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The First Edition of the St. Andrew Service Book was approved for use by the Western Rite Congregations of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America in 1989. This, the Second Edition, improved in format and expanded in content, will be welcomed by the clergy and laity of our archdiocese who worship in a tradition as ancient as the Eastern.

We take this opportunity to commend and sincerely thank Archpriest Michael Keiser, the original compiler of the service book, as well as the Board of the Orthodox Christian Press, Archimandrite Michael Trigg, Fr. John Downing, and especially Mr. Karl Steinhoff, for their many hours of dedicated labor in preparing the revised edition.

We pray that the attentive use of these authorized liturgies and other rites and ceremonies by the Western rite clergy and laity of our beloved Archdiocese will be the cause of a spiritual and liturgical renewal within our church in North America.

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... the Disciples were called Christians first in Antioch ACTS 11:26

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Preface

The Faith of the Orthodox Church is universal, transcending differences of geography and culture. Her worship, on the other hand, has always been sensitive to the diverse cultural and linguistic expressions of the Faith throughout the world.

During the first thousand years, before Christianity experienced the Great Schism between the East and the West, the five great centers, or Patriarchates, of Rome, Constantinople, Alexandria, Antioch, and Jerusalem held the Orthodox Christian Faith in common, but used different eucharistic liturgies to express that Faith. When the Church of Rome broke with Orthodox Christianity, it took with it the ancient liturgies of the previously Orthodox Christian West.

Before that time, there would have been no difficulty in stating that the Western Rite of Orthodoxy was simply the liturgy as used by Orthodox Christians in the West. As years passed, however, Western Rite liturgy erroneously came to be identified with the theological errors of the Western Church, while the Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom increasingly came to be seen as the only and definitive form of Orthodox Christian eucharistic worship.

This had the unfortunate effect of Orthodoxy's forgetting, and even denying, the riches of a thousand years of Western Orthodox Christian history, witness, and spirituality as seen in the lives of St. Patrick, St. Bede, St. Augustine of Canterbury, St. Benedict, St. Vincent of Lerins, St. Gregory the Great, and so many others.

Centuries passed before it was possible to restore the Western Rite to its proper role as the ancient spiritual, cultural, and liturgical expression of the Orthodox Church in the West. Occurring first in Europe in the nineteenth century, restoration of the rite would not take place in North America until the turn of the twentieth century,

when it was approved for use in the United States by the Holy Synod of the Russian Orthodox Church.

Later it was Metropolitan ANTONY (Bashir), who, acting under a directive from His Beatitude ALEXANDER III, Patriarch of Antioch, in 1961 authorized use of the Western Rite within the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America.

Since that time, under the leadership of Metropolitan PHILIP (Saliba) and the guidance of the Very Reverend Fr. Paul W. S. Schnierla, the Vicar General of the Western Rite, congregations have grown in number, becoming a growing dimension of the Antiochian Archdiocese's mission as it seeks to bring the Orthodox Christian Faith to people of all cultures and ethnic backgrounds.

This Service Book includes the daily offices of Matins and Vespers, the Eucharistic Liturgies, and the sacramental rites, as well as devotional materials approved for use within the Archdiocese by Western Rite Orthodox congregations.

There are two forms of the Divine Liturgy. One is the revision of the Gregorian Liturgy, corrected in light of Orthodox faith and practice, as approved in 1870 by the Russian Holy Synod and subsequent Orthodox Patriarchs. The other, the Liturgy of St. Tikhon, is based upon English usage and was corrected and approved by the Russian Holy Synod in 1904. It is named after St. Tikhon because it was he who, when serving as missionary bishop in America, was instrumental in securing its original approval.

Recognition and gratitude must be offered for the pioneering work done by the Rt. Revs. Alexander Turner and Joseph Angwin, who brought these liturgies to their current form.

The Rt. Rev. Michael E. Trigg, D.Phil. (Oxon.)
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A Table of Fast and Abstinence

Strict Fast Days

Ash Wednesday Good Friday

Wednesdays and Fridays are days of abstinence throughout the year.

Fast Periods During the Year:

- Advent
- The Forty Days of Lent
- The Ember Days at the four seasons, being the Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday after the First Sunday in Lent, the Feast of Pentecost, September 14, and December 13.

The Wednesdays and Fridays that fall during a fast period are considered days of fast and abstinence.

Note: There is no fast or abstinence of any kind from Christmas Day to the eve of Epiphany, or from Easter to the following Sunday.

Abstinence means to avoid eating certain kinds of food; e.g., flesh meat, dairy products.

Fasting means to reduce the amount of food eaten, generally to one and one-half meals per day.

The Order for Matins



The Order for Matins

- *All standing, the officiant begins:*

P. O Lord, open Thou our lips.

R. And our mouth shall show forth Thy praise.

P. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

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

P. Praise ye the Lord.

R. The Lord's Name be praised.

- *Then shall be said or sung the following Canticle:*

Venite (Psalm 95)

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.

Today if you will hear His voice, harden not your hearts; * as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness;

When your fathers tempted Me, * proved Me, and saw My works.

Matins

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.

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.*

- *Note - in non-penitential seasons, after the words "the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand", the remainder of the canticle may be replaced with the following:*

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.*

Psalter

- *Then follows the portion of the psalter appointed for the day. After each psalm shall be said:*

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.*

Matins

The First Lesson

- *After the Psalter shall be the first lesson appointed for the day. The lector announces the reading, saying:*

Here beginneth the *NUMBER* verse of the *NUMBER* chapter of the book of *NAME*.

- *NOTE - Should the reading begin with the first verse of a chapter, the words "the first verse of" may be omitted in introducing the reading. Should the reading begin with the beginning of a book, the words "the first chapter of" may be similarly omitted.*
- *At the conclusion of the lesson the lector says:*

Here endeth the first lesson.

- *Then shall be said or sung:*

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 the following may be said:*

Benedictus es, Domine

BLESSED art Thou, O Lord God of our fathers: * praised and exalted above all for ever.

Blessed art Thou for the Name of Thy Majesty: * praised and exalted above all for ever.

Blessed art Thou in the temple of Thy holiness: * praised and exalted above all for ever.

Blessed art Thou that beholdest the depths, and dwellest between the Cherubim: * praised and exalted above all for ever.

Blessed art Thou on the glorious throne of Thy kingdom: * praised and exalted above all for ever.

Blessed art Thou in the firmament of heaven: * praised and exalted above all 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

- *The New Testament lesson is then read, the lector introducing the reading in a fashion similar to that of the first lesson, saying*

Here beginneth the *NUMBER* verse of the *NUMBER* chapter of the Epistle of *NAME* to *NAME* (Gospel according to *NAME*).

- *At the conclusion of the reading he says:*

Here endeth the second lesson.

- *Then shall be said or sung the hymn following:*

Benedictus

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.

To perform the mercy promised to our forefathers, * and to remember His holy covenant;

To perform the oath which He sware to our forefather Abraham, * that He would give us;

That we being delivered out of the hand 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 * for 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, * and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

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.*

• *On days when the Liturgy does not follow, the Nicene Creed on page 65 may be said here. Otherwise, all may recite together:*

The Apostles' Creed

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 Catholic Church, the Communion of Saints, the Forgiveness of sins, the Resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. *Amen.*

• *After the creed is said, or otherwise after the Benedictus, the officiant begins:*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

• *All recite together:*

The Lord's Prayer

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. *Amen.*

• *The officiant shall say:*

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

P. Let us pray.

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.*

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

Matins

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.*

- *Other prayers may be added at this point. In particular, prayers commonly used in this portion of the office appear in the section beginning on page 27.*

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

P. Let us bless the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

P. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

R. Amen.

- *The officiant concludes with:*

Benediction

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.*

The Order for Vespers



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- *All standing, the officiant begins:*

P. O Lord, open Thou our lips.

R. And our mouth shall show forth Thy praise.

P. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

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

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The First Lesson

- *After the Psalter, the lector reads from the Old Testament, announcing and ending as at Matins.*
- *Then shall be said or sung:*

Magnificat

MY soul doth magnify the Lord, * and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For He hath regarded * the lowliness of His handmaiden.

For behold, from henceforth * all generations shall call me blessed.

For He that is mighty hath magnified me; * and holy is His Name.

Vespers

And His mercy is on them that fear Him * throughout all generations.

He hath showed strength with His arm; * He hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat, * and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things; * and the rich He hath sent empty away.

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

- *The lector reads the lesson from the New Testament as appointed, announcing and ending as at Matins.*

- *Then may be said or sung:*

Nunc dimittis

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;

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;

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Vespers

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- *Then the officiant begins:*

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• Then the officiant shall say:

- P. The Lord be with you.
- R. And with thy spirit.
- P. Let us pray.

• Then shall follow the collect for the day, closing collects, and other prayers at the discretion of the officiant. In particular, prayers commonly used in this portion of the office appear in the section beginning on page 27.

Collect for Peace

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 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. *Amen.*

DEFEND us, we beseech Thee, O Lord, from all perils of mind and body; and at the intercession of the blessed and glorious Mary, the ever-Virgin Mother of God, of blessed Joseph, of Thy blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, of blessed Andrew and of all the Saints, graciously bestow upon us both peace and safety, that all adversity and error being done away with, Thy Church may serve Thee in untroubled freedom. Through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord. *Amen.*

- P. The Lord be with you.
- R. And with thy spirit.
- P. Let us bless the Lord.
- R. Thanks be to God.
- P. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
- R. Amen.

Prayer of St. John 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 will 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.*

Benediction

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.*

***Prayers and
Thanksgivings***

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The Jesus Prayer

LORD Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy upon me, a sinner.

Prayer to the Mother of God

HAIL, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the Fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now, and at the hour of our death. *Amen.*

Prayer to St. Michael, Archangel

HOLY Michael, Archangel, defend us in the day of battle; be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, Prince of the Heavenly Hosts, by the power of God, thrust down to hell Satan and all wicked spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. *Amen.*

O PRINCE Most Glorious, Michael the Archangel, keep us in remembrance: here and everywhere, always entreat the Son of God for us. *Amen.*

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For the Spirit of Prayer

ALMIGHTY God, who pourest out on all who desire it, the spirit of grace and of supplication, deliver us, when we draw nigh to Thee, from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind, that with steadfast thoughts and kindled affections, we may worship Thee in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Prayer to a Patron Saint

PRAY unto God for me, O holy Saint (*Name*) well pleasing to God; For I turn unto thee, who art the speedy helper and intercessor for my soul. *Amen.*

Prayer to a Guardian Angel

HOLY Guardian Angel, to whose care God, in His mercy, hast committed me, stand by me now, and at my last hour; protect me against all the powers of darkness; defend me from all my enemies, and conduct my soul to the mansions of bliss. *Amen.*

For a Sick Person

FATHER of mercies and God of all comfort, our only help in time of need; We humbly beseech Thee to behold, visit, and relieve Thy sick servant (*Name*) for whom our prayers are desired. Look upon *him* with the eyes of Thy mercy; comfort *him* with a sense of Thy goodness; preserve *him* from the temptations of the enemy; and give *him* patience under *his* affliction. In Thy good time, restore *him* to health, and enable *him* to lead the residue of *his* life in Thy fear, and to Thy glory; and grant that finally *he* may dwell with Thee in life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For a Sick Child

HEAVENLY Father, watch with us, we pray Thee, over the sick child for whom our prayers are offered, and grant that *he* may be restored to that perfect health which it is Thine alone to give; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For One About to Undergo an Operation

ALMIGHTY God our heavenly Father, we beseech Thee graciously to comfort Thy servant in *his* suffering, and to bless the means made use of for *his* cure. Fill *his* heart with confidence, that though *he* be sometime afraid, *he* yet may put *his* trust in Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For Those in Mental Darkness

HEAVENLY Father, we beseech Thee to have mercy upon all Thy children who are living in mental darkness. Restore them to strength of mind and cheerfulness of spirit, and give them health and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving After Deliverance From Trouble

ALMIGHTY and merciful God, I most humbly and heartily thank Thy divine Majesty for Thy loving kindness and tender mercies, that Thou hast heard my humble prayer, and graciously vouchsafed to deliver me from my trouble and misery. Grant me, I beseech Thee, Thy helping grace, that I may obediently walk in Thy holy commandments, and live a godly, righteous, and sober life, ever remembering Thy mercies, and the blessings Thou hast undeservedly bestowed upon me, that I may continually offer to Thee the sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving for Recovery from Sickness

O GOD, who art the giver of life, of health, and of safety; We bless Thy Name, that Thou hast been pleased to deliver from *his* bodily sickness this Thy servant, who now desireth to return thanks unto Thee, in the presence of all Thy people. Gracious art Thou, O Lord, and full of compassion to the children of men. May *his* heart be duly impressed with a sense of Thy merciful goodness, and may *he* devote the residue of *his* days to an humble, holy, and obedient walking before Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving for a Child's Recovery

ALMIGHTY God and heavenly Father, we give Thee humble thanks for that Thou hast been graciously pleased to deliver from *his* bodily sickness the child in whose behalf we bless and praise Thy Name, in the presence of all Thy people. Grant, we beseech Thee, O gracious Father, that *he*, through Thy help, may both faithfully live in this world according to Thy will, and also may be a partaker of everlasting glory in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving for the Church

O GOD, whose glory fills the skies, I laud and praise Thy holy Name for all the blessings brought to me and to all in Thy holy Church, especially for our own parish. I bless Thee for the gifts of faith, knowledge, and of a whole mind; for the grace of membership, and the joy of fellowship; May the operation of Thy Sacraments so knit us all to Thee in grace that we may be able without fear or hesitation to behold Thy wonders in nature. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

An Act of Praise

TO God the Father, who first loved us and made us accepted in the Beloved; To God the Son, who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own Blood; To God the Holy Spirit, who sheds the love of God abroad in our hearts: Be all love, and all glory, for time and for eternity. *Amen.*

The Angelus

- *When read in a group, the Angelus is normally read responsively.*

The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary * and she conceived by the Holy Spirit.

HAIL, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the Fruit of thy womb, Jesus. * Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now, and at the hour of our death. *Amen.*

Behold, the handmaid of the Lord. * Be it done to me according to Thy word.

HAIL, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the Fruit of thy womb, Jesus. * Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now, and at the hour of our death. *Amen.*

And the Word was made flesh * and dwelt among us.

HAIL, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the Fruit of thy womb, Jesus. * Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now, and at the hour of our death. *Amen.*

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ. Pour forth, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy grace into our hearts, that we to whom the incarnation of thy Son was made known by the message of an angel, may by his Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His resurrection. Through Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

- *The following are prayers commonly used by Orthodox Christians of the Byzantine (Eastern) Rite. Western Rite Orthodox Christians are encouraged to become familiar with these prayers and make frequent use of them.*

Morning Prayers

The Trisagion Prayers

IN the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

Glory to Thee, our God, glory to Thee.

O HEAVENLY King, O Comforter, the Spirit of Truth, who art in all places and fillest all things; Treasury of good things and Giver of life: Come and dwell in us and cleanse us from every stain, and save our souls, O Gracious Lord.

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal: have mercy on us. *(Thrice)*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: now and ever, and unto ages of ages. *Amen.*

ALL-HOLY Trinity, have mercy on us. Lord, cleanse us from our sins. Master, pardon our iniquities. Holy God, visit and heal our infirmities for Thy Name's sake.

Lord, have mercy. *(Thrice)*

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. *Amen.*

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit: now and ever, and unto ages of ages. *Amen.*

Troparia to the Holy Trinity

HAVING arisen from sleep, we fall down before Thee, O Blessed One, and sing to Thee, O Mighty One, the Angelic Hymn: Holy, Holy, Holy art Thou, O God. Through the Theotokos have mercy on us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

FROM my bed and sleep Thou hast raised me: O Lord, enlighten my mind and my heart, and open my lips that I may praise Thee, O Holy Trinity : Holy, Holy, Holy art Thou, O God. Through the Theotokos have mercy on us.

Both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. *Amen.*

SUDDENLY the Judge shall come, and the deeds of each shall be revealed: but with fear we cry out in the middle of the night: Holy, holy, holy art Thou, O God. Through the Theotokos have mercy on us.

Lord, have mercy. *(12 times)*

A Prayer to the Holy Trinity

ARISING from sleep I thank Thee, O Holy Trinity, because of the abundance of Thy goodness and long-suffering Thou wast not wroth with me, slothful and sinful as I am; neither hast Thou destroyed me in my transgressions: but in Thy compassion raised me up, as I lay in despair; that at dawn I might sing the glories of Thy Majesty. Do Thou now enlighten the eyes of my understanding, open my mouth to receive Thy words, teach me Thy commandments, help me to do Thy will, confessing Thee from my heart, singing and praising Thy All-holy Name: of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit: now and ever, and unto ages of ages. *Amen.*

A Prayer of St. Basil the Great

WE bless Thee, O God most high and Lord of mercies, who ever workest great and mysterious deeds for us, glorious, wonderful, and numberless; who providest us with sleep as a rest from our infirmities and as a repose for our bodies tired by labor. We thank Thee that Thou hast not destroyed us in our transgressions, but in Thy love toward mankind Thou hast raised us up, as we lay in despair, that we may glorify Thy Majesty. We entreat Thine infinite goodness, enlighten the eyes of our understanding and raise up our minds from the heavy sleep of indolence; open our mouths and fill them with Thy praise, that we may unceasingly sing and confess Thee, who art God glorified in all and by all, the eternal Father, the Only-begotten Son, and the all-holy and good and life-giving Spirit; now and ever, and unto ages of ages. *Amen.*

Midday Prayers

- *Say first the Trisagion Prayers, then the following prayer:*

O CHRIST our God, who at this hour didst stretch out Thy loving arms upon the Cross that all men might be gathered unto Thee, help us and save us who cry out unto Thee; Glory to Thee, O Lord.

- *After adding personal devotions, conclude with:*

Through the prayers of our holy Fathers, Lord Jesus Christ our God, have mercy upon us and save us. *Amen.*

Evening Prayers

- *Say first the Trisagion Prayers, then the following prayers:*

Troparia of Thanksgiving

NOW that the day has come to a close, I thank Thee, O Lord, and I ask that the evening with the night may be sinless; grant this to me, O Saviour, and save me.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

NOW that the day hath passed, I glorify Thee, O Master, and I ask that the evening, with the night may be without offence; grant this to me, O Saviour, and save me.

Both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. *Amen.*

NOW that the day hath run its course, I praise Thee, O Holy One, and I ask that the evening with the night may be undisturbed; grant this to me, O Saviour, and save me.

Lord, have mercy *(12 times)*

A Prayer for Forgiveness

O LORD our God, if during this day I have sinned, whether in word, or deed, or thought, forgive me all, for Thou art good and lovest mankind. Grant me peaceful and undisturbed sleep, and deliver me from all influence

and temptation of the evil one. Raise me up again in proper time that I may glorify Thee; for Thou art blessed: with Thine Only-begotten Son and Thine All-holy Spirit: now and ever, and unto ages of ages. *Amen.*

- *Say then the Creed, and the following prayer:*

O CHRIST our God, who at all times and in every hour, in heaven and on earth, art worshiped and glorified; who art long-suffering, merciful and compassionate; who lovest the just and showest mercy upon the sinner; who callest all to salvation through the promise of blessings to come; O Lord, in this hour receive our supplications, and direct our lives according to Thy commandments. Sanctify our souls, hallow our bodies, correct our thoughts, cleanse our minds; deliver us from all tribulation, evil, and distress. Encompass us with Thy holy Angels, that guided and guarded by them, we may attain to the unity of the faith and to the knowledge of Thine unapproachable glory, for Thou art blessed unto ages of ages. *Amen.*

- *After private devotions and intercessions, conclude with*

Through the prayers of our holy Fathers, Lord Jesus Christ our God, have mercy upon us and save us. *Amen.*

- *Upon lying down to sleep, say*

INTO Thy hands, O Lord, I commend my soul and my body. Do Thou Thyself bless me, have mercy upon me, and grant me life eternal. *Amen.*

Occasional Prayers

Prayer to the Holy Spirit

O HEAVENLY King, O Comforter, Spirit of Truth, who art in all places and fillest all things; Treasury of good things and Giver of Life: Come and dwell in us and cleanse us from every stain, and save our souls, O Gracious Lord.

Prayer to the All-holy Trinity

THE Father is my hope; the Son is my refuge; the Holy Spirit is my protector. O All-holy Trinity, glory to Thee. *Amen.*

Prayer to the Mother of God

IT is truly meet to bless thee, O Theotokos, who art ever blessed and all-blameless, and the Mother of our God. More honorable than the Cherubim, and more glorious beyond compare than the Seraphim, thou who without stain bearest God the Word, and art truly Theotokos: we magnify thee. *Amen.*

Prayer to a Guardian Angel

O ANGEL of Christ, holy guardian and protector of my soul and body, forgive me everything wherein I have offended thee every day of my life, and protect me from all influence and temptation of the evil one. May I never more anger God by any sin. Pray for me to the Lord, that He may make me worthy of the grace of the All-holy Trinity, and of the Most Blessed Theotokos, and of all the Saints. *Amen.*

Prayer Upon Entering a Church

I WILL come into Thy house in the multitude of Thy mercy: and in Thy fear I will worship toward Thy holy temple. Lead me, O Lord, in Thy righteousness because of mine enemies; make Thy way straight before me, that with a clear mind I may glorify Thee for ever, One Divine Power worshiped in three Persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

Prayer Upon Leaving a Church

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; To be a Light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of Thy people Israel.

A Prayer of Repentance

O LORD our God, good and merciful, I acknowledge all my sins which I have committed every day of my life, in thought, word, and deed; in body and soul alike. I am heartily sorry that I have ever offended Thee, and I sincerely repent; with tears I humbly pray Thee, O Lord: of Thy mercy forgive me all my past transgressions and absolve me from them. I firmly resolve, with the help of Thy grace, to amend my way of life and to sin no more; that I may walk in the way of the righteous and offer praise and glory to the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

A Prayer Before Commencing Any Task

ALmighty God, our Help and Refuge, Fountain of wisdom and Tower of strength, who knowest that I can do nothing without Thy guidance and help; assist me, I pray Thee, and direct me to divine wisdom and power,

that I may accomplish this task, and whatever I may undertake to do, faithfully and diligently, according to Thy will, so that it may be profitable to myself and others, and to the glory of Thy Holy Name. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit: now and ever, and unto ages of ages. *Amen.*

A Prayer of Repentance

- *May be said with Morning or Evening Prayers, or separately.*

O LORD our God, good and merciful, I acknowledge all my sins which I have committed every day of my life, in thought, word, and deed; in body and soul alike. I am heartily sorry that I have ever offended Thee, and I sincerely repent; with tears I humbly pray Thee, O Lord: of Thy mercy forgive me all my past transgressions and absolve me from them. I firmly resolve, with the help of Thy Grace, to amend my way of life and to sin no more; that I may walk in the way of the righteous and offer praise and glory to the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

Trisagion For the Dead

- *On the occasion of the passing away of one of the Faithful, the anniversary thereof, or upon the conclusion of a time of mourning, the "Trisagion for the Dead" may be recited.*

Priest. Blessed is our God always, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. *Amen.*

Reader. Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us. Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us. Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: now and ever, and unto ages of ages. *Amen.*

All-holy Trinity, have mercy on us. Lord, cleanse us from our sins. Master, pardon our iniquities. Holy God, visit and heal our infirmities for Thy name's sake.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: now and ever, and unto ages of ages. *Amen.*

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.

P. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit: now and ever, and unto ages of ages. *Amen.*

- *The choir, or priest, then sings the following hymns in tone 4.*

With the spirits of the righteous made perfect, give rest to the soul of Thy servant, O Saviour; and preserve it in that life of blessedness which is with Thee, O Thou who lovest mankind.

In the place of Thy rest, O Lord, where all Thy Saints repose, give rest also to the soul of Thy servant, for Thou only lovest mankind.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

Thou art our God, who descended into Hell, and loosed the bonds of those who were there; Thyself give rest also to the soul of Thy servant.

Now and ever, and unto ages of ages. *Amen.*

O Virgin, alone pure and immaculate, who without stain didst bring forth God, intercede for the salvation of *his* soul.

P. Have mercy upon us, O God, according to Thy great goodness, we pray Thee; hearken and have mercy.

C. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

P. Again we pray for the repose of the soul of the servant of God, (*Name*), departed this life; and that Thou wilt pardon *his* every transgression, both voluntary and involuntary.

C. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

P. That the Lord God will establish *his* soul where the Just repose; the mercies of God, the kingdom of heaven, and remission of *his* sins, let us ask of Christ, our Immortal King and our God.

C. Grant this, O Lord.

P. Let us pray to the Lord.

C. Lord, have mercy.

P. O God of spirits and of all flesh, who has trampled down death, and made powerless the devil, and given life to Thy world: Do Thou, the same Lord, give rest to the soul of Thy departed servant, (*Name*), in a place of brightness, a place of verdure, a place of repose, whence all sickness, sorrow, and sighing have fled away. Pardon every sin which *he* hath committed, whether by word, or deed, or thought, for Thou art good, and lovest mankind: for there is no man who liveth and sinneth not, and Thou only art without sin, and Thy righteousness is to all eternity, and Thy law is truth.

