

# Prayers

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# Prayers

## *Biddings*

*One of these sentences may be used to introduce intercessions*

Let us pray for the Church and for the world,  
[and let us thank God for his goodness].

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ,  
let us pray to the Father.

From the rising of the sun to its setting, let us pray to the Lord.

Let us pray to the Father. *The chosen versicle and response follow.*

## Responses

*One of these responses may be used in a set of prayers*

### *General*

Lord, in your mercy

*All* **hear our prayer.**

Lord, hear us.

*All* **Lord, graciously hear us.**

God of love

*All* **hear our prayer.**

Father of all

*All* **hear your children's prayer.**

In faith we pray

*All* **we pray to you our God.**

Lord, meet us in the silence

*All* **and hear our prayer.**

### *In seasons*

Father of life

*All* **make known your glory.**

Lord, revealed in the world

*All* **hear our prayer.**

Lord, we come to the cross

*All* **in your mercy, hear us.**

Lord of life

*All* **in your mercy, hear us.**

Father, Lord of creation

*All* **in your mercy, hear us.**

As we pray to the Father

*All* **Lord, send your Spirit.**

Father, by your Spirit

*All* **bring in your kingdom.**

Your kingdom come



*All* **your will be done.**

## A Cycle of Intercession






*Prayers may include the following concerns if it is desired to pray for different topics through the week or through the seasons.*

### *In Ordinary Time*






#### *Every day*

-  In the morning: the day and its tasks; the world and its needs; the Church and her life
-  In the evening: peace; individuals and their needs






#### *Sunday*

-  The universal Church
-  Bishops, synods and all who lead the Church
-  The leaders of the nations
-  The natural world and the resources of the earth
-  All who are in any kind of need






#### *Monday*

-  The media and the arts
-  Farming and fishing
-  Commerce and industry
-  Those whose work is unfulfilling, stressful or fraught with danger
-  All who are unemployed

#### *Tuesday*

-  All who are sick in body, mind or spirit
-  Those in the midst of famine or disaster
-  Victims of abuse and violence, intolerance and prejudice
-  Those who are bereaved
-  All who work in the medical and healing professions

#### *Wednesday*

-  The social services
-  All who work in the criminal justice system
-  Victims and perpetrators of crime
-  The work of aid agencies throughout the world
-  Those living in poverty or under oppression

### *Thursday*

- †† Local government, community leaders
- †† All who provide local services
- †† Those who work with young or elderly people
- †† Schools, colleges and universities
- †† Emergency and rescue organizations

### *Friday*

- †† The Queen, members of parliament and the armed forces
- †† Peace and justice in the world
- †† Those who work for reconciliation
- †† All whose lives are devastated by war and civil strife
- †† Prisoners, refugees and homeless people

### *Saturday*

- †† Our homes, families, friends and all whom we love
- †† Those whose time is spent caring for others
- †† Those who are close to death
- †† Those who have lost hope
- †† The worship of the Church

## *In Seasonal Time*

### *Every day*

- ¶ In the morning: the day and its tasks; the world and its needs; the Church and her life
- ¶ In the evening: peace; individuals and their needs

### *Advent*

- ¶ The Church, that she may be ready for the coming of Christ
- ¶ The leaders of the Church
- ¶ The nations, that they may be subject to the rule of God
- ¶ Those who are working for justice in the world
- ¶ The broken, that they may find God's healing

### *Christmas*

- ¶ The Church, especially in places of conflict
- ¶ The Holy Land, for peace with justice, and reconciliation
- ¶ Refugees and asylum seekers
- ¶ Homeless people
- ¶ Families with young children

### *Epiphany*

- ¶ The unity of the Church
- ¶ The peace of the world
- ¶ The healing of the sick
- ¶ The revelation of Christ to those from whom his glory is hidden
- ¶ All who travel

### *Lent*

- ¶ Those preparing for baptism and confirmation
- ¶ Those serving through leadership
- ¶ Those looking for forgiveness
- ¶ Those misled by the false gods of this present age
- ¶ All who are hungry

### *Passiontide*

- ¶ The persecuted Church
- ¶ The oppressed peoples of the world
- ¶ All who are lonely
- ¶ All who are near to death
- ¶ All who are facing loss

### *Easter*

- ¶ The people of God, that they may proclaim the risen Lord
- ¶ God's creation, that the peoples of the earth may meet their responsibility to care
- ¶ Those in despair and darkness, that they may find the hope and light of Christ
- ¶ Those in fear of death, that they may find faith through the resurrection
- ¶ Prisoners and captives

### *Ascension until Pentecost*

- ¶ God's royal priesthood, for empowerment by the Spirit
- ¶ Those who wait on God, that they may find renewal
- ¶ All people, that they may acknowledge the kingdom of the ascended Christ
- ¶ The earth, for productivity and for fruitful harvests
- ¶ All who are struggling with broken relationships

### *All Saints until Advent*

- ¶ The saints on earth, that they may live as citizens of heaven
- ¶ All people, that they may hear and believe the word of God
- ¶ All who fear the winter months
- ¶ All sovereigns and political leaders, that they may imitate the righteous rule of Christ
- ¶ All who grieve or wait with the dying

## ¶ *Some Forms of Intercession*

*Some or all parts of these forms of intercession may be used, as occasion demands. Specific petitions may be added, or silence may be kept, at suitable points.*

### **Suitable for Morning Prayer**

**I**

That this day may be holy, good and joyful:

*All* **we pray to you, O Lord.**

That we may offer to you our worship and our work:

*All* **we pray to you, O Lord.**

That we may strive for the well-being of all creation:

*All* **we pray to you, O Lord.**

That in the pleasures and pains of life,  
we may know the love of Christ and be thankful:

*All* **we pray to you, O Lord.**

That we may be bound together by your Holy Spirit,  
in communion with [N and with] all your saints,  
entrusting one another and all our life to Christ:

*All* **we pray to you, O Lord.**

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray,  
to the mercy and protection of God.

*Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.*

*The Collect and Lord's Prayer follow.*

## 2

That this and all our days  
may be full of your praise:

*All* **we pray to you, O Lord.**

That you will keep us this day without sin:

*All* **we pray to you, O Lord.**

That we may walk before you  
in the paths of righteousness and peace:

*All* **we pray to you, O Lord.**

That you will bless your people  
and lift them up for ever:

*All* **we pray to you, O Lord.**

That you will guide and protect us by your Holy Spirit  
and bring us with your saints to glory everlasting:

*All* **we pray to you, O Lord.**

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray,  
to the mercy and protection of God.

*Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.*

*The Collect and Lord's Prayer follow.*

### 3

We pray for God's grace.

Lord, receive our praise

**All and hear our prayer.**

Lord God, through your grace we are your people:

through your Son you have redeemed us;

in your Spirit you have made us your own.

We pray for ... (*the Church*)

Make our hearts respond to your love.

Lord, receive our praise

**All and hear our prayer.**

We pray for ... (*the world*)

Make our lives bear witness to your glory in the world.

Lord, receive our praise

**All and hear our prayer.**

We pray for ... (*the sick and those in need*)

Make our wills eager to obey, and our hands ready to heal.

Lord, receive our praise

**All and hear our prayer.**

We give you thanks for ...

Make our voices one with all your people in heaven and on earth.

*Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.*

*The Collect and Lord's Prayer follow.*

## Suitable for Evening Prayer

### 4

That this evening may be holy, good and peaceful:

*All* **we pray to you, O Lord.**

That your holy angels may lead us in the paths of peace  
and goodwill:

*All* **we pray to you, O Lord.**

That we may be pardoned and forgiven for our sins and offences:

*All* **we pray to you, O Lord.**

That there may be peace in your Church and for the whole world:

*All* **we pray to you, O Lord.**

That we may be bound together by your Holy Spirit,  
in communion with [N and with] all your saints,  
entrusting one another and all our life to Christ:

*All* **we pray to you, O Lord.**

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray,  
to the mercy and protection of God.

*Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.*

*The Collect and Lord's Prayer follow.*

5

We pray to the Lord.

In faith we pray.

**All We pray to you, our God.**

That the rest of this day may be holy, peaceful  
and full of your presence:

in faith we pray.

**All We pray to you, our God.**

That the work we have done  
and the people we have met today  
may bring us closer to you:

in faith we pray.

**All We pray to you, our God.**

That we may hear and respond to your call to peace and justice:  
in faith we pray.

**All We pray to you, our God.**

That you will sustain the faith and hope of those who are lonely,  
oppressed and anxious:

in faith we pray.

**All We pray to you, our God.**

That you will strengthen us in your service,  
and fill our hearts with longing for your kingdom:

in faith we pray.

**All We pray to you, our God.**

*Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.*

*The Collect and Lord's Prayer follow.*

## Suitable for Late Evening

### 6

That you will give us a quiet night and a perfect end:

*All* **we pray to you, O Lord.**

That you will have mercy upon us and grant us your salvation:

*All* **we pray to you, O Lord.**

That you will keep us this night without sin:

*All* **we pray to you, O Lord.**

That you will guard us and give us your blessing:

*All* **we pray to you, O Lord.**

That you will bring us with [N and] all your saints  
to glory everlasting:

*All* **we pray to you, O Lord.**

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray,  
to the mercy and protection of God.

*Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.*

*The Collect and Lord's Prayer follow.*

## Suitable for General Use

### 7

For the unity of the Church in witness and  
proclamation of the Gospel ...;

let us pray to the Lord: *R*

For the peace and stability of all peoples  
and for the leaders of the nations ...;

let us pray to the Lord: *R*

For places of work, education and leisure ...;

let us pray to the Lord: *R*

For a blessing on our homes;  
for our relations and friends and all whom we love ...;

let us pray to the Lord: *R*

For the sick and suffering and all who minister to their needs ...;

let us pray to the Lord: *R*

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray,  
to the mercy and protection of God.

*Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.*

*The Collect and Lord's Prayer follow.*

## 8

Let us pray to God the Father,  
who has reconciled all things to himself in Christ:

For peace among the nations,  
that God may rid the world of violence  
and let peoples grow in justice and harmony ...;

For those who serve in public office,  
that they may work for the common good ...;

For Christian people everywhere,  
that we may joyfully proclaim and live our faith in Jesus Christ ...;

For those who suffer from hunger, sickness or loneliness,  
that the presence of Christ may bring them  
health and wholeness ...;

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray,  
to the mercy and protection of God.

*Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.*

*The Collect and Lord's Prayer follow.*

High and holy God,  
 robed in majesty,  
 Lord of heaven and earth,  
 we pray that you will bring justice, faith and  
 salvation to all peoples.

*[Especially we pray ...]*

Lord, hear us.

**All Lord, graciously hear us.**

You chose us in Christ to be your people  
 and to be the temple of your Holy Spirit;  
 we pray that you will fill your Church with  
 vision and hope.

*[Especially we pray ...]*

Lord, hear us.

**All Lord, graciously hear us.**

Your Spirit enables us to cry, 'Abba! Father!'  
 affirms that we are fellow-heirs with Christ  
 and pleads for us in our weakness;  
 we pray for all who are in need or distress.

*[Especially we pray ...]*

Lord, hear us.

**All Lord, graciously hear us.**

In the baptism and birth of Jesus,  
 you have opened heaven to us  
 and enabled us to share in your glory:  
 the joy of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit  
 from before the world was made.

*[Especially we remember ...]*

May your whole Church, living and departed,  
 come to a joyful resurrection in your city of light.

Lord, hear us.

**All Lord, graciously hear us.**

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray,  
 to the mercy and protection of God.

*Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.*

*The Collect and Lord's Prayer follow.*

## 10

In peace, let us pray to Jesus our Lord,  
who ever lives to make intercession for us.

Saviour of the world,  
be present in all places of suffering, violence and pain,  
and bring hope even in the darkest night.  
Inspire us to continue your work of reconciliation today. *R*

Lord of the Church,  
empower by your Spirit all Christian people, [especially NN],  
and the work of your Church in every land.  
Give us grace to proclaim the gospel joyfully in word and deed. *R*

Shepherd and Guardian of our souls,  
guide and enable all who lead and serve this community  
and those on whom we depend for our daily needs.  
Grant that we may seek the peace and welfare of this place. *R*

Great Physician,  
stretch out your hand to bring comfort, wholeness and peace  
to [N and] all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit.  
Fill us with compassion, that we may be channels of  
your healing love. *R*

Conqueror of death,  
remember for good those whom we love but see no longer.  
Help us to live this day in the sure and certain hope of  
your eternal victory. *R*

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray,  
to the mercy and protection of God.

*Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.*

*The Collect and Lord's Prayer follow.*

## II

Let us by prayer and intercession with thanksgiving  
make our requests to God.

Gracious God,  
we pray for peace, justice and reconciliation throughout the world.  
We pray for the honouring of human rights,  
and for the relief of the oppressed.  
We give thanks for all that is gracious in the lives of men,  
women and children. *R*

We pray for the renewal of the Church in faith, love and service.  
We pray for *N* our bishop and for the life of this *parish/community*.  
We give thanks for the gift of your word,  
the grace of the sacraments  
and the fellowship of your people. *R*

We pray for this local community  
and for all people in their daily life and work.  
We pray for the young and the elderly,  
for families, and all who are alone.  
We give thanks for human skill and creativity  
and all that reveals your loveliness. *R*

We pray for those who are in need;  
for the sick, sorrowful and bereaved.  
We pray for all who bring comfort, care and healing.  
We give thanks for human love and friendship  
and for all that enriches our daily lives. *R*

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray,  
to the mercy and protection of God.

*Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.*

*The Collect and Lord's Prayer follow.*

## Suitable for Seasonal Use

Advent

12

Watchful at all times,  
let us pray for strength to stand with confidence  
before our Maker and Redeemer.

That God may bring in his kingdom with justice and mercy,  
let us pray to the Lord: *R*

That God may establish among the nations  
his sceptre of righteousness,  
let us pray to the Lord: *R*

That we may seek Christ in the scriptures  
and recognize him in the breaking of the bread,  
let us pray to the Lord: *R*

That God may bind up the brokenhearted,  
restore the sick  
and raise up all who have fallen,  
let us pray to the Lord: *R*

That the light of God's coming may dawn  
on all who live in darkness and the shadow of death,  
let us pray to the Lord: *R*

That, with all the saints in light,  
we may shine forth as lights for the world,  
let us pray to the Lord: *R*

Let us commend the world, which Christ will judge,  
to the mercy and protection of God.

*Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.*

*The Collect and Lord's Prayer follow.*

13

To us a child is born, to us a son is given;  
let us pray for the people he came to save.

Wonderful Counsellor,  
you order all things with your wisdom:  
help the Church to reveal the mystery of your love  
and fill her with the Spirit of truth: *R*

Mighty God,  
the government is on your shoulders:  
guide the leaders of the nations  
and bring in your kingdom of justice and righteousness: *R*

Everlasting Father,  
you call us to live together in unity:  
protect by your mercy all your children,  
bless our families and renew our communities: *R*

Prince of Peace,  
you bring reconciliation through the cross:  
by your healing power give to all who suffer  
your gift of wholeness and peace: *R*

Let us commend the world, to which Christ came,  
to the mercy and protection of God.

*Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.*

*The Collect and Lord's Prayer follow.*

14

From the rising of the sun to its setting, let us pray to the Lord.

That the people of God in all the world  
may worship in spirit and in truth,  
let us pray to the Lord: *R*

That the Church may discover again that unity which  
is the Father's will,  
let us pray to the Lord: *R*

That the nations of the earth  
may seek after the ways that make for peace,  
let us pray to the Lord: *R*

That the whole creation, groaning in travail,  
may be set free to enjoy the glorious liberty of the children of God,  
let us pray to the Lord: *R*

That all who with Christ have entered the shadow of death  
may rest in peace and rise in glory,  
let us pray to the Lord: *R*

Let us commend the world, to which Christ showed the way,  
to the mercy and protection of God.

*Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.*

*The Collect and Lord's Prayer follow.*

15

In penitence and faith let us make our prayer to the Father  
and ask for his mercy and grace.

For your holy people,  
that they may triumph over evil and grow in grace,  
we pray to you, O Lord: *R*

For candidates for baptism and confirmation,  
that they may live by every word that proceeds from your mouth,  
we pray to you, O Lord: *R*

For the leaders of the nations,  
that you will guide them in the ways of mercy and truth,  
we pray to you, O Lord: *R*

For the needy,  
that they may not be forgotten,  
nor the hope of the poor be taken away,  
we pray to you, O Lord: *R*

For the sick in body, mind and spirit,  
that they may know your power to heal,  
we pray to you, O Lord: *R*

For the poor in spirit,  
that they may inherit the kingdom of heaven  
and see you face to face,  
we pray to you, O Lord: *R*

Let us commend the world, for which Christ suffered,  
to the mercy and protection of God.

*Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.*

*The Collect and Lord's Prayer follow.*

16

With faith and love and in union with Christ,  
let us offer our prayer before the throne of grace.

Have mercy on your people,  
for whom your Son laid down his life: *R*

Bring healing and wholeness to people and nations,  
and have pity on those torn apart by division: *R*

Strengthen all who are persecuted for your name's sake,  
and deliver them from evil: *R*

Look in mercy upon all who suffer,  
and hear those who cry out in pain and desolation: *R*

Bring comfort to the dying,  
and gladden their hearts with the vision of your glory: *R*

Give rest to the departed  
and bring them, with your saints, to glory everlasting: *R*

Let us commend the world, for which Christ died,  
to the mercy and protection of God.

*Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.*

*The Collect and Lord's Prayer follow.*

17

On this day that the Lord has made,  
let us pray for the people he has redeemed.

That we may live as those who believe in the triumph of the cross: *R*

That all people may receive the good news of his victory: *R*

That those born to new life in the waters of baptism  
may know the power of his resurrection: *R*

That those who suffer pain and anguish  
may find healing and peace in the wounds of Christ: *R*

That in the undying love of Christ  
we may be united with all who have died in the faith of Christ: *R*

Let us commend the world, in which Christ rose from the dead,  
to the mercy and protection of God.

*Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.*

*The Collect and Lord's Prayer follow.*

## Ascension until Pentecost

### 18

Through Christ, who ever lives to make intercession for us,  
let us pray to the Lord.

Lift up our hearts to the heavenly places  
and inspire us to serve you as a royal priesthood: *R*

Let all peoples acknowledge your kingdom  
and grant on earth the blessing of peace: *R*

Send down upon us the gift of the Spirit  
and renew your Church with power from on high: *R*

May peace abound and righteousness flourish,  
that we may vanquish injustice and wrong: *R*

Help us to proclaim the good news of salvation,  
and grant us the needful gifts of your grace: *R*

Let us commend the world, for which Christ prays,  
to the mercy and protection of God.

*Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.*

*The Collect and Lord's Prayer follow.*

## All Saints' Day until Advent

### 19

Surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,  
let us make our prayer in the power of the Spirit,  
looking to Jesus the pioneer of our faith.

That with the noble fellowship of the prophets  
we may discern the signs of your kingdom in our midst,  
we pray to you, O Lord: *R*

That with the glorious company of the apostles  
we may proclaim your gospel throughout the world,  
we pray to you, O Lord: *R*

That with the white-robed army of martyrs  
we may be ready to suffer for the truth's sake,  
we pray to you, O Lord: *R*

That with all who are anointed by your Spirit  
we may bring good news to the poor and freedom to the oppressed,  
we pray to you, O Lord: *R*

That with the saints in light  
we may bind up the brokenhearted and comfort all who mourn,  
we pray to you, O Lord: *R*

That within the whole company of Christ's pilgrim people  
we may come to the inheritance of the saints in glory,  
we pray to you, O Lord: *R*

In communion with all the saints,  
let us commend the world to the mercy and protection of God.

*Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.*

*The Collect and Lord's Prayer follow.*

## Saints' Days

20

Rejoicing in our fellowship with *N* and all the saints,  
we make our prayer to our gracious God.

For your grace revealed in *N*,  
and for all that inspires us from *her/his* life: *R*

For *her/his* insight into the mystery of Christ  
and for every way in which *her/his* faith continues to speak today: *R*

That following *her/his* good example,  
we may hear afresh your call to holiness of life: *R*

That we may receive grace to grow into the likeness of Christ: *R*

That we may persevere in prayer  
and seek new light and truth from your word: *R*

That we may draw other people to the fire of your love: *R*

That we may be faithful to Christ even to death: *R*

In communion with *N* and all the saints,  
let us commend the world to the mercy and protection of God.

*Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.*

*The Collect and Lord's Prayer follow.*

*Not every section of this intercession need be used on every occasion.*

In every age you have raised up holy men and women  
to reflect the light of Christ and to teach us the way of holiness.

We thank you for those who have been teachers in the  
school of Christ:

give understanding to those who study the faith that the Church  
has handed on,  
and clarity to those who communicate the gospel in a  
changing world ...

Lord, hear us.

*All* **Lord, graciously hear us.**

We thank you for those who have been shepherds of your people:  
give a pastoral heart to deacons, priests and bishops,  
and the needful gifts to all your people in their ministry ...

Lord, hear us.

*All* **Lord, graciously hear us.**

We thank you for those who have been Christian rulers in  
the world,

and for those who carried the good news to lands where it  
had not been before:

give wisdom to all who have power and influence among the nations,  
and establish God's sovereignty among people of every race ...

Lord, hear us.

*All* **Lord, graciously hear us.**

We thank you for those whom you have called to live in community:  
establish mutual love among those drawn into fellowship in  
your service,

and bless with Christ's presence all the communities to which  
we relate ...

Lord, hear us.

*All* **Lord, graciously hear us.**

We thank you for those who have lived out their  
vocation in family life:  
give your grace to all who nurture children  
and all who care for the aged,  
and enfold in your love all your sons and daughters ...  
Lord, hear us.

**All Lord, graciously hear us.**

We thank you for those who have brought wholeness  
through the medicine of the gospel:  
give skill to all who minister healing and reconciliation in your name,  
and comfort all who cry out to you from any sort of distress ...  
Lord, hear us.

**All Lord, graciously hear us.**

We thank you for the noble army of martyrs  
by the shedding of whose blood the Church has been enriched:  
keep under your protection those who are persecuted for  
the cause of Christ,  
and acknowledge, we pray,  
those who have passed through death trusting your promises ...  
Lord, hear us.

**All Lord, graciously hear us.**

[We thank you today for ...  
As we celebrate *his/her* memory and rejoice in *his/her* friendship,  
we ask you to bless ...  
Bring into one communion and fellowship  
all those for whom Christ died.]  
Lord, hear us.

**All Lord, graciously hear us.**

Hasten, Lord, the day when people will come from east and west,  
from north and south,  
and sit at table in your kingdom,  
and we shall see your Son in his glory.

*Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.*

*The Collect and Lord's Prayer follow.*

## Seasonal Acclamations

*These Acclamations may be used in place of the usual intercessions. They should be preceded by some short biddings, or open prayer. The Lord's Prayer and Collect follow. It should be noted that all the Acclamations are addressed to the second person of the Trinity.*

### Advent

#### 22

Let us turn our eyes to the Lord of glory, saying:  
come, Lord Jesus.

Jesus, servant of God,  
you bring justice to the nations:

**All** come, Lord Jesus.

You love your people with a faithful love:

**All** come, Lord Jesus.

You were lifted up on the cross  
that you might draw all people to yourself:

**All** come, Lord Jesus.

You bring hope and joy  
to those who walk in the valley and shadow of death:

**All** come, Lord Jesus.

You have liberated us so that we might be free for ever:

**All** come, Lord Jesus.

You, O Christ, are our justice,  
our peace and our redemption:

**All** come, Lord Jesus.

23

Let us praise the eternal Word of God,  
who is seated at God's right hand,  
and yet was born for us in the midst of time, saying:  
be born in us today.

O saving Lord, God with us,  
born of the Virgin by the power of the Spirit:

*All* **be born in us today.**

Son of David,  
foretold by the prophets:

*All* **be born in us today.**

Glorious offspring of Abraham,  
awaited by the patriarchs:

*All* **be born in us today.**

Saviour of your people,  
proclaimed by angels:

*All* **be born in us today.**

O Light eternal,  
giving sight to the eyes of the blind:

*All* **be born in us today.**

O lover of justice and peace,  
ruler of all the ages:

*All* **be born in us today.**

24

To Jesus, redeemer of the peoples,  
let us lift our voices, saying:  
make known your glory.

Lord, you are the faithful guide of those who seek you  
with a pure heart:

*All* **make known your glory.**

You came among us to usher in your kingdom of peace:

*All* **make known your glory.**

O Lord, encompassed in light as with a cloak,  
you conquer the darkness of our night:

*All* **make known your glory.**

O bread eternal,  
you feed the hunger of your people in desert places:

*All* **make known your glory.**

You change our vessels of water  
into the gladdening wine of new life:

*All* **make known your glory.**

You are the true host of the marriage feast,  
welcoming sinners to your banquet table:

*All* **make known your glory.**

25

We come before the Son of God, crucified and risen,  
who eternally intercedes for us to the Father, saying:  
turn our hearts again.

Son of God, you came into the world to save sinners:  
*All* **turn our hearts again.**

You became poor that we might become rich:  
*All* **turn our hearts again.**

You have taken on yourself all our sufferings:  
*All* **turn our hearts again.**

You loved the Church and gave yourself for her:  
*All* **turn our hearts again.**

For the joy which was set before you,  
you endured the cross:  
*All* **turn our hearts again.**

King of the ages, you brought us the gift of life  
and opened the way to unending joy:  
*All* **turn our hearts again.**

26

Let us come to him who died that we might live  
and who intercedes for ever before the Father, saying:  
we praise you, Lamb of God.

Lord Jesus, you embraced the cross  
that we might learn to give our lives for the  
sake of love:

**All we praise you, Lamb of God.**

Innocent captive,  
you submitted to the judgement of sinners:

**All we praise you, Lamb of God.**

In the hour of death  
you heard the penitent thief  
and opened to him the door of paradise:

**All we praise you, Lamb of God.**

Most merciful Saviour,  
you have known the pain of abandonment:

**All we praise you, Lamb of God.**

Lord, you loved the Church  
and gave up your own self for her:

**All we praise you, Lamb of God.**

Through your blood  
you have brought to all people the crown of life:

**All we praise you, Lamb of God.**

27

To Christ, the Lamb who was slain,  
and who now lives in the glory of the Father,  
let us lift our voices in praise, saying:  
risen Lord, we bless you, alleluia.

Lord Jesus, you are the Amen, the faithful witness,  
the firstborn of the dead:

*All* **risen Lord, we bless you, alleluia.**

You are Alpha and Omega,  
the one who is, and was, and who is to come:

*All* **risen Lord, we bless you, alleluia.**

You search into the thoughts and affections of all people:

*All* **risen Lord, we bless you, alleluia.**

You reprove and chasten those whom you love:

*All* **risen Lord, we bless you, alleluia.**

You open the eyes of the blind  
and set the prisoners free:

*All* **risen Lord, we bless you, alleluia.**

In your paschal victory,  
you have proclaimed the coming of the kingdom:

*All* **risen Lord, we bless you, alleluia.**

**28**

Let us turn to the risen Lord,  
who gives us the Spirit to make all things new, saying:  
renew us in your love.

O Word of life,  
one God with the Father and the Spirit:

*All* **renew us in your love.**

O eternal Light,  
who through the working of the Holy Spirit  
received from the Virgin our human nature:

*All* **renew us in your love.**

O crucified Redeemer,  
by the eternal Spirit you offered yourself to the Father for us:

*All* **renew us in your love.**

You breathed on the apostles the Spirit of your love,  
that sinners might come to know the mercy of God:

*All* **renew us in your love.**

You are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
from whom we receive the gifts of the Spirit:

*All* **renew us in your love.**

Through the power of the Holy Spirit  
you wash away our sins in the waters of baptism  
and open our hearts to the guiding hand of the Father:

*All* **renew us in your love.**

*All Saints' Day until Advent*

**29**

Let us praise Christ our King,  
by whose cross we have citizenship in heaven, saying:  
all your saints praise you.

