASCENSIONTIDE

Thou hast ascended on high, thou hast led captivity captive; thou hast received gifts for men; yea, for the rebellious also, that the LORD God might dwell among them. *Psalms lxviii. 18.*

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

FOR WHITSUNDAY

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. *St. John xv. 26.*

FOR TRINITY SUNDAY

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

Through him we have access by one Spirit unto the Father. *Eph. ii. 18.*

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.

*Bidding to
Repentance*

Ezek. xviii. 27.

I acknowledge my transgressions; and my sin is ever before me. *Psalm li. 3.*

Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities. *Psalm li. 9.*

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise. *Psalm li. 17.*

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

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

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

Enter not into judgment with thy servant, O LORD; for in thy sight shall no man living be justified. *Psalm cxliii. 2.*

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. *1 St. John i. 8, 9.*

¶ Then shall the Minister say, in whole or in part, this EXHORTATION:

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 cloak them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy.

And although we ought, at all times, humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together, to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul.

Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me, with a pure heart and humble voice, unto the throne of the heavenly grace,—saying:

¶ A GENERAL CONFESSION, to be said by the whole Congregation, with the Minister, all kneeling.

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

those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou those who are penitent; According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our LORD. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake; That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

¶ A DECLARATION CONCERNING THE REMISSION OF SINS: to be said by the Minister, standing.

THE 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, hath in his holy Word given assurance that he pardoneth and absolveth all those who truly repent, and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel. Wherefore let us beseech him ever to grant us true repentance, and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him which we do at this present, and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our LORD. Amen.

¶ The People shall answer here, and at the end of every Prayer, *Amen.* [NOTE.—Wherever Amen is printed in Roman type, it is to be said by both Minister and People.]

¶ Then the Minister, kneeling, shall say the LORD'S PRAYER, the People repeating it with him, both here, and wheresoever else it is used.

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

¶ Then likewise he shall say,

O LORD, open thou our lips;

Answer. And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

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

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

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

Minister. Praise ye the LORD.

Answer. The LORD'S Name be praised.

¶ Then shall be said or sung the following Anthem, except on those days for which other Anthems are appointed.

Venite, Exultemus Domino. From Psalms xcvi
and xcvi

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the

earth; and with righteousness to judge the world, and the peoples with his truth.

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

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

¶ Then shall follow such portion of the Psalter as the Minister may select. And at the end of each Psalm may be said or sung the *Gloria Patri*. And at the end of the entire portion of the Psalms shall be said or sung the *Gloria Patri* or the *Gloria in Excelsis*.

Gloria Patri

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.

[For the *Gloria in Excelsis*, see page 80.]

¶ Then shall be read the first Lesson, from the Old Testament. After which shall be said or sung the following Hymn. But note: At the discretion of the Minister one or two of the Canticles into which it is divided may be omitted.

¶ Note, That before every Lesson, the Minister shall say, *Here beginneth such a Chapter, or Verse of such a Chapter, of such a Book:* And after every Lesson, *Here endeth the first, or, the second Lesson.*

Te Deum Laudamus

WE praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the LORD.

All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting.

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

To thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry,

Holy, Holy, Holy, LORD God of Sabaoth;

Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty of thy Glory.

The glorious company of the Apostles praise thee.

The goodly fellowship of the Prophets praise thee.

The noble army of Martyrs praise thee.

The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge thee;

The Father: of an infinite Majesty;

Thine adorable, true, and only Son;

Also the Holy Ghost, the Comforter.

THOU art the King of Glory, O Christ.

Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.

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

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

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

We believe that thou shalt come to be our Judge.

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

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

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

Govern them, and lift them up for ever.

Day by day we magnify thee;

And we worship thy Name ever, world without end.

Vouchsafe, O LORD, to keep us this day without sin.

O LORD, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.

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

O LORD, in thee have I trusted; let me never be confounded.

¶ Or this:

Magnificate Dominum. From Psalm xxxiv

O MAGNIFY the LORD with me, and let us exalt his Name together.

O taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him.

O fear the LORD, ye that are his saints; for there is no want to them that fear him.

The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous, and his ears are open unto their cry.

The LORD is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart, and saveth such as are of a contrite spirit.

The LORD redeemeth the soul of his servants; and none of them that trust in him shall be condemned.

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

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

¶ Then shall be read the second Lesson, taken out of the New Testament. And after that shall be said or sung the following Anthem:

Jubilate Deo. Psalm c

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

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

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

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

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.

¶ Or—especially from Christmas to Easter Even—this:

Benedictus. St. Luke i. 68–71

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

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

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

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

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

¶ Then shall be said the APOSTLES' CREED [or else the Nicene Creed—page 68], by the Minister and the People, standing: And any churches may insert after the words, "Was crucified, dead, and buried," the words, *He descended into hell*, or the words, *He went into the place of departed spirits*.

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

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

[NOTE.—By “The holy Catholic Church” is signified *the blessed company of all faithful people in Christ.*]

¶ Then the Minister shall say,

The LORD be with you;

Answer. And with thy spirit.

Minister. Let us pray.

O LORD, show thy mercy upon us;

Answer. And grant us thy salvation.

Minister. O God, make clean our hearts within us;

Answer. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

¶ Then shall follow the Collect for the Day, except when the Communion Service is read.

A Collect for Peace

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

A Collect for Grace

O LORD, our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day; De-

fend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings, being ordered by thy governance, may be righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our LORD. *Amen.*

¶ Here may follow a Hymn or Anthem.

¶ Here, at the discretion of the Minister, the Litany may be said; in which case, the following Prayers shall be omitted.

*A Prayer for the President of the United States
and all others in Civil Authority*

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

¶ When the Congress of the United States is in session, here shall be said the special Prayer on page 39.

¶ Here may be used any of the Occasional Prayers (pages 39-63), or Extemporaneous Prayer, or, here may be substituted for all that follows all the prayers on page 26 through page 29, beginning with A Prayer for the Holy Spirit.

A Prayer for Ministers and People

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift; Send down upon all Bishops and other Ministers, and upon the Congregations committed to their charge, the healthful Spirit of

thy grace; and, that they may truly please thee, pour upon them the continual dew of thy blessing: Grant this, O LORD, for the honor of our Advocate and Mediator, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

A Prayer for all Conditions of Men

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

A General Thanksgiving

¶ To be said by the People, with the Minister.

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. 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 may show 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 honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

¶ Here may be used the Collect, "Almighty God, who hast promised to hear . . ." (page 56) in place of the following SUPPLICATION.

A General Supplication

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

The Grace. 2 Cor. xiii. 14

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

¶ Here endeth the Order for Morning Prayer.