P. Let us pray to the Lord.

C. Lord, have mercy.

P. For Thou art the Resurrection, and the Life, and the Repose of Thy departed servant, *(Name)*, O Christ our God, and unto Thee we ascribe glory, together with Thy Father who is from everlasting, and Thine all-holy, and good, and life-giving Spirit: now and ever and unto ages of ages. *Amen.*

P. Wisdom! O Blessed Theotokos, who art most holy, save us.

C. More honorable than the Cherubim and beyond compare more glorious than the Seraphim, thou who without stain barest God the Word, and art truly Theotokos, we magnify thee.

P. Glory to Thee, O Christ, our God and our hope, glory to Thee.

C. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: now and ever, and unto ages of ages. *Amen.*

The Benediction

MAY Christ, our true God, who hast dominion over the living and the dead, through the intercessions of His all-immaculate and all-blameless holy Mother; of our venerable and God-bearing Fathers, and of all the Saints, establish the soul of His servant, *(Name)*, departed this life, in His holy mansions, and number *him* among the Just, and have mercy upon us, forasmuch as He is good and loveth mankind.

Through the prayers of our Holy Fathers, Lord Jesus Christ our God, have mercy upon us and save us. *Amen.*

C. Memory eternal. Memory eternal. Memory eternal.

Preparation for Holy Communion

IN the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

PSALM 43. Judica me, Deus.

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

For Thou art the God of my strength: why hast Thou put me from Thee: and why go I so heavily, while the enemy oppreseth me?

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

And that I may go unto the Altar of God, even unto the God of my joy and gladness: and upon the harp will I give thanks unto Thee, O God, my God.

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

O put thy trust in God: for I will yet give Him thanks, which is the help of my countenance, and my God.

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 MOST blessed Saviour, in union with the faithful at every Altar of Thy Church where Thy blessed Body and Blood are being offered to the Father, I desire to offer Thee praise and thanksgiving:

- For Thy greater glory
- For the remembrance of Thy sacrifice.
- To give thanks for all blessings, especially . . .
- To ask help of Thee, especially for . . .
- To ask Thee to bless friends and relations, especially . . .
- For the dead, especially . . .

Let the power of the Holy Spirit come upon us, O Lord, we beseech Thee that He may both mercifully cleanse our hearts, and defend us from all adversities. Amen.

Thanksgiving for Holy Communion

O GOD, who under a wonderful Sacrament has left unto us a memorial of Thy Passion; grant us, we beseech Thee, so to venerate the sacred Mysteries of Thy Body and Blood; that we may ever perceive within ourselves the fruit of Thy redemption. Who livest and reignest, world without end. *Amen.*

Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, sanctify me;
Body of Christ, save me;
Blood of Christ, inebriate me;
Water from the side of Christ, wash me;
Passion of Christ, strengthen me;
O good Jesu, hear me;
Within Thy wounds hide me;
Suffer me not to be separated from Thee;
From the malicious enemy defend me;
In the hour of my death call me,
And bid me come to Thee.
That with Thy Saints I may praise Thee
For ever and ever. *Amen.*

An Oblation of Self

ACCCEPT, O Lord, my entire liberty, my memory, my understanding, and my will. All that I am and have Thou hast given me; and I give all back to Thee to be disposed of according to Thy good pleasure. Give me only the comfort of Thy presence and joy of Thy love; with these I shall be more than rich and shall desire nothing more.

BLESSED, praised, worshiped and adored be Jesus Christ, on His throne of glory in heaven, and in the most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.

The Litany



**THROUGH THY CROSS AND PASSION
O LORD + DELIVER US**

The Litany
or General Supplication

O God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth;
Have mercy upon us.

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world;
Have mercy upon us.

O God the Holy Ghost, Sanctifier of the faithful;
Have mercy upon us.

O Holy, Blessed, and Glorious Trinity, one God;
Have mercy upon us.

Remember not, Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers; neither take Thou vengeance of our sins: Spare us, good Lord, spare Thy people, whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy most precious Blood, and be not angry with us for ever.

Spare us, good Lord.

From all evil and mischief; from sin; from the crafts and assaults of the devil; from Thy wrath, and from everlasting damnation,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all blindness of heart; from pride, vainglory, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice, and all uncharitableness,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From all inordinate and sinful affections; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil,

Good Lord, deliver us.

From lightning and tempest; from earthquake, fire, and flood; from plague, pestilence, and famine; from battle and murder, and from sudden death,

Good Lord, deliver us.

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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,
Good Lord, deliver us.

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

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 Spirit,
Good Lord, deliver us.

In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death, and in the day of judgment,
Good Lord, deliver us.

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;
We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee so to rule the heart of Thy servant, our head of state, that *he* may above all things seek Thy honour and glory;
We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to bless and preserve all Christian Rulers and Magistrates, giving them grace to execute justice, and to maintain truth;
We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to 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 show it accordingly;
We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

The Litany

That it may please Thee to send forth labourers into Thy harvest;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to bless and keep all Thy people;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to give to all nations unity, peace, and concord;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to give us an heart to love and fear Thee, and diligently to live after Thy commandments;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to give to all Thy people increase of grace to hear meekly Thy Word, and to receive it with pure affection, and to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred, and are deceived;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to strengthen such as do stand; and to comfort and help the weak-hearted; and to raise up those who fall; and finally to beat down Satan under our feet;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to succour, help, and comfort, all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to preserve all who travel by land, by water, or by air, all women in child-birth, all sick persons, and young children; and to show Thy pity upon all prisoners and captives;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

The Litany

That it may please Thee to defend, and provide for, the fatherless children, and widows, and all who are desolate and oppressed;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to have mercy upon all men;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to give and preserve to our use the kindly fruits of the earth, so that in due time we may enjoy them;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please Thee to give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and to endue us with the grace of Thy Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to Thy Holy Word;

We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

Son of God, we beseech Thee to hear us.

Son of God, we beseech Thee to hear us.

O Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world;

Grant us Thy peace.

O Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world;

Have mercy upon us.

O Christ, hear us.

O Christ, hear us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Litany

• *Then shall all say the Lord's Prayer:*

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. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

WE humbly beseech Thee, O Father, mercifully to look upon our infirmities; and, for the glory of Thy Name, turn from us all those evils that we most justly have deserved; and grant, that in all our troubles we may put our whole trust and confidence in Thy mercy, and evermore serve Thee in holiness and pureness of living, to Thy honour and glory; through our only Mediator and Advocate, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Divine Liturgy of St. Tikhon



LORD, may the recep-
tion of your blessed
sacrament cleanse
us from sin and uni-
te us all in you +
Amen.

The Divine Liturgy of St. Tikhon

commonly called The Mass

- *During Advent and Lent, the Liturgy may begin with the recitation of the Litany, which appears on pages 51-55.*
- *On Sundays and other special Feast days, the Liturgy may continue with the reminder of our Baptism, called*

The Asperges

ANT. Thou shalt purge me, O Lord, with hyssop, and I shall be clean; Thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Ps. 51. Have mercy upon me, O God, after Thy great goodness.

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 Gloria Patri is omitted on Passion Sunday and on Palm Sunday.*

ANT. Thou shalt purge me, O Lord, with hyssop, and I shall be clean; Thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

- *On Sunday, from Easter Day to Pentecost inclusive, the following shall be sung instead of the above.*

ANT. I beheld water which proceeded from the temple, on the right side thereof, Alleluia; And all they to whom that water came were healed every one, and they say, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Ps. 118. O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is gracious, and His mercy endureth 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.*

ANT. I beheld water which proceeded from the temple, on the right side thereof, Alleluia; And all they to whom that water came were healed every one and they say, Alleluia, Alleluia.

P. O Lord, show Thy mercy upon us. (Alleluia)

R. And grant us Thy salvation. (Alleluia)

P. O Lord, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto Thee.

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

P. Let us pray.

GRACIOUSLY hear us, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, everlasting God; and vouchsafe to send Thy holy Angel from heaven, to guard and cherish, to protect and visit, and to defend all who dwell in this Thy holy habitation; Through Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

• *At Solemn Liturgy, incense is set, after which the altar and priest are censed. The priest, standing at the altar, may begin the following preparation:*

P. In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. I will go unto the altar of God.

R. Even unto the God of my joy and gladness.

P. *Ps. 43.* Give sentence with me O God, and defend my cause against the ungodly people: O deliver me from the deceitful and wicked man.

R. 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?

P. O send out Thy light and Thy truth that they may lead me: and bring me unto Thy holy hill and to Thy dwelling.

R. And that I may go unto the altar of God, even unto the God of my joy and gladness: and upon the harp will I give thanks unto Thee, O God, my God.

P. Why art thou so heavy, O my soul: and why art thou so disquieted within me?

R. O put thy trust in God, for I will yet give Him thanks: which is the help of my countenance and my God.

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

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

• *The foregoing psalm is omitted in Requiem Masses, and from Passion Sunday to Easter.*

P. I will go unto the altar of God.

R. Even unto the God of my joy and gladness.

P. Our help is in the (+) Name of the Lord.

R. Who hath made heaven and earth.

P. I confess to Almighty God, to blessed Mary Ever-Virgin, to blessed Michael the Archangel, to blessed John the Baptist, to the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, to all the Saints, and to you brethren: that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed, by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault. Therefore, I beg blessed Mary Ever-Virgin, blessed Michael the Archangel,

blessed John the Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, all the Saints, and you, brethren, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

R. Almighty God have mercy upon you, forgive you your sins, and bring you to everlasting life.

P. Amen.

- *In the following, the word "Father" replaces the word "brethren" in the confiteor just recited.*

R. I confess . . . and to you, Father: that I have sinned . . . etc.

P. Almighty God have mercy upon you, forgive you your sins, and bring you to everlasting life.

R. Amen.

P. May the Almighty and Merciful Lord grant us pardon, absolution (+) and remission of all our sins.

R. Amen.

P. Turn us, again, O Lord, and quicken us.

R. That Thy people may rejoice in Thee.

P. O Lord, show Thy mercy upon us.

R. And grant us Thy salvation.

P. O Lord, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto Thee.

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

P. Let us pray.

- *The priest ascends to the altar and reverences it with a kiss.*

The Introit

- *The appointed psalm verse is said or sung. The priest, standing at the altar, says the opening devotions.*

ALMIGHTY God unto whom all hearts are 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. *Amen.*

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:

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 neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

- *Then shall be said or sung:*

The Kyrie

Lord, have mercy upon us.	(Kyrie, eleison)
Lord, have mercy upon us.	(Kyrie, eleison)
Lord, have mercy upon us.	(Kyrie, eleison)
Christ, have mercy upon us.	(Christe, eleison)
Christ, have mercy upon us.	(Christe, eleison)
Christ, have mercy upon us.	(Christe, eleison)
Lord, have mercy upon us.	(Kyrie, eleison)
Lord, have mercy upon us.	(Kyrie, eleison)
Lord, have mercy upon us.	(Kyrie, eleison)

The Gloria In Excelsis

P. Glory be to God on high,

R. And on 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, Jesus 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, 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 (Jesus) Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the (+) glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

- *The Gloria is omitted during Advent and Lent, and at Nuptial and Requiem Masses.*

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

P. Let us pray.

The Collects

- *Then the priest shall read the appropriate Collects for the day, at the end of which is said*

. . . world without end. R. *Amen.*

The Epistle

- *Then the Epistle appointed for the day is read or sung, concluding with*

R. Thanks be to God.

The Gradual

- *The priest prays to worthily proclaim the Gospel, incense is set, and the Book of the Gospels censed after the salutation.*

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

P. The continuation (beginning) of the Holy Gospel according to *(Name)*.

- *The people, standing, sign themselves on the forehead, lips and breast.*

R. Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

- *The Gospel is then read or sung, concluding with*

R. Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

- *Here, the Sermon may be delivered and announcements made. But note that the sermon may be delivered at another place, at the discretion of the priest.*

The Nicene Creed

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 (*kneel*), and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; (*rise*) 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.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father; who, with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets; And I believe One Holy Catholic and Apostolic 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 creed is said on all Sundays and Greater Feasts, but is omitted at Nuptial and Requiem Masses.*

The Offertory

- P. The Lord be with you.
R. And with thy spirit.
P. Let us pray.

- *The appropriate verse is said or sung. A Hymn may be sung while the priest prepares the offering of bread and wine with the appropriate prayers. At Solemn Mass, incense is set, and the offering, altar, celebrant, and people are censured. This done, the priest turns to the people and bids them to share in the offering.*

- P. Pray brethren, that this my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.
R. May the Lord receive this sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of His Name, both to our benefit, and that of all His holy Church.

The Memorials

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church.

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 accept (these) our oblations, and 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 those who 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, so to direct and dispose the hearts of all Christian Rulers, that they may truly and impartially administer justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of Thy true religion and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and other Ministers, especially (*Name*), our Patriarch, (*Name*), our Metropolitan, and to the Holy Synod of Antioch, 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 especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive Thy holy 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 those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

- *The priest may here commemorate specific names.*

And we also bless (+) Thy Holy Name for all Thy servants, departed this life in Thy faith and fear; beseeching Thee to grant them continual growth in Thy love and service. And give us grace so to follow the good examples of blessed Mary and all Thy Saints, that, through their intercessions,

we with them may be partakers of Thy heavenly kingdom. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

- *Here may be said the following communion devotions. But note, that they may be omitted, or said immediately before communion, at the discretion of the priest.*

The Communion Devotions

- *Then shall the priest say to those who intend to receive Holy Communion:*

YE who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbors, 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, devoutly kneeling.

- *Then shall the priest and all those of a mind to receive Holy Communion say together*

The General Confession

ALMIGHTY 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 honor and glory of Thy Name; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

- *Then shall the priest turn to the people and say*

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of His great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto Him; have mercy upon you; pardon (+) and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

The Comfortable Words

P. Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all who truly turn to Him:

COME unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. *St. Matthew xi. 28.*

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. *St. John iii. 16.*

Hear also what St. 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. *I Timothy i. 15.*

Hear also what St. 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. *I John ii. 1, 2.*

The Sursum Corda

- P. The Lord be with you.
R. And with thy spirit.
P. Lift up your hearts.
R. We lift them up onto the Lord.
P. Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
R. It is meet and right so to do.
P. 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.

The Proper Preface

- *Here shall follow the proper preface, if there be one, followed by*

Therefore, with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Thy glorious Name; evermore praising Thee, and saying,

The Sanctus

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of Thy glory: Glory be to Thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed (+) is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord. Hosannah in the highest.

The Canon of the Mass

The Consecration

ALL glory be to Thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that Thou, of Thy tender mercy, didst give Thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who there (by His own oblation of himself once offered) made 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 and sacrifice, until His coming again: *(A bell rings once.)* For in the night in which He was betrayed, He took bread; and when He had given thanks, He brake it, and gave it to His disciples, saying, Take, eat, this is My Body, which is given for you; Do this in remembrance of Me. *(A bell rings thrice for the offering of the Host.)* Likewise, after supper, He took the cup; and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of this; 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. *(A bell rings thrice for the offering of the Cup.)*

The Oblation

WHEREFORE, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of Thy dearly beloved Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ, we, Thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before Thy Divine Majesty, with these Thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto Thee, the memorial Thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance His blessed Passion and precious Death, His mighty Resurrection and glorious Ascension; rendering unto Thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

The Epiclesis

AND we most humbly beseech Thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and of Thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to send down Thy Holy Spirit upon these Thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine, that they may be changed into the Body and Blood of Thy most dearly beloved Son. Grant that we, receiving them 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.

R. *Amen. Amen. Amen.*

AND we earnestly 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 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, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto Thee; humbly beseeching Thee, that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of Thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with Thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with Him, that He may dwell in us, and we in Him. And although we are 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 honor and glory be unto Thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *Amen.*

Let us pray. And now as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer

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.*

- *The Doxology is omitted from the Lord's Prayer at all Low, Nuptial, and Requiem Masses.*
- *The priest now says the prayer for the Fracture, or breaking of the Bread, and exchanges the Pax, or Peace, with the congregation.*

DELIVER us, we beseech Thee, O Lord, from all evils, past, present, and to come: And at the intercession of the blessed, glorious, and Ever-Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with that of Thy blessed Apostles, Peter and Paul, and of Andrew and all Thy Saints favorably grant peace in our time, that we may ever be kept free from sin, and safe from all disquietude; through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son our Lord, who with Thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth one God, world without end. *Amen.*

P. The peace of the Lord be always with you.
R. And with thy spirit.

The Agnus Dei

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

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

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: grant us Thy peace.

- *In Requiem Masses, instead of "Have mercy upon us," the following is said: "Grant them rest, grant them rest, grant them rest eternal."*

- *Then shall the priest and people say together:*

The Prayer of Humble 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. 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 in us. *Amen.*

- *The priest makes his own Communion. The bell may ring three times, signalling the people to come forward for Communion. Turning to the faithful, the priest says:*

P. Behold the Lamb of God; behold Him that takest away the sins of the world.

- *Repeated three times:*

P. Lord, I am not worthy that Thou shouldest come under my roof,

R. But speak the word only and my soul shall be healed.

- *Then shall the priest and people say together the following prayer in preparation to receive Holy Communion.*

I BELIEVE, O Lord, and I confess that Thou art truly the Christ, the son of the living God, who didst come into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief. And I believe that this is truly Thine own immaculate Body, and that this is truly Thine own precious Blood. Wherefore I pray Thee, have mercy upon me and forgive my transgressions, both voluntary and involuntary, of word and

of deed, of knowledge and of ignorance; and make me worthy to partake without condemnation of Thine immaculate Mysteries, unto remission of my sins and unto life everlasting. *Amen.*

Holy Communion

- ***In accordance with Orthodox canon law and practice, only Orthodox Christians may receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion in Orthodox Churches.***
- *The priest and assisting clergy communicate the people with the following words:*

(For the Host) The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which is 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.

(For the Chalice) 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.

(If the Body and Blood are administered together) The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given and shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life.

- *After Communion, the priest performs the Ablutions, cleansing the sacred vessels.*
- *If the propers are being chanted, the Communion Verse for the day is sung at this point. If not sung, it is read following the*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Let us pray.

- *The priest and people shall say together:*

ALMIGHTY and everliving 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 favor 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 His most precious death and passion. And we 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 honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

P. The Lord be with you.
R. And with thy spirit.
P. Let us pray.

- *Then are said or sung, the Post-Communion Collects that are appointed for the day, ending with*

. . . world without end. *Amen.*

The Dismissal

P. The Lord be with you.
R. And with thy spirit.
P. Depart in peace.
R. Thanks be to God.

- *Or, in penitential seasons,*

P. Let us bless the Lord.
R. Thanks be to God.

- *At Requiem Masses is said:*

P. May they rest in peace.
R. 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. *Amen.*

- *Then may be said, all standing:*

P. The Lord be with you.
R. And with thy spirit.
P. The beginning of the Holy Gospel according to St. John.
R. Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

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 made 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 the Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. That was the true Light, which lighteth

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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 the will of man, but of God *(kneel)* And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, *(rise)* and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

R. Thanks be to God.

***The Divine Liturgy of
St. Gregory***



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*commonly called
The Mass*

- *On Sundays, the service may begin with the weekly reminder of our Baptism, called*

The Asperges

ANT. Thou shalt purge me, O Lord, with hyssop, and I shall be clean; Thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Ps. 51. Have mercy upon me, O God, after Thy great goodness.

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 Gloria Patri is omitted on Passion Sunday and on Palm Sunday.*

ANT. Thou shalt purge me, O Lord, with hyssop, and I shall be clean; Thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

- *On Sunday, from Easter Day to Pentecost inclusive, the following shall be sung instead of the above.*

ANT. I beheld water which proceeded from the temple, on the right side thereof, Alleluia; And all they to whom that water came were healed every one, and they say, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Ps. 118. O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is gracious, and His mercy endureth 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.*

ANT. I beheld water which proceeded from the temple, on the right side thereof, Alleluia; And all they to whom that water came were healed every one and they say, Alleluia, Alleluia.

- P. O Lord, show Thy mercy upon us. (Alleluia).
R. And grant us Thy salvation. (Alleluia)
P. O Lord, hear my prayer.
R. And let my cry come unto Thee.
P. The Lord be with you.
R. And with thy spirit.
P. Let us pray.

GRACIOUSLY hear us, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, everlasting God; and vouchsafe to send Thy holy Angel from heaven, to guard and cherish, to protect and visit, and to defend all who dwell in this Thy holy habitation. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

- *At Solemn Mass, a hymn may be sung while the preparation is said, and the altar is censed.*

- P. In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
R. Amen.
P. I will go unto the altar of God.
R. Even unto the God of my joy and gladness.
P. *Ps. 43.* Give sentence with me O God, and defend my cause against the ungodly people: O deliver me from the deceitful and wicked man.
R. 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?

- P. O send out Thy light and Thy truth that they may lead me: and bring me unto Thy holy hill and to Thy dwelling.
R. And that I may go unto the altar of God, even unto the God of my joy and gladness: and upon the harp will I give thanks unto Thee, O God, my God.
P. Why art thou so heavy, O my soul: and why art thou so disquieted within me?
R. O put thy trust in God, for I will yet give him thanks: which is the help of my countenance and my God.
P. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost
R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. *Amen.*

- *NOTE, the foregoing psalm is omitted in Requiem Masses, and from Passion Sunday to Easter.*

- P. I will go unto the altar of God.
R. Even unto the God of my joy and gladness.
P. Our help is in the (+) Name of the Lord.
R. Who hath made heaven and earth.
P. I confess to Almighty God, to blessed Mary Ever-Virgin, to blessed Michael the Archangel, to blessed John the Baptist, to the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, to all the Saints, and to you brethren: that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed, by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault. Therefore, I beg blessed Mary Ever-Virgin, blessed Michael the Archangel, blessed John the Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, all the Saints, and you, brethren, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

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R. Almighty God have mercy upon you, forgive you your sins, and bring you to everlasting life.

P. Amen.

In the following, the word "Father" replaces the word "brethren" in the confiteor just recited.

R. I confess . . . and to you, Father: that I have sinned . . . etc.

P. Almighty God have mercy upon you, forgive you your sins, and bring you to everlasting life.

R. Amen.

P. May the Almighty and Merciful Lord grant us pardon, absolution (+) and remission of all our sins.

R. Amen.

P. Turn us, again, O Lord, and quicken us.

R. That Thy people may rejoice in Thee.

P. O Lord, show Thy mercy upon us.

R. And grant us Thy salvation.

P. O Lord, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto Thee.

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

P. Let us pray.

- *The priest ascends to the altar, saying appropriate prayers, and reverencing it with a kiss.*

The Introit

- *The appointed psalm verse is sung or read. At Solemn Mass, incense is blessed, and the altar and celebrant censed.*

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The Kyrie

Kyrie, eleison (Lord, have mercy).

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Christe, eleison (Christ, have mercy).

Christe, eleison (Christ, have mercy).

Christe, eleison (Christ, have mercy).

Kyrie, eleison (Lord, have mercy).

Kyrie, eleison (Lord, have mercy).

Kyrie, eleison (Lord, have mercy).

The Gloria in Excelsis

P. Glory be to God on high,

R. And on 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, Jesus 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, 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 (Jesus) Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the (+) glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

- *The Gloria is omitted during Advent and Lent, and at Nuptial and Requiem Masses.*

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit

P. Let us pray.

The Collects

- Then the priest shall read the appropriate Collects for the day, at the end of which is said

. . . world without end. R. Amen.

The Epistle

- Then the Epistle appointed for the day is read, concluding with

R. Thanks be to God.

The Gradual

- The priest prays to worthily proclaim the Gospel, incense is set, and the Book of the Gospels censed after the salutation.

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

P. The continuation (beginning) of the Holy Gospel according to (Name).

- The people, standing, sign themselves on the forehead, lips and breast.

R. Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

- The Gospel is then read or sung, concluding with

R. Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

- Here, the Sermon may be delivered and announcements made. But NOTE, that the sermon may be delivered at another place, at the discretion of the priest.

The Nicene Creed

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 (*kneel*), and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; (*rise*) 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.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father; who, with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets; And I believe One Holy Catholic and Apostolic 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.

- NOTE, the Creed is said on all Sundays and Greater Feasts, but is omitted at Nuptial and Requiem Masses.

The Offertory

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

P. Let us pray.

- The appropriate verse is said or sung. A hymn may be sung while the priest prepares the Offering of bread and wine with the appropriate prayers. At Solemn Mass incense is set, and the Offering, Altar, celebrant, and people are censed. This done, the priest turns to the people and bids them to share in the offering.

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- P. Brethren, pray that this my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.
R. May the Lord receive this sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of His Name, both to our benefit, and that of all His holy Church.

The Secrets

- *The priest says the Secret prayers proper to the day. He concludes,*
... throughout ages of ages. R. Amen.

The Sursum Corda

- P. The Lord be with you.
R. And with thy spirit
P. Lift up your hearts.
R. We lift them up unto the Lord.
P. Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.
R. It is meet and right so to do.
P. 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.