Lord, you built your Church on the foundation of the apostles:

*All* **all your saints praise you.**

You witness to your truth in the lives of your saints:

*All* **all your saints praise you.**

You made us to be a kingdom and priests serving our God:

*All* **all your saints praise you.**

You have shared our burdens,  
revealing the holiness of our life and work:

*All* **all your saints praise you.**

You stir us to seek the mysteries of the kingdom:

*All* **all your saints praise you.**

You lead us to the eternal assembly of the saints:

*All* **all your saints praise you.**

30

Let us give thanks to Jesus Christ the Good Shepherd,  
who laid down his life for us all, saying:  
we thank you, Jesus our Lord.

You lead us out and we find pasture:

*All* **we thank you, Jesus our Lord.**

You call us by name and we hear your voice:

*All* **we thank you, Jesus our Lord.**

Whoever enters by you will be saved:

*All* **we thank you, Jesus our Lord.**

You laid down your life in order to take it up again:

*All* **we thank you, Jesus our Lord.**

You came that we might have life and have it abundantly:

*All* **we thank you, Jesus our Lord.**

You lead us through the valley of the shadow of death  
and we fear no evil:

*All* **we thank you, Jesus our Lord.**

## Litanies

*The following may be used either as versicles and responses  
or as petitions for a litany, with a response after each one.*

### 31

Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance.  
Govern and uphold them now and always.

Day by day, we bless you.  
We praise your name for ever.

Keep us today, Lord, from all sin.  
Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.

We long for your salvation, O Lord:  
grant us understanding, that we may live.

Lord, show us your love and mercy,  
for we put our trust in you.

In you, Lord, is our hope:  
let us not be confounded at the last.

### 32

Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
and grant us your salvation.

O Lord, save the *Queen*;  
And teach *her* counsellors wisdom.

Let your priests be clothed with righteousness;  
let your faithful people sing with joy.

Let your ways be known upon earth;  
your saving health among all nations.

Give your people the blessing of peace;  
and may all the earth be filled with your glory.

Create in us clean hearts, O God,  
and renew a right spirit within us.

### 33

Teach us, O Lord, the way of your statutes;  
and lead us in the path of your commandments.

Keep our nation under your care;  
and guide us in justice and truth.

O Lord, deal graciously with your servants;  
teach us discernment and knowledge.

Let not the needy be forgotten;  
nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

Guide the meek in judgement;  
and teach your ways to the gentle.

Lord, remember your people;  
whom you have purchased and redeemed of old.

### 34

Lord, open a path for your Word  
to declare the mystery of Christ.

Turn now, O God of hosts;  
behold and tend the vine you have planted.

May your people rejoice and sing,  
and your ministers be clothed with salvation.

May they stand and feed your flock  
in the strength of your name.

Keep from trouble all those who trust in you  
and forget not the poor for ever.

Have mercy, O Lord, upon us,  
as we have put our hope in you.

### 35

Send forth your strength, O God,  
establish what you have wrought in us.

Uphold all those who fall  
and raise up those who are bowed down.

Open the eyes of the blind  
and set the prisoners free.

Sustain the orphan and widow  
and give food to those who hunger.

Grant them the joy of your help again  
and sustain them with your Spirit.

O Lord, judge the peoples  
and take all nations for your own.

### 36

O Lord, answer us in the day of trouble,  
send us help from your holy place.

Show us the path of life,  
for in your presence is joy.

Give justice to the orphan and oppressed  
and break the power of wickedness and evil.

Look upon the hungry and sorrowful  
and grant them the help for which they long.

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad;  
may your glory endure for ever.

Your kingship has dominion over all  
and with you is our redemption.

## *The Litany*

*Sections I and VII must always be used, but a selection of appropriate suffrages may be made from Sections II, III, IV, V and VI.*

### **I**

Let us pray.

God the Father,

*All* **have mercy upon us.**

God the Son,

*All* **have mercy upon us.**

God the Holy Spirit,

*All* **have mercy upon us.**

Holy, blessed and glorious Trinity,

*All* **have mercy upon us.**

### **II**

From all evil and mischief;  
from pride, vanity and hypocrisy;  
from envy, hatred and malice;  
and from all evil intent,

*All* **good Lord, deliver us.**

From sloth, worldliness and love of money;  
from hardness of heart  
and contempt for your word and your laws,

*All* **good Lord, deliver us.**

From sins of body and mind;  
from the deceits of the world, the flesh and the devil,

*All* **good Lord, deliver us.**

From famine and disaster;  
from violence, murder and dying unprepared,

*All* **good Lord, deliver us.**

In all times of sorrow;  
in all times of joy;  
in the hour of death,  
and at the day of judgement,

*All* **good Lord, deliver us.**

### III

By the mystery of your holy incarnation;  
by your birth, childhood and obedience;  
by your baptism, fasting and temptation,

*All* **good Lord, deliver us.**

By your ministry in word and work;  
by your mighty acts of power;  
and by your preaching of the kingdom,

*All* **good Lord, deliver us.**

By your agony and trial;  
by your cross and passion;  
and by your precious death and burial,

*All* **good Lord, deliver us.**

By your mighty resurrection;  
by your glorious ascension;  
and by your sending of the Holy Spirit,

*All* **good Lord, deliver us.**

### IV

Hear our prayers, O Lord our God.

*All* **Hear us, good Lord.**

Govern and direct your holy Church;  
fill it with love and truth;  
and grant it that unity which is your will.

*All* **Hear us, good Lord.**

Give us boldness to preach the gospel in all the world,  
and to make disciples of all the nations.

*All* **Hear us, good Lord.**

Enlighten *N* our Bishop and all who minister  
with knowledge and understanding,  
that by their teaching and their lives they may proclaim your word.

*All* **Hear us, good Lord.**

Give your people grace to hear and receive your word,  
and to bring forth the fruit of the Spirit.

*All* **Hear us, good Lord.**

Bring into the way of truth all who have erred  
and are deceived.

**All** **Hear us, good Lord.**

Strengthen those who stand;  
comfort and help the faint-hearted;  
raise up the fallen;  
and finally beat down Satan under our feet.

**All** **Hear us, good Lord.**

## V

Guide the leaders of the nations  
into the ways of peace and justice.

**All** **Hear us, good Lord.**

Guard and strengthen your servant *Elizabeth our Queen*,  
that she may put her trust in you,  
and seek your honour and glory.

**All** **Hear us, good Lord.**

Endue the High Court of Parliament  
and all the Ministers of the Crown  
with wisdom and understanding.

**All** **Hear us, good Lord.**

Bless those who administer the law,  
that they may uphold justice, honesty and truth.

**All** **Hear us, good Lord.**

Give us the will to use the resources of the earth to your glory,  
and for the good of all creation.

**All** **Hear us, good Lord.**

Bless and keep all your people.

**All** **Hear us, good Lord.**

Bring your joy into all families;  
strengthen and deliver those in childbirth,  
watch over children and guide the young,  
bring reconciliation to those in discord  
and peace to those in stress.

**All** **Hear us, good Lord.**

## VI

Help and comfort the lonely, the bereaved and the oppressed.

*All* **Lord, have mercy.**

Keep in safety those who travel, and all who are in danger.

*All* **Lord, have mercy.**

Heal the sick in body and mind,  
and provide for the homeless, the hungry and the destitute.

*All* **Lord, have mercy.**

Show your pity on prisoners and refugees,  
and all who are in trouble.

*All* **Lord, have mercy.**

Forgive our enemies, persecutors and slanderers,  
and turn their hearts.

*All* **Lord, have mercy.**

Hear us as we remember  
those who have died in the peace of Christ,  
both those who have confessed the faith  
and those whose faith is known to you alone,  
and grant us with them a share in your eternal kingdom.

*All* **Lord, have mercy.**

## VII

Give us true repentance;  
forgive us our sins of negligence and ignorance  
and our deliberate sins;  
and grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit  
to amend our lives according to your holy word.

*All* **Holy God,  
holy and strong,  
holy and immortal,  
have mercy upon us.**

*When the Litany is said instead of the Prayers at Morning or Evening Prayer, the Collect of the Day, the Lord's Prayer and the Grace are added here.*

## ¶ Other Prayers

### *A Prayer before Bible Reading*

O Lord, you have given us your word  
for a light to shine upon our path.  
Grant us so to meditate on that word,  
and to follow its teaching,  
that we may find in it the light  
that shines more and more until the perfect day;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

*after Jerome (420)*

### *A Morning Collect*

Almighty and everlasting God,  
we thank you that you have brought us safely  
to the beginning of this day.  
Keep us from falling into sin  
or running into danger,  
order us in all our doings  
and guide us to do always  
what is righteous in your sight;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

*adapted from The Book of Common Prayer*

### *An Evening Collect*

Lighten our darkness,  
Lord, we pray,  
and in your great mercy  
defend us from all perils and dangers of this night,  
for the love of your only Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ.

*All* **Amen.**

*adapted from The Book of Common Prayer*

## A General Thanksgiving

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we your unworthy servants give you most humble and hearty thanks  
for all your goodness and loving kindness.  
We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ,  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And give us, we pray, such a sense of all your mercies  
that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful,  
and that we show forth your praise, not only with our lips,  
but in our lives,  
by giving up ourselves to your service,  
and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be all honour and glory, for ever and ever.

**All Amen.**

*adapted from The Book of Common Prayer*

## A Collect for the New Year

God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
whose years never fail  
and whose mercies are new each returning day:  
let the radiance of your Spirit renew our lives,  
warming our hearts and giving light to our minds;  
that we may pass the coming year  
in joyful obedience and firm faith;  
through him who is the beginning and the end,  
your Son, Christ our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**All Amen.**

## Christaraksha

### *For individuals to say before sleep*

May the cross of the Son of God,  
which is mightier than all the hosts of Satan,  
and more glorious than all the hosts of heaven,  
abide with me in my going out and my coming in.  
By day and by night, at morning and at evening,  
at all times and in all places may it protect and defend me.  
From the wrath of evildoers, from the assaults of evil spirits,  
from foes visible and invisible, from the snares of the devil,  
from all passions that beguile the soul and body:  
may it guard, protect and deliver me.

**All Amen.**

*an Indian prayer*

## Kaddish

Magnified and sanctified be the great name of God  
in the world which he created according to his will.  
May he establish his kingdom in your life and in your days,  
and in the lifetime of all his people:  
quickly and speedily may it come; and let us say Amen.

**All Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed, praised and glorified,  
exalted, extolled and honoured,  
magnified and lauded be the name of the Holy One;  
blessed be God.  
Though he be high above all the blessings and hymns,  
praises and consolations,  
which are uttered in the world; and let us say Amen.

**All Blessed be God for ever.**

May there be abundant peace from heaven  
and life for us and for all people; let us say Amen.

**All Blessed be God for ever.**

*prayer of a Jewish mourner*

Come, my Light, and illumine my darkness.  
Come, my Life, and revive me from death.  
Come, my Physician, and heal my wounds.  
Come, Flame of divine love, and burn up the thorns of my sins,  
kindling my heart with the flame of your love.  
Come, my King, sit upon the throne of my heart and reign there,  
for you alone are my King and my Lord.

**All Amen.**

*Dimitri of Rostov (1709)*

Heavenly Father,  
in your Son Jesus Christ  
you have given us a true faith and a sure hope.  
Strengthen this faith and hope in us all our days,  
that we may live as those who believe in  
    the communion of saints  
    the forgiveness of sins  
    and the resurrection to eternal life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All Amen.**

*adapted from the 1928 Prayer Book*

Keep us in peace, O Christ our God,  
under the protection of your holy and venerable cross;  
save us from our enemies, visible and invisible,  
and count us worthy to glorify you with thanksgiving,  
with the Father and the Holy Spirit,  
now and for ever, world without end.

**All Amen.**

*an Armenian Orthodox dismissal*

Lord Jesus Christ, you are the way, the truth and the life:  
let us not stray from you who are the way,  
nor distrust your promises who are the truth,  
nor rest in anything but you who are the life,  
for beyond you there is nothing to be desired  
neither in heaven nor in earth.

**All Amen.**

*from a prayer of Erasmus (1536)*

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.  
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;  
where there is injury, pardon;  
where there is doubt, faith;  
where there is despair, hope;  
where there is darkness, light;  
where there is sadness, joy.  
O Divine Master,  
grant that I may not so much seek  
to be consoled as to console,  
to be understood as to understand,  
to be loved as to love.  
For it is in giving that we receive,  
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

**All Amen.**

*a Franciscan prayer*

May the power of your love, O Lord,  
fiery and sweet as honey,  
so absorb our hearts  
as to withdraw them from all that is under heaven.  
Grant that we may be ready  
to die for love of your love  
as you died for love of our love.

**All Amen.**

*Francis of Assisi (1226)*

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light,  
look favourably on your whole Church,  
that wonderful and sacred mystery,  
and by the tranquil operation of your perpetual providence  
carry out the work of our salvation:  
and let the whole world feel and see  
that things which were cast down are being raised up  
and things which had grown old are being made new  
and that all things are returning to perfection  
through him from whom they took their origin,  
even Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All Amen.**

*Gelasian Sacramentary (8th century)*

O Holy Spirit, giver of light and life,  
impart to us thoughts better than our own thoughts,  
and prayers better than our own prayers,  
and powers better than our own powers,  
that we may spend and be spent  
in the ways of love and goodness,  
after the perfect image of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

**All Amen.**

*Eric Milner-White and G W Briggs,  
Daily Prayer (1941)*

O Lord Jesus Christ,  
Son of the living God,  
set your passion, cross and death  
between your judgement and our souls,  
now and in the hour of our death.  
Grant mercy and grace to the living,  
rest to the departed,  
to your Church peace and concord  
and to us sinners forgiveness,  
and everlasting life and glory;  
for, with the Father and the Holy Spirit,  
you are alive and reign,  
God, now and for ever.

**All Amen.**

*Collect for None*

Remember, Lord, what you have wrought in us  
and not what we deserve,  
and as you have called us to your service  
make us worthy of our calling  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All Amen.**

*adapted from the 1928 Prayer Book*

Support us, O Lord,  
all the day long of this troublous life,  
until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes,  
the busy world is hushed,  
the fever of life is over  
and our work is done.  
Then, Lord, in your mercy grant us a safe lodging,  
a holy rest, and peace at the last;  
through Christ our Lord.

**All Amen.**

*adapted from the 1928 Prayer Book*



# Collects and Suggested Canticles and Refrains

## Notes

- 1 Normally on any occasion only one Collect is used.
- 2 The Collect for each Sunday is used on the following weekdays, except where other provision is made.
- 3 At Evening Prayer on Saturdays other than Christmas Eve, Easter Eve or Principal Feasts or Festivals, the Collect appointed for the ensuing Sunday shall be used. When Evening Prayer on the day before a Festival makes use of the lessons relating to that Festival, the Collect of that Festival shall be used.
- 4 Where a Collect ends 'through Jesus Christ our Lord', the minister may use in its place the longer Trinitarian ending,  
    'through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
    who is alive and reigns with you,  
    in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
    one God, now and for ever.'  
The last three lines above may be added to the other Collects which have no Trinitarian ending.
- 5 On most Sundays and during the Seasons the Refrains are those given in the Orders for Morning and Evening Prayer. For certain Sundays, Principal Feasts, other Principal Holy Days and Festivals, proper Refrains are provided with the Collect in the following sections. For Lesser Festivals, reference is made to the optional use of common Refrains, which are to be found at the end of the *Sanctorale* (pages 446–526). Where 'Alleluia' is printed in square brackets, it is used during the Easter season but not otherwise.

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## Advent

*This prayer may be used on any day in Advent*

Eternal God,  
as Mary waited for the birth of your Son,  
so we wait for his coming in glory;  
bring us through the birth pangs of this present age  
to see, with her, our great salvation  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **The First Sunday of Advent** *Purple*

#### *Collect*

Almighty God,  
give us grace to cast away the works of darkness  
and to put on the armour of light,  
now in the time of this mortal life,  
in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility;  
that on the last day,  
when he shall come again in his glorious majesty  
to judge the living and the dead,  
we may rise to the life immortal;  
through him who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## The Second Sunday of Advent

Purple

### Collect

O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power  
and come among us,  
and with great might succour us;  
that whereas, through our sins and wickedness  
we are grievously hindered  
in running the race that is set before us,  
your bountiful grace and mercy  
may speedily help and deliver us;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honour and glory, now and for ever.

## The Third Sunday of Advent

Purple

### Collect

O Lord Jesus Christ,  
who at your first coming sent your messenger  
to prepare your way before you:  
grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries  
may likewise so prepare and make ready your way  
by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just,  
that at your second coming to judge the world  
we may be found an acceptable people in your sight;  
for you are alive and reign with the Father  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Purple

*This provision is not used on weekdays after 23 December.*

### Collect

God our redeemer,  
who prepared the Blessed Virgin Mary  
to be the mother of your Son:  
grant that, as she looked for his coming as our saviour,  
so we may be ready to greet him  
when he comes again as our judge;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

24 December

**Christmas Eve**

Purple

*The Christmas order (pages 220–225) is used at Evening Prayer with this Collect..*

### Collect

Almighty God,  
you make us glad with the yearly remembrance  
of the birth of your Son Jesus Christ:  
grant that, as we joyfully receive him as our redeemer,  
so we may with sure confidence behold him  
when he shall come to be our judge;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## Christmas

*This prayer may be used on any day in the Christmas season*

Lord Jesus Christ,  
your birth at Bethlehem  
draws us to kneel in wonder at heaven touching earth:  
accept our heartfelt praise  
as we worship you,  
our Saviour and our eternal God.

*25 December*

**Christmas Day**

*Principal Feast*

*Gold or*

*White*

### *Collect*

Almighty God,  
you have given us your only-begotten Son  
to take our nature upon him  
and as at this time to be born of a pure virgin:  
grant that we, who have been born again  
and made your children by adoption and grace,  
may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## The First Sunday of Christmas White

*When the Festival of the Naming and Circumcision of Jesus, falling on a Sunday, is transferred to Monday 2 January, the Sunday is kept as the Second Sunday of Christmas but this provision is used.*

*This provision is not used after Morning Prayer on the Eve of the Epiphany.*

### Collect

Almighty God,  
who wonderfully created us in your own image  
and yet more wonderfully restored us  
through your Son Jesus Christ:  
grant that, as he came to share in our humanity,  
so we may share the life of his divinity;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## The Second Sunday of Christmas White

*When the Festival of the Naming and Circumcision of Jesus, falling on a Sunday, is transferred to Monday 2 January, the Sunday is kept as the Second Sunday of Christmas but the provision for the First Sunday of Christmas is used.*

*This provision is not used after Morning Prayer on the Eve of the Epiphany.*

### Collect

Almighty God,  
in the birth of your Son  
you have poured on us the new light of your incarnate Word,  
and shown us the fullness of your love:  
help us to walk in his light and dwell in his love  
that we may know the fullness of his joy;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## Epiphany

*This prayer may be used on any day in the Epiphany season*

Eternal Lord,  
our beginning and our end:  
bring us with the whole creation  
to your glory, hidden through past ages  
and made known  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

*6 January*

**The Epiphany**

*Principal Feast*

*Gold or*

*White*

*Collect*

O God,  
who by the leading of a star  
manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth:  
mercifully grant that we,  
who know you now by faith,  
may at last behold your glory face to face;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## The Baptism of Christ

Gold or  
White

The First Sunday of Epiphany  
(The Second Sunday of Epiphany  
when 6 January is a Sunday)

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 40 (page 591) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 70 (page 628) or 80 (page 637) may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

This is my son, the Beloved,  
with whom I am well pleased.

*Benedictus*

Jesus is baptized and the whole world is made holy;  
Christ washes away our sins and purifies us with the Holy Spirit.

*Magnificat*

Draw water from the wells of salvation,  
for Christ our Lord has made creation holy.

*Collect*

Eternal Father,  
who at the baptism of Jesus  
revealed him to be your Son,  
anointing him with the Holy Spirit:  
grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit,  
that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## The Second Sunday of Epiphany

White

*When 6 January is a Sunday this provision is replaced on 13 January  
by that for the Baptism of Christ.*

*Collect*

Almighty God,  
in Christ you make all things new:  
transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace,  
and in the renewal of our lives  
make known your heavenly glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## The Third Sunday of Epiphany

White

### *Collect*

Almighty God,  
whose Son revealed in signs and miracles  
the wonder of your saving presence:  
renew your people with your heavenly grace,  
and in all our weakness  
sustain us by your mighty power;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

White

### *Collect*

God our creator,  
who in the beginning  
commanded the light to shine out of darkness:  
we pray that the light of the glorious gospel of Christ  
may dispel the darkness of ignorance and unbelief,  
shine into the hearts of all your people,  
and reveal the knowledge of your glory  
in the face of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

2 February

## The Presentation of Christ in the Temple

Gold or  
White

Candlemas

*Principal Feast*

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 31 (page 582) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 74 (page 632) may be said.*

### *Eve: Magnificat*

The Lord whom you seek  
will suddenly come to his temple.

### *Benedictus*

The parents of Jesus marvelled at what was said about him.  
And Mary kept all these things and pondered them in her heart.

### *Magnificat*

Simeon held the child in his arms, and beheld his salvation;  
Anna gave thanks to God and proclaimed her redeemer.

### *Collect*

Almighty and ever-living God,  
clothed in majesty,  
whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple,  
in substance of our flesh:  
grant that we may be presented to you  
with pure and clean hearts,  
by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

## The Fifth Sunday before Lent

Green

*This provision is always used from the day after the Presentation of Christ in the Temple until the first of the Sundays before Lent.*

### Collect

Almighty God,  
by whose grace alone we are accepted  
and called to your service:  
strengthen us by your Holy Spirit  
and make us worthy of our calling;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## The Fourth Sunday before Lent

Green

### Collect

O God,  
you know us to be set  
in the midst of so many and great dangers,  
that by reason of the frailty of our nature  
we cannot always stand upright:  
grant to us such strength and protection  
as may support us in all dangers  
and carry us through all temptations;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## The Third Sunday before Lent

Green

### *Collect*

Almighty God,  
who alone can bring order  
to the unruly wills and passions of sinful humanity:  
give your people grace  
so to love what you command  
and to desire what you promise,  
that, among the many changes of this world,  
our hearts may surely there be fixed  
where true joys are to be found;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## The Second Sunday before Lent

Green

### *Collect*

Almighty God,  
you have created the heavens and the earth  
and made us in your own image:  
teach us to discern your hand in all your works  
and your likeness in all your children;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things,  
now and for ever.

*This provision is not used on or after Ash Wednesday.*

### *Collect*

Almighty Father,  
whose Son was revealed in majesty  
before he suffered death upon the cross:  
give us grace to perceive his glory,  
that we may be strengthened to suffer with him  
and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

*On Shrove Tuesday, 'Alleluia, alleluia' may be added to the final versicle and response at Evening Prayer.*

*After Night Prayer on Shrove Tuesday, 'Alleluia' is not said again until Easter Day.*

## Lent

*This prayer may be used on any day in Lent*

Almighty God,  
by the prayer and discipline of Lent  
may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings,  
and by following in his Way  
come to share in his glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Ash Wednesday** *Purple or  
Principal Holy Day Lent Array*

### *Collect*

Almighty and everlasting God,  
you hate nothing that you have made  
and forgive the sins of all those who are penitent:  
create and make in us new and contrite hearts  
that we, worthily lamenting our sins  
and acknowledging our wretchedness,  
may receive from you, the God of all mercy,  
perfect remission and forgiveness;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**The First Sunday of Lent** *Purple or  
Lent Array*

### *Collect*

Almighty God,  
whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness,  
and was tempted as we are, yet without sin:  
give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit;  
and, as you know our weakness,  
so may we know your power to save;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## **The Second Sunday of Lent** *Purple or Lent Array*

### *Collect*

Almighty God,  
you show to those who are in error the light of your truth,  
that they may return to the way of righteousness:  
grant to all those who are admitted  
    into the fellowship of Christ's religion,  
that they may reject those things  
    that are contrary to their profession,  
and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same;  
through our Lord Jesus Christ.

## **The Third Sunday of Lent** *Purple or Lent Array*

### *Collect*

Almighty God,  
whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain,  
and entered not into glory before he was crucified:  
mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross,  
may find it none other than the way of life and peace;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## **The Fourth Sunday of Lent** *Purple or Lent Array*

*Mothering Sunday may be celebrated in preference to the provision  
for the Fourth Sunday of Lent.*

### *Collect*

Merciful Lord,  
absolve your people from their offences,  
that through your bountiful goodness  
we may all be delivered from the chains of those sins  
which by our frailty we have committed;  
grant this, heavenly Father,  
for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour.

**Mothering Sunday** *Purple or  
Lent Array*

*Mothering Sunday may be celebrated in preference to the provision  
for the Fourth Sunday of Lent.*

**Collect**

God of compassion,  
whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary,  
shared the life of a home in Nazareth,  
and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself:  
strengthen us in our daily living  
that in joy and in sorrow  
we may know the power of your presence  
to bind together and to heal;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**The Fifth Sunday of Lent** *Purple or  
Passiontide begins Lent Array*

**Collect**

Most merciful God,  
who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ  
delivered and saved the world:  
grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross  
we may triumph in the power of his victory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Palm Sunday** *Red*

**Collect**

Almighty and everlasting God,  
who in your tender love towards the human race  
sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ  
to take upon him our flesh  
and to suffer death upon the cross:  
grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility,  
and also be made partakers of his resurrection;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Maundy Thursday

*Red:*  
*Principal Holy Day*    *White for*  
*Holy*  
*Communion*

*At Morning and Evening Prayer the Collect of Palm Sunday is used.  
(For the Collect at Holy Communion, see page 398 of Common  
Worship: Services and Prayers for the Church of England.)*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 68 (page 626) may be said.*

### *Benedictus*

Christ loved those who were his,  
and showed them how deep was his love for them.

### *Magnificat*

Christ humbled himself for us,  
and in obedience accepted death.

## Good Friday

*Hangings*  
*Principal Holy Day*    *removed:*  
*red for the*  
*liturgy*

### *Benedictus*

Over his head, they put the charge against him:  
this is Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews.

### *Magnificat*

Christ humbled himself for us,  
and in obedience accepted death, even death on a cross.

### *Collect*

Almighty Father,  
look with mercy on this your family  
for which our Lord Jesus Christ was content to be betrayed  
    and given up into the hands of sinners  
    and to suffer death upon the cross;  
who is alive and glorified with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 42 (page 593) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 57 (page 614) may be said.*

*Benedictus*

Destroy this temple and, in three days,  
I will raise it up, says the Lord;  
this he said of the temple that was his body.

*Magnificat*

Christ humbled himself for us and, in obedience, accepted death,  
even death on a cross:  
therefore God raised him to the heights and gave him the name  
which is above all other names.

*Collect*

Grant, Lord,  
that we who are baptized into the death  
of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ  
may continually put to death our evil desires  
and be buried with him;  
and that through the grave and gate of death  
we may pass to our joyful resurrection;  
through his merits,  
who died and was buried and rose again for us,  
your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

## **Easter**

*This prayer may be used on any day in the Easter season*

Risen Christ,  
you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope:  
strengthen us to proclaim your risen life  
and fill us with your peace,  
to the glory of God the Father.

**Easter Day**      *Gold or  
Principal Feast*      *White*

### *Collect*

Lord of all life and power,  
who through the mighty resurrection of your Son  
overcame the old order of sin and death  
to make all things new in him:  
grant that we, being dead to sin  
and alive to you in Jesus Christ,  
may reign with him in glory;  
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit  
be praise and honour, glory and might,  
now and in all eternity.