The Proper Preface

- *Here shall follow the proper preface, if there be one, followed by*

Through Christ, our Lord, by whom the angels praise Thy majesty, the Dominions adore Thee, the Powers tremble, the Heavens and the heavenly Host and the blessed Seraphim join with one glad voice in extolling Thee. To their voices we pray Thee, let ours be added, while we say with humble praise:

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The Sanctus

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of Thy glory: Glory be to Thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed (+) is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord. Hosannah in the highest.

The Canon

The consecration

THEREFORE, most merciful Father, we humbly pray and beseech Thee through Jesus Christ, Thy Son our Lord, that Thou wouldst be pleased to accept and bless these gifts, these offerings, these holy, spotless sacrifices, which we offer Thee in the first place for Thy holy Catholic Church, that Thou wouldst vouchsafe to keep her in peace under Thy protection, to bring her to unity and to guide her throughout the world: likewise for *(Name)* our Patriarch, for *(Name)* our Metropolitan, for the Holy Synod of Antioch, for the head of our State, and for all Orthodox believers who hold the Catholic and apostolic faith.

Remember, O Lord, Thy servants and all here present whose faith and devotion are known unto Thee, for whom we offer, or who offer to Thee this sacrifice of praise for themselves and those belonging to them, for the salvation of their souls, for their health and welfare, and who pay their vows to Thee, the eternal, living and true God. *(Here specific intentions may be made.)*

In communion with, and venerating first the memory of the glorious and Ever-Virgin Mary, Mother of our Lord and God Jesus Christ; and also of Thy blessed Apostles and Martyrs *(here individual saints may be named)* and of all Thy

Saints, through whose prayers grant that in all things we may be guarded by the help of Thy protection. Through the same Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

WE therefore pray Thee, O Lord, mercifully to accept this offering of our service and that of all Thy family; to order our days in Thy peace, to deliver us from eternal damnation, and to number us in the flock of Thine elect. Through Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

WHICH offering, we beseech Thee, O God, to bless, consecrate, approve, make worthy and acceptable in every way, that it may become for us the Body and Blood of Thy most beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Who, the day before He suffered, took bread into His holy and venerable hands and, with His eyes lifted up to heaven unto Thee, God His Almighty Father, giving thanks unto Thee, He blessed, brake and gave it to His disciples, saying: Take and eat ye all of this, for This is my Body.

IN like manner after He had supped, taking also this excellent chalice into His holy and venerable hands, again giving thanks unto Thee, He blessed it, and gave it to His disciples saying: Take and drink ye all of this, for This is the cup of my Blood of the new and eternal testament, the mystery of faith, which shall be shed for you and for many unto the remission of sins. As oft as ye shall do these things, ye shall do them in remembrance of Me.

WHEREFORE, O Lord, we Thy servants, as also Thy holy people, calling to mind the blessed Passion of the same Christ, Thy Son our Lord, His Resurrection from the dead and glorious Ascension into heaven, offer unto

Thy most excellent Majesty of Thy gifts bestowed upon us a pure host, a holy host, a spotless host, the holy bread of eternal life, and the chalice of everlasting salvation.

Upon which vouchsafe to look with a favorable and serene countenance, and to accept them as Thou wert graciously pleased to accept the gifts of Thy just servant Abel, and the sacrifice of our patriarch Abraham, and that which Thy high priest Melchisedech offered unto Thee, a holy sacrifice, a spotless victim.

The Epiiclesis

AND we beseech Thee, O Lord to send down Thy Holy Spirit upon these offerings, that He would make this bread the precious Body of Thy Christ, and that which is in this Cup the precious Blood of Thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ, transmuting them by Thy Holy Spirit.

R. *Amen. Amen. Amen.*

WE humbly beseech Thee, Almighty God, to command that these things be borne by the hands of Thy holy angel to Thine altar on high, into the presence of Thy divine Majesty, that so many of us as shall partake at this altar of the most sacred Body and Blood of Thy Son, may be filled with all heavenly benediction. Through the same Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

BE mindful also, O Lord, of Thy servants who are gone before us with the sign of faith, and who rest in the sleep of peace. (*here the departed are commemorated*) To them, O Lord, and to all who rest in Christ, grant we pray Thee a place of refreshment, light and peace, through the same Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

TO us sinners also, Thy servants, confiding in the multitude of Thy mercies, grant some lot and partnership with Thy holy apostles and martyrs (*Here individual saints may be named.*) and with all Thy saints, into whose company we pray Thee of Thy mercy to admit us, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences. Through Christ, our Lord, by whom O Lord, Thou dost ever create, sanctify, quicken, bless and bestow upon us all these good things. For by him, and with him, and in him is to Thee, God the Father Almighty, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory, throughout all ages of ages. *Amen.*

Let us pray. Instructed by saving precepts and following Thy divine institution, we presume to say:

The Lord's Prayer

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.*

- *The priest now says the prayer for the Fracture, or breaking of the bread, and exchanges the Pax, or Peace, with the congregation.*

P. . . .throughout all ages of ages. *Amen.*

P. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

The Agnus Dei

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

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

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: grant us Thy peace.

- *At Requiem Masses, instead of "Have mercy upon us", the following is said or sung: "Grant them rest, grant them rest, grant them rest eternal."*
- *The priest then says the following pre-communion prayers, which the people may also say.*

OLORD Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, who by the will of the Father and the cooperation of the Holy Spirit hast, by Thy death, given life to the world, deliver me, I beseech Thee, by this Thy most holy Body and Blood, from all iniquities and from every evil. Make me ever obedient to Thy commandments, and suffer me not to be for ever separated from Thee, who livest and reignest with God the Father, in the unity of the same Spirit, God, throughout all ages of ages. *Amen.*

LET not the participation of Thy Body, O Lord Jesus Christ, which I albeit unworthy, receive, be to me for judgment and condemnation; but by Thy goodness may it be a safeguard and remedy both to soul and body, who with God the Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, livest and reignest, God, throughout all ages of ages. *Amen.*

- *The priest makes his own Communion. The bells may ring three times signaling the people to come forward for Communion. Turning to the faithful, the priest says:*

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P. Behold the Lamb of God; behold him that takest away the sins of the world.

• *Then, three times:*

P. Lord, I am not worthy that Thou shouldest enter under my roof.

R. But only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

• *Then shall the priest and people say together the following prayer in preparation to receive Holy Communion.*

I BELIEVE, O Lord, and I confess that Thou art truly the Christ, the son of the living God, who didst come into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief. And I believe that this is truly Thine own immaculate Body, and that this is truly Thine own precious Blood. Wherefore I pray Thee, have mercy upon me and forgive my transgressions, both voluntary and involuntary, of word and of deed, of knowledge and of ignorance; and make me worthy to partake without condemnation of thine immaculate Mysteries, unto remission of my sins and unto life everlasting. *Amen.*

Holy Communion

• ***In accordance with Orthodox canon law and practice, only Orthodox Christians may receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion in Orthodox Churches.***

• *The priest and assisting clergy communicate the people with the following words:*

P. May the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ preserve thy soul unto everlasting life. *Amen.*

• *After communion, the priest performs the Ablutions, cleansing the sacred vessels.*

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• *The proper Communion verse is read or sung. Then all stand for*

The Postcommunion Prayer

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

P. Let us pray. . . throughout all ages of ages. *Amen.*

The Dismissal

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

P. Ite missa est.

R. Deo Gratias.

• *In penitential seasons, may be said:*

P. Let us bless the Lord

R. Thanks be to God.

• *At Requiem Masses is said:*

P. May they rest in peace.

R. Amen.

• *Then the priest says the final prayer, and turns to the people, and says:*

The Blessing

THE blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, (+) and the Holy Spirit, descend upon you, and remain with you always. *Amen*

• *Then may be read the Prologue to John's Gospel, all standing:*

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

P. The beginning of the Holy Gospel according to St. John.

R. Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

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 made 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 the 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 the will of man, but of God *(kneel)* And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, *(rise)* and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

R. Thanks be to God.

An Authorized Form for
The Administration of Holy Communion
in Exceptional Circumstances

- *A priest or deacon, when visiting those who, for reasons of age or infirmity, are unable to attend the Divine Liturgy, may communicate the Orthodox faithful using the following rite:*
- *All present may begin by saying:*

The Lord's Prayer

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. *Amen.*

Invitation to Confession

- *The priest or deacon shall say to all those present*

YE who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbors, 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.

The General Confession

- *Then shall the priest and all those of a mind to receive Holy Communion say together*

ALMIGHTY 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 honor and glory of Thy Name; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

- *or, if desirable, this shortened form:*

O ALMIGHTY Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we confess that we have sinned against Thee in thought, word, and deed. Have mercy upon us, O God, after Thy great goodness; according to the multitude of Thy mercies, do away with our offences and cleanse us from our sins; for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.*

- *Opportunity shall here be given for private confession to be made to the priest, after which the priest, granting absolution, shall say:*

THE Almighty and merciful Lord grant thee pardon and remission of all thy sins, and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

The Communion Devotions

- *Then shall the priest or deacon, together with all those present, say*

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. 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 in us. *Amen.*

- *or, if preferred, the following:*

I BELIEVE, O Lord, and I confess that Thou art truly the Christ, the son of the living God, who didst come into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief. And I believe that this is truly Thine own immaculate Body, and that this is truly Thine own precious Blood. Wherefore I pray Thee, have mercy upon me and forgive my transgressions, both voluntary and involuntary, of word and of deed, of knowledge and of ignorance; and make me worthy to partake without condemnation of thine immaculate Mysteries, unto remission of my sins and unto life everlasting. *Amen.*

Administration of Communion

- *The priest or deacon administers Holy Communion to those Orthodox Christians present who are prepared to receive the Sacrament, with the following words:*

The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given and shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life.

- *When appropriate, the following rite of Unction and/or laying on of hands by a priest may take place at this time.*

I ANOINT thee with oil, (*or*) (and) I lay my hand(s) upon thee, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit; beseeching the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all thy pain and sickness of body being put to flight, the blessing of health may be restored unto thee. *Amen.*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY and everliving 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 favor 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 His most precious death and passion. And we 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 honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

The Blessing

- *The priest may close with*

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. *Amen.*

- *If the rite is conducted by a deacon, he may close with*

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.*

- *NOTE - in extreme circumstances, all the foregoing may be omitted except for the Confession and absolution (if performed by a priest) in preparation for receiving Communion.*

Prayers

- *These prayers may be said with the foregoing rite, at the discretion of the priest or deacon.*

A Prayer For Recovery

O GOD of heavenly power, who, by the might of Thy command, drivest away from our bodies all sickness and all infirmity; Be present in Thy goodness with this Thy servant, that *his* weakness may be banished and *his* strength recalled; that *his* health being thereupon restored, *he* may bless Thy holy Name; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

A Prayer for Healing

O ALMIGHTY God, who art the giver of all health, and the aid of them that turn to Thee for succour; We entreat Thy strength and goodness in behalf of this Thy servant, that *he* may be healed of *his* infirmities, to Thine honour and glory; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

A Thanksgiving for the Beginning of a Recovery

GREAT and mighty God, who bringest down to the grave, and bringest up again, we bless Thy wonderful goodness, for having turned our heaviness into joy and our mourning into gladness, by restoring this our *brother* to some degree of *his* former health. Blessed be Thy Name that Thou didst not forsake *him* in *his* sickness, but didst visit *him* with comforts from above; didst support *him* in patience and submission to Thy will; and at last didst send *him* seasonable relief. Perfect, we beseech Thee, this Thy mercy towards *him*; and prosper the means which shall be made use of for *his* cure, that, being restored to health of body, vigour of mind, and cheerfulness of spirit, *he* may be able to go to Thine house, to offer Thee an obla-

tion with great gladness, and to bless Thy holy Name for all Thy goodness toward *him*; Through Jesus Christ, our Saviour, to whom, with Thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

A Prayer for Spiritual and Physical Renewal

O LORD, holy Father, by whose loving-kindness our souls and bodies are renewed, mercifully look upon this Thy servant, that, every cause of sickness being removed, *he* may be restored to soundness of health; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

Veneration of the Blessed Sacrament

This service is dedicated to the Presence of our Lord Jesus Christ, in the bread and wine. It is a time for enjoying the presence of God, and it is also an act of thanksgiving for the Holy Eucharist.

Devotion to the Blessed Sacrament in the West parallels devotion to the icon in the East. Both devotions are based upon the same Incarnational theology, and the same desire of the faithful to “come and see”, to have a devotional point of contact with Jesus.

- *The priest, having placed the Host in the monstrance, kneels before the altar and intones the following hymn:*

O salutaris hostia

O saving victim, opening wide
The gates of heaven to man below,
Our foes press on from every side,
Thine aid supply, Thy strength bestow.

All praise and thanks to Thee ascend
For evermore, blest One in Three:
O grant us life that shall not end
In our true native land with Thee. *Amen.*

- *A litany or hymn of praise may be offered here, then the following hymn:*

Tantum ergo Sacramentum

Therefore we before him bending,
This great Sacrament revere;
Types and shadows have their ending,
For the newer rite is here;
Faith our outward sense befriending,
Makes our inward vision clear.
Glory let us give and blessing

To the Father and the Son;
Honor, thanks, and praise addressing,
While eternal ages run;
Ever too His love confessing
Who, from One, with both is one. *Amen.*

P. Thou gavest them bread from heaven, (Alleluia)
R. Containing in itself all sweetness. (Alleluia)

Let us pray.

O GOD, who in a wonderful Sacrament has left unto us a memorial of Thy Passion: grant us, we beseech Thee, so to venerate the sacred mysteries of Thy Body and Blood, that we may ever perceive within ourselves the fruit of Thy redemption, who livest and reigneth, world without end. *Amen.*

- *The priest goes to the altar, takes the monstrance and blesses the congregation. Then he leads the people in the Divine Praises, the people repeating each line after him.*

The Divine Praises

Blessed be God.
Blessed be His holy Name.
Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true man.
Blessed be the Name of Jesus.
Blessed be His most precious Blood.
Blessed be Jesus in the most holy Sacrament of the altar.
Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Comforter.
Blessed be the Name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.
Blessed be Saint Joseph, her most chaste spouse.
Blessed be God in His Angels and His Saints.

Antiphon: Let us for ever adore: the most holy Sacrament.
(Alleluia)

Psalm 117

O PRAISE the Lord, all ye nations, praise him, all ye peoples.

For His merciful kindness is ever more and more toward us, and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever. Praise the Lord.

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.*

Antiphon: Let us for ever adore: the most holy Sacrament.
(Alleluia)

The Sacrament of Penance



The Sacrament of Penance

- *The penitent kneels in the accustomed place and says:*

Bless me, Father, for I have sinned.

- *The priest responds:*

May the Lord be in thy heart and upon thy lips, that thou mayest worthily confess all thy sins; In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

- *The penitent confesses:*

I confess to God Almighty, to all the Saints, and to you, Father, that I have sinned very much in thought, word, deed, and omission, by my own great fault. Since my last confession, which was (*here tell the priest when it occurred*), when I received absolution and performed my penance, I have committed these sins: (*here confess specific sins*). For these and all my other sins which I cannot remember, I am very sorry. I will try to do better, and I humbly ask pardon of God; and of you, Father, penance, advice, and absolution.

- *The priest may address a few words to the penitent and enjoin a penance; then he shall say:*

Almighty God have mercy upon you, forgive you your sins, and bring you to everlasting life. *Amen.*

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, absolution, and remission of your sins. *Amen.*

***The Office for
Ash Wednesday***

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Containing a Penitential Office and Blessing of Ashes

- *On the First Day of Lent, the following may be read immediately after the Litany; or it may be used separately. (But the Priest may omit all that follows to the antiphon, Hear us, O Lord.) The priest and people, kneeling, say this psalm together.*

Psalm 51. Miserere mei, Deus.

HAVE mercy upon me, O God, after Thy great goodness; * according to the multitude of Thy mercies do away mine offences.

Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness, * and cleanse me from my sin.

For I acknowledge my faults, * and my sin is ever before me.

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 shalt judge.

Behold, I was shapen in wickedness, * and in sin hath my mother conceived me.

But lo, Thou requirest truth in the inward parts, * and shalt make me to understand wisdom secretly.

Thou shalt purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; * Thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Thou shalt make me hear of joy and gladness, * that the bones which Thou hast broken may rejoice.

Turn Thy face from my sins, * and put out all my misdeeds.

Make me a clean heart, O God, * and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence, * and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

O give me the comfort of Thy help again, * and stablish me with Thy free Spirit.

Then shall I teach Thy ways unto the wicked, * and

sinner shall be converted unto Thee.

Deliver me from blood-guiltiness, O God, Thou that art the God of my health; * and my tongue shall sing of Thy righteousness.

Thou shalt open my lips, O Lord, * and my mouth shall show Thy praise.

For Thou desirest no sacrifice, else would I give it Thee; * but Thou delightest not in burnt-offerings.

The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit: * a broken and contrite heart, O God, shalt Thou not despise.

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.

- *If the Litany has already been said, pass at once to "O Lord, save Thy servants", etc.*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

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. *Amen.*

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. *Amen.*

O MOST mighty God, and merciful Father, who hast compassion upon all men, and who wouldest not the death of a sinner, but rather that he should 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 judgment with Thy servants; but so turn Thine anger from us, who meekly acknowledge our transgressions, and truly repent us 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. *Amen.*

- *Then shall all say together:*

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 shall the priest say:*

O GOD, whose nature and property is ever to have mercy and to forgive; Receive our humble petitions; and though we be tied and bound with the chain of our sins, yet let the pitifulness of Thy great mercy loose us; for the honour of Jesus Christ, our Mediator and Advocate. *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 His countenance upon us, and give us peace, both now and evermore. *Amen.*

• *Then shall the priest go to the altar, and, standing at the epistle side, the following antiphon shall be read or sung:*

Hear us, O Lord, for Thy loving-kindness is comfortable; according to the multitude of Thy mercies, turn Thee unto us, O Lord.

Ps. 69. Save me, O God, for the waters are come in, * even unto my soul.

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.*

Hear us, O Lord, for Thy loving-kindness is comfortable; according to the multitude of Thy mercies, turn Thee unto us, O Lord.

• *Without turning to the people, the priest says:*

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

P. Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, we beseech Thee to spare those who are penitent, and to be merciful to those who call upon Thee. Vouchsafe to send Thy holy Angel from heaven, to bless (+) and sanctify (+) these ashes, that they may be a wholesome medicine to all who devoutly call upon Thy Holy Name, whose consciences by sin are accused, and who bewail their sins in the sight of Thy divine compassion, humbly and earnestly imploring Thy bountiful loving-kindness. And grant that, by the calling on Thy most Holy Name, all who are sprinkled therewith for the remission of their sins may receive both healing of body and protection of soul. Through Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

O GOD, who desirest not the death of a sinner, but rather that he should turn from his sin and be saved: mercifully look upon the frailty of our mortal nature, and of Thy goodness vouchsafe to bless (+) these ashes now to be set upon our heads in token of humility and to obtain Thy pardon; that we, knowing we are but dust, and that for our unworthiness unto dust shall we return, may through Thy mercy be found meet to receive forgiveness of all our sins, and those good things which Thou hast promised to the penitent. Through Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

O GOD, who dost turn unto those who humble themselves, and acceptest those who offer atonement: incline Thy merciful ear to our prayers; and graciously pour forth upon the heads of Thy servants now to be sprinkled with these ashes the grace of Thy heavenly benediction. Fill them with the spirit of contrition, and grant that those things which they have faithfully asked may be

effectually obtained, that whatsoever Thou hast bestowed may remain constant and unchanged in us for ever. Through Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who didst bestow the healing of Thy pardon upon the people of Nineveh when they repented in sackcloth and ashes: grant that we, using their signs of penance, may likewise obtain the pardon which we humbly seek. Through Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who with Thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth God, world without end. *Amen.*

- *Then the priest, after putting the incense into the thurible and blessing it, shall sprinkle the ashes with holy water three times, saying:*

Thou shalt purge me with hyssop, O Lord, and I shall be clean: Thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

- *Then he censes the ashes. The people come forward to kneel at the altar rail. Imposing ashes on the forehead of each penitent, the priest says:*

Remember, O man, that dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return.

- *After washing his hands, the priest, standing at the epistle corner, says:*

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

P. Let us pray.

GRANT us, O Lord, to begin with holy fasting this campaign of our Christian warfare: that as we do battle with spiritual wickedness, we may be defended by the aids of self-denial. Through Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

- *Then shall follow the Divine Liturgy.*

***The Liturgy for
Palm Sunday***



Palm Sunday

Blessing of Palms and Procession

- *The priest begins with the opening antiphon*

Hosanna to the Son of David: blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

P. Let us pray.

INCREASE, O Lord, we pray Thee, the faith of them that put their trust in Thee. Graciously hear the prayers of Thy humble servants; send down upon us the manifold gifts of Thy mercy and vouchsafe to bless and hallow these branches of palm; that, like as a figure of Thy Church, Thou didst bless Noah going forth from the ark and Moses, going forth out of Egypt with the children of Israel, so we this day bearing palms may go forth into the world with all good works to meet with Christ, our Saviour, and through him enter into everlasting gladness: through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, Who, with Thee and the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth one God, world without end. *Amen.*

- *Then shall be said or sung:*

The children of the Hebrews, bearing branches, went out to meet the Lord, crying out and saying: Hosanna in the highest.

- *The priest distributes the palms, first to his assistants, then to the people. If there is a choir, an anthem or hymn may be sung.*

- P. The Lord be with you.
 R. And with thy spirit.
 P. The continuation of the holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.
 R. Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

- *The first nine verses of chapter 21 of St. Matthew's Gospel are read, concluding with:*

R. Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

- *Before the procession is formed, the following is said:*

The multitudes with branches go forth to meet their Redeemer and give worthy homage to the triumphant Conqueror. The Gentiles with their lips proclaim the Son of God: and in their praise of Christ, the Redeemer King, their voices thunder through the sky: Hosanna in the highest.

- P. Let us go forth in peace.
 R. In the Name of Christ. *Amen.*

- *During the procession, the following hymn shall be sung, beginning with this refrain:*

All glory, laud, and honor, to Thee, Redeemer, King.
 To whom the lips of children, made sweet hosannas ring.

1. Thou art the King of Israel, Thou David's royal Son.
 Who in the Lord's name comest, the King and Blessed One.

Refrain.

2. The company of Angels, are praising Thee on high;
 and mortal men, and all things, created make reply.

Refrain.

3. The people of the Hebrews, with palms before Thee

went: our praise and prayers and anthems, before Thee we present.

Refrain.

4. To Thee before Thy Passion, they sang their hymns of praise: to Thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.

Refrain.

5. Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring, who in all good delightest, Thou good and gracious King.

Refrain.

- *In addition, Psalm 147 may be said or sung, with appropriate antiphons. As the procession returns to the church, the following is said or sung:*

Responsory.

- P. As our Lord entered the holy city, the Hebrew children, declaring the resurrection of life, * with palm branches, cried out: Hosanna in the highest.
 V. When the people heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, they went forth to meet him: * with palm branches.

- *The following hymn may then be sung:*

Ride on! Ride on in majesty!
 Hark! all the tribes hosanna cry;
 Thy humble beast pursues his road
 With palms and scatter'd garments strowed.

Ride on! Ride on in majesty!
 In lowly pomp ride on in majesty:
 O Christ, Thy triumphs now begin
 O'er captive death and conquered sin.

Ride on! Ride on in majesty!
The angel armies of the sky
Look down with sad and wondr'ing eyes
To see the approaching sacrifice.

Ride on! Ride on in majesty!
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh;
The Father on His sapphire throne
Expects His own anointed Son.

Ride on! Ride on in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die;
Bow Thy meek head to mortal pain,
Then take, O God, Thy power and reign. *Amen.*

• *When the priest reaches the altar, he turns to the people and says:*

- P. The Lord be with you.
- R. And with thy spirit.
- P. Let us pray.

O GOD, who gatherest together the outcasts and preservest them whom Thou has gathered; who didst bless the people when they went forth bearing branches to meet Jesus; grant that into whatsoever place Thy faithful servants shall bear these palms, here received in honor of Thy Holy Name, that Thy dwellers therein may obtain Thy blessing; and being delivered from all adversity, may they ever be defended by Thy mighty powers, who are redeemed by Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who livest and reignest with Thee and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

• *Then shall follow the Divine Liturgy.*

Stations of the Cross





Stations of the Cross



(At the foot of the Altar)

- ✠ IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON,
AND OF THE HOLY SPIRIT. *Amen.*
- P. Christ, for our sakes, became obedient unto death.
R. Even the death of the cross.
P. By His own blood He entered once into the Holy Place.
R. Having obtained eternal redemption for us.
P. O Saviour of the world, who by Thy cross and Passion hast redeemed us,
R. Save and help us, we humbly beseech Thee, O Lord.
P. The Lord be with you.
R. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

O BLESSED LORD JESUS, who for the redemption of the world didst walk the way of the Cross and bore in Thy sinless self the sins of the many; Grant that we, following in Thy footsteps, may obtain increase of Thy love, and walk all the days of our life in Thy paths; who now livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

- *Enroute to each station there may be sung verses from the Pange Lingua or other appropriate hymn, e.g., Stabat Mater, which appears on pages 145–146.*

NOW LET HEARTS BE FILLED WITH WONDER
AS THE HOLY WAY WE TRACE,
WHICH OUR SAVIOUR TROD BEFORE US
WHO IS FIRST OF ALL OUR RACE
THAT IN GAINING OUR SALVATION
HE MIGHT BLOT OUT OUR DISGRACE

I. JESUS is Condemned to Death



P. WE ADORE THEE, O CHRIST, AND WE BLESS THEE:
R. BECAUSE BY THY CROSS THOU HAST REDEEMED THE WORLD.

Behold the Lord of justice standing before the judgment seat. Pilate washes his hands; the rulers of Judea take His blood upon their heads and on their children.

P. HOLY GOD, HOLY MIGHTY, HOLY IMMORTAL,
R. HAVE MERCY UPON US.
P. HE SPARED NOT HIS OWN SON,
R. BUT DELIVERED HIM UP FOR ALL OF US.

Let us pray.

O BLESSED LORD JESUS, condemned to death for our sins: Grant us true repentance, that, being washed in that stream which flows from Calvary through the Sacraments of thy Holy Church to the end of time, we may evermore serve Thee with pure hearts and minds; who now livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

See how Pilate makes ablution
As the crowd shouts "Crucify!"
Who in cowardly surrender
Owning Caesar, Christ deny
Thus condemning Him their Maker
On a shameful Cross to die.

II. JESUS Receives the Cross.



P. WE ADORE THEE, O CHRIST, AND WE BLESS THEE:
R. BECAUSE BY THY CROSS THOU HAST REDEEMED THE WORLD.

Behold the Lord in whom all things subsist, who led His people out of Egypt and into the land of milk and honey, now led off to death, carrying the instrument of His condemnation.

P. HOLY GOD, HOLY MIGHTY, HOLY IMMORTAL,
R. HAVE MERCY UPON US.
P. THE LORD HATH LAID ON HIM THE INIQUITY OF US ALL.
R. FOR THE WICKEDNESS OF MY PEOPLE HE HATH STRICKEN HIM.

Let us pray.

O BLESSED LORD JESUS, who hast taught us to pray, Thy will be done, and who hast said, Except ye take your Cross and follow Me, ye have no part in Me: Grant us by Thy grace cheerfully so to bear the slights and discouragements, the frustrations and temptations of the daily round with patience and humility, that we may be made one with Thee who bore Thy Cross for us, and who now livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

See Him shoulder now that burden
Bending 'neath the accursed tree,
Awesome lesson now providing
How at one with Him to be.
We must take our cross and follow
In the selfsame path as He.

III. JESUS Falls the First Time.



P. WE ADORE THEE, O CHRIST, AND WE BLESS THEE:
R. BECAUSE BY THY CROSS THOU HAST REDEEMED THE WORLD.

Behold the Lord by whom all things were made. He falls in the dust. His agony and bloody sweat, the rigours of His final trial, the mocking and the scourging now take their toll.

P. HOLY GOD, HOLY MIGHTY, HOLY IMMORTAL,
R. HAVE MERCY UPON US.
P. SURELY HE HATH BORNE OUR GRIEFS,
R. AND CARRIED OUR SORROWS.

Let us pray.

O BLESSED LORD JESUS, accept our humble thanks for that thou didst bear the full weight and pay the price of sin, that we might have its full weight lifted from our soul, who would be weighed down indeed and lost forever but for Thee and thine abiding grace; who now livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

He who lifts our fallen nature
Low now falls amidst the din;
Bearing more than cross His burden
Grievous load of all our sin,
Deeper far more sharply cutting
Is the weight He bears within.

IV. JESUS Meets His Holy Mother.



P. WE ADORE THEE, O CHRIST, AND WE BLESS THEE:
R. BECAUSE BY THY CROSS THOU HAST REDEEMED THE WORLD.

Behold the handmaid of the Lord together with her Son. The ancient Simeon's word to her is now fulfilled: A sword shall pierce thine own soul also.

P. HOLY GOD, HOLY MIGHTY, HOLY IMMORTAL,
R. HAVE MERCY UPON US.
P. YEA, A SWORD SHALL PIERCE THINE OWN SOUL ALSO,
R. THAT THE THOUGHTS OF MANY HEARTS SHALL BE REVEALED.

Let us pray.

O BLESSED LORD JESUS, at whose Presentation in the Temple the aged Simeon prophesied the piercing of the compassionate heart of the blessed Virgin Mary: Grant that we may be aided by her deep devotion and lifted by her prayers before Thee: who now livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

See we now His holy Mother
Gazing on her Son, once fair
Who, with sweat and blood all matted
Thorny crown doth patient wear,
See fulfilled the early warning –
As her soul is pierced there.

V. The Cross Is Laid on Saint Simon of Cyrene.



P. WE ADORE THEE, O CHRIST, AND WE BLESS THEE:
R. BECAUSE BY THY CROSS THOU HAST REDEEMED THE WORLD.

Behold the Lord who holds the whole world in the hollow of His hand, now upheld by Simon, who was standing in the crowd, and whom soldiers pressed into service; who from his sharing in the Passion of our Lord became a Saint of the Holy Church.

P. HOLY GOD, HOLY MIGHTY, HOLY IMMORTAL,
R. HAVE MERCY UPON US.
P. WHOSOEVER DOTHT NOT BEAR HIS CROSS, AND COME AFTER ME,
R. CANNOT BE MY DISCIPLE.

Let us pray.

O BLESSED LORD JESUS, who hast taught us to take up our cross and follow Thee; Grant us to grow through every burden of the daily round, that we may share our cross with Thee, who shared Thy Cross with blessed Simon; and who now livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

See how Simon, pressed to service
By the Roman soldiery,
Bears His cross and finds his master.
So by grace of God, may we,
Bearing all our load with patience –
Find it even as did he.

VI. Saint Veronica Wipes the Face of Jesus.



P. WE ADORE THEE, O CHRIST, AND WE BLESS THEE:
R. BECAUSE BY THY CROSS THOU HAST REDEEMED THE WORLD.

Behold the Lord of beauty. Saint Veronica, who loves Him much, runs to cleanse His face; to whom the Church has given as a name her deed itself: *veron ika*, very image of the Lord, which legend says He left upon her cleansing cloth.

P. HOLY GOD, HOLY MIGHTY, HOLY IMMORTAL,
R. HAVE MERCY UPON US.
P. HIDE NOT THY FACE FAR FROM ME,
R. PUT NOT THY SERVANT AWAY IN ANGER.

Let us pray.

O BLESSED LORD JESUS, who hast taught us that inasmuch as we have been merciful to one of the least of Thy brethren, we have been so unto Thee; Grant us grace to be sensitive to the need of friend and foe alike; that like as the blessed Veronica found Thine image on the cloth which mercy gave, so may we bear imprinted upon our hearts the image of Thy love, who now livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

See we how the thoughtful maiden
Who His holy face did lave,
Finds His image firm imprinted
On the cross which mercy gave,
So do acts of kindness ever –
Jesus' likeness deep engrave.

VII. JESUS Falls the Second Time.



P. WE ADORE THEE, O CHRIST, AND WE BLESS THEE:
R. BECAUSE BY THY CROSS THOU HAST REDEEMED THE WORLD.

Behold the Lord of heaven fallen to the earth again, its burdens on His shoulders. The Cross becomes the outward sign of all our sins, and sin's intolerable weight.

P. HOLY GOD, HOLY MIGHTY, HOLY IMMORTAL,
R. HAVE MERCY UPON US.
P. BUT I AM A WORM AND NO MAN,
R. THE REPROACH OF MEN, AND DESPISED OF THE PEOPLE.

Let us pray.

O BLESSED LORD JESUS, who didst walk the lonely road of life to death itself that man might need never to be alone again; Help all who stumble in blindness of heart, searchings of mind, and loneliness of soul, that they may come to know Thee who art the light of the world, and who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Now we to the Father offer
All who suffer grievous pain,
As we contemplate how Jesus
Sorely laden falls again,
While His bruised and bleeding body –
Purples earth with sacred stain.

VIII. JESUS Meets the Women of Jerusalem.



P. WE ADORE THEE, O CHRIST, AND WE BLESS THEE:
R. BECAUSE BY THY CROSS THOU HAST REDEEMED THE WORLD.

Behold the Lord whom prophets long foretold; There follows Him a great company of disciples, of women which also bewail and lament Him to whom He prophesies: Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not for Me, but weep for yourselves and for your children: If they do these things in a green tree, what shall be done in the dry?

P. HOLY GOD, HOLY MIGHTY, HOLY IMMORTAL,
R. HAVE MERCY UPON US.
P. THEY THAT SOW IN TEARS,
R. SHALL REAP IN JOY.

Let us pray.

O BLESSED LORD JESUS, who hast taught us to lay up for ourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break not through nor steal: Grant, that as we walk through the midst of this crumbling world, our hearts may be stayed on Thee who art the goal of all our striving and the answer to our restlessness; who now livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Lo, the women loudly wailing,
Hear Messiah prophesy,
Woeful tidings unto Salem,
Who sent forth her King to die.
King eternal, may He show us,
Where our joy and true peace lie.

IX. JESUS Falls a Third Time.



- P. WE ADORE THEE, O CHRIST, AND WE BLESS THEE:
R. BECAUSE BY THY CROSS THOU HAST REDEEMED THE WORLD.

Behold the Lord, who, when He has been lifted up, will draw all men unto Him, now falls a third and painful time.

- P. HOLY GOD, HOLY MIGHTY, HOLY IMMORTAL,
R. HAVE MERCY UPON US.
P. HE IS BROUGHT AS A SHEEP TO THE SLAUGHTER,
R. AND WAS MUTE AS A LAMB BEFORE THE SHEARER.

Let us pray.

O BLESSED LORD JESUS, by the merits of this Thy holy Cross strengthen me, that I may never fall into grievous, willful sin; and should I, through carelessness or ignorance offend Thee; Grant that I may quickly turn to Thee with contrite heart, honest confession, and full purpose of amendment, to conquer all that ought not be in me; through Thy grace, who now livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

May the third, the fall most painful
On the stony path and steep,
That our sins may be forgiven,
Stir in us contrition deep:
Fill us with a firm desire
His most holy will to keep.

X. JESUS Is Stripped of His Garments.



- P. WE ADORE THEE, O CHRIST, AND WE BLESS THEE:
R. BECAUSE BY THY CROSS THOU HAST REDEEMED THE WORLD.

Behold the Lord who clothed the world in beauty, who now submits, for love of man, to all man's hatred. He is stripped of His clothing and prepared for the Cross.

- P. HOLY GOD, HOLY MIGHTY, HOLY IMMORTAL,
R. HAVE MERCY UPON US.
P. THEY GAVE ME ALSO GALL FOR MY MEAT:
R. AND IN MY THIRST THEY GAVE ME VINEGAR TO DRINK.

Let us pray.

O BLESSED LORD JESUS, now prepared for the gallows tree; Help us to strip off all false pride and to be clothed with sincerity of heart: Let love rule in our hearts and fill them so that no room remains for anger; let us rejoice in the success of others, and pray for them in their shortcomings, that we have no room for the cloak of envy; for lust, give us singleness of purpose; that all our desires may be lived in the pure crucible of this Thy holy sacrifice; Grant us for greed a love of holy poverty; for sloth a holy industry; for gluttony a wholesome discipline; that resisting all temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, we may live in faith, through hope, with love by Thee, who now livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Unto Christ with pure emotion
May I raise my heart's devotion,
Love to read in every wound.
Goes to casting of the die;
Strip off from us all pretensions,
All our boasting nullify

XI. JESUS Is Nailed to the Cross.



- P. WE ADORE THEE, O CHRIST, AND WE BLESS THEE:
R. BECAUSE BY THY CROSS THOU HAST REDEEMED THE WORLD.

Behold the Lord of love! The soldiers nail Him to the Cross; He praying to the Father for them, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."

- P. HOLY GOD, HOLY MIGHTY, HOLY IMMORTAL,
R. HAVE MERCY UPON US.
P. THEY PIERCED MY HANDS AND MY FEET,
R. I MAY TELL ALL MY BONES: THEY STAND AND STARE UPON ME.

Let us pray.

O BLESSED LORD JESUS, stretching out Thine arms to the nails and praying for the nailers: May the light of Thy holy Gospel and the hearing of Thy sacramental grace reach out yet more and more 'til all mankind shall nail its sins to the Cross for love of Thee; who now livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

See we how He prays forgiveness
While the multitude doth rail,
As with brutal blows and heavy
Hammer strokes are plied on nail,
May we all our sin and rancor –
On that standard now impale.

XII. JESUS Dies on the Cross.



- P. WE ADORE THEE, O CHRIST, AND WE BLESS THEE:
R. BECAUSE BY THY CROSS THOU HAST REDEEMED THE WORLD.

Behold the Lord of life and glory saying, "It is finished – Father, into Thy hands I commend My spirit." The saving Victim is become the mighty Victor. Sin, Satan, and death are defeated. There is darkness over all the earth; the rocks are rent; the graves are open; the Veil of the Temple is torn in twain.

- P. HOLY GOD, HOLY MIGHTY, HOLY IMMORTAL,
R. HAVE MERCY UPON US.
P. CHRIST BECAME OBEDIENT UNTO DEATH.
R. EVEN THE DEATH OF THE CROSS.

Let us pray.

O BLESSED LORD JESUS, whose sacred side was pierced that blood and water flowing out therefrom might reveal Thy death was by a broken heart: Accept the lowly offering of my heart's love; and grant that dying unto self I may live only unto Thee, who died for me and now livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Love and thanks and praise address we
As with gaze contemplative,
See we now where Christ our Saviour
Hung and died that we might live,
And with lowly adoration –
All our hearts' best off'ring give.

XIII. The Body of JESUS Is Taken Down From the Cross.



P. WE ADORE THEE, O CHRIST, AND WE BLESS THEE:
R. BECAUSE BY THY CROSS THOU HAST REDEEMED THE WORLD.

Behold the handmaid of the Lord, receiving into her hands the body of her Son, our Lord, His life work finished, His soul released, His victory won amidst defeat.

P. HOLY GOD, HOLY MIGHTY, HOLY IMMORTAL,
R. HAVE MERCY UPON US.
P. HER TEARS ARE ON HER CHEEKS.
R. SHE HATH NONE TO COMFORT HER.

Let us pray.

O BLESSED LORD JESUS, by the merits of Thy precious death and burial; Grant that all who mourn for the loss of loved ones may know the help of her prayers whose arms received Thy sacred Body; May the sure and certain hope of the Resurrection be unto them a strong staff with which to walk the paths ahead, guided by Thy light, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Lo, her own soul sorely riven
With compassion's piercing sword,
Mary now receives the body
Of God's only Son, our Lord,
Jesus, whom the world rejected –
Evermore by hosts adored.

XIV. The Body of JESUS Is Laid in the Tomb.



P. WE ADORE THEE, O CHRIST, AND WE BLESS THEE:
R. BECAUSE BY THY CROSS THOU HAST REDEEMED THE WORLD.

Behold the Body of our Lord laid in Joseph's tomb: the penalty of Adam paid; the seed which, except it be sown, abides alone; now awaiting Resurrection and a harvest of the souls of men for ages yet untold.

P. HOLY GOD, HOLY MIGHTY, HOLY IMMORTAL,
R. HAVE MERCY UPON US.
P. THOU WILT NOT LEAVE MY SOUL IN HELL,
R. NOR WILT THOU SUFFER THY HOLY ONE TO SEE CORRUPTION.

Let us pray.

O BLESSED LORD JESUS, who, whilst Thy sacred Body was at rest on the Sabbath didst in nether realms establish Thy reign and preach to the souls departed: Grant that naught on either side of the grave may ever separate us from Thy love, who, having harrowed hell and brought captivity captive, now livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

See we now our Saviour's body
Borne in sadness through the gloom,
Blessed body sprung from Mary
Hallows now the rock-hewn tomb,
Through the sabbath, 'til arising
He His glory shall assume.

- *Before the Altar step, the DOXOLOGY is sung:*

Glory be to God the Father
 Glory to his only Son,
 Lowly victim, mighty Victor
 Reigning now his conflict done,
 Glory to the Holy Spirit –
 Who from one with both is one. *Amen.*

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

P. Let us pray.

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.*

P. HAIL, MARY, full of grace,
 the Lord is with thee.

Blessed art thou among women,
 and blessed is the Fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

R. Holy Mary, Mother of God,
 pray for us sinners now,
 and at the hour of our death. *Amen.*

O BLESSED LORD JESUS, Thou living Stone, rejected
 of the builders and become the Chief Stone of the
 corner; Grant that building upon Thy sure foundations,
 we may share in Thy everlasting habitations; who now
 livest and reignest with the Father in the unity of the Holy
 Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

- *NOTE - in observing the Stations of the Cross, the verses of the Pange Lingua may be replaced with other appropriate hymns. The verses of the Stabat Mater are given here.*

I. By the Cross sad vigil keeping,
 Stood the Mother, doleful weeping,
 Where her Son extended hung.

II. For her soul of joy bereaved,
 Smit with anguish, deeply grieved,
 Lo, the piercing sword hath wrung.

III. Oh, how sad and sore distressed,
 Now was she that Mother blessed
 Of the sole-begotten One!

IV. Woe-begone with heart's prostration,
 Mother, meek, the bitter passion
 Saw she of her glorious Son.

V. Who on Christ's fond mother looking,
 Such extreme affliction brooking,
 Born of woman, would not weep?

VI. Who on Christ's fond Mother thinking,
 With her Son in sorrow sinking,
 Would not share her sorrows deep?

VII. For His people's sins rejected,
 She her Jesus unprotected
 Saw with thorns, with scourges rent.

- VIII. Saw her Son from judgment taken,
Her beloved in death forsaken,
Till His Spirit forth He sent.
- IX. Fount of love and holy sorrow,
Mother may my spirit borrow
Somewhat of thy woe profound.
- X. Unto Christ with pure emotion
May I raise my heart's devotion,
Love to read in every wound.
- XI. Those five wounds of Jesus smitten
Mother! in my heart be written,
Deep as in thine own they be.
- XII. Thou, my Saviour's Cross who bearest,
Thou, my Son's rebuke who sharest,
Let me share them both with thee.
- XIII. Mine with thee be that sad station,
There to watch the great salvation
Wrought upon the atoning tree.
- XIV. To my parting soul be given
Entrance at the gate of Heaven,
And in Paradise a place.

***The Order for
Holy Baptism
and Chrismation***



The Order for Holy Baptism

- *The following requisites shall be prepared when the Sacrament of Baptism is to be performed:*
 - *The vessels containing Oil of Catechumens, Sacred Chrism, and the Holy Communion;*
 - *A vessel containing salt to be blessed, or some already blessed salt;*
 - *Cotton, or similar material, to be used for wiping the parts anointed;*
 - *If possible, a white and a purple stole, but at least one or the other;*
 - *Pieces of bread and lemon, and a suitable basin, to be used for washing the hands of the priest after Baptism and Confirmation;*
 - *A white mantle or small piece of white linen to be placed on the candidate's head, or an appropriate white Christening garment supplied by the sponsors; and*
 - *A wax candle or taper to be given, lighted, to the baptized.*
- *The ritual and baptismal register shall be in readiness.*
- *All having been prepared, the priest washes his hands, puts on a surplice and purple stole, and proceeds to the administration of the Sacrament. So prepared, the priest goes to the threshold of the church, outside of which the candidate and sponsors are waiting. All having been provided for as above, with the one to be baptized, if an infant, resting on the right arm of the sponsor, the priest begins the service in the following manner: (If there be more than one candidate, the prayers are said in the plural as appropriate, but the questions shall be asked of each one separately.)*

At the Doors of the Church

- *The priest, having ascertained the name(s), questions the candidate: (If a child, the sponsors will answer.)*
 - P. *(Name), what dost thou ask of the Church of God?*
 - R. *Faith.*
 - P. *What doth Faith bring to thee?*
 - R. *Life everlasting.*

P. If thou then desire to enter into life, keep the commandments. Thou shalt love the Lord thy God, with all thy heart, with all thy soul, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbor as thyself.

- *Then he blows three times gently into the face of each candidate, and says once (separately to each):*

Go out of *him* thou unclean spirit, and give place unto the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete.

- *Then he makes with his thumb the sign of the Cross on the forehead and on the breast of the candidate, saying:*

Receive the sign of the Cross, both upon thy forehead (+) and also on thy heart (+); Take unto thee the faith of the heavenly precepts; and be thou such in thy conversation, that thou mayest now be in the temple of God.

Let us pray.

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, graciously hear our prayers, and keep with Thy perpetual power this Thine Elect, (*Name*), who hath been signed with the sign of the Cross in the Lord: that *he*, observing the rudiments of the greatness of Thy glory, may, by keeping Thy commandments, be worthy to attain unto the glory of regeneration. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

- *Then he places his hand upon the head of the candidate, after which, holding his hand extended, he says:*

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, vouchsafe to look upon this Thy servant (*Name*), whom Thou hast been pleased to call to the rudiments of the faith; Drive far from *him* all blindness of heart; Break all the snares of Satan, wherewith *he* hath been bound; Open to *him*, O Lord, the gate of Thy mercy, that, being filled with the sign of Thy wisdom, *he* may be

free from all evil desires, and in the sweet savour of Thy commandments may joyfully serve Thee in Thy Church, and prosper from day to day. Through the same Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

- *Then the priest blesses salt which, once blessed, may serve at other times for the same use.*

Blessing of the Salt

I EXORCISE thee, O creature of salt, in the Name of God the Father (+) Almighty, and in the charity of our Lord Jesus (+) Christ, and in the power of the Holy (+) Ghost. I exorcise thee through God (+) the living, through God (+) the true, through God (+) the holy, through God (+) who created thee for the protection of mankind, and commanded thee to be consecrated through His servants for the people that should come to believe; that in the Name of the Holy Trinity thou be made a saving Sacrament to put to flight the enemy. Therefore we pray Thee, O Lord our God, that sanctifying thou wouldest sanctify (+), and blessing thou wouldest bless (+) this creature of salt, that it be made to all who receive it perfect healing, abiding in their members in the Name of the same, our Lord Jesus Christ, who shall come to judge the living and the dead, and the world by fire. *Amen.*

- *Then he puts a little of the blessed salt into the mouth of the candidate, saying:*

(*Name*), receive the salt of wisdom; may it avail to thee for mercy unto life eternal. *Amen.*

- P. Peace be with thee.
- R. And with thy spirit.
- P. Let us pray.

O GOD of our fathers, O God the author of all truth, we humbly entreat Thee, that Thou wouldest vouchsafe mercifully to look upon this Thy servant (*Name*), and that Thou wouldest suffer *him* no longer to hunger, now tasting this first relish of salt, to the end that, being fulfilled with heavenly food, *he* may ever be fervent in spirit, rejoicing in hope, ever serving Thy Name. Lead *him*, O Lord, we beseech Thee, to the washing of the new birth, that *he* may with Thy faithful be worthy to attain unto the eternal reward of Thy promises. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

I EXORCISE thee, unclean spirit, in the Name of the Father (+), and of the Son (+), and of the Holy (+) Ghost, that thou go out, and depart from this servant of God (*Name*). For He Himself commands thee, accursed and damned one, who walked with His feet upon the sea, and stretched forth His right hand to Peter as he sank.

Therefore, accursed devil, acknowledge thy sentence, and give honor to God the living and the true, give honor to Jesus Christ His Son, and to the Holy Ghost, and depart from this servant of God (*Name*), forasmuch as our God and Lord Jesus Christ hath vouchsafed to call *him* to His holy grace and benediction, and to the font of Baptism.

- *Here he signs the candidate on the forehead, saying:*

And this sign of the Holy (+) Cross, which we set upon *his* brow, do thou, accursed devil, never dare to violate. Through the same Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

- *Then he lays his hand upon the head of the candidate, and afterwards holding it extended, says:*

Let us pray.

I ENTREAT Thy eternal and most just mercy, O Lord, holy Father, Almighty, everlasting God, author of light and truth, upon this servant of God (*Name*), that Thou wouldest vouchsafe to enlighten *him* with the light of Thine understanding: cleanse *him* and sanctify *him*: give *him* true knowledge, that being made worthy of the grace of Thy Baptism, *he* may hold firm hope, right counsel and holy doctrine. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

In the Church

- *Then the priest places the end of his stole which hangs from his left shoulder on the first candidate, and leads (him), followed by the others, into the Church, saying to each:*

(*Name*), enter into the temple of God, that thou mayest have part with Christ unto life eternal. *Amen.*

- *When they are come into the Church, the priest, going towards the font, says, together with the sponsors, in a loud voice:*

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.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father; who, with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets; And I believe One Holy Catholic and Apostolic 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.*

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. *Amen.*

- *And then, before he enters the baptistry, with his back turned to it, he says:*

I EXORCISE thee, every unclean spirit, in the Name of God the Father (+) Almighty, and in the Name of Jesus (+) Christ the Son, our Lord and Judge, and in the power of the Holy (+) Ghost, that thou depart from this creature of God (*Name*), which our Lord hath vouchsafed to call unto His holy temple, that *he* may become the temple of the living God, and that the Holy Spirit may dwell therein. Through the same Christ, our Lord, who shall come to judge the living and the dead, and the world by fire. *Amen.*

- *Then the priest, with his thumb, touches the ears and nostrils of the candidate; and while touching his right and left ears, he says:*

EPHPHATHA, that is, Be opened.