**The Second Sunday of Easter**      *White*

### *Collect*

Almighty Father,  
you have given your only Son to die for our sins  
and to rise again for our justification:  
grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness  
that we may always serve you  
in pureness of living and truth;  
through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

## The Third Sunday of Easter

White

### Collect

Almighty Father,  
who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples  
with the sight of the risen Lord:  
give us such knowledge of his presence with us,  
that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life  
and serve you continually in righteousness and truth;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## The Fourth Sunday of Easter

White

### Collect

Almighty God,  
whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life:  
raise us, who trust in him,  
from the death of sin to the life of righteousness,  
that we may seek those things which are above,  
where he reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## The Fifth Sunday of Easter

White

### Collect

Almighty God,  
who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ  
have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life:  
grant that, as by your grace going before us  
you put into our minds good desires,  
so by your continual help  
we may bring them to good effect;  
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord.

## The Sixth Sunday of Easter

White

*This provision is not used on or after Ascension Day.*

### Collect

God our redeemer,  
you have delivered us from the power of darkness  
and brought us into the kingdom of your Son:  
grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life,  
so by his continual presence in us he may raise us  
to eternal joy;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Ascension Day

Gold or

*Principal Feast*

White

### Collect

Grant, we pray, almighty God,  
that as we believe your only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ  
to have ascended into the heavens,  
so we in heart and mind may also ascend  
and with him continually dwell;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## The Seventh Sunday of Easter

White

The Sunday after Ascension Day

### Collect

O God the King of glory,  
you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ  
with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven:  
we beseech you, leave us not comfortless,  
but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us  
and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## Day of Pentecost

Red

Whit Sunday

*Principal Feast*

*This provision is not used on the weekdays after the Day of Pentecost.*

### Collect

God, who as at this time  
taught the hearts of your faithful people  
by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit:  
grant us by the same Spirit  
to have a right judgement in all things  
and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort;  
through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour.

**The Weekdays after the Day of Pentecost**

*Green*

*Collect*

O Lord, from whom all good things come:  
grant to us your humble servants,  
that by your holy inspiration  
we may think those things that are good,  
and by your merciful guiding may perform the same;  
through our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Trinity Sunday**

*Gold or*

*Principal Feast*

*White*

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 45 (page 597) or 79 (page 636) may be said.  
At Evening Prayer, canticle 69 (page 627) or 79 (page 636) may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat*

Glory and honour be to God  
in the unity of the Trinity.

*Benedictus*

Holy, holy, holy, is the God of hosts;  
who was, and who is, and who is to come.

*Magnificat*

Blessed be the creator of all things;  
the holy and undivided Trinity.

*Collect*

Almighty and everlasting God,  
you have given us your servants grace,  
by the confession of a true faith,  
to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity  
and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity:  
keep us steadfast in this faith,  
that we may evermore be defended from all adversities;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*The Thursday after Trinity Sunday may be observed as*

## **The Day of Thanksgiving for the Institution of Holy Communion**

*White*

(Corpus Christi)

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 33 (page 584) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 72 (page 630) may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

Your people eat the food of angels;  
you give them bread from heaven.

*Benedictus*

I am the living bread which came down from heaven;  
whoever eats of this bread will live for ever.

*Magnificat*

O sacred feast, in which Christ is received  
and the memory of his passion is renewed:  
our minds are filled with grace  
and a pledge of future glory is given us.

*Collect*

Lord Jesus Christ,  
we thank you that in this wonderful sacrament  
you have given us the memorial of your passion:  
grant us so to reverence the sacred mysteries  
of your body and blood  
that we may know within ourselves  
and show forth in our lives  
the fruits of your redemption;  
for you are alive and reign with the Father  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## The First Sunday after Trinity

Green

### *Collect*

O God,  
the strength of all those who put their trust in you,  
mercifully accept our prayers  
and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature  
we can do no good thing without you,  
grant us the help of your grace,  
that in the keeping of your commandments  
we may please you both in will and deed;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## The Second Sunday after Trinity

Green

### *Collect*

Lord, you have taught us  
that all our doings without love are nothing worth:  
send your Holy Spirit  
and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love,  
the true bond of peace and of all virtues,  
without which whoever lives is counted dead before you.  
Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake.

## The Third Sunday after Trinity

Green

### *Collect*

Almighty God,  
you have broken the tyranny of sin  
and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts  
whereby we call you Father:  
give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service,  
that we and all creation may be brought  
to the glorious liberty of the children of God;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Green

### *Collect*

O God, the protector of all who trust in you,  
without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy:  
increase and multiply upon us your mercy;  
that with you as our ruler and guide  
we may so pass through things temporal  
that we lose not our hold on things eternal;  
grant this, heavenly Father,  
for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake.

## The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Green

### Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,  
by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church  
is governed and sanctified:  
hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people,  
that in their vocation and ministry  
they may serve you in holiness and truth  
to the glory of your name;  
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

## The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Green

### Collect

Merciful God,  
you have prepared for those who love you  
such good things as pass our understanding:  
pour into our hearts such love toward you  
that we, loving you in all things and above all things,  
may obtain your promises,  
which exceed all that we can desire;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Green

### Collect

Lord of all power and might,  
the author and giver of all good things:  
graft in our hearts the love of your name,  
increase in us true religion,  
nourish us with all goodness,  
and of your great mercy keep us in the same;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Green

### *Collect*

Almighty Lord and everlasting God,  
we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern  
both our hearts and bodies  
in the ways of your laws  
and the works of your commandments;  
that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever,  
we may be preserved in body and soul;  
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

## The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

Green

### *Collect*

Almighty God,  
who sent your Holy Spirit  
to be the life and light of your Church:  
open our hearts to the riches of your grace,  
that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit  
in love and joy and peace;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Green

### *Collect*

Let your merciful ears, O Lord,  
be open to the prayers of your humble servants;  
and that they may obtain their petitions  
make them to ask such things as shall please you;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Green

### Collect

O God, you declare your almighty power  
most chiefly in showing mercy and pity:  
mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace,  
that we, running the way of your commandments,  
may receive your gracious promises,  
and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Green

### Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,  
you are always more ready to hear than we to pray  
and to give more than either we desire or deserve:  
pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy,  
forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid  
and giving us those good things  
    which we are not worthy to ask  
but through the merits and mediation  
of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

## The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Green

### Collect

Almighty God,  
who called your Church to bear witness  
that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself:  
help us to proclaim the good news of your love,  
that all who hear it may be drawn to you;  
through him who was lifted up on the cross,  
and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Green

### Collect

Almighty God,  
whose only Son has opened for us  
a new and living way into your presence:  
give us pure hearts and steadfast wills  
to worship you in spirit and in truth;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

Green

### Collect

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit  
upon your Church in the burning fire of your love:  
grant that your people may be fervent  
in the fellowship of the gospel  
that, always abiding in you,  
they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Green

### Collect

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers  
of your people who call upon you;  
and grant that they may both perceive and know  
what things they ought to do,  
and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Green

### *Collect*

Almighty God,  
you have made us for yourself,  
and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you:  
pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself,  
and so bring us at last to your heavenly city  
where we shall see you face to face;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Green

### *Collect*

Almighty and everlasting God,  
increase in us your gift of faith  
that, forsaking what lies behind  
and reaching out to that which is before,  
we may run the way of your commandments  
and win the crown of everlasting joy;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Green

### *Collect*

O God, forasmuch as without you  
we are not able to please you;  
mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit  
may in all things direct and rule our hearts;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

Green

### Collect

God, the giver of life,  
whose Holy Spirit wells up within your Church:  
by the Spirit's gifts equip us to live the gospel of Christ  
and make us eager to do your will,  
that we may share with the whole creation  
the joys of eternal life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## The Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity

Green

### Collect

Grant, we beseech you, merciful Lord,  
to your faithful people pardon and peace,  
that they may be cleansed from all their sins  
and serve you with a quiet mind;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*If there are twenty-three Sundays after Trinity, the provision for the Third Sunday before Lent (page 422) is used on the Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity.*

## The Last Sunday after Trinity

Green

### Collect

Blessed Lord,  
who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning:  
help us so to hear them,  
to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them  
that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word,  
we may embrace and for ever hold fast  
the hope of everlasting life,  
which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ.

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 36 (page 587) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 53 (page 606) may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat*

The saints cried out with a loud voice:  
Salvation to our God who sits on the throne,  
and to the Lamb.

*Benedictus*

The righteous will shine like the sun  
in the highest heavens.

*Magnificat*

With one heart and voice, all the saints proclaim:  
We praise you, blessed Trinity, one God.

*Collect*

Almighty God,  
you have knit together your elect  
in one communion and fellowship  
in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord:  
grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints  
in all virtuous and godly living  
that we may come to those inexpressible joys  
that you have prepared for those who truly love you;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**The Fourth Sunday before Advent**

Red or

Green

*Collect*

Almighty and eternal God,  
you have kindled the flame of love  
in the hearts of the saints:  
grant to us the same faith and power of love,  
that, as we rejoice in their triumphs,  
we may be sustained by their example and fellowship;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## The Third Sunday before Advent

Red or  
Green

### Collect

Almighty Father,  
whose will is to restore all things  
in your beloved Son, the King of all:  
govern the hearts and minds of those in authority,  
and bring the families of the nations,  
divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin,  
to be subject to his just and gentle rule;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

*In years when Remembrance Sunday is observed on the Second Sunday before Advent, the Collect for the Third Sunday before Advent may be used on Remembrance Sunday and the Collect for the Second Sunday before Advent may be used on the Third Sunday before Advent.*

## The Second Sunday before Advent

Red or  
Green

### Collect

Heavenly Father,  
whose blessed Son was revealed  
to destroy the works of the devil  
and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life:  
grant that we, having this hope,  
may purify ourselves even as he is pure;  
that when he shall appear in power and great glory  
we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom;  
where he is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## Christ the King

The Sunday next before Advent

Red or  
White

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 22 (page 573) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 69 (page 627) may be said.*

### *Eve: Magnificat*

Blessed is the king  
who comes in the name of the Lord.

### *Benedictus*

God raised Christ from the dead,  
and enthroned him at his right hand in heaven.

### *Magnificat*

God has given him dominion, glory and all sovereignty;  
that all peoples and nations shall serve him.

### *Collect*

Eternal Father,  
whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven  
that he might rule over all things as Lord and King:  
keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit  
and in the bond of peace,  
and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

*This prayer may be used as the Collect at Morning and Evening Prayer  
during this week*

Stir up, O Lord,  
the wills of your faithful people;  
that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works,  
may by you be plenteously rewarded;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## ¶ Festivals and Lesser Festivals (Sanctorale)

### The Naming and Circumcision of Jesus

White

1 January

Festival

*The Christmas orders (pages 214–225) are used for Morning and Evening Prayer.*

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 31 (page 582) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 61 (page 619) may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

To us a child is born, to us a Son is given,  
and he shall be called the Prince of Peace.

*Benedictus*

You shall call his name Jesus  
for he will save his people from their sins.

*Magnificat*

You have done great things, O God,  
and holy is your name.

*Collect*

Almighty God,  
whose blessed Son was circumcised  
in obedience to the law for our sake  
and given the Name that is above every name:  
give us grace faithfully to bear his Name,  
to worship him in the freedom of the Spirit,  
and to proclaim him as the Saviour of the world;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

2 January

**Basil the Great  
and Gregory of Nazianzus**

White

*Bishops, Teachers of the Faith, 379 and 389*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith (page 529).*

**Collect**

Lord God,  
whose servants Basil and Gregory  
proclaimed the mystery of your Word made flesh,  
to build up your Church in wisdom and strength:  
grant that we may rejoice in his presence among us,  
and so be brought with them to know the power  
of your unending love;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

6 January

**The Epiphany**

Gold or  
White

*Principal Feast*

*See page 417.*

12 January

**Aelred of Hexham**

White

Abbot of Rievaulx, 1167

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Members of Religious Communities (page 531).*

**Collect**

Almighty God,  
who endowed Aelred the abbot  
with the gift of Christian friendship  
and the wisdom to lead others in the way of holiness:  
grant to your people that same spirit of mutual affection,  
so that, in loving one another,  
we may know the love of Christ  
and rejoice in the eternal possession  
    of your supreme goodness;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

13 January

**Hilary**

White

Bishop of Poitiers, Teacher of the Faith, 367

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith (page 529).*

**Collect**

Everlasting God,  
whose servant Hilary  
steadfastly confessed your Son Jesus Christ  
    to be both human and divine:  
grant us his gentle courtesy  
to bring to all the message of redemption  
    in the incarnate Christ,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

17 January

**Antony of Egypt**

White

Hermit, Abbot, 356

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Members of Religious Communities (page 531).*

**Collect**

Most gracious God,  
who called your servant Antony to sell all that he had  
and to serve you in the solitude of the desert:  
by his example may we learn to deny ourselves  
and to love you before all things;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

19 January

**Wulfstan**

White

Bishop of Worcester, 1095

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors (page 530).*

**Collect**

Lord God,  
who raised up Wulfstan to be a bishop among your people  
and a leader of your Church:  
help us, after his example,  
to live simply,  
to work diligently  
and to make your kingdom known;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

21 January

**Agnes**

Red

Child Martyr at Rome, 304

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).*

**Collect**

Eternal God, shepherd of your sheep,  
whose child Agnes was strengthened to bear witness  
in her living and her dying  
to the true love of her redeemer:  
grant us the power to understand, with all your saints,  
what is the breadth and length and height and depth  
and to know the love that surpasses knowledge,  
even Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

24 January

**Francis de Sales**

White

Bishop of Geneva, Teacher of the Faith, 1622

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith (page 529).*

**Collect**

Holy God,  
who called your bishop Francis de Sales  
to bring many to Christ through his devout life  
and to renew your Church with patience and understanding:  
grant that we may, by word and example,  
reflect your gentleness and love to all we meet;  
through Jesus Christ our Saviour,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

*The All Saints to Advent orders (pages 291–302) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.*

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 35 (page 586) or 79 (page 636) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 63 (page 621) or 70 (page 628) may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

When all is made new, and the Christ is on his throne of glory,  
you will sit on the twelve thrones to judge the tribes of Israel.

*Benedictus*

You did not choose me but I chose you  
and I appointed you to go out and bear fruit, fruit that shall last.

*Magnificat*

On the foundation stones of the heavenly city  
are written the names of the apostles of the Lamb.

*Collect*

Almighty God,  
who caused the light of the gospel  
to shine throughout the world  
through the preaching of your servant Saint Paul:  
grant that we who celebrate his wonderful conversion  
may follow him in bearing witness to your truth;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

26 January

**Timothy and Titus**

White

*Companions of Paul*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Missionaries (page 532).*

**Collect**

Heavenly Father,  
who sent your apostle Paul to preach the gospel,  
and gave him Timothy and Titus  
to be his companions in faith:  
grant that our fellowship in the Holy Spirit  
may bear witness to the name of Jesus,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

28 January

**Thomas Aquinas**

White

*Priest, Philosopher, Teacher of the Faith, 1274*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith (page 529).*

**Collect**

Eternal God,  
who enriched your Church with the learning and holiness  
of your servant Thomas Aquinas:  
give to all who seek you  
a humble mind and a pure heart  
that they may know your Son Jesus Christ  
as the way, the truth and the life;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

30 January

**Charles**  
King and Martyr, 1649  
*Lesser Festival*

Red

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).*

**Collect**

King of kings and Lord of lords,  
whose faithful servant Charles  
prayed for those who persecuted him  
and died in the living hope of your eternal kingdom:  
grant us by your grace so to follow his example  
that we may love and bless our enemies,  
through the intercession of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

2 February

**The Presentation of Christ  
in the Temple**  
Candlemas  
*Principal Feast*

Gold or  
White

*See page 420.*

3 February

**Anskar**

White

Archbishop of Hamburg,  
Missionary in Denmark and Sweden, 865  
*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Missionaries (page 532).*

**Collect**

God of grace and might,  
who sent your servant Anskar  
to spread the gospel to the Nordic peoples:  
raise up, we pray, in our generation  
    messengers of your good news  
    and heralds of your kingdom  
that the world may come to know  
    the immeasurable riches of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

14 February

**Cyril and Methodius**

White

Missionaries to the Slavs, 869 and 885  
*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Missionaries (page 532).*

**Collect**

Lord of all,  
who gave to your servants Cyril and Methodius  
the gift of tongues to proclaim the gospel to the Slavs:  
make your whole Church one as you are one  
that all Christians may honour one another,  
and east and west acknowledge  
    one Lord, one faith, one baptism,  
and you, the God and Father of all;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

17 February

**Janani Luwum**  
Archbishop of Uganda, Martyr, 1977  
*Lesser Festival*

Red

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).*

**Collect**

God of truth,  
whose servant Janani Luwum walked in the light,  
and in his death defied the powers of darkness:  
free us from fear of those who kill the body,  
that we too may walk as children of light,  
through him who overcame darkness by the power of the cross,  
Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

23 February

**Polycarp**  
Bishop of Smyrna, Martyr, c. 155  
*Lesser Festival*

Red

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).*

**Collect**

Almighty God,  
who gave to your servant Polycarp  
boldness to confess the name of our Saviour Jesus Christ  
before the rulers of this world  
and courage to die for his faith:  
grant that we also may be ready  
to give an answer for the faith that is in us  
and to suffer gladly for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

27 February

**George Herbert**

White

Priest, Poet, 1633

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors (page 530).*

**Collect**

King of glory, king of peace,  
who called your servant George Herbert  
from the pursuit of worldly honours  
to be a priest in the temple of his God and king;  
grant us also the grace to offer ourselves  
with singleness of heart in humble obedience to your service;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*I March*

**David**

White

Bishop of Menevia, Patron of Wales, c.601

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors (page 530).*

**Collect**

Almighty God,  
who called your servant David  
to be a faithful and wise steward of your mysteries  
for the people of Wales:  
in your mercy, grant that,  
following his purity of life and zeal for the gospel of Christ,  
we may with him receive the crown of everlasting life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

2 March

**Chad**

White

Bishop of Lichfield, Missionary, 672

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Missionaries (page 532).*

**Collect**

Almighty God,  
from the first fruits of the English nation who turned to Christ,  
you called your servant Chad  
to be an evangelist and bishop of his own people:  
give us grace so to follow his peaceable nature,  
humble spirit and prayerful life,  
that we may truly commend to others  
the faith which we ourselves profess;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

7 March

**Perpetua, Felicity  
and their Companions**

Red

Martyrs at Carthage, 203

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).*

**Collect**

Holy God,  
who gave great courage to Perpetua, Felicity and their companions:  
grant that we may be worthy to climb the ladder of sacrifice  
and be received into the garden of peace;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

8 March

**Edward King**      *White*  
Bishop of Lincoln, 1910  
*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors (page 530).*

**Collect**

God of peace,  
who gave such grace to your servant Edward King  
that whomever he met he drew to Christ:  
fill us, we pray, with tender sympathy and joyful faith,  
that we also may win others  
    to know the love that passes knowledge;  
through him who is the shepherd and guardian of our souls,  
Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

17 March

**Patrick**      *White*  
Bishop, Missionary, Patron of Ireland, c.460  
*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Missionaries (page 532).*

**Collect**

Almighty God,  
who in your providence chose your servant Patrick  
to be the apostle of the Irish people:  
keep alive in us the fire of the faith he kindled  
and strengthen us in our pilgrimage  
    towards the light of everlasting life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*The Christmas orders (pages 214–225) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.*

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 25 (page 576) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 59 (page 616) may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

Joseph was the husband of Mary,  
who gave birth to Jesus, called Messiah.

*Benedictus*

Behold the faithful and wise servant  
whom the Master placed over his household.

*Magnificat*

Joseph of Nazareth went up to Bethlehem  
to be enrolled with Mary his betrothed, who was with child.

*Collect*

God our Father,  
who from the family of your servant David  
raised up Joseph the carpenter  
to be the guardian of your incarnate Son  
and husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary:  
give us grace to follow him  
in faithful obedience to your commands;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

20 March

**Cuthbert**

White

Bishop of Lindisfarne, Missionary, 687

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Missionaries (page 532).*

**Collect**

Almighty God,  
who called your servant Cuthbert from following the flock  
to follow your Son and to be a shepherd of your people:  
in your mercy, grant that we, following his example,  
may bring those who are lost home to your fold;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

21 March

**Thomas Cranmer**

Red

Archbishop of Canterbury, Reformation Martyr, 1556

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).*

**Collect**

Father of all mercies,  
who through the work of your servant Thomas Cranmer  
renewed the worship of your Church  
and through his death revealed your strength in human weakness:  
by your grace strengthen us to worship you  
in spirit and in truth  
and so to come to the joys of your everlasting kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ our Mediator and Advocate.

*The Christmas orders (pages 214–225) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.*

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 79 (page 636) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 61 (page 619) may be said.*

*If the Annunciation is transferred to the Monday after the Second Sunday of Easter, 'Alleluia' is added to the Refrains.*

### *Eve: Magnificat*

The Holy Spirit will come upon you, Mary,  
and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. [Alleluia.]

### *Benedictus*

The Word of God, begotten of the Father before time began,  
humbled himself for us and was incarnate  
from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary. [Alleluia.]

### *Magnificat*

Mary received the word of the Lord  
and conceived the Word of life. [Alleluia.]

### *Collect*

We beseech you, O Lord,  
pour your grace into our hearts,  
that as we have known the incarnation of your Son Jesus Christ  
by the message of an angel,  
so by his cross and passion  
we may be brought to the glory of his resurrection;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

10 April

**William Law**  
Priest, Spiritual Writer, 1761  
*Lesser Festival*

White

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith (page 529).*

**Collect**

Almighty God,  
who called your servant William Law  
to a devout and holy life:  
grant that by your spirit of love  
and through faithfulness in prayer  
we may find the way to divine knowledge  
and so come to see the hidden things of God;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

19 April

**Alphege**  
Archbishop of Canterbury, Martyr, 1012  
*Lesser Festival*

Red

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).*

**Collect**

Merciful God,  
who raised up your servant Alphege  
to be a pastor of your people  
and gave him grace to suffer for justice and true religion:  
grant that we who celebrate his martyrdom  
may know the power of the risen Christ in our hearts  
and share his peace in lives offered to your service;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

21 April

**Anselm**

White

Abbot of Le Bec, Archbishop of Canterbury,  
Teacher of the Faith, 1109  
*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith  
(page 529).*

### **Collect**

Eternal God,  
who gave great gifts to your servant Anselm  
as a pastor and teacher:  
grant that we, like him, may desire you with our whole heart  
and, so desiring, may seek you  
and, seeking, may find you;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

23 April

**George**

Red

Martyr, Patron of England, c.304

*Festival*

*The All Saints to Advent orders (pages 291–302) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.*

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 23 (page 574) or 46 (page 598) may be said. At Evening Prayer, canticle 57 (page 614) or 70 (page 628) may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness  
but will have the light of life. Alleluia.

*Benedictus*

Blessed are those who are persecuted for the cause of right,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Alleluia.

*Magnificat*

Those who gave up their lives for Christ and followed in the Way  
rejoice with God now and for ever. Alleluia.

*Collect*

God of hosts,  
who so kindled the flame of love  
in the heart of your servant George  
that he bore witness to the risen Lord  
by his life and by his death:  
give us the same faith and power of love  
that we who rejoice in his triumphs  
may come to share with him the fullness of the resurrection;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*The All Saints to Advent orders (pages 291–302) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.*

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 35 (page 586) or 79 (page 636) may be said. At Evening Prayer, canticle 63 (page 621) or 70 (page 628) may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

Your word is a lantern to my feet  
and a light upon my path. Alleluia.

*Benedictus*

We bring you the good news that what God promised to the fathers  
he has fulfilled to us their children by raising Jesus. Alleluia.

*Magnificat*

The one who saw what Jesus did has borne witness,  
that you also may believe. Alleluia.

*Collect*

Almighty God,  
who enlightened your holy Church  
through the inspired witness of your evangelist Saint Mark:  
grant that we, being firmly grounded  
    in the truth of the gospel,  
may be faithful to its teaching both in word and deed;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

29 April

**Catherine of Siena**

White

Teacher of the Faith, 1380

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith (page 529).*

**Collect**

God of compassion,  
who gave your servant Catherine of Siena  
a wondrous love of the passion of Christ:  
grant that your people may be united to him in his majesty  
and rejoice for ever in the revelation of his glory;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

1 May

**Philip and James**

Red

Apostles

Festival

*The All Saints to Advent orders (pages 291–302) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.*

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 35 (page 586) or 79 (page 636) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 63 (page 621) or 70 (page 628) may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

When all is made new, and the Christ is on his throne of glory,  
you will sit on the twelve thrones to judge the tribes of Israel.  
Alleluia.

*Benedictus*

You did not choose me but I chose you  
and I appointed you to go out and bear fruit, fruit that shall last.  
Alleluia.

*Magnificat*

On the foundation stones of the heavenly city  
are written the names of the apostles of the Lamb. Alleluia.

## Collect

Almighty Father,  
whom truly to know is eternal life:  
teach us to know your Son Jesus Christ  
as the way, the truth, and the life;  
that we may follow the steps  
    of your holy apostles Philip and James,  
and walk steadfastly in the way that leads to your glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

2 May

**Athanasius**

White

*Bishop of Alexandria, Teacher of the Faith, 373*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith  
(page 529).*

## Collect

Ever-living God,  
whose servant Athanasius testified  
    to the mystery of the Word made flesh for our salvation:  
help us, with all your saints,  
to contend for the truth  
and to grow into the likeness of your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

4 May

## English Saints and Martyrs of the Reformation Era

White

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Any Saint (pages 533–534).*

### *Collect*

Merciful God,  
who, when your Church on earth was torn apart  
by the ravages of sin,  
raised up men and women in this land  
who witnessed to their faith with courage and constancy:  
give to your Church that peace which is your will,  
and grant that those who have been divided on earth  
may be reconciled in heaven  
and share together in the vision of your glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

8 May

## Julian of Norwich

White

*Spiritual Writer, c. 1417*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Members of Religious  
Communities (page 531).*

### *Collect*

Most holy God, the ground of our beseeching,  
who through your servant Julian  
revealed the wonders of your love:  
grant that as we are created in your nature  
and restored by your grace,  
our wills may be so made one with yours  
that we may come to see you face to face  
and gaze on you for ever;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*The All Saints to Advent orders (pages 291–302) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.*

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 35 (page 586) or 79 (page 636) may be said. At Evening Prayer, canticle 63 (page 621) or 70 (page 628) may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

When all is made new, and the Christ is on his throne of glory,  
you will sit on the twelve thrones to judge the tribes of Israel.  
[Alleluia.]

*Benedictus*

You did not choose me but I chose you  
and I appointed you to go out and bear fruit, fruit that shall last.  
[Alleluia.]

*Magnificat*

On the foundation stones of the heavenly city  
are written the names of the apostles of the Lamb. [Alleluia.]