- *Then he touches the nostrils, saying:*

For a savour of sweetness. But thou, devil, flee away: for the judgement of God draweth nigh.

- *Then he questions the person to be baptized, by name, saying:*

P. (*Name*), dost thou renounce Satan?

R. I do renounce him.

P. And all his works?

R. I do renounce them.

P. And all his pomps?

R. I do renounce them.

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- *The priest now blesses the Oil of Catechumens, which may be reserved for the same purpose on other occasions, without being re-blessed.*

Blessing of the Oil of Catechumens

Exorcism

I EXORCISE thee, O creature of Oil, in the Name of God the Father (+) Almighty, and in the Name of Jesus (+) Christ, and of the Holy (+) Ghost, that by this invocation of the undivided Trinity and by the power of the one Godhead, all the most wicked powers of the enemy, all the inveterate malice of the devil, every violent assault, every disorderly and dark illusion may be rooted out, and chased away, and dispelled from thee: that hallowed by divine mysteries, thou mayest be for the adoption both of the flesh and the spirit of those who shall be anointed with thee, for the forgiveness of all sins: that their bodies may be sanctified for receiving all spiritual grace. Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, Who shall come to judge the living and the dead, and the world by fire. *Amen.*

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

P. Let us pray.

O GOD, the rewarder of all spiritual growth and progress, Who by the power of the Holy Ghost dost strengthen the first beginnings of feeble minds, deign, Lord, we beseech Thee, to send down Thy blessing (+)

upon this Oil, and grant that all who approach the laver of regeneration, may, through the unction of this Thy creature, be cleansed in mind and body; that if pollution of their spiritual enemies have adhered to them, it may depart at the touch of this hallowed Oil; let there be no place for the wickedness of spirits, no occasion for the apostate angels, no power of concealment left to the snares of sin; but to Thy servants, who come to the Faith, and are to be cleansed by the operation of Thy Holy Spirit, let the preparation of this unction be serviceable for that salvation, which they are to gain when born by heavenly generation in the Sacrament of Baptism. Through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who shall come to judge the living and the dead, and the world by fire. *Amen.*

- *Then the priest dips his thumb in the Oil of Catechumens, and anoints the candidate on the breast, and between the shoulders in the form of a cross, saying once:*

I anoint (+) thee with the Oil of salvation in Christ (+) Jesus our Lord, that thou mayest have eternal life. *Amen.*

- *Then, with cotton, wool, or the like, he wipes his thumb and the places anointed. Standing in the same place, he lays aside the violet stole, and takes a stole of white color. Then he enters the baptistry, which the sponsors also enter, with the candidate. The priest, at the font, questions the person to be baptized by name:*

P. *(Name)*, dost thou believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth?

R. I do believe.

P. Dost thou believe in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord, who was born into this world, and who suffered for us?

R. I do believe.

P. Dost thou also believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy Catholic Church, the Communion of Saints, the

forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting?

R. I do believe.

The Blessing of the Water

- *If the water has not already been blessed, the priest does so now, saying:*

I EXORCISE thee, O creature of water, by the living (+) God, by the true (+) God, by the holy (+) God, who in the beginning, through His word, divided thee from the dry land; whose Spirit moved upon thee, who commanded thee to flow from paradise, *(Here he divides the water with his hand, and then scatters it, outside the rim of the font, towards the four quarters of the world)* and commanded thee to water the whole earth with thy four rivers. Who in the desert by wood bestowed upon thee sweetness when thou wast bitter, that men might drink who brought thee forth from the rock, that He might refresh the people, wearied with thirst, whom He had delivered out of Egypt. I exorcise thee through Jesus Christ, by His only Son, our Lord: who in Cana of Galilee by a wondrous miracle did change thee through His power into wine: who walked upon thee with His feet, and was baptized in thee by John in the Jordan. Who brought thee forth together with Blood from His side: and commanded His disciples, that they should baptize in thee them that believe, saying: Go ye, teach all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; that thou mayest be made holy water, blessed water, water that washeth away stains and cleanseth sins. I command thee therefore, every unclean spirit, every phantom, every lie, be rooted out, and flee away from this creature of water; that to them who shall be baptized therein, it may become a font of water springing up unto life eternal, regenerating them unto God the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost, in the

Name of the same our Lord Jesus Christ, who shall come to judge the living and the dead, and the world by fire. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

O LORD, Holy Father, Almighty, everlasting God, who dost sanctify spiritual waters, we humbly entreat Thee: that Thou wouldest vouchsafe to look upon this ministry of our humble service, and to send forth upon these waters, made ready for the washing and purifying of men, the Angel of holiness; to the end that, the sins of their former life being washed, and their guilt cleansed, they being regenerate may be worthy to be made a spotless habitation for the Holy Spirit. Through Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who livest and reignest in the unity of the same Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

- *Then, he breathes thrice into the water, in three directions: then he puts incense in the thurible, and, having blessed it, censes the font, with three simple swings. Next, pouring some of the Oil of Catechumens into the water in the form of a cross, he says in a loud voice:*

May this font be sanctified and made fruitful by the Oil of Salvation, for such as shall be born again therefrom unto life eternal, in the Name of the Father (+), and of the Son (+), and of the Holy (+) Ghost. *Amen.*

- *Then in the same manner, he pours in some of the Chrism, saying:*

May this inpouring of the Chrism of our Lord Jesus Christ, and of the Holy Spirit the Paraclete, be wrought in the Name of the Holy Trinity. *Amen.*

- *Next he takes both phials of the said holy Oil and Chrism, and pours in some of both together in the form of a cross, saying:*

May this commingling of the Chrism of sanctification, and of the Oil of Unction, and of the Water of Baptism be likewise wrought in the Name of the Father (+), and

of the Son (+), and of the Holy (+) Ghost. *Amen.*

- *Then, setting down the phials, with his right hand he mingles the holy Oil and the infused Chrism with the water, and scatters it over the whole font. Then he wipes his hand with crumbs of bread.*

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- *Then, naming the person to be baptized, the priest says:*

P. *(Name)*, wilt thou be baptized?

R. I will.

- *It is the ancient historic practice of the Orthodox Church that baptism shall be performed by three-fold immersion.*
- *The priest takes the candidate, and baptizes (him) with a three-fold immersion, at the same time clearly and distinctly pronouncing the form once only, saying:*

(Name), I baptize thee in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

The Order of Confirmation (Chrismation)

- *Having washed his hands, the priest stands facing the candidate and sponsors, and says:*

May the Holy Ghost come upon you, and may the power of the Most High preserve you from sins. *Amen.*

P. Our help is in the Name of the Lord.

R. Who hath made heaven and earth.

P. O Lord hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto Thee.

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

P. Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who hast vouchsafed to regenerate this Thy servant by water and the Holy Ghost, and hast given unto *him* the remission of all *his* sins, send forth upon *him* Thy sevenfold Spirit, the Holy Paraclete, from heaven. *Amen.*

P. The Spirit of wisdom and understanding.
R. Amen.
P. The Spirit of counsel and fortitude.
R. Amen.
P. The Spirit of knowledge and godliness.
R. Amen.

Replenish *him* with the Spirit of Thy fear, and sign *him* with the sign of the Cross (+) of Christ, in Thy mercy unto life eternal. Through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the same Holy Spirit, world without end. *Amen.*

- *The priest, having dipped the end of his right thumb in Chrism, rests his hand on the forehead of the candidate, and makes the sign of the Cross with his thumb, saying:*

(*Name*), I sign thee with the sign of (+) the Cross, and I confirm thee with the Chrism of Salvation: The Seal of the gift of the Holy Ghost. In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, (+) and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

- *Then the priest strikes the candidate gently on the cheek saying:*
Peace be with thee.
- *The priest wipes the forehead of the candidate with cotton and his own hands with bread crumbs, and washes them over a basin. While he is washing his hands, the following is sung or read by the ministers, or by the priest:*

Confirm, O Lord, what Thou hast wrought in us, from Thy holy temple which was in Jerusalem.

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.*

Confirm, O Lord, what Thou hast wrought in us, from Thy holy temple which was in Jerusalem.

P. Show us Thy mercy, O Lord.
R. And grant us Thy salvation.
P. O Lord, hear my prayer.
R. And let my cry come unto Thee.
P. The Lord be with you.
R. And with thy spirit.
P. Let us pray.

O GOD, who didst give to Thine Apostles the Holy Spirit, and didst will that by them and their successors He should be delivered to the rest of the faithful; look mercifully on the service of our humility; and grant that the heart of *him* whose forehead we have anointed with the sacred Chrism, and signed with the sign of the Holy Cross, may, by the same Holy Spirit descending upon *him* and vouchsafing to dwell therein, be made the temple of His glory, who, with the Father and the same Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth, God, world without end. *Amen.*

Behold, thus shall every man be blessed that feareth the Lord.

- *The priest places on the head of the candidate either a small white Chrism, or undergarment, or some white substitute and says:*

Receive this white garment, and see thou carry it without stain before the judgement-seat of our Lord Jesus Christ, that thou mayest have eternal life. *Amen.*

- *He then gives to the candidate, or to a sponsor, a lighted taper, saying:*

Receive this burning light, and keep thy baptism so as to be without blame; keep the commandments of God, that, when the Lord shall come to the nuptials, thou mayest meet him in the company of all the Saints in the heavenly court, and have eternal life, and live for ever and ever. *Amen.*

- *The priest, holding the Blessed Sacrament, says:*

Behold the Lamb of God, who taketh away the sins of the world.

- *With the priest, the people respond:*

Lord, I am not worthy that Thou shouldest come under my roof, but speak the word only and my soul shall be healed. *(Three times)*

- *The priest administers Holy Communion, saying:*

The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given and shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

POUR forth on us, O Lord, the spirit of Thy love; that those whom Thou hast filled with the Paschal Sacrament, may, by Thy goodness, live in perfect concord. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the self same Holy Spirit, God, to ages of ages. *Amen.*

- *The priest says:*

(Name), go in peace, and the Lord be with thee. Amen.

- *Making the sign of the Cross over the person, he says:*

May the Lord bless (+) you out of Sion, that you may see the good things of Jerusalem all the days of your life, and have life everlasting. *Amen.*

- *When Baptism is administered on the Vigils of Easter or Pentecost, after the solemn blessing of the font, all those portions of the above office which duplicate that rite are to be omitted.*

- *The rite described above may be used for the Baptism of any number at one time, the priest being careful to perform the ceremonies for, and to ask the questions of, each individual, and to read the prayers in the plural.*

- *When receiving Catechumens by Chrismation without baptism, begin with Confirmation, on the page following*

Presentation of a Convert

(Previously Baptized)

The Nicene Creed

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.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father; who, with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spake by the Prophets; And I believe One Holy Catholic and Apostolic 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.*

P. Our help is in the Name of the Lord.

R. Who hath made heaven and earth.

P. O Lord, hear our prayer.

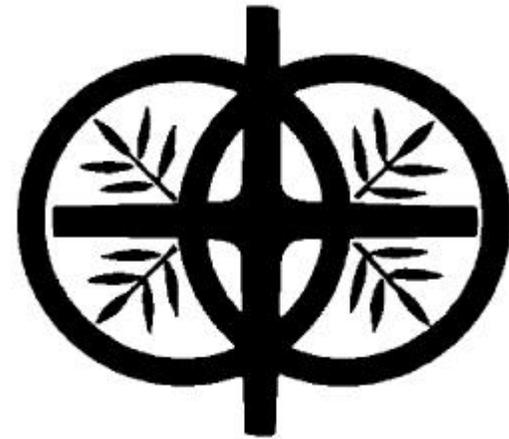
R. O Lord, let our cry come unto Thee.

Let us pray.

OUR Lord and God Jesus Christ committed unto His Apostles the keys of the kingdom of heaven and bestowed upon them full power through His grace both to bind and to loose a man from his sins upon earth; May the same, through His unspeakable mercy, pardon, and absolve thee, and do unite thee unto the fellowship of the faithful, and unto the body of Christ's Church; and do communicate thee with the Divine Sacraments of the Church; In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

- *Those who are to be Chrismated kneel, with hands joined, before the priest, who, standing with hands joined, begins The Order for Chrismation as it appears on page 159.*

The Sacrament of Holy Matrimony



The Sacrament of Holy Matrimony

- *The priest may address those gathered:*

Dearly beloved, we are gathered together here in the sight of God, and in the face of this company, to join together this man and this woman in holy Matrimony, which is an honourable estate, instituted by God, signifying unto us the mystical union that is betwixt Christ and his Church; which holy estate Christ adorned and beautified with his presence and the first miracle that he wrought in Cana of Galilee, and is commended of Saint Paul to be honorable among all men; and therefore is not by any to be entered into unadvisedly, or lightly, but reverently, discreetly, advisedly, soberly, and in the fear of God. Into this holy estate these two persons present come now to be joined. If any man can show just cause, why they may not lawfully be joined together, let him now speak, or else hereafter forever hold his peace.

The priest shall ask the bridegroom:

(Name), wilt thou take *(Name)*, here present, for thy lawful wife, according to the rite of our holy Mother, the Church?

The bridegroom shall answer: I will.

The priest shall ask the bride:

(Name), wilt thou take *(Name)*, here present, for thy lawful husband, according to the rite of our holy Mother, the Church?

The bride shall answer: I will.

- *The bride is given away by her father or by another. The bridegroom shall receive her to keep her in the faith of God and his own, and shall hold her right hand in his right hand. Taught by the priest, he shall plight his troth in this manner, saying:*

I, *(Name)*, take thee, *(Name)*, 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, and thereto I plight thee my troth.

- *Then withdrawing her hand, and taking his right hand in hers, and taught by the priest, the bride shall plight her troth in this manner, saying:*

I, *(Name)*, take thee, *(Name)*, 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, and thereto I plight thee my troth.

- *Having both thus plighted their troth, the bride and bridegroom shall join hands. The priest, wrapping his stole around their hands, shall say:*

I join thee in Holy Matrimony. In the Name of the Father, (+) and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

- *The priest now sprinkles the couple with holy water.*

Blessing of the Ring(s)

P. Our help is in the Name of the Lord.
 R. Who hath made heaven and earth.
 P. O Lord, hear my prayer.
 R. And let my cry come unto Thee.
 P. The Lord be with you.
 R. And with thy spirit.
 P. Let us pray.

- *For a single ring ceremony:*

BLESS, O Lord, this ring, which we bless in Thy name, that she who shall wear it, keeping true faith unto her husband, may abide in Thy peace and according to Thy will, and ever live in mutual love. Through Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

- *For a double ring ceremony:*

BLESS, O Lord, these rings, which we bless in Thy name, that they who wear them may ever keep true faith with each other, and so, abiding in Thy peace and in obedience to Thy will, may live together in love unchanging. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

- *The priest sprinkles the ring(s) with holy water in the form of a cross.*
- *The bridegroom then takes the ring to be given to the bride, saying:*

With this ring I thee wed: with my body I thee honor and all my worldly goods I share.

- *The bridegroom places the ring on the thumb of the bride's left hand, saying*

In the Name of the Father,

- *The ring is moved to the index finger.*

and of the Son,

- *The ring is moved to the middle finger.*

and of the Holy Spirit.

- *The ring is placed on the bride's ring finger.*

Amen.

- *For a double ring ceremony, the bride now takes the ring to be given to the bridegroom and repeats the same.*

- *The priest then adds:*

- P. Confirm that, O God, which thou hast wrought in us.
- R. For thy temple's sake at Jerusalem. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

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.

- P. Save Thy servants.
- R. Who put their trust in Thee, my God.
- P. Send them help, O Lord, from the sanctuary.
- R. And strengthen them out of Zion.
- P. Be unto them, O Lord, a tower of strength.
- R. From the face of the enemy.
- P. O Lord, hear my prayer.
- R. And let my cry come unto Thee.
- P. The Lord be with you.
- R. And with thy spirit.
- P. Let us pray.

Collect

LOOK, O Lord, we beseech Thee, upon these Thy servants; and graciously assist this Thine institution, whereby Thou hast ordained the propagation of mankind, that they who are joined together by Thine authority may, by Thy assistance, be preserved. Through Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

Nuptial Blessing

- *The priest, turning toward the newly-married persons, may read the following*

Psalm 128

Blessed are all they that fear the Lord, * and walk in His ways.

For thou shalt eat the labours of thine hands: * O well is thee, and happy shalt thou be.

Thy wife shall be as the fruitful vine * upon the walls of thine house;

Thy children like the olive branches * round about thy table.

Lo, thus shall the man be blessed * that feareth the Lord.

The Lord from out of Zion shall so bless thee, * that thou shalt see Jerusalem in prosperity all thy life long;

Yea, that thou shalt see thy children's children, * and peace upon 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.*

- P. O Lord, hear my prayer.
- R. And let my cry come unto Thee.
- P. The Lord be with you.
- R. And with thy spirit.
- P. Let us pray.

BLESS, O Lord, and look from heaven upon this union; and as Thou didst send Thy holy Angel Raphael to bring peace to Tobias and Sarah, the daughter of Raguel, so vouchsafe, O Lord, to send Thy blessing upon these two persons, that they may abide in Thy benediction, continue in Thy will, and live in Thy love. Through Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

- *Then, raising his hands and extending them over their heads, the priest shall say:*

THE Lord God Almighty bless you, and fulfill His benediction upon you, and may you see your children's children even unto the third and fourth generation, and attain unto the old age which you desire. Through Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

- *If the Divine Liturgy is to be celebrated, it shall begin here. Otherwise, the service shall continue with the following prayers and readings:*

Ps. 67. God be merciful unto them, and bless them, and show them the light of Thy countenance, and be merciful unto them.

Ps. 128. Blessed are all they that fear the Lord, and walk in His ways.

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 priest shall introduce the Epistle, taken from Ephesians 5:20-33:*

A reading from the Epistle of blessed Paul the Apostle to the Ephesians:

GIVE thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God. Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the Church; And He is the Saviour of the body. Therefore, as the Church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing. 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 nor wrinkle nor any blemish. So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself. For no one ever yet hated his own flesh, but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord loveth the Church. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and the two shall be 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.

Ps. 128. Thy wife shall be as the fruitful vine upon the walls of thy house. Thy children like the olive branches round about thy table. *Alleluia.*

Ps. 20. The Lord send you help from the sanctuar,: and strengthen you out of Sion. *Alleluia.*

Ps. 134. The Lord that made heaven and earth: give thee blessing out of Sion! *Alleluia.*

- *Then shall the priest read the Gospel, taken from Matthew 19:3-6:*

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew:

AT that time, the Pharisees came unto Jesus, tempting Him, and saying unto Him: Is it lawful for a man to put away his wife for every cause? And He answered and said unto them: 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 be one flesh?" Wherefore they are no more twain but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let man not put asunder.

- *The following prayer may be omitted at the discretion of the priest and the couple to be married:*

O MERCIFUL Lord, and heavenly Father, by whose gracious gift mankind is increased, we beseech Thee, assist with Thy blessing this couple, that they may both be fruitful in procreation of children, and also live together so long in godly love and honesty, that they may see their children Christianly and virtuously brought up, to Thy praise and honor. Through Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

O GOD, who by Thy mighty power hast made all things of nothing; who also, after other things set in order, didst appoint that out of man, created after thine own image and similitude, woman should take her beginning; and, knitting them together, didst teach that it should never be lawful to put asunder those whom Thou by Matrimony hast made one; O God, who has consecrated the state of Matrimony to such an excellent mystery, that in it is signified and represented the spiritual marriage and unity between 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 the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech Thee, let Thy gracious favor accompany the ordinance of Thy love, that those whom Thou hast joined together in holy wedlock, by Thy protection may live in lasting peace. Through Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, who at the beginning did create our first parents, Adam and Eve, and did sanctify and join them together 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. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

O GOD of Abraham, God of Isaac, God of Jacob, bless these Thy servants, and sow the seed of eternal life in their hearts; that whatsoever in Thy holy Word they shall profitably learn, they may indeed fulfill the same. Look, O Lord, mercifully upon them from heaven, and bless them. And as Thou didst send Thy blessing upon Abraham and Sarah, to their great comfort, so vouchsafe to send Thy blessing upon these Thy servants; that they, obeying Thy will, and always being in safety under Thy protection, may abide in Thy love unto their lives' end. Through Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving After Childbirth

Commonly Called the Churching of Women

- *The priest shall meet the woman at the doors of the Church.*

P. Our help is in the Name of the Lord.

R. Who hath made heaven and earth.

Antiphon: She shall receive the blessing from the Lord, and righteousness from the God of her salvation: for this is the generation of them that seek the Lord.

Psalm 24. *Domini est terra.*

The earth is the Lord's, and all that therein is: * the compass of the world, and they that dwell therein.

For he hath founded it upon the seas: * and stablished it upon the floods.

Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? * or who shall rise up in his holy place?

Even he that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; * and that hath not lift up his mind unto vanity, nor sworn to deceive his neighbor.

He shall receive the blessing from the Lord, * and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

This is the generation of them that seek him; * even of them that seek thy face, O God of Jacob.

Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; * and the King of glory shall come in.

Who is this King of glory? It is the Lord strong and mighty, even the Lord mighty in battle.

Lift up your hands, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; * and the King of glory shall come in.

Who is this King of glory? * It is the Lord strong and mighty, even the Lord mighty in battle.

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.*

Antiphon: She shall receive the blessing from the Lord, and righteousness from the God of her salvation; for this is the generation of them that seek the Lord.

- *Then, placing in the hand of the woman the end of his stole, the priest leads her into the church, saying:*

Enter into the temple of God, adore the Son of the blessed Virgin Mary, who hath given thee fruitfulness of offspring.

- *With the woman kneeling before the altar, the priest says:*

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

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. *Amen.*

P. O Lord, save Thy handmaid.
R. Who putteth her trust in Thee.
P. Send her help from the sanctuary.
R. And strengthen her out of Sion.
P. Let the enemy have no advantage over her.
R. Nor the son of wickedness approach to hurt her.
P. O Lord, hear my prayer.
R. And let my cry come unto Thee.
P. The Lord be with you.
R. And with thy spirit.
P. Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who through the childbearing of the blessed Virgin Mary hast turned the pains of the faithful who are with child into joy: look mercifully upon this Thy handmaid, who cometh with gladness to Thy holy temple to render thanks, and grant that after this life, by the intercession of the same blessed Mary, she may be worthy to attain with her child unto the joys of everlasting blessedness. Through Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

The peace and blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the (+) Son, and the Holy Spirit, descend upon thee, and remain with thee always. *Amen.*

Public Anointing of the Sick

- *At an appropriate time, those desirous of receiving the Sacrament of Holy Unction, either for themselves or for others, may come forward to receive anointing from the priest. Anointing the forehead of each person and laying hands on each, the priest shall say:*

I anoint thee with oil, and I lay my hands upon thee, in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit; beseeching the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all thy pain and sickness of body, mind, or spirit being put to flight, the blessing of health may be restored unto thee. *Amen.*

- *After all have received the anointing, the priest may add the following:*

O BLESSED Redeemer, relieve, we beseech Thee, by Thy indwelling power, the distress of this (these) Thy servant(s); release *him* (them) from sin, and drive away all pain of soul and body, that being restored to soundness or health, *he* (they) may offer Thee praise and thanksgiving, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

The Order for the Burial of the Dead

Meeting the Body

- *The priest, standing at the foot of the bier. sprinkles the body with holy water after which are said or sung:*

Antiphon: If Thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss, O Lord, who may abide it?

Psalm 130

Out of the deep have I called unto Thee, O Lord; * Lord, hear my voice.

O let Thine ears consider well * the voice of my complaint.

If Thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss, * O Lord, who may abide it?

For there is mercy with Thee; * therefore shalt Thou be feared.

I look for the Lord; my soul doth wait for Him; * in His word is my trust.

My soul fleeth unto the Lord before the morning watch; * I say, before the morning watch.

O Israel, trust in the Lord; for with the Lord there is mercy, * and with Him is plenteous redemption.

P. Rest eternal grant unto *him*, O Lord.

R. And let light perpetual shine upon *him*.

Antiphon: If Thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss, O Lord, who may abide it?

- *As the body is borne into the church, the following is said or sung:*

Antiphon: The bones which Thou hast broken shall rejoice.

Psalm 51

Have mercy upon me, O God, after Thy great goodness; * according to the multitude of Thy mercies do away mine offences.

Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness, * and cleanse me from my sin.

For I acknowledge my faults, * and my sin is ever before me.

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 shalt judge.

Behold, I was shapen in wickedness, * and in sin hath my mother conceived me.

But lo, Thou requirest truth in the inward parts, * and shalt make me to understand wisdom secretly.

Thou shalt purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; * Thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Thou shalt make me hear of joy and gladness, * that the bones which Thou hast broken may rejoice.

Turn Thy face from my sins, * and put out all my misdeeds.

Make me a clean heart, O God, * and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence, * and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

O give me the comfort of Thy help again, * and stablish me with Thy free Spirit.

Then shall I teach Thy ways unto the wicked, * and sinners shall be converted unto Thee.

Deliver me from blood-guiltiness, O God, Thou that art the God of my health; * and my tongue shall sing of Thy righteousness.

Thou shalt open my lips, O Lord, * and my mouth shall show Thy praise.

For Thou desirest no sacrifice, else would I give it Thee; *

but Thou delightest not in burnt-offerings.

The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit: * a broken and contrite heart, O God, shalt Thou not despise.

O be favourable and gracious unto Sion; * build Thou the walls of Jerusalem.

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.

P. Rest eternal grant unto *him*, O Lord.

R. And let light perpetual shine upon *him*.

Antiphon: The bones which Thou hast broken shall rejoice.

In the Church

COME to *his* aide, O ye Saints of God; come forth to meet *him*, O ye Angels of the Lord; Receive *his* soul; Present *him* in the sight of the Most High.

P. May Christ receive thee, who hath called thee; and into the bosom of Abraham may the Angels conduct thee.

R. Receive *his* soul; Present *him* in the sight of the Most High.

P. Rest eternal grant unto *him*, O Lord.

R. And let light perpetual shine upon *him*.

Present *him* in the sight of the Most High.

• *The bier is set in the middle of the church, so that the feet of the body are towards the high altar if a lay person, or the head if a priest. Candles are lighted around the body.*

• *If the Office of the Dead, appearing on the next page, is to be recited, it is now begun. However, if the Office of the Dead has been recited previously, and if the Divine Liturgy is to follow directly, the priest shall conclude, saying:*

- P. 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.
- R. But deliver us from evil.
- P. From the gate of hell,
- R. Deliver *his* soul, O Lord.
- P. May *he* rest in peace.
- R. Amen.
- P. O Lord, hear my prayer.
- R. And let my cry come unto Thee.
- P. The Lord be with you.
- R. And with thy spirit.
- P. Let us pray.

ABSOLVE, we beseech Thee, O Lord, the soul of Thy servant from every bond of sin: that having risen again, *he* may dwell in the glory of the Resurrection, amid Thy Saints and elect. *Amen.*

- *Turn to the Divine Liturgy on page 57.*

The Office of the Dead

- *Note: If the Office is recited immediately following the bringing of the bier into the church, it begins straightaway with the antiphon below, but if it is recited apart from the time of burial, the antiphon shall be preceded by the Lord's Prayer and the Hail Mary.*

Antiphon: I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living.

Psalm 116

My delight is in the Lord; * because He hath heard the voice of my prayer;

Because He hath inclined His ear unto me; * therefore will I call upon Him as long as I live.

The snares of death compassed me round about, * and the pains of hell gat hold upon me.

I found trouble and heaviness; then called I upon the Name of the Lord; * O Lord, I beseech Thee, deliver my soul.

Gracious is the Lord, and righteous; * yea, our God is merciful.

The Lord preserveth the simple: * I was in misery, and He helped me.

Turn again then unto thy rest, O my soul; * for the Lord hath rewarded thee.

And why? Thou hast delivered my soul from death, * mine eyes from tears, and my feet from falling.

I will walk before the Lord * in the land of the living.

P. Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord.

R. And let light perpetual shine upon them.

Antiphon: I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living.

Antiphon: Woe is me, O Lord, that I am constrained to dwell with Meshech.

Psalm 120

When I was in trouble, I called upon the Lord, * and He heard me.

Deliver my soul, O Lord, from lying lips, * and from a deceitful tongue.

What reward shall be given or done unto thee, thou false tongue? * even mighty and sharp arrows, with hot burning coals.

Woe is me, that I am constrained to dwell with Meshech, * and to have my habitation among the tents of Kedar!

My soul hath long dwelt among them * that are enemies unto peace.

I labour for peace; but when I speak unto them thereof, * they make them ready to battle.

P. Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord.

R. And let light perpetual shine upon them.

Antiphon: Woe is me, O Lord, that I am constrained to dwell with Meshech.

Antiphon: The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: yea, it is even He that shall keep my soul.

Psalm 121

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills; * from whence cometh my help?

My help cometh even from the Lord, * who hath made heaven and earth.

He will not suffer thy foot to be moved; * and He that keepeth thee will not sleep.

Behold, He that keepeth Israel * shall neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord Himself is thy keeper; * the Lord is thy defence upon thy right hand;

So that the sun shall not burn thee by day, * neither the moon by night.

The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil; * yea, it is even He that shall keep thy soul.

The Lord shall preserve thy going out, and thy coming in, * from this time forth for evermore.

P. Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord.

R. And let light perpetual shine upon them.

Antiphon: The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: yea, it is even He that shall keep my soul.

Antiphon: If Thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss: O Lord, who may abide it?

Psalm 130

Out of the deep have I called unto Thee, O Lord; * Lord, hear my voice.

O let Thine ears consider well * the voice of my complaint.

If Thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss, * O Lord, who may abide it?

For there is mercy with Thee; * therefore shalt Thou be feared.

I look for the Lord; my soul doth wait for Him; * in His word is my trust.

My soul fleeth unto the Lord before the morning watch; * I say, before the morning watch.

O Israel, trust in the Lord; for with the Lord there is mercy, * and with Him is plenteous redemption.

And He shall redeem Israel * from all his sins.

P. Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord.

R. And let light perpetual shine upon them.

Antiphon: If Thou, Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss: O Lord, who may abide it?

Antiphon: Despise not, O Lord, the works of Thine own hands.

Psalm 138

I will give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, with my whole heart; * even before the gods will I sing praise unto Thee.

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.

When I called upon Thee, Thou heardest me; * and enduedst my soul with much strength.

All the kings of the earth shall praise Thee, O Lord; * for they have heard the words of Thy mouth.

Yea, they shall sing of the ways of the Lord, * that great is the glory of the Lord.

For though the Lord be high, yet hath He respect unto the lowly; * as for the proud, He beholdeth them afar off.

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.

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.

P. Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord.

R. And let light perpetual shine upon them.

Antiphon: Despise not, O Lord, the works of Thine own hands.

P. I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me

R. Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord.

Antiphon: All that the Father giveth Me shall come to Me: and him that cometh unto Me I will in no wise cast out.

Magnificat

MY soul doth magnify the Lord, * and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For He hath regarded * the lowliness of His hand-maiden.

For behold, from henceforth * all generations shall call me blessed.

For He that is mighty hath magnified me; * and holy is His Name.

And His mercy is on them that fear Him * throughout all generations.

He hath showed strength with His arm; * He hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat, * and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things; * and the rich He hath sent empty away.

He, remembering His mercy, hath holpen His servant Israel; * as He promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever.

P. Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord.

R. And let light perpetual shine upon them.

Antiphon: All that the Father giveth Me shall come to Me: and him that cometh unto Me I will in no wise cast out.

P. 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.

R. But deliver us from evil.

P. From the gate of hell,

R. Deliver *his* soul, O Lord.

P. May *he* rest in peace.

R. Amen.

P. O Lord, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto Thee.

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

P. Let us pray.

Collect

ABSOLVE, O Lord, we beseech Thee, the soul of Thy servant *Name*, that being dead to the world, *he* may live to Thee; and whatsoever through carnal frailness *he* hath committed in *his* earthly conversation, do Thou by the pardon of Thy most merciful goodness cleanse away.

Through Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord, who livest and reignest in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

- *Or the priest may choose to use instead the following Collect:*

O GOD, whose property is ever to have mercy and to forgive, we humbly entreat Thee for the soul of Thy servant *Name*, which Thou hast this day commanded to depart from this world; Deliver it not into the hands of the enemy, neither forget it at the last, but command that it be received by Thy holy Angels and brought into the fatherland of paradise; that forasmuch as *he* hoped and believed in Thee, *he* may not undergo the pains of hell, but may obtain everlasting felicity. Through Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord, who livest and reignest with Thee, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Prayer for the Departed in General

Let us pray.

Collect

O GOD, who didst cause Thy servants to enjoy the dignity of Bishops or Priests in the apostolic ministry; grant, we beseech Thee, that they may be evermore joined unto the fellowship of the same. Through Jesus Christ Thy Son our Lord, who livest and reignest with Thee, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

- *The priest and all the faithful shall pray together:*

O GOD, the Giver of pardon and Lover of man's salvation, we beseech Thee of Thy mercy to grant that the brethren, kinsfolk, and benefactors of our congregation who have passed out of this world, may, at the intercession of blessed Mary Ever-Virgin and of all Thy Saints, attain unto the fellowship of eternal blessedness. *Amen.*

P. Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.
R. And let light perpetual shine upon them.
P. May they rest in peace.
R. Amen.

- *Note: Since the foregoing is the Office of the Dead at Vespers, it may be recited on the evening before the day of burial. In that case it is customary, when possible, to recite it in the presence of the body.*
- *Note, further: That when this Office is not used on the day of burial, or on the evening before, Psalm 146 is added after the Magnificat, Antiphon, and Lord's Prayer.*

The Psalter

The Psalter or Psalms of David

BOOK I.

The First Day.

Morning Prayer.

Psalm 1. *Beatus vir qui non abiit.*

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 judgment, * 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. *Quare fremuerunt gentes?*

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 rulers take counsel together * against the LORD, and against his Anointed:

3 Let us break their bonds asunder, * and cast away their cords from us.

4 He that dwelleth in heaven shall laugh them to scorn: * the Lord shall have them in derision.

5 Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath, * and vex them in his sore displeasure:

6 Yet have I set my King * upon my holy hill of Sion.

7 I will rehearse the decree; * the LORD hath said unto me, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee.

8 Desire of me, and I shall give thee the nations for thine inheritance, * and the utmost parts of the earth for thy possession.

9 Thou shalt bruise them with a rod of iron, * and break them in pieces like a potter's vessel.

10 Be wise now therefore, O ye kings; * be instructed, ye that are judges of the earth.

11 Serve the LORD in fear, * and rejoice unto him with reverence.

12 Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and so ye perish from the right way, if his wrath be kindled, yea but a little. * Blessed are all they that put their trust in him.

Psalm 3. *Domine, quid multiplicati?*

LORD, how are they increased that trouble me! * many are they that rise against me.

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. *Cum invocarem.*

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 falsehood?

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 show us any good?

7 LORD, lift thou up * the light of thy countenance upon us.

8 Thou hast put gladness in my heart; * yea, more than when their corn and wine and oil increase.

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. *Verba mea auribus.*

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 iniquity.

6 Thou shalt destroy them that speak lies: * the LORD will abhor both the blood-thirsty and deceitful man.

7 But as for me, in the multitude of thy mercy I will come into

thine house; * 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 their 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 them; they that love thy Name shall be joyful in thee;

13 For thou, LORD, wilt give thy blessing unto the righteous, * and with thy favourable kindness wilt thou defend him as with a shield.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 6. *Domine, ne in furore.*

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?

4 Turn thee, O LORD, and deliver my soul; * O save me, for thy mercy's sake.

5 For in death no man remembereth thee; * and who will give thee thanks in the pit?

6 I am weary of my groaning; * every night wash I my bed, and water my couch with my tears.

7 My beauty is gone for very trouble, * and worn away because of all mine enemies.

8 Away from me, all ye that work iniquity; * for the LORD hath heard the voice of my weeping.

9 The LORD hath heard my petition; * the LORD will receive my prayer.

10 All mine enemies shall be confounded, and sore vexed; * they shall be turned back, and put to shame suddenly.

Psalm 7. *Domine, Deus meus.*

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 judgment that thou hast commanded.

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

8 The LORD shall judge the peoples: 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, the ungodly travaileth with iniquity; * he hath conceived mischief, and brought forth falsehood.

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

17 For his travail 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. *Domine, Dominus noster.*

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 When I consider thy heavens, even the work 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!

The Second Day.

Morning Prayer.

Psalm 9. *Confitebor tibi.*

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, thy destructions are come to a perpetual end; * even as the cities which thou hast destroyed, whose memorial is perished with them.

7 But the LORD shall endure for ever; * he hath also prepared his seat for judgment.

8 For he shall judge the world in righteousness, * and minister true judgment 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; * show 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 show all thy praises within the gates 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 judgment; * the ungodly is trapped in the work of his own hands.

17 The wicked shall be turned to destruction, * and all the people that forget God.

18 For the poor shall not always 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.

Psalm 10. *Ut quid, Domine ?*

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 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 the LORD abhorreth.

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

5 His ways are always grievous; * thy judgments 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, that thou mayest take the matter into thy hand.

16 The poor committeth himself unto thee; * for thou art the helper of the friendless.

17 Break thou the power of the ungodly and malicious; * search out his ungodliness, until thou 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;

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

Psalm 11. *In Domino confido.*

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 If the foundations be destroyed, * what can the righteous do?

4 The LORD is in his holy temple; * the LORD's seat is in heaven.

5 His eyes consider the poor, * and his eyelids try the children of men.

6 The LORD approveth 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.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 12. *Salvum me fac.*

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 them 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. *Usquequo, Domine?*

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 enemy 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. *Dixit insipiens.*

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 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 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?

6 There were they brought in great fear, even where no fear was; * for God is in the generation of the righteous.

7 As for you, ye have made a mock at the counsel of the poor; * because he putteth his trust in the LORD.

8 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.

The Third Day.

Morning Prayer.

Psalm 15. *Domine, quis habitabit?*

LORD, who shall dwell in thy tabernacle? * or who shall rest upon thy holy hill?

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 16. *Conserva me, Domine.*

PRESERVE me, O God; * for in thee have I put my trust.
2 O my soul, thou hast said unto the LORD, * Thou art my God; I have no good like unto thee.

3 All my delight is upon the saints that are in the earth, * and upon such as excel in virtue.

4 But they that run after another god * shall have great trouble.

5 Their drink-offerings of blood will I not offer, * neither make mention of their names within my lips.

6 The LORD himself is the portion of mine 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 the LORD alway before me; * for he is on my right hand, therefore I shall not fall.

10 Wherefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth: * 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 show 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. *Exaudi, Domine.*

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.

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 As for the works of men, * by the word 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 Show 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, * watching to cast us 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, by thine own sword;

14 Yea, by thy hand, O LORD; from the men of 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 shall behold thy presence in righteousness; * and when I awake up after thy likeness, I shall be satisfied.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 18. *Diligam te, Domine.*

I WILL love thee, O LORD, my strength. * The LORD is my stony rock, and my defence;

2 My Saviour, my God, and my might, in whom I will trust; * my buckler, the horn also of my salvation, and my refuge.

3 I will call upon the LORD, which is worthy to be praised; * so shall I be safe from mine enemies.

4 The sorrows of death compassed me, * and the overflowings of ungodliness made me afraid.

5 The pains of hell came about me; * the snares of death overtook me.

6 In my trouble I called upon the LORD, * and complained unto my God:

7 So he heard my voice out of his holy temple, * and my complaint came before him; it entered even into his ears.

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

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

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

11 He rode upon the Cherubim, and did fly; * he came flying upon the wings of the wind.

12 He made darkness his secret place, * his pavilion round about him with dark water, and thick clouds to cover him.

13 At the brightness of his presence his clouds removed; * hailstones and coals of fire.

14 The LORD also thundered out of heaven, and the Highest gave his thunder; * hailstones and coals of fire.

15 He sent out his arrows, and scattered them; * he cast forth lightnings, and destroyed them.

16 The springs of waters were seen, and the foundations of the round world were discovered, * at thy chiding, O LORD, at the blasting of the breath of thy displeasure.

17 He sent down from on high to fetch me, * and took me out of many waters.

18 He delivered me from my strongest enemy, and from them which hate me; * for they were too mighty for me.

19 They came upon me in the day of my trouble; * but the LORD was my upholder.

20 He brought me forth also into a place of liberty; * he brought me forth, even because he had a favour unto me.

21 The LORD rewarded me after my righteous dealing, * according to the cleanness of my hands did he recompense me.

22 Because I have kept the ways of the LORD, * and have not forsaken my God, as the wicked doth.

23 For I have an eye unto all his laws, * and will not cast out his commandments from me.

24 I was also uncorrupt before him, * and eschewed mine own wickedness.

25 Therefore the LORD rewarded me after my righteous dealing, * and according unto the cleanness of my hands in his eyesight.

26 With the holy thou shalt be holy, * and with a perfect man thou shalt be perfect.

27 With the clean thou shalt be clean, * and with the froward thou shalt be froward.

28 For thou shalt save the people that are in adversity, and shalt bring down the high looks of the proud.

29 Thou also shalt light my candle; * the LORD my God shall make my darkness to be light.

30 For in thee I shall discomfit an host of men, * and with the help of my God I shall leap over the wall.

31 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.

32 For who is God, but the LORD? * or who hath any strength, except our God?

33 It is God that girdeth me with strength of war, * and maketh my way perfect.

34 He maketh my feet like harts' feet, * and setteth me up on high.

35 He teacheth mine hands to fight, * and mine arms shall bend even a bow of steel.

36 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.

37 Thou shalt make room enough under me for to go, * that my footsteps shall not slide.

38 I will follow upon mine enemies, and overtake them; * neither will I turn again till I have destroyed them.

39 I will smite them, that they shall not be able to stand, * but fall under my feet.

40 Thou hast girded me with strength unto the battle; * thou shalt throw down mine enemies under me.

41 Thou hast made mine enemies also to turn their backs upon me, * and I shall destroy them that hate me.

42 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.

43 I will beat them as small as the dust before the wind: * I will cast them out as the clay in the streets.

44 Thou shalt deliver me from the strivings of the people, * and thou shalt make me the head of the nations; a people whom I have not known shall serve me.

45 As soon as they hear of me, they shall obey me; * the strangers shall feign obedience unto me.

46 The strangers shall fail, * and come trembling out of their strongholds.

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 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 showeth loving-kindness unto David his anointed, and unto his seed for evermore.

The Fourth Day.

Morning Prayer.

Psalm 19. *Caeli enarrant.*

THE heavens declare the glory of God; * and the firmament showeth 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 judgments 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 honeycomb.

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 servant 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 always acceptable in thy sight, * O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.

Psalm 20. *Exaudiat te Dominus.*

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 fallen; * but we are risen and stand upright.

9 Save, LORD; and hear us, O King of heaven, * when we call upon thee.

Psalm 21. *Domine, in virtute tua.*

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 meet 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.

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 thine 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 Their fruit shalt thou root out of the earth, * and their 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.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 22. *Deus, Deus meus.*

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 the LORD, 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 Bashan 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 bringest 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; * thou art my succour, haste thee to help me.

20 Deliver my soul from the sword, * my darling 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 Governor among the nations.

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 shall declare his righteousness * unto a people that shall be born, whom the Lord hath made.

Psalm 23. *Dominus regit me.*

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 in the presence of them that trouble me; * thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

6 Surely 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.

The Fifth Day.

Morning Prayer.

Psalm 24. *Domini est terra.*

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 stablished it upon the floods.

3 Who shall ascend into the hill of the LORD? * or who shall rise up in his holy place?

4 Even he that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; * and that hath not lift 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 God of Jacob.

7 Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors; * and the King of glory shall come in.

8 Who is this 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 this King of glory? * Even the LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory.

Psalm 25. *Ad te, Domine, levavi.*

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 Show 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 my salvation; in thee hath been my hope all the day long.

5 Call to remembrance, O LORD, thy tender 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 judgment; * 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 show 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 they bear a tyrannous hate against me.

19 O 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. *Judica me, Domine.*

BE thou my Judge, O LORD, for I have walked innocently: * my trust hath been also in the LORD, therefore shall I not fall.

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 show 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.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 27. *Dominus illuminatio.*

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 he lift up mine head * above mine enemies round about me.

7 Therefore will I offer in his dwelling an oblation, with great gladness: * I will sing and speak 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.

Psalm 28. *Ad te, Domine.*

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, * which 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.

Psalm 29. *Afferte Domino.*

ASCRIBE unto the LORD, O ye mighty, * ascribe unto the LORD worship and strength.

2 Ascribe unto the LORD the honour due unto his Name; * worship the LORD with holy worship.

3 The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; * it is the glorious God that maketh the thunder.

4 It is 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 Lebanon.

6 He maketh them also to skip like a calf; * Lebanon 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 Kadesh.

8 The voice of the LORD maketh the hinds to bring forth young, and strippeth bare the forests: * in his temple doth every thing 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.

The Sixth Day.

Morning Prayer.

Psalm 30. *Exaltabo te, Domine.*

I 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, that I should not go down into 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 into 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; * thou hast put off my sackcloth, and girded me with gladness:

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

Psalm 31. *In te, Domine, speravi.*

IN 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 lying 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.

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 reproach 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 times are in thy hand; deliver me from the hand of mine enemies, * and from them that persecute me.

18 Show 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 spitefully 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!

22 Thou shalt hide them in the covert of thine own presence from the plottings of men: * thou shalt keep them secretly in thy tabernacle from the strife of tongues.

23 Thanks be to the LORD; * for he hath showed me marvelous great kindness in a strong city.

24 But in my 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.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 32. *Beati quorum.*

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 whilst I held my tongue, * my bones consumed away through my daily complaining.

4 For thy hand was heavy upon me day and night, * and my moisture was like the drought in summer.

5 I acknowledged 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; * surely the great water-floods 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, else they will not obey 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. *Exultate, justi.*

REJOICE 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 judgment; * the earth is full of the goodness of the LORD.

6 By the word of the LORD were the heavens made; * and all the host 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 looketh down from heaven, and beholdeth 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. *Benedicam Dominum.*

I WILL always 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 tarrieth 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.

9 O fear the LORD, ye that are his saints; * for they that fear him lack nothing.

10 The lions do lack, and suffer hunger; * but they who seek the LORD shall want no manner of thing that is good.

11 Come, ye children, and hearken unto me; * I will teach you the fear of the LORD.

12 What man is he that lusteth to live, * and would fain see good days?

13 Keep thy tongue from evil, * and thy lips, that they speak no guile.

14 Eschew evil, and do good; * seek peace, and ensue it.

15 The eyes of the LORD are over the righteous, * and his ears are open unto their prayers.

16 The countenance of the LORD is against them that do evil, * to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.

17 The righteous cry, and the LORD heareth them, * and delivereth them out of all their troubles.

18 The LORD is nigh unto them that are of a contrite heart, * and will save such as be of an humble spirit.

19 Great are the troubles of the righteous; * but the LORD delivereth him out of all.

20 He keepeth all his bones, * so that not one of them is broken.

21 But misfortune shall slay the ungodly; * and they that hate the righteous shall be desolate.

22 The LORD delivereth the souls of his servants; * and all they that put their trust in him shall not be destitute.

The Seventh Day.

Morning Prayer.

Psalm 35. *Judica, Domine.*

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 pursue 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 pursue 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 shall 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.

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. *Dixit injustus.*

MY heart showeth 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 judgments 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.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 37. *Noli aemulari.*

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 be upright in their ways.

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 judgment.

32 The law of his God is in his heart, * and his goings shall not slide.

33 The ungodly watcheth 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.

The Eighth Day.

Morning Prayer.

Psalm 38. *Domine, ne in furore.*

PUT 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 light 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 slipt, 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.

Psalm 39. *Dixi, Custodiam.*

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. *Expectans expectavi.*

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 offering thou wouldest not, * but mine ears hast thou opened.

9 Burnt-offering 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 should fulfil 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 always, The LORD be praised.

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.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 41. *Beatus qui intelligit.*

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 An evil disease, say they, cleaveth fast unto him; * and now that he lieth, he shall 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.

10 But be thou merciful unto me, O LORD; * raise thou me up again, and I shall reward them.

11 By this I know thou favourest me, * that mine enemy doth not triumph against me.

12 And in my innocency thou upholdest me, * and shalt set me before thy face for ever.

13 Blessed be the LORD God of Israel, * world without end. Amen.

BOOK II.

Psalm 42. *Quemadmodum.*

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

8 My soul is vexed within me; * therefore will I remember thee from the land of Jordan, from Hermon and the little hill.

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

10 The LORD will grant his loving-kindness in the day-time; * and in the night season will I sing of him, and make 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 43. *Judica me, Deus.*

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, even unto the God of my joy and gladness; * and upon the harp will I give thanks unto thee, O God, my God.

5 Why art thou so heavy, O my soul? * and why art thou so disquieted within me?

6 O put thy trust in God; * for I will yet give him thanks, which is the help of my countenance, and my God.

The Ninth Day.

Morning Prayer.

Psalm 44. *Deus, auribus.*

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 our fathers in; * how thou hast destroyed the nations, and made thy people to flourish.

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 putteth 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 putteth 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 letteth 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 nations, * and that the peoples 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. *Eruclavit cor meum.*

MY heart overfloweth with a good matter; I speak the things which I have made concerning the King. * My tongue is the pen of a ready writer.

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

3 Gird thee with thy sword upon thy thigh, O thou Most Mighty, * according to thy worship and renown.

4 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.