*Collect*

Almighty God,  
who in the place of the traitor Judas  
chose your faithful servant Matthias  
to be of the number of the Twelve:  
preserve your Church from false apostles  
and, by the ministry of faithful pastors and teachers,  
keep us steadfast in your truth;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

19 May

**Dunstan**

White

Archbishop of Canterbury, Restorer of Monastic Life, 988

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors (page 530).*

**Collect**

Almighty God,  
who raised up Dunstan to be a true shepherd of the flock,  
a restorer of monastic life  
and a faithful counsellor to those in authority:  
give to all pastors the same gifts of your Holy Spirit  
that they may be true servants of Christ and of all his people;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

20 May

**Alcuin of York**

White

Deacon, Abbot of Tours, 804

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Members of Religious Communities (page 531).*

**Collect**

God of wisdom, eternal light,  
who shone in the heart of your servant Alcuin,  
revealing to him your power and pity:  
scatter the darkness of our ignorance  
that, with all our heart and mind and strength,  
we may seek your face  
and be brought with all your saints  
to your holy presence;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

24 May

**John and Charles Wesley**  
*Evangelists, Hymn Writers, 1791 and 1788*  
*Lesser Festival*

White

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors (page 530).*

**Collect**

God of mercy,  
who inspired John and Charles Wesley with zeal for your gospel:  
grant to all people boldness to proclaim your word  
and a heart ever to rejoice in singing your praises;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

25 May

**The Venerable Bede**  
*Monk at Jarrow, Scholar, Historian, 735*  
*Lesser Festival*

White

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Members of Religious Communities (page 531).*

**Collect**

God our maker,  
whose Son Jesus Christ gave to your servant Bede  
grace to drink in with joy the word  
that leads us to know you and to love you:  
in your goodness  
grant that we also may come at length to you,  
the source of all wisdom,  
and stand before your face;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

26 May

**Augustine of Canterbury**

White

First Archbishop of Canterbury, 605

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors (page 530).*

**Collect**

Almighty God,  
whose servant Augustine was sent as the apostle  
of the English people:  
grant that as he laboured in the Spirit  
to preach Christ's gospel in this land,  
so all who hear the good news  
may strive to make your truth known in all the world;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

30 May

**Josephine Butler**

White

Social Reformer, 1906

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Any Saint (pages 533–534).*

**Collect**

God of compassion and love,  
by whose grace your servant Josephine Butler  
followed in the way of your Son  
in caring for those in need:  
help us like her to work with strength  
for the restoration of all to the dignity  
and freedom of those created in your image;  
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

**The Visit of  
the Blessed Virgin Mary  
to Elizabeth**

*Festival*

*The Christmas orders (pages 214–225) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.*

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 21 (page 572) or 47 (page 599) may be said.  
At Evening Prayer, canticle 68 (page 626) or 73 (page 631) may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

Blessed are you, Mary,  
for you believed that what was said to you by the Lord  
would be fulfilled. [Alleluia.]

*Benedictus*

In the womb of Mary, you found a dwelling place on earth,  
O Christ;  
remain for ever in our hearts. [Alleluia.]

*Magnificat*

Mary gave birth to the Word of God;  
truly she is the ever-blessed mother of Christ our Lord. [Alleluia.]

*Collect*

Mighty God,  
by whose grace Elizabeth rejoiced with Mary  
and greeted her as the mother of the Lord:  
look with favour on your lowly servants  
that, with Mary, we may magnify your holy name  
and rejoice to acclaim her Son our Saviour,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

1 June

**Justin**

Red

Martyr at Rome, c. 165

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).*

**Collect**

God our redeemer,  
who through the folly of the cross taught your martyr Justin  
the surpassing knowledge of Jesus Christ:  
remove from us every kind of error  
that we, like him, may be firmly grounded in the faith,  
and make your name known to all peoples;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

5 June

**Boniface (Wynfrith) of Crediton**

Red

Bishop, Apostle of Germany, Martyr, 754

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).*

**Collect**

God our redeemer,  
who called your servant Boniface  
to preach the gospel among the German people  
and to build up your Church in holiness:  
grant that we may preserve in our hearts  
that faith which he taught with his words  
and sealed with his blood,  
and profess it in lives dedicated to your Son  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

8 June

**Thomas Ken**

White

*Bishop of Bath and Wells, Nonjuror, Hymn Writer, 1711*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors (page 530).*

**Collect**

O God, from whom all blessings flow,  
by whose providence we are kept  
and by whose grace we are directed:  
help us, through the example of your servant Thomas Ken,  
faithfully to keep your word,  
humbly to accept adversity  
and steadfastly to worship you;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

9 June

**Columba**

White

*Abbot of Iona, Missionary, 597*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Missionaries (page 532).*

**Collect**

Almighty God,  
who filled the heart of Columba  
with the joy of the Holy Spirit  
and with deep love for those in his care:  
may your pilgrim people follow him,  
strong in faith, sustained by hope,  
and one in the love that binds us to you;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*The All Saints to Advent orders (pages 291–302) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.*

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 35 (page 586) or 79 (page 636) may be said. At Evening Prayer, canticle 63 (page 621) or 70 (page 628) may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

When all is made new, and the Christ is on his throne of glory,  
you will sit on the twelve thrones to judge the tribes of Israel.  
[Alleluia.]

*Benedictus*

You did not choose me but I chose you  
and I appointed you to go out and bear fruit, fruit that shall last.  
[Alleluia.]

*Magnificat*

On the foundation stones of the heavenly city  
are written the names of the apostles of the Lamb. [Alleluia.]

*Collect*

Bountiful God, giver of all gifts,  
who poured your Spirit upon your servant Barnabas  
and gave him grace to encourage others:  
help us, by his example,  
to be generous in our judgements  
and unselfish in our service;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

16 June

**Richard**

White

Bishop of Chichester, 1253

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors (page 530).*

**Collect**

Most merciful redeemer,  
who gave to your bishop Richard a love of learning,  
a zeal for souls and a devotion to the poor:  
grant that, encouraged by his example,  
we may know you more clearly,  
    love you more dearly,  
    and follow you more nearly,  
day by day,  
who with the Father and the Holy Spirit are alive and reign,  
one God, now and for ever.

22 June

**Alban**

Red

First Martyr of Britain, c.250

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).*

**Collect**

Eternal Father,  
when the gospel of Christ first came to our land  
you gloriously confirmed the faith of Alban  
by making him the first to win a martyr's crown:  
grant that, following his example,  
in the fellowship of the saints  
we may worship you, the living God,  
and give true witness to Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

23 June

**Etheldreda**

White

Abbess of Ely, c.678

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Members of Religious Communities (page 531).*

**Collect**

Eternal God,  
who bestowed such grace upon your servant Etheldreda  
that she gave herself wholly to the life of prayer  
and to the service of your true religion:  
grant that we, like her,  
may so live our lives on earth seeking your kingdom  
that by your guiding  
we may be joined to the glorious fellowship of your saints;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

24 June

**The Birth of John the Baptist**

White

Festival

*The Advent orders (pages 198–213) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.*

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 30 (page 581) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 75 (page 633) may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

The angel Gabriel appeared to Zechariah in the temple,  
standing by the altar of incense.

**Benedictus**

Elizabeth, the wife of Zechariah, brought forth a son;  
he grew and became strong in spirit.

**Magnificat**

The child born of Elizabeth is more than a prophet,  
for he will proclaim the way of the Lord.

## Collect

Almighty God,  
by whose providence your servant John the Baptist  
was wonderfully born,  
and sent to prepare the way of your Son our Saviour  
by the preaching of repentance:  
lead us to repent according to his preaching  
and, after his example,  
constantly to speak the truth, boldly to rebuke vice,  
and patiently to suffer for the truth's sake;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

28 June

**Irenæus**

White

*Bishop of Lyons, Teacher of the Faith, c.200*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith  
(page 529).*

## Collect

God of peace,  
who through the ministry of your servant Irenæus  
strengthened the true faith  
and brought harmony to your Church:  
keep us steadfast in your true religion,  
and renew us in faith and love,  
that we may always walk in the way that leads to eternal life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*The All Saints to Advent orders (pages 291–302) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.*

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 35 (page 586) or 79 (page 636) may be said. At Evening Prayer, canticle 63 (page 621) or 70 (page 628) may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

When all is made new, and the Christ is on his throne of glory,  
you will sit on the twelve thrones to judge the tribes of Israel.

*Benedictus*

You did not choose me but I chose you  
and I appointed you to go out and bear fruit, fruit that shall last.

*Magnificat*

On the foundation stones of the heavenly city  
are written the names of the apostles of the Lamb.

*Collect*

Almighty God,  
whose blessed apostles Peter and Paul  
glorified you in their death as in their life:  
grant that your Church,  
inspired by their teaching and example,  
and made one by your Spirit,  
may ever stand firm upon the one foundation,  
Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

*Peter the Apostle may be celebrated alone, without Paul, on 29 June.*

*Where Peter is celebrated alone*

Almighty God,  
who inspired your apostle Saint Peter  
to confess Jesus as Christ and Son of the living God:  
build up your Church upon this rock,  
that in unity and peace it may proclaim one truth  
and follow one Lord, your Son our Saviour Christ.

*The All Saints to Advent orders (pages 291–302) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.*

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 35 (page 586) or 79 (page 636) may be said. At Evening Prayer, canticle 63 (page 621) or 70 (page 628) may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

When all is made new, and the Christ is on his throne of glory,  
you will sit on the twelve thrones to judge the tribes of Israel.

*Benedictus*

You did not choose me but I chose you  
and I appointed you to go out and bear fruit, fruit that shall last.

*Magnificat*

On the foundation stones of the heavenly city  
are written the names of the apostles of the Lamb.

*Collect*

Almighty and eternal God,  
who, for the firmer foundation of our faith,  
allowed your holy apostle Thomas  
to doubt the resurrection of your Son  
till word and sight convinced him:  
grant to us, who have not seen, that we also may believe  
and so confess Christ as our Lord and our God;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

11 July

**Benedict of Nursia**

White

Abbot of Monte Cassino,  
Father of Western Monasticism, c.550  
*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Members of Religious Communities (page 531).*

**Collect**

Eternal God,  
who made Benedict a wise master  
    in the school of your service  
and a guide to many called into community  
    to follow the rule of Christ:  
grant that we may put your love before all else  
and seek with joy the way of your commandments;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

14 July

**John Keble**

White

Priest, Tractarian, Poet, 1866  
*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors (page 530).*

**Collect**

Father of the eternal Word,  
in whose encompassing love  
all things in peace and order move:  
grant that, as your servant John Keble  
    adored you in all creation,  
so we may have a humble heart of love  
    for the mysteries of your Church  
and know your love to be new every morning,  
in Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

15 July

**Swithun**

White

*Bishop of Winchester, c.862*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors (page 530).*

**Collect**

Almighty God,  
by whose grace we celebrate again  
the feast of your servant Swithun:  
grant that, as he governed with gentleness  
the people committed to his care,  
so we, rejoicing in our Christian inheritance,  
may always seek to build up your Church in unity and love;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

19 July

**Gregory and Macrina**

White

*Gregory, Bishop of Nyssa, and his sister Macrina, Deaconess,  
Teachers of the Faith, c.394 and c.379*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith (page 529).*

**Collect**

Lord of eternity, creator of all things,  
in your Son Jesus Christ you open for us the way to resurrection  
that we may enjoy your bountiful goodness:  
may we who celebrate your servants Gregory and Macrina  
press onwards in faith to your boundless love  
and ever wonder at the miracle of your presence among us;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*The Easter orders (pages 263–274) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.*

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 23 (page 574) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 68 (page 626) may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

In vigil by the cross of her Lord  
stood Mary of Magdala, his disciple.

*Benedictus*

After the Sabbath, towards the dawn of the first day of the week,  
Mary Magdalene went to the tomb.

*Magnificat*

Mary came and told the disciples  
that she had seen the Lord.

*Collect*

Almighty God,  
whose Son restored Mary Magdalene  
to health of mind and body  
and called her to be a witness to his resurrection:  
forgive our sins and heal us by your grace,  
that we may serve you in the power of his risen life;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

*The All Saints to Advent orders (pages 291–302) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.*

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 35 (page 586) or 79 (page 636) may be said. At Evening Prayer, canticle 63 (page 621) or 70 (page 628) may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

When all is made new, and the Christ is on his throne of glory,  
you will sit on the twelve thrones to judge the tribes of Israel.

*Benedictus*

You did not choose me but I chose you  
and I appointed you to go out and bear fruit, fruit that shall last.

*Magnificat*

On the foundation stones of the heavenly city  
are written the names of the apostles of the Lamb.

*Collect*

Merciful God,  
whose holy apostle Saint James,  
leaving his father and all that he had,  
was obedient to the calling of your Son Jesus Christ  
and followed him even to death:  
help us, forsaking the false attractions of the world,  
to be ready at all times to answer your call without delay;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

26 July

**Anne and Joachim**

White

Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Any Saint (pages 533–534).*

**Collect**

Lord God of Israel,  
who bestowed such grace on Anne and Joachim  
that their daughter Mary grew up obedient to your word  
and made ready to be the mother of your Son:  
help us to commit ourselves in all things to your keeping  
and grant us the salvation you promised to your people;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

29 July

**Mary, Martha and Lazarus**

White

Companions of Our Lord

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Any Saint (pages 533–534).*

**Collect**

God our Father,  
whose Son enjoyed the love of his friends,  
    Mary, Martha and Lazarus,  
in learning, argument and hospitality:  
may we so rejoice in your love  
that the world may come to know  
    the depths of your wisdom, the wonder of your compassion,  
    and your power to bring life out of death;  
through the merits of Jesus Christ,  
our friend and brother,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

30 July

**William Wilberforce**

White

Social Reformer, 1833

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Any Saint (pages 533–534).*

**Collect**

God our deliverer,  
who sent your Son Jesus Christ  
to set your people free from the slavery of sin:  
grant that, as your servant William Wilberforce  
    toiled against the sin of slavery,  
so we may bring compassion to all  
and work for the freedom of all the children of God;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

5 August

**Oswald**

Red

King of Northumbria, Martyr, 642

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).*

**Collect**

Lord God almighty,  
who so kindled the faith of King Oswald with your Spirit  
that he set up the sign of the cross in his kingdom  
and turned his people to the light of Christ:  
grant that we, being fired by the same Spirit,  
may always bear our cross before the world  
and be found faithful servants of the gospel;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*The Epiphany orders (pages 226–237) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.*

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 22 (page 573) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 64 (page 622) may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

This is my Son, my Beloved;  
listen to my Chosen One.

*Benedictus*

Christ, who is the very image of the Father,  
was revealed in glory upon the holy mountain.

*Magnificat*

It is good that we are here  
and to behold the glory that is Christ.