5 Thy arrows are very sharp in the heart of the King's enemies, * and the people shall be subdued unto thee.

6 Thy seat, O God, endureth for ever; * the sceptre of thy kingdom is a right sceptre.

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

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

9 Kings' daughters are among thy honourable women; * upon thy right hand doth stand the queen in a vesture of gold, wrought about with divers colours.

10 Hearken, O daughter, and consider; incline thine ear; * forget also thine own people, and thy father's house.

11 So shall the King have pleasure in thy beauty; * for he is thy Lord, and worship thou him.

12 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.

13 The King's daughter is all glorious within; * her clothing is of wrought gold.

14 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.

15 With joy and gladness shall they be brought, * and shall enter into the King's palace.

16 Instead of thy fathers, thou shalt have children, * whom thou mayest make princes in all lands.

17 I will make thy Name to be remembered from one generation to another; * therefore shall the people give thanks unto thee, world without end.

Psalm 46. *Deus noster refugium.*

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 There is a river, the streams whereof make glad the city of God; * the holy place of the tabernacle of the Most Highest.

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

6 The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are moved; * but God hath showed 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 nations, and I will be exalted in the earth.

11 The LORD of hosts is with us; * the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 47. *Omnes gentes, plaudite.*

CLAP your hands together, all ye peoples: * 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 peoples under us, * and the nations under our feet.

4 He shall choose out an heritage for us, * even the excellency 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 nations; * God sitteth upon his holy seat.

9 The princes of the peoples 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 48. *Magnus Dominus.*

GREAT is the LORD, and highly to be praised * in the city of our God, even upon his holy hill.

2 The hill of Sion is a fair place, and the joy of the whole earth; * upon the north side lieth the city of the great King: God is well known in her palaces as a sure refuge.

3 For lo, the kings of the earth * were gathered, and gone by together.

4 They marvelled to see such things; * they were astonished, and suddenly cast down.

5 Fear came there upon them; and sorrow, * as upon a woman in her travail.

6 Thou dost break the ships of the sea * through the east-wind.

7 Like as we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the LORD of hosts, in the city of our God; * God upholdeth the same for ever.

8 We wait for thy loving-kindness, O God, * in the midst of thy temple.

9 O God, according to thy Name, so is thy praise unto the world's end; * thy right hand is full of righteousness.

10 Let the mount Sion rejoice, and the daughters of Judah be glad, * because of thy judgments.

11 Walk about Sion, and go round about her; * and tell the towers thereof.

12 Mark well her bulwarks, consider her palaces, * that ye may tell them that come after.

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

Psalm 49. *Audite haec, omnes.*

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 show my dark speech upon the harp.

5 Wherefore should I fear in the days of evil, * when wickedness at 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 give a ransom unto God for him,

8 (For it cost more to redeem their souls, * so that he must let that alone for ever;)

9 That he shall live alway, * and not see 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.

12 Nevertheless, man being in honour abideth not, * seeing he may be compared unto the beasts that perish;

13 This their way is very foolishness; * yet their posterity praise their saying.

14 They lie in the grave like sheep; death is their shepherd; and the righteous shall have dominion over them in the morning: * their beauty shall consume in the sepulchre, and have no abiding.

15 But God hath delivered my soul from the power of the grave; * 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 that is in honour but hath no understanding * is compared unto the beasts that perish.

The Tenth Day.

Morning Prayer.

Psalm 50. *Deus deorum.*

THE LORD, even the Most Mighty God, hath spoken, * and called the world, from the rising up of the sun unto the going down thereof.

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 heavens 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; * as for thy burnt-offerings, they are always before me.

9 I will take no bullock out of thine house, * nor he-goats 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; * so will I hear thee, and thou shalt praise me.

16 But unto the ungodly saith God, * Why dost thou preach my laws, and takest my covenant in thy mouth;

17 Whereas thou hatest to be reformed, * and hast cast my words behind thee?

18 When thou sawest a thief, thou consentedst unto him; * and hast been partaker with the adulterers.

19 Thou hast let thy mouth speak wickedness, * and with thy tongue thou hast set forth deceit.

20 Thou sattest and spakest against thy brother; * yea, and hast slandered thine own mother's son.

21 These things hast thou done, and I held my tongue, and thou thoughtest wickedly, that I am even such a one as thyself; * but I will reprove thee, and set before thee the things that thou hast done.

22 O consider this, ye that forget God, * lest I pluck you away, and there be none to deliver you.

23 Whoso offereth me thanks and praise, he honoureth me; * and to him that ordereth his way aright, will I show the salvation of God.

Psalm 51. *Miserere mei, Deus.*

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 shalt judge.

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 show 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.

Psalm 52. *Quid gloriaris?*

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 falsehood 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 alway give thanks unto thee for that thou hast done; * and I will hope in thy Name, for thy saints like it well.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 53. *Dixit insipiens.*

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.

7 O that the salvation were given unto Israel out of Sion! * O that the Lord would deliver his people out of captivity!

8 Then should Jacob rejoice, * and Israel should be right glad.

Psalm 54. *Deus, in Nomine.*

SAVE 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. *Exaudi, Deus.*

HEAR 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 her 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 them go down alive into the pit; * for wickedness is in their dwellings, and among them.

17 As for me, I will call upon God, * and the LORD shall save me.

18 In the evening, and morning, and at noon-day will I pray, and that instantly; * and he shall hear my voice.

19 It is he that hath delivered my soul in peace from the battle that was against me; * for there were many that strove with me.

20 Yea, even God, that endureth for ever, shall hear me, and bring them down; * for they will not turn, nor fear God.

21 He laid his hands upon such as be at peace with him, * and he brake his covenant.

22 The words of his mouth were softer than butter, having war in his heart; * his words were smoother than oil, and yet be they very swords.

23 O cast thy burden upon the LORD, and he shall nourish thee, * and shall not suffer the righteous to fall for ever.

24 And as for them, * thou, O God, shalt bring them into the pit of destruction.

25 The blood-thirsty and deceitful men shall not live out half their days: * nevertheless, my trust shall be in thee, O Lord.

The Eleventh Day.

Morning Prayer.

Psalm 56. *Miserere mei, Deus.*

BE merciful unto me, O God, for man goeth about to devour me; * he is daily fighting, and troubling me.

2 Mine enemies are daily at 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 wanderings; put my tears into thy bottle: * are not these things noted in thy book?

9 Whensoever 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. *Miserere mei, Deus.*

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 peoples; * 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. *Si vere utique.*

ARE 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.

7 Let them fall away like water that runneth apace; * when they shoot their arrows, let them be rooted out.

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

9 Or ever your pots be made hot with thorns, * he shall take them away with a whirlwind, the green and the burning alike.

10 The righteous shall rejoice when he seeth the vengeance; * he shall wash his footsteps in the blood of the ungodly.

11 So that a man shall say, Verily there is a reward for the righteous; * doubtless there is a God that judgeth the earth.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 59. *Eripe me de inimicis.*

DELIVER me from mine enemies, O God; * defend me from them that rise up against me.

2 O deliver me from the wicked doers, * and save me from the blood-thirsty men.

3 For lo, they lie waiting for my soul; * the mighty men are gathered against me, without any offence or fault of me, O LORD.

4 They run and prepare themselves without my fault; * arise thou therefore to help me, and behold.

5 Stand up, O LORD God of hosts, thou God of Israel, to visit all the heathen, * and be not merciful unto them that offend of malicious wickedness.

6 They go to and fro in the evening, * they grin like a dog, and run about through the city.

7 Behold, they speak with their mouth, and swords are in their lips; * for who doth hear?

8 But thou, O LORD, shalt have them in derision, * and thou shalt laugh all the heathen to scorn.

9 My strength will I ascribe unto thee; * for thou art the God of my refuge.

10 God showeth me his goodness plenteously; * and God shall let me see my desire upon mine enemies.

11 Slay them not, lest my people forget it; * but scatter them abroad among the people, and put them down, O Lord our defence.

12 For the sin of their mouth, and for the words of their lips, they shall be taken in their pride: * and why? their talk 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 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. *Deus, repulisti nos.*

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 showed 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.

6 God hath spoken in his holiness, I will rejoice, and divide Shechem, * and mete out the valley of Succoth.

7 Gilead is mine, and Manasseh is mine; * Ephraim also is the strength of my head; Judah is my law-giver;

8 Moab is my wash-pot; over Edom will I cast out my shoe; * Philistia, be thou glad of me.

9 Who will lead me into the strong city? * who will bring me into Edom?

10 Hast not thou cast us out, O God? * wilt not thou, O God, go out with our hosts?

11 O be thou our help in trouble; * for vain is the help of man.

12 Through God will we do great acts; * for it is he that shall tread down our enemies.

Psalm 61. *Exaudi, Deus.*

HEAR 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 always sing praise unto thy Name, * that I may daily perform my vows.

The Twelfth Day.

Morning Prayer.

Psalm 62. *Nonne Deo?*

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 always, 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. *Deus, Deus meus.*

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 the sanctuary, * 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 in 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 upholden me.

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. *Exaudi, Deus.*

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.

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.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 65. *Te decet hymnus.*

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 show 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 peoples.

8 They also that dwell in the uttermost parts of the earth shall be afraid at thy tokens, * thou that makest the out-goings 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. *Jubilate Deo.*

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 bow down 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 nations: * and such as will not believe shall not be able to exalt themselves.

7 O praise our God, ye peoples, * 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 sufferedst 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. *Deus misereatur.*

GOD be merciful unto us, and bless us, * and show 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 peoples praise thee, O God; * yea, let all the peoples 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 peoples praise thee, O God; * yea, let all the peoples 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.

The Thirteenth Day.

Morning Prayer.

Psalm 68. *Exsurgat Deus.*

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; * 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 letteth the runagates 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 women that bare the tidings.

12 Kings with their armies did flee, and were discomfited, * and they of the household divided the spoil.

13 Though ye have lain among the sheep-folds, 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 they as white as snow in Salmon.

15 As the hill of Bashan, so is God's hill; * even an high hill, as the hill of Bashan.

16 Why 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 from men; * yea, even from 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 Bashan; * 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 of thy dogs may be red through the same.

24 It is well seen, O God, how thou goest; * how thou, my God and King, goest in the sanctuary.

25 The singers go before, the minstrels follow after, * in the midst of the damsels playing with the timbrels.

26 Give thanks unto God the Lord in the congregation, * ye that are of the fountain of Israel.

27 There is little Benjamin their ruler, and the princes of Judah

their council; * the princes of Zebulon, and the princes of Naphthali.

28 Thy God hath sent forth strength for thee; * stablish the thing, O God, that thou hast wrought in us,

29 For thy temple's sake at Jerusalem; * so shall kings bring presents unto thee.

30 Rebuke thou the dragon and the bull, with the leaders of the heathen, so that they humbly bring pieces of silver; * scatter thou the peoples that delight in war;

31 Then shall the princes come out of Egypt; * the Morians' land shall soon stretch out her hands unto God.

32 Sing unto God, O ye kingdoms of the earth; * O sing praises unto the Lord;

33 Who sitteth in the heavens over all, from the beginning: * lo, he doth send out his voice; yea, and that a mighty voice.

34 Ascribe ye the power to God over Israel; * his worship and strength is in the clouds.

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.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 69. *Salvum me fac.*

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

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

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

4 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.

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

6 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.

7 And why? for thy sake have I suffered reproof; * shame hath covered my face.

8 I am become a stranger unto my brethren, * even an alien unto my mother's children.

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

10 I wept, and chastened myself with fasting, * and that was turned to my reproof.

11 I put on sackcloth also, * and they jested upon me.

12 They that sit in the gate speak against me, * and the drunkards make songs upon me.

13 But, LORD, I make my prayer unto thee * in an acceptable time.

14 Hear me, O God, in the multitude of thy mercy, * even in the truth of thy salvation.

15 Take me out of the mire, that I sink not; * O let me be delivered from them that hate me, and out of the deep waters.

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

17 Hear me, O LORD, for thy loving-kindness is comfortable; * turn thee unto me according to the multitude of thy mercies.

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

19 Draw nigh unto my soul, and save it; * O deliver me, because of mine enemies.

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

21 Reproach 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.

Psalm 70. *Deus, in adiutorium.*

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.

The Fourteenth Day.

Morning Prayer.

Psalm 71. *In te, Domine, speravi.*

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 stronghold, 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 alway 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,

10 God hath forsaken him; * persecute him, and take him, for there is none to deliver him.

11 Go not far from me, O God; * my God, haste thee to help me.

12 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.

13 As for me, I will patiently abide alway, * and will praise thee more and more.

14 My mouth shall daily speak of thy righteousness and salvation; * for I know no end thereof.

15 I will go forth in the strength of the Lord GOD, * and will make mention of thy righteousness only.

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

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

18 Thy righteousness, O God, is very high, * and great things are they that thou hast done: O God, who is like unto thee!

19 O what great troubles and adversities hast thou showed me! and yet didst thou turn and refresh me; * yea, and broughtest me from the deep of the earth again.

20 Thou hast brought me to great honour, * and comforted me on every side:

21 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.

22 My lips will be glad when I sing unto thee; * and so will my soul whom thou hast delivered.

23 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.

Psalm 72. *Deus, iudicium.*

GIVE the King thy judgments, 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 upon the mown grass, * 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 River 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 Tarshish 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; the fruit thereof shall shake like Lebanon: * and they of the city shall flourish 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 in him; * and all the nations 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.

BOOK III.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 73. *Quam bonus Israel!*

TRULY 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 cruelty covereth them as a garment.

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:

13 And I said, Then have I cleansed my heart in vain, * and washed my hands in innocency.

14 All the day long have I been punished, * and chastened every morning.

15 Yea, and I had almost said even as they; * but lo, then I should have condemned the generation of thy children.

16 Then thought I to understand this; * but it was too hard for me,

17 Until I went into the sanctuary of God: * then understood I the end of these men;

18 Namely, how thou dost set them in slippery places, * and castest them down, and destroyest them.

19 O how suddenly do they consume, * perish, and come to a fearful end!

20 Yea, even like as a dream when one awaketh; * so shalt thou make their image to vanish out of the city.

21 Thus my heart was grieved, * and it went even through my reins.

22 So foolish was I, and ignorant, * even as it were a beast before thee.

23 Nevertheless, I am alway by thee; * for thou hast holden me by my right hand.

24 Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel, * and after that receive me with glory.

25 Whom have I in heaven but thee? * and there is none upon earth that I desire in comparison of thee.

26 My flesh and my heart faileth; * but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever.

27 For lo, they that forsake thee shall perish; * thou hast destroyed all them that are unfaithful unto thee.

28 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 Zion.

Psalm 74. *Ut quid, Deus?*

O GOD, wherefore art thou absent from us so long? * why is thy wrath so hot against the sheep of thy pasture?

2 O think upon thy congregation, * whom thou hast purchased, and redeemed of old.

3 Think upon the tribe of thine inheritance, * 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? * 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 smotest the heads of leviathan in pieces, * and gavest him to be meat for the people of 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.

The Fifteenth Day.

Morning Prayer.

Psalm 75. *Confitebimur tibi.*

UNTO thee, O God, do we give thanks; * yea, unto thee do we give thanks.

2 Thy Name also is so nigh; * and that do thy wondrous works declare.

3 In the appointed time, saith God, * I shall judge according unto right.

4 The earth is weak, and all the inhabitants 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 mixt, 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 76. *Notus in Judaea.*

IN Judah is God known; * his Name is great in Israel.
2 At Salem is his tabernacle, * and his dwelling in Sion.

3 There brake he the arrows of the bow, * the shield, the sword, and the battle.

4 Thou art glorious in might, * when thou comest from 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 judgment to be heard from heaven; * the earth trembled, and was still,

9 When God arose to judgment, * 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. *Voce mea ad Dominum.*

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: * I stretched forth my hands unto him, 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.

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 spirit.

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 Highest.

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 peoples.

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 leddest thy people like sheep, * by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 78. *Attendite, popule.*

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 show 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 show 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 clave 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 showed 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 southwest-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 inquired 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 provoked 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 Zoan.

45 He turned their waters into blood, * so that they might not drink of the rivers.

46 He sent flies among them, and devoured them up; * and frogs to destroy them.

47 He gave their fruit unto the caterpillar, * and their labour unto the grasshopper.

48 He destroyed their vines with hailstones, * and their mulberry-trees with the frost.

49 He smote their cattle also with hailstones, * and their flocks with hot thunderbolts.

50 He cast upon them the furiousness of his wrath, anger, displeasure, and trouble: * and sent evil angels among them.

51 He made a way to his indignation, and spared not their soul from death; * but gave their life over to the pestilence;

52 And smote all the firstborn in Egypt, * the most principal and mightiest in the dwellings of Ham.

53 But as for his own people, he led them forth like sheep, * and carried them in the wilderness like a flock.

54 He brought them out safely, that they should not fear, * and overwhelmed their enemies with the sea.

55 And brought them within the borders of his sanctuary, * even to this mountain, which he purchased with his right hand.

56 He cast out the heathen also before them, * caused their land to be divided among them for an heritage, and made the tribes of Israel to dwell in their tents.

57 Yet they tempted and displeased the Most High God, * and kept not his testimonies.

58 They turned their backs, and fell away like their forefathers; * starting aside like a broken bow.

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 Shiloh, * 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 in 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 drave his enemies backward, * 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 with their young 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.

The Sixteenth Day.

Morning Prayer.

Psalm 79. *Deus, venerunt.*

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.

10 Wherefore do the heathen say, * Where is now their God?

11 O let the vengeance of thy servants' blood that is shed, * be openly showed upon the heathen, in our sight.

12 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.

13 And for the blasphemy wherewith our neighbours have blasphemed thee, * reward thou them, O Lord, sevenfold into their bosom.

14 So we, that are thy people, and sheep of thy pasture, shall give thee thanks for ever, * and will alway be showing forth thy praise from generation to generation.

Psalm 80. *Qui regis Israel.*

HEAR, O thou Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a flock; * show thyself also, thou that sittest upon the Cherubim.

2 Before Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, * stir up thy strength, and come and help us.

3 Turn us again, O God; * show the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole.

4 O LORD God of hosts, * how long wilt thou be angry with thy people that prayeth?

5 Thou feedest them with the bread of tears, * and givest them plenteousness of tears to drink.

6 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; * show 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;

15 And the place of the vineyard that thy right hand hath planted, * and the branch that thou madest so strong for thyself.

16 It is burnt with fire, and cut down; * and they shall perish at the rebuke of thy countenance.

17 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.

18 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; * show the light of thy countenance, and we shall be whole.

Psalm 81. *Exultate Deo.*

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 submitted themselves unto him; * but their time should have endured for ever.

17 I would have fed them also with the finest wheat-flour; * and with honey out of the stony rock would I have satisfied thee.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 82. *Deus stetit.*

GOD standeth in the congregation of princes; * he is a Judge among gods.

2 How long will ye give wrong judgment, * 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 outcast and poor; * save them from the hand of the ungodly.

5 They know not, neither do they 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 nations to thine inheritance.

Psalm 83. *Deus, quis similis?*

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 Ishmaelites; * the Moabites, and Hagarenes;

7 Gebal, and Ammon, and Amalek; * the Philistines, with them that dwell at Tyre.

8 Assyria also is joined with them; * they have holpen the children of Lot.

9 But do thou to them as unto the Midianites; * unto Sisera, and unto Jabin at the brook of Kishon;

10 Who perished at Endor, * and became as the dung of the earth.

11 Make them and their princes like Oreb and Zeëb; * yea, make all their princes like as Zebah and Zalmunna;

12 Who say, Let us take to ourselves * the houses of God in possession.

13 O my God, make them like unto the whirling dust, * and as the stubble before the wind;

14 Like as the fire that burneth up the forest, * and as the flame that consumeth the mountains;

15 Pursue 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.

Psalm 84. *Quam dilecta!*

OHOW 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 always 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. *Benedixisti, Domine.*

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 Show us thy mercy, O LORD, * and grant us thy salvation.

8 I will hearken what the LORD God will say; * for he shall speak peace unto his people, and to his saints, that they turn not again unto foolishness.

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 show loving-kindness; * and our land shall give her increase.

13 Righteousness shall go before him, * and shall direct his going in the way.

The Seventeenth Day.

Morning Prayer.

Psalm 86. *Inclina, Domine.*

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 violent 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 Show 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.

Psalm 87. *Fundamenta ejus.*

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 make mention of Egypt and Babylon, * among them that know me.

4 Behold, Philistia also; and Tyre, with Ethiopia; * lo, in Sion were they born.

5 Yea, of Sion it shall be reported, this one and that one were born in her; * and the Most High shall stablish her.

6 The LORD shall record it, when he writeth up the peoples; * lo, in Sion were they born.

7 The singers also and trumpeters shall make answer: * All my fresh springs are in thee.

Psalm 88. *Domine, Deus.*

OLORD 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 the grave.

3 I am counted as one of them that go down into the pit, * and I am even as a man that hath no strength;

4 Cast off among the dead, like unto them that are slain, 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 show wonders among the dead? * or shall the dead rise up again, and praise thee?

11 Shall thy loving-kindness be showed 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.

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.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 89. *Misericordias Domini.*

MY song shall be alway of the loving-kindness of the LORD; * with my mouth will I ever be showing 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.

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 walk not in my judgments;

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 throne 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 strongholds.

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 power of the grave?

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.

51 Praised be the LORD for evermore. * Amen, and Amen.

BOOK IV.

The Eighteenth Day.

Morning Prayer.

Psalm 90. *Domine, refugium.*

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 when it is past, * and 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? * or feareth aright thy indignation?

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 Show 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. *Qui habitat.*

WHOSO 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 stronghold; * 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.

16 With long life will I satisfy him, * and show him my salvation.

Psalm 92. *Bonum est confiteri.*

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 my 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 Lebanon.

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 show how true the LORD my strength is, * and that there is no unrighteousness in him.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 93. *Dominus regnavit.*

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.

Psalm 94. *Deus ultionum.*

O LORD God, to whom vengeance belongeth, * thou God, to whom vengeance belongeth, show 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 instructeth 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 judgment: * 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 throne 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.

The Nineteenth Day.

Morning Prayer.

Psalm 95. *Venite, exultemus.*

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 show ourselves glad in him with psalms.

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 swear in my wrath, * that they should not enter into my rest.

Psalm 96. *Cantate Domino.*

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 peoples.

4 For the LORD is great, and cannot worthily be praised; * he is more to be feared than all gods.

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 peoples, * 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 peoples 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 peoples with his truth.

Psalm 97. *Dominus regnavit.*

THE LORD is King, the earth may be glad thereof; * yea, the multitude of the isles may be glad thereof.

2 Clouds and darkness are round about him: * righteousness and judgment 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 peoples 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 Zion heard of it, and rejoiced; and the daughters of Judah were glad, * because of thy judgments, 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.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 98. *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 showed 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 Show 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 show 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 peoples with equity.

Psalm 99. *Dominus regnavit.*

THE LORD is King, be the people never so impatient; * he sitteth between the Cherubim, be the earth never so unquiet.

2 The LORD is great in Sion, * and high above all people.

3 They shall give thanks unto thy Name, * which is great, wonderful, and holy.

4 The King's power loveth judgment; thou hast prepared equity, * thou hast executed judgment and righteousness in Jacob.

5 O magnify the LORD our God, and fall down before his footstool; * for he is holy.

6 Moses and Aaron among his priests, and Samuel among such as call upon his Name: * these called upon the LORD, and he heard them.

7 He spake unto them out of the cloudy pillar; * for they kept his testimonies, and the law that he gave them.

8 Thou heardest them, O LORD our God; * thou forgavest them, O God, though thou didst punish their wicked doings.

9 O magnify the LORD our God, and worship him upon his holy hill; * for the LORD our God is holy.

Psalm 100. *Jubilate Deo.*

O 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.

Psalm 101. *Misericordiam et iudicium.*

MY song shall be of mercy and judgment; * unto thee, O LORD, will I sing.

2 O let me have understanding * in the way of godliness!

3 When wilt thou come unto me? * I will walk in my house with a perfect heart.

4 I will take no wicked thing in hand; I hate the sins of unfaithfulness; * there shall no such cleave unto me.

5 A froward heart shall depart from me; * I will not know a wicked person.

6 Whoso privily slandereth his neighbour, * him will I destroy.

7 Whoso hath also a haughty look and a proud heart, * I will not suffer him.

8 Mine eyes look upon such as are faithful in the land, * that they may dwell with me.

9 Whoso leadeth a godly life, * he shall be my servant.

10 There shall no deceitful person dwell in my house; * he that telleth lies shall not tarry in my sight.

11 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.

The Twentieth Day.

Morning Prayer.

Psalm 102. *Domine, exaudi.*

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 firebrand.

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 housetop.

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 nations 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 mournings of such as are in captivity, * and deliver them that are appointed unto death;

21 That they may declare the Name of the LORD in Sion, * and his worship at Jerusalem;

22 When the peoples 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.

Psalm 103. *Benedic, anima mea.*

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 judgment * for all them that are oppressed with wrong.

7 He showed his ways unto Moses, * his works unto the children of Israel.

8 The LORD is full of compassion and mercy, * longsuffering, and of great goodness.

9 He will not always 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 commandment, and hearken unto the voice of his word.

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.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 104. *Benedic, anima mea.*

PRAISE the LORD, O my soul: * O LORD my God, thou art become exceeding glorious; thou art clothed with majesty and honour.

2 Thou deckest thyself with light as it were with a garment, * and spreadest out the heavens like a curtain.

3 Who layeth the beams of his chambers in the waters, * and maketh the clouds his chariot, and walketh upon the wings of the wind.

4 He maketh his angels winds, * and his ministers a flaming fire.

5 He laid the foundations of the earth, * that it never should move at any time.

6 Thou coveredst it with the deep like as with a garment; * the waters stand above the hills.

7 At thy rebuke they flee; * at the voice of thy thunder they haste away.

8 They go up as high as the hills, and down to the valleys beneath; * even unto the place which thou hast appointed for them.

9 Thou hast set them their bounds, which they shall not pass, * neither turn again to cover the earth.

10 He sendeth the springs into the rivers, * which run among the hills.

11 All beasts of the field drink thereof, * and the wild asses quench their thirst.

12 Beside them shall the fowls of the air have their habitation, * and sing among the branches.

13 He watereth the hills from above; * the earth is filled with the fruit of thy works.

14 He bringeth forth grass for the cattle, * and green herb for the service of men;

15 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.

16 The trees of the LORD also are full of sap; * even the cedars of Lebanon which he hath planted;

17 Wherein the birds make their nests; * and the fir-trees are a dwelling for the stork.

18 The high hills are a refuge for the wild goats; * and so are the stony rocks for the conies.

19 He appointed the moon for certain seasons, * and the sun knoweth his going down.

20 Thou makest darkness that it may be night; * wherein all the beasts of the forest do move.

21 The lions, roaring after their prey, * do seek their meat from God.

22 The sun ariseth, and they get them away together, * and lay them down in their dens.

23 Man goeth forth to his work, and to his labour, * until the evening.

24 O LORD, how manifold are thy works! * in wisdom hast thou made them all; the earth is full of thy riches.

25 So is the great and wide sea also; * wherein are things creeping innumerable, both small and great beasts.

26 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.

36 Praise thou the LORD, O my soul. * Praise the LORD.

The Twenty-first Day.

Morning Prayer.

Psalm 105. *Confitemini Domino.*

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 judgments 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 judgments 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 What time as they went from one nation to another, * from one kingdom to another people;

14 He suffered no man to do them wrong, * but reprov'd even kings for their sakes;

15 Touch not mine anointed, * and do my prophets no harm.

16 Moreover, he called for a dearth upon the land, * and destroyed all the provision of bread.

17 But he had sent a man before them, * even Joseph, who was sold to be a bond-servant;

18 Whose feet they hurt in the stocks; * the iron entered into his soul;

19 Until the time came that his cause was known: * the word of the LORD tried him.

20 The king sent, and delivered him; * the prince of the people let him go free.

21 He made him lord also of his house, * and ruler of all his substance;

22 That he might inform his princes after his will, * and teach his senators wisdom.

23 Israel also came into Egypt, * and Jacob was a stranger in the land of Ham.

24 And he increased his people exceedingly, * and made them stronger than their enemies;

25 Whose heart turned so, that they hated his people, * and dealt untruly with his servants.

26 Then sent he Moses his servant, * and Aaron whom he had chosen.

27 And these showed his tokens among them, * and wonders in the land of Ham.

28 He sent darkness, and it was dark; * and they were not obedient unto his word.

29 He turned their waters into blood, * and slew their fish.

30 Their land brought forth frogs; * yea, even in their kings' chambers.

31 He spake the word, and there came all manner of flies, * and lice in all their quarters.

32 He gave them hailstones for rain; * and flames of fire in their land.

33 He smote their vines also and fig-trees; * and destroyed the trees that were in their coasts.

34 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.

35 He smote all the firstborn in their land; * even the chief of all their strength.

36 He brought them forth also with silver and gold; * there was not one feeble person among their tribes.

37 Egypt was glad at their departing; * for they were afraid of them.

38 He spread out a cloud to be a covering, * and fire to give light in the night season.

39 At their desire he brought quails; * and he filled them with the bread of heaven.

40 He opened the rock of stone, and the waters flowed out, * so that rivers ran in the dry places.

41 For why? he remembered his holy promise; * and Abraham his servant.

42 And he brought forth his people with joy, * and his chosen with gladness;

43 And gave them the lands of the heathen; * and they took the labours of the people in possession;

44 That they might keep his statutes, * and observe his laws.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 106. *Confitemini Domino.*

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 show 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.

12 Then believed they his words, * and sang praise unto him.

13 But within a while they forgot his works, * and would not abide his counsel.

14 But lust came upon them in the wilderness, * and they tempted God in the desert.

15 And he gave them their desire, * and sent leanness withal into their soul.

16 They angered Moses also in the tents, * and Aaron the saint of the LORD.

17 So the earth opened, and swallowed up Dathan, * and covered the congregation of Abiram.

18 And the fire was kindled in their company; * the flame burnt up the ungodly.

19 They made a calf in Horeb, * and worshipped the molten image.

20 Thus they turned their glory * into the similitude of a calf that eateth hay.

21 And they forgot God their Saviour, * who had done so great things in Egypt;

22 Wondrous works in the land of Ham; * and fearful things by the Red Sea.

23 So he said he would have destroyed them, had not Moses his chosen stood before him in the gap, * to turn away his wrathful indignation, lest he should destroy them.

24 Yea, they thought scorn of that pleasant land, * and gave no credence unto his word;

25 But murmured in their tents, * and hearkened not unto the voice of the LORD.

26 Then lift he up his hand against them, * to overthrow them in the wilderness;

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 Phinehas, and interposed; * 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 became a snare unto them; * 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.

BOOK V.

The Twenty-second Day.

Morning Prayer.

Psalm 107. *Confitemini Domino.*

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 good-

ness; * 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.

30 Then are they glad, because they are at rest; * and so he bringeth them unto the haven where they would be.

31 O that men would therefore praise the LORD for his good-

ness; * and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men!

32 That they would exalt him also in the congregation of the people, * and praise him in the seat of the elders!

33 He turneth the floods into a wilderness, * and drieth up the water-springs.

34 A fruitful land maketh he barren, * for the wickedness of them that dwell therein.

35 Again, he maketh the wilderness a standing water, * and water-springs of a dry ground.

36 And there he setteth the hungry, * that they may build them a city to dwell in;

37 That they may sow their land, and plant vineyards, * to yield them fruits of increase.

38 He blesseth them, so that they multiply exceedingly; * and suffereth not their cattle to decrease.

39 And again, when they are minished and brought low * through oppression, through any plague or trouble;

40 Though he suffer them to be evil entreated through tyrants, * and let them wander out of the way in the wilderness;

41 Yet helpeth he the poor out of misery, * and maketh him households like a flock of sheep.

42 The righteous will consider this, and rejoice; * and the mouth of all wickedness shall be stopped.

43 Whoso is wise, will ponder these things; * and they shall understand the loving-kindness of the LORD.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 108. *Paratum cor meum.*

O GOD, my heart is ready, my heart is ready; * I will sing, and give praise with the best member that I have.

2 Awake, thou lute and harp; * I myself will awake right early.

3 I will give thanks unto thee, O LORD, among the peoples; * I will sing praises unto thee among the nations.

4 For thy mercy is greater than the heavens, * and thy truth reacheth unto the clouds.

5 Set up thyself, O God, above the heavens, * and thy glory above all the earth;

6 That thy beloved may be delivered: * let thy right hand save them, and hear thou me.

7 God hath spoken in his holiness; * I will rejoice therefore, and divide Shechem, and mete out the valley of Succoth.

8 Gilead is mine, and Manasseh is mine; * Ephraim also is the strength of my head; Judah is my lawgiver;

9 Moab is my wash-pot; over Edom will I cast out my shoe; * upon Philistia will I triumph.

10 Who will lead me into the strong city? * and who will bring me into Edom?

11 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.

Psalm 109. *Deus, laudem.*

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 an adversary 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, 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 am become also a reproach unto them: * they that look upon me shake 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 cloak.

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.

The Twenty-third Day.

Morning Prayer.

Psalm 110. *Dixit Dominus.*

THE LORD said unto my Lord, * Sit thou on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool.

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 thy people offer themselves willingly with an holy worship: * thy young men come to thee as dew from the womb of the morning.

4 The LORD sware, and will not repent, * Thou art a Priest for ever after the order of Melchizedek.

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.

Psalm 111. *Confitebor tibi.*

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 showed 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 judgment; * 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; his praise endureth for ever.

Psalm 112. *Beatus vir.*

BLESSED 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.

7 He will not be afraid of any evil tidings; * for his heart standeth fast, and believeth in the LORD.

8 His heart is stablished, 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. *Laudate, pueri.*

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 nations, * 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.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 114. *In exitu Israel.*

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 fleddest? * 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.

Psalm 115. *Non nobis, Domine.*

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.
 4 Their idols are silver and gold, * even the work of men's hands.
 5 They have mouths, and speak not; * eyes have they, and see not.
 6 They have ears, and hear not; * noses have they, and smell not.
 7 They have hands, and handle not; feet have they, and walk not; * neither speak they through their throat.
 8 They that make them are like unto them; * and so are all such as put their trust in them.

9 But thou, house of Israel, trust thou in the LORD; * he is their helper and defender.
 10 Ye house of Aaron, put your trust in the LORD; * he is their helper and defender.
 11 Ye that fear the LORD, put your trust in the LORD; * he is their helper and defender.
 12 The LORD hath been mindful of us, and he shall bless us; * even he shall bless the house of Israel, he shall bless the house of Aaron.
 13 He shall bless them that fear the LORD, * both small and great.
 14 The LORD shall increase you more and more, * you and your children.
 15 Ye are the blessed of the LORD, * who made heaven and earth.
 16 All the whole heavens are the LORD's; * the earth hath he given to the children of men.
 17 The dead praise not thee, O LORD, * neither all they that go down into silence.
 18 But we will praise the Lord, * from this time forth for evermore. Praise the Lord.

The Twenty-fourth Day.

Morning Prayer.

Psalm 116. *Dilexi, quoniam.*

MY delight is in the LORD; * because he hath heard the voice of my prayer;
 2 Because 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; then called I 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.

14 Behold, O LORD, how that I am thy servant; * I am thy servant, and the son of thine handmaid; thou hast broken my bonds in sunder.

15 I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving, * and will call upon the Name of the LORD.

16 I will pay my vows unto the LORD, in the sight of all his people, * in the courts of the LORD's house; even in the midst of thee, O Jerusalem. Praise the LORD.

Psalm 117. *Laudate Dominum.*

O PRAISE the LORD, all ye nations; * praise him, all ye peoples.

2 For his merciful kindness is ever more and more toward us; * and the truth of the LORD endureth for ever. Praise the LORD.

Psalm 118. *Confitemini Domino.*

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.

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.

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 comer.

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, we that are of the house of the LORD.

27 God is the LORD, who hath showed 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.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 119. *i. Beati immaculati.*

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 Even they who do no wickedness, * and walk in his ways.

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 judgments of thy righteousness.

8 I will keep thy statutes; * O forsake me not utterly.

ii. In quo corrigit?

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 word 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 judgments 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.

iii. Retribue servo tuo.

ODO well unto thy servant; * that I may live, and keep thy word.

18 Open thou mine eyes; * that I may see the wondrous things of thy law.

19 I am a stranger upon earth; * O hide not thy commandments from me.

20 My soul breaketh out for the very fervent desire * that it hath alway unto thy judgments.

21 Thou hast rebuked the proud; * and cursed are they that do err from thy commandments.

22 O turn from me shame and rebuke; * for I have kept thy testimonies.

23 Princes also did sit and speak against me; * but thy servant is occupied in thy statutes.

24 For thy testimonies are my delight, * and my counsellors.

iv. Adhaesit pavimento.

MY soul cleaveth to the dust; * O quicken thou me, according to thy word.

26 I have acknowledged my ways, and thou heardest me: * O teach me thy statutes.

27 Make me to understand the way of thy commandments; * and so shall I talk of thy wondrous works.

28 My soul melteth away for very heaviness; * comfort thou me according unto thy word.

29 Take from me the way of lying, * and cause thou me to make much of thy law.

30 I have chosen the way of truth, * and thy judgments have I laid before me.

31 I have stuck unto thy testimonies; * O LORD, confound me not.

32 I will run the way of thy commandments, * when thou hast set my heart at liberty.

The Twenty-fifth Day.

Morning Prayer.

v. Legem pone.

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 stablish thy word in thy servant, * that I may fear thee.

39 Take away the rebuke that I am afraid of; * for thy judgments are good.

40 Behold, my delight is in thy commandments; * O quicken me in thy righteousness.

vi. Et veniat super me.

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 judgments.

44 So shall I always 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.

vii. Memor esto verbi tui.

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 shrunk from thy law.

52 For I remembered thine everlasting judgments, 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, in the night season, * and have kept thy law.

56 This I had, * because I kept thy commandments.

viii. Portio mea, Domine.

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 snares of the ungodly have compassed me about; * but I have not forgotten thy law.

62 At midnight I will rise to give thanks unto thee, * because of thy righteous judgments.

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.

ix. Bonitatem fecisti.

OLORD, thou hast dealt graciously with thy servant, * according unto thy word.

66 O teach 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.

Evening Prayer.

x. Manus tuae fecerunt me.

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 judgments 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.

xi. Defecit anima mea.

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.

xii. In aeternum, Domine.

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.

xiii. Quomodo dilexi!

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 judgments; * 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.

The Twenty-sixth Day.

Morning Prayer.

xiv. Lucerna pedibus meis.

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 judgments.

107 I am troubled above measure: * quicken me, O LORD, according to thy word.

108 Let the free-will offerings of my mouth please thee, O LORD; * and teach me thy judgments.

109 My soul is always 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 always, * even unto the end.

xv. Iniquos odio habui.

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.

115 Away from me, ye wicked; * I will keep the commandments of my God.

116 O stablish me according to thy word, that I may live; * and let me not be disappointed of my hope.

117 Hold thou me up, and I shall be safe; * yea, my delight shall be ever in thy statutes.

118 Thou hast trodden down all them that depart from thy statutes; * for they imagine but deceit.

119 Thou puttest away all the ungodly of the earth like dross; * therefore I love thy testimonies.

120 My flesh trembleth for fear of thee; * and I am afraid of thy judgments.

xvi. Feci iudicium.

I DEAL with the thing that is lawful and right; * O give me not over unto mine oppressors.

122 Make thou thy servant to delight in that which is good, * that the proud do me no wrong.

123 Mine eyes are wasted away with looking for thy health, * and for the word of thy righteousness.

124 O deal with thy servant according unto thy loving mercy, * and teach me thy statutes.

125 I am thy servant; O grant me understanding, * that I may know thy testimonies.

126 It is time for thee, LORD, to lay to thine hand; * for they have destroyed thy law.

127 For I love thy commandments * above gold and precious stones.

128 Therefore hold I straight all thy commandments; * and all false ways I utterly abhor.

xvii. Mirabilia.

THY testimonies are wonderful; * therefore doth my soul keep them.

130 When thy word goeth forth, * it giveth light and understanding unto the simple.

131 I opened my mouth, and drew in my breath; * for my delight was in thy commandments.

132 O look thou upon me, and be merciful unto me, * as thou usest to do unto those that love thy Name.

133 Order my steps in thy word; * and so shall no wickedness have dominion over me.

134 O deliver me from the wrongful dealings of men; * and so shall I keep thy commandments.

135 Show the light of thy countenance upon thy servant, * and teach me thy statutes.

136 Mine eyes gush out with water, * because men keep not thy law.

xviii. Justus es, Domine.

RIGHTEOUS art thou, O LORD; * and true are thy judgments.

138 The testimonies that thou hast commanded * are exceeding righteous and true.

139 My zeal hath even consumed me; * because mine enemies have forgotten thy words.

140 Thy word is tried to the uttermost, * and thy servant loveth it.

141 I am small and of no reputation; * yet do I not forget thy commandments.

142 Thy righteousness is an everlasting righteousness, * and thy law is the truth.

143 Trouble and heaviness have taken hold 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.

Evening Prayer.

xix. Clamavi in toto corde meo.

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 word.

149 Hear my voice, O LORD, according unto thy loving-kindness; * quicken me, according to thy judgments.

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.

xx. Vide humilitatem.

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 judgments of thy righteousness endure for evermore.

xxi. Principes persecuti sunt.

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 judgments.

165 Great is the peace that they have who love thy law; * and they have none occasion of stumbling.

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.

168 I have kept thy commandments and testimonies; * for all my ways are before thee.

xxii. Appropinquet deprecatio.

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 judgments 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.

The Twenty-seventh Day.

Morning Prayer.

Psalm 120. *Ad Dominum.*

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 Meshech, * 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. *Levavi oculos.*

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. *Laetatus sum.*

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.

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 judgment, * 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 123. *Ad te levavi oculos meos.*

UNTO thee lift I up mine eyes, * O thou that dwellest in the heavens.

2 Behold, even as the eyes of servants look unto the hand of their masters, and as the eyes of a maiden unto the hand of her mistress, * even so our eyes wait upon the LORD our God, until he have mercy upon us.

3 Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy upon us; * for we are utterly despised.

4 Our soul is filled with the scornful reproof of the wealthy, * and with the despitefulness of the proud.

Psalm 124. *Nisi quia Dominus.*

IF the LORD himself had not been on our side, now may Israel say; * if the LORD himself had not been on our side, when men rose up against us;

2 They had swallowed us up alive; * 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. *Qui confidunt.*

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 sceptre of the ungodly shall not abide upon 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.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 126. *In convertendo.*

WHEN the LORD turned again the captivity of Sion, * then were we like unto them that dream.

2 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. *Nisi Dominus.*

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. *Beati omnes.*

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. *Saepe expugnauerunt.*

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.
 6 Let them be even as the grass upon the housetops, * which withereth afore it be grown 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. *De profundis.*

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. *Domine, non est.*

LORD, I am not high-minded; * I have no proud looks.
 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.

The Twenty-eighth Day.

Morning Prayer.

Psalm 132. *Memento, Domine.*

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 eyelids 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 Ephratah, * 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 face 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 throne.

13 If thy children will keep my covenant, and my testimonies that I shall teach them; * their children also shall sit upon thy throne 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. *Ecce, quam bonum!*

BEHOLD, how good and joyful a thing it is, * for brethren to dwell together in unity!

2 It is like the precious oil 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.

4 For there the LORD promised his blessing, * and life for evermore.

Psalm 134. *Ecce nunc.*

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. *Laudate Nomen.*

OPRAISE 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 firstborn 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 Sihon, king of the Amorites; and Og, the king of Bashan; * 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.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 136. *Confitemini.*

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 firstborn: * 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 Sihon, king of the Amorites: * for his mercy endureth for ever;

20 And Og, the king of Bashan: * 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 137. *Super flumina.*

BY the waters of Babylon we sat down and wept, * when we remembered thee, O Sion.

2 As for our harps, we hanged them up * upon the trees that are therein.

3 For they that led us away captive, required of us then a song, and melody in our heaviness: * Sing us one of the songs of Sion.

4 How shall we sing the LORD's song * in a strange land?

5 If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, * let my right hand forget her cunning.

6 If I do not remember thee, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth; * yea, if I prefer not Jerusalem above my chief joy.

7 Remember the children of Edom, O LORD, in the day of Jerusalem; * how they said, Down with it, down with it, even to the ground.

8 O daughter of Babylon, wasted with misery; * yea, happy shall he be that rewardeth thee as thou hast served us.

9 Blessed shall he be that taketh thy children, * and throweth them against the stones.

Psalm 138. *Confitebor tibi.*

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 heardest me; * and enduedst 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 of 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.

The Twenty-ninth Day.

Morning Prayer.

Psalm 139. *Domine, probasti.*

O LORD, thou hast searched me out, and known me. * Thou knowest my down-sitting, and mine up-rising; thou understandest my thoughts long before.

2 Thou art about my path, and about my bed; * and art acquainted with all my ways.

3 For lo, there is not a word in my tongue, * but thou, O LORD, knowest it altogether.

4 Thou hast beset me behind and before, * and laid thine hand upon me.

5 Such knowledge is too wonderful and excellent for me; * I cannot attain unto it.

6 Whither shall I go then from thy Spirit? * or whither shall I go then from thy presence?

7 If I climb up into heaven, thou art there; * if I go down to hell, thou art there also.

8 If I take the wings of the morning, * and remain in the uttermost parts of the sea;

9 Even there also shall thy hand lead me, * and thy right hand shall hold me.

10 If I say, Peradventure the darkness shall cover me; * then shall my night be turned to day.

11 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.

12 For my reins are thine; * thou hast covered me in my mother's womb.

13 I will give thanks unto thee, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: * marvellous are thy works, and that my soul knoweth right well.

14 My bones are not hid from thee, * though I be made secretly, and fashioned beneath in the earth.

15 Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being imperfect; * and in thy book were all my members written;

16 Which day by day were fashioned, * when as yet there was none of them.

17 How dear are thy counsels unto me, O God; * O how great is the sum of them!

18 If I tell them, they are more in number than the sand: * when I wake up, I am present with thee.

19 Wilt thou not slay the wicked, O God? * Depart from me, ye blood-thirsty men.

20 For they speak unrighteously against thee; * and thine enemies take thy Name in vain.

21 Do not I hate them, O LORD, that hate 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.

Psalm 140. *Eripe me, Domine.*

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; * 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.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 141. *Domine, clamavi.*

LORD, 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, neither let me eat of such things as please them.

5 Let the righteous rather smite me friendly, and reprove me; * yea, let not my head refuse their precious balms.

6 As for the ungodly, * 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.

Psalm 142. *Voce mea ad Dominum.*

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 showed 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.

9 Bring my soul out of prison, that I may give thanks unto thy

Name; * which thing if thou wilt grant me, then shall the righteous resort unto my company.

Psalm 143. *Domine, exaudi.*

HEAR my prayer, O LORD, and consider my desire; * hearken unto me for thy truth and righteousness' sake.

2 And enter not into judgment 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: * show 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.

The Thirtieth Day.

Morning Prayer.

Psalm 144. *Benedictus Dominus.*

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 strangers;

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 strangers, * 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 plenteous with all manner of store; * that our sheep may bring forth thousands, and ten thousands in our 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. *Exaltabo te, Deus.*

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 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 showed; * 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 show 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 lifteth 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.

Psalm 146. *Lauda, anima mea.*

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 father-

less 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.

Evening Prayer.

Psalm 147. *Laudate Dominum.*

O PRAISE the LORD, for it is a good thing to sing praises unto our God; * yea, a joyful and pleasant thing it is to be thankful.

2 The LORD doth build up Jerusalem, * and gather together the outcasts of Israel.

3 He healeth those that are broken in heart, * and giveth medicine to heal their sickness.

4 He telleth the number of the stars, * and calleth them all by their names.

5 Great is our Lord, and great is his power; * yea, and his wisdom is infinite.

6 The LORD setteth up the meek, * and bringeth the ungodly down to the ground.

7 O sing unto the LORD with thanksgiving; * sing praises upon the harp unto our God:

8 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;

9 Who giveth fodder unto the cattle, * and feedeth the young ravens that call upon him.

10 He hath no pleasure in the strength of an horse; * neither delighteth he in any man's legs.

11 But the LORD's delight is in them that fear him, * and put their trust in his mercy.

12 Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem; * praise thy God, O Sion.

13 For he hath made fast the bars of thy gates, * and hath blessed thy children within thee.

14 He maketh peace in thy borders, * and filleth thee with the flour of wheat.

15 He sendeth forth his commandment upon earth, * and his word runneth very swiftly.

16 He giveth snow like wool, * and scattereth the hoar-frost like ashes.

17 He casteth forth his ice like morsels: * who is able to abide his frost?

18 He sendeth out his word, and melteth them: * he bloweth with his wind, and the waters flow.

19 He showeth his word unto Jacob, * his statutes and ordinances unto Israel.

20 He hath not dealt so with any nation; * neither have the heathen knowledge of his laws.

Psalm 148. *Laudate Dominum.*

O PRAISE the LORD from the heavens: * praise him in the heights.

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 from the 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; * creeping things and flying fowls;

11 Kings of the earth, and all peoples; * 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.

Psalm 149. *Cantate Domino.*

O SING unto the LORD a new song; * let the congregation of saints praise him.

2 Let Israel rejoice in him that made him, * and let the children of Sion be joyful in their King.

3 Let them praise his Name in the dance: * let them sing praises unto him with tabret and harp.

4 For the LORD hath pleasure in his people, * and helpeth the meek-hearted.

5 Let the saints be joyful with glory; * let them rejoice in their beds.

6 Let the praises of God be in their mouth; * and a two-edged sword in their hands;

7 To be avenged of the nations, * and to rebuke the peoples;

8 To bind their kings in chains, * and their nobles with links of iron;

9 To execute judgment upon them; as it is written, * Such honour have all his saints.

Psalm 150. *Laudate Dominum.*

O PRAISE God in his sanctuary: * 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 timbrels and dances: * praise him upon the strings and pipe.