*Collect*

Father in heaven,  
whose Son Jesus Christ was wonderfully transfigured  
before chosen witnesses upon the holy mountain,  
and spoke of the exodus he would accomplish at Jerusalem:  
give us strength so to hear his voice and bear our cross  
that in the world to come we may see him as he is;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

8 August

**Dominic**

White

*Priest, Founder of the Order of Preachers, 1221*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Members of Religious Communities (page 531).*

**Collect**

Almighty God,  
whose servant Dominic grew in the knowledge of your truth  
and formed an order of preachers to proclaim the faith of Christ:  
by your grace give to all your people a love for your word  
and a longing to share the gospel,  
so that the whole world may come to know you  
and your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

9 August

**Mary Sumner**

White

*Founder of the Mothers' Union, 1921*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Any Saint (pages 533–534).*

**Collect**

Faithful and loving God,  
who called Mary Sumner to strive for the renewal of family life:  
give us the gift of your Holy Spirit,  
that through word, prayer and deed  
    your family may be strengthened and your people served;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

10 August

**Laurence**

Red

Deacon at Rome, Martyr, 258

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).*

**Collect**

Almighty God,  
who made Laurence a loving servant of your people  
and a wise steward of the treasures of your Church:  
fire us with his example to love as he loved  
and to walk in the way that leads to eternal life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

11 August

**Clare of Assisi**

White

Founder of the Minoreesses (Poor Clares), 1253

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Members of Religious Communities (page 531).*

**Collect**

God of peace,  
who in the poverty of the blessed Clare  
gave us a clear light to shine in the darkness of this world:  
give us grace so to follow in her footsteps  
that we may, at the last, rejoice with her in your eternal glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

13 August

**Jeremy Taylor**

White

*Bishop of Down and Connor, Teacher of the Faith, 1667*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith  
(page 529).*

### *Collect*

Holy and loving God,  
you dwell in the human heart  
and make us partakers of the divine nature  
in Christ our great high priest:  
help us who remember your servant Jeremy Taylor  
to put our trust in your heavenly promises  
and follow a holy life in virtue and true godliness;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*The Christmas orders (pages 214–225) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.*

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 21 (page 572) or 47 (page 599) may be said. At Evening Prayer, canticle 68 (page 626) or 73 (page 631) may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

Blessed are you, Mary,  
for you believed that what was said to you by the Lord  
would be fulfilled. [Alleluia.]

*Benedictus*

In the womb of Mary, you found a dwelling place on earth,  
O Christ;  
remain for ever in our hearts. [Alleluia.]

*Magnificat*

Mary gave birth to the Word of God;  
truly she is the ever-blessed mother of Christ our Lord. [Alleluia.]

*Collect*

Almighty God,  
who looked upon the lowliness of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
and chose her to be the mother of your only Son:  
grant that we who are redeemed by his blood  
may share with her in the glory of your eternal kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

20 August

**Bernard**

White

*Abbot of Clairvaux, Teacher of the Faith, 1153*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith (page 529).*

### *Collect*

Merciful redeemer,  
who, by the life and preaching of your servant Bernard,  
rekindled the radiant light of your Church:  
grant us, in our generation,  
to be inflamed with the same spirit of discipline and love  
and ever to walk before you as children of light;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*The All Saints to Advent orders (pages 291–302) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.*

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 35 (page 586) or 79 (page 636) may be said. At Evening Prayer, canticle 63 (page 621) or 70 (page 628) may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

When all is made new, and the Christ is on his throne of glory,  
you will sit on the twelve thrones to judge the tribes of Israel.

*Benedictus*

You did not choose me but I chose you  
and I appointed you to go out and bear fruit, fruit that shall last.

*Magnificat*

On the foundation stones of the heavenly city  
are written the names of the apostles of the Lamb.

*Collect*

Almighty and everlasting God,  
who gave to your apostle Bartholomew grace  
truly to believe and to preach your word:  
grant that your Church  
may love that word which he believed  
and may faithfully preach and receive the same;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

27 August

**Monica** White

*Mother of Augustine of Hippo, 387*  
*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Any Saint (pages 533–534).*

**Collect**

Faithful God,  
who strengthened Monica, the mother of Augustine, with wisdom,  
and through her patient endurance encouraged him  
to seek after you:  
give us the will to persist in prayer  
that those who stray from you may be brought to faith  
in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

28 August

**Augustine of Hippo** White

*Bishop of Hippo, Teacher of the Faith, 430*  
*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith*  
*(page 529).*

**Collect**

Merciful Lord,  
who turned Augustine from his sins  
to be a faithful bishop and teacher:  
grant that we may follow him in penitence and discipline  
till our restless hearts find their rest in you;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

29 August

## The Beheading of John the Baptist

Red

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains for 24 June (page 478) may be used.*

### *Collect*

Almighty God,  
who called your servant John the Baptist  
to be the forerunner of your Son in birth and death:  
strengthen us by your grace  
that, as he suffered for the truth,  
so we may boldly resist corruption and vice  
and receive with him the unfading crown of glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

30 August

## John Bunyan

White

*Spiritual Writer, 1688*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith  
(page 529).*

### *Collect*

God of peace,  
who called your servant John Bunyan  
to be valiant for truth:  
grant that as strangers and pilgrims  
we may at the last rejoice with all Christian people  
in your heavenly city;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

31 August

**Aidan**

White

*Bishop of Lindisfarne, Missionary, 651*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Missionaries (page 532).*

**Collect**

Everlasting God,  
you sent the gentle bishop Aidan  
to proclaim the gospel in this land:  
grant us to live as he taught  
in simplicity, humility and love for the poor;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

3 September

**Gregory the Great**

White

*Bishop of Rome, Teacher of the Faith, 604*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith  
(page 529).*

**Collect**

Merciful Father,  
who chose your bishop Gregory  
to be a servant of the servants of God:  
grant that, like him, we may ever long to serve you  
by proclaiming your gospel to the nations,  
and may ever rejoice to sing your praises;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

8 September

## The Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary

White

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
(page 527).*

### Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,  
who stooped to raise fallen humanity  
through the child-bearing of blessed Mary:  
grant that we, who have seen your glory  
    revealed in our human nature  
and your love made perfect in our weakness,  
may daily be renewed in your image  
and conformed to the pattern of your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

13 September

## John Chrysostom

White

*Bishop of Constantinople, Teacher of the Faith, 407*

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith  
(page 529).*

### Collect

God of truth and love,  
who gave to your servant John Chrysostom  
eloquence to declare your righteousness in the great congregation  
and courage to bear reproach for the honour of your name:  
mercifully grant to those who minister your word  
such excellence in preaching,  
that all people may share with them  
in the glory that shall be revealed;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*The Passiontide orders (pages 250–262) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.*

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 23 (page 574) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 66 (page 624) may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

Save us by your holy cross,  
O Christ, our Redeemer.

*Benedictus*

Far be it from me to glory,  
save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.

*Magnificat*

If you would come after me, you must deny yourself,  
and take up your cross and follow me.

*Collect*

Almighty God,  
who in the passion of your blessed Son  
made an instrument of painful death  
to be for us the means of life and peace:  
grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ  
that we may gladly suffer for his sake;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

15 September

**Cyprian**

Red

*Bishop of Carthage, Martyr, 258*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).*

**Collect**

Holy God,  
who brought Cyprian to faith in Christ,  
made him a bishop in the Church  
and crowned his witness with a martyr's death:  
grant that, after his example,  
we may love the Church and her teachings,  
find your forgiveness within her fellowship  
and so come to share the heavenly banquet  
    you have prepared for us;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

16 September

**Ninian**

White

*Bishop of Galloway, Apostle of the Picts, c.432*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Missionaries (page 532).*

**Collect**

Almighty and everlasting God,  
who called your servant Ninian to preach the gospel  
    to the people of northern Britain:  
raise up in this and every land  
heralds and evangelists of your kingdom,  
that your Church may make known the immeasurable riches  
    of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ.

17 September

**Hildegard**

White

Abbess of Bingen, Visionary, 1179

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Members of Religious Communities (page 531).*

**Collect**

Most glorious and holy God,  
whose servant Hildegard, strong in the faith,  
was caught up in the vision of your heavenly courts:  
by the breath of your Spirit  
open our eyes to glimpse your glory  
and our lips to sing your praises with all the angels;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

20 September

**John Coleridge Patteson**

Red

First Bishop of Melanesia,  
and his Companions, Martyrs, 1871

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).*

**Collect**

God of all tribes and peoples and tongues,  
who called your servant John Coleridge Patteson  
to witness in life and death to the gospel of Christ  
amongst the peoples of Melanesia:  
grant us to hear your call to service  
and to respond trustfully and joyfully  
to Jesus Christ our redeemer,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

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*At Morning Prayer, canticle 35 (page 586) or 79 (page 636) may be said. At Evening Prayer, canticle 63 (page 621) or 70 (page 628) may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

When all is made new, and the Christ is on his throne of glory,  
you will sit on the twelve thrones to judge the tribes of Israel.

*Benedictus*

You did not choose me but I chose you  
and I appointed you to go out and bear fruit, fruit that shall last.

*Magnificat*

On the foundation stones of the heavenly city  
are written the names of the apostles of the Lamb.

*Collect*

O Almighty God,  
whose blessed Son called Matthew the tax collector  
to be an apostle and evangelist:  
give us grace to forsake the selfish pursuit of gain  
and the possessive love of riches  
that we may follow in the way of your Son Jesus Christ,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

25 September

**Lancelot Andrewes**

White

*Bishop of Winchester, Spiritual Writer, 1626*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors (page 530).*

**Collect**

Lord God,  
who gave to Lancelot Andrewes many gifts of your Holy Spirit,  
making him a man of prayer and a pastor of your people:  
perfect in us that which is lacking in your gifts,  
    of faith, to increase it,  
    of hope, to establish it,  
    of love, to kindle it,  
that we may live in the light of your grace and glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

27 September

**Vincent de Paul**

White

*Founder of the Congregation of the Mission (Lazarists), 1660*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Members of Religious Communities (page 531).*

**Collect**

Merciful God,  
whose servant Vincent de Paul,  
by his ministry of preaching and pastoral care,  
brought your love to the sick and the poor:  
give to all your people a heart of compassion  
that by word and action they may serve you  
    in serving others in their need;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*The All Saints to Advent orders (pages 291–302) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.*

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 33 (page 584) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 64 (page 622) may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

The Lord commanded his angels  
to keep you in all your ways.

*Benedictus*

There was silence in heaven while the dragon waged war;  
and Michael and his angels fought against him, and won the victory.

*Magnificat*

Then I saw an angel, soaring in the heavens,  
with an eternal gospel to proclaim to all who live on the earth.

*Collect*

Everlasting God,  
you have ordained and constituted  
the ministries of angels and mortals in a wonderful order:  
grant that as your holy angels always serve you in heaven,  
so, at your command,  
they may help and defend us on earth;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

4 October

**Francis of Assisi**

White

*Friar, Deacon, Founder of the Friars Minor, 1226*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Members of Religious Communities (page 531).*

**Collect**

O God, you ever delight to reveal yourself  
to the childlike and lowly of heart:  
grant that, following the example of the blessed Francis,  
we may count the wisdom of this world as foolishness  
and know only Jesus Christ and him crucified,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

6 October

**William Tyndale**

Red

*Translator of the Scriptures, Reformation Martyr, 1536*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).*

**Collect**

Lord, give to your people grace to hear and keep your word  
that, after the example of your servant William Tyndale,  
we may not only profess your gospel  
but also be ready to suffer and die for it,  
to the honour of your name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

10 October

**Paulinus**

White

Bishop of York, Missionary, 644

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Missionaries (page 532).*

**Collect**

God our Saviour,  
who sent Paulinus to preach and to baptize,  
and so to build up your Church in this land:  
grant that, inspired by his example,  
we may tell all the world of your truth,  
that with him we may receive the reward  
    you prepare for all your faithful servants;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

12 October

**Wilfrid of Ripon**

White

Bishop, Missionary, 709

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Missionaries (page 532).*

**Collect**

Almighty God,  
who called our forebears to the light of the gospel  
    by the preaching of your servant Wilfrid:  
help us, who keep his life and labour in remembrance,  
to glorify your name by following the example  
    of his zeal and perseverance;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

13 October

## Edward the Confessor

White

King of England, 1066

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Any Saint (pages 533–534).*

### Collect

Sovereign God,  
who set your servant Edward  
upon the throne of an earthly kingdom  
and inspired him with zeal for the kingdom of heaven:  
grant that we may so confess the faith of Christ  
by word and deed,  
that we may, with all your saints, inherit your eternal glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

15 October

## Teresa of Avila

White

Teacher of the Faith, 1582

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith  
(page 529).*

### Collect

Merciful God,  
who by your Spirit raised up your servant Teresa of Avila  
to reveal to your Church the way of perfection:  
grant that her teaching  
may awaken in us a longing for holiness,  
until we attain to the perfect union of love  
in Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

17 October

**Ignatius**

Red

*Bishop of Antioch, Martyr, c. 107*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).*

### **Collect**

Feed us, O Lord, with the living bread  
and make us drink deep of the cup of salvation  
that, following the teaching of your bishop Ignatius  
and rejoicing in the faith

    with which he embraced a martyr's death,  
we may be nourished for that eternal life  
    for which he longed;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

Your word is a lantern to my feet  
and a light upon my path.

*Benedictus*

We bring you the good news that what God promised to the fathers  
he has fulfilled to us their children by raising Jesus.

*Magnificat*

The one who saw what Jesus did has borne witness,  
that you also may believe.

*Collect*

Almighty God,  
you called Luke the physician,  
whose praise is in the gospel,  
to be an evangelist and physician of the soul:  
by the grace of the Spirit  
and through the wholesome medicine of the gospel,  
give your Church the same love and power to heal;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

19 October

**Henry Martyn**

White

*Translator of the Scriptures,  
Missionary in India and Persia, 1812  
Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Missionaries (page 532).*

**Collect**

Almighty God,  
who by your Holy Spirit gave Henry Martyn  
a longing to tell the good news of Christ  
and skill to translate the Scriptures:  
by the same Spirit give us grace to offer you our gifts,  
wherever you may lead, at whatever the cost;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

26 October

**Alfred the Great**

White

*King of the West Saxons, Scholar, 899  
Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Any Saint (pages 533–534).*

**Collect**

God, our maker and redeemer,  
we pray you of your great mercy  
and by the power of your holy cross  
to guide us by your will and to shield us from our foes:  
that, after the example of your servant Alfred,  
we may inwardly love you above all things;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

When all is made new, and the Christ is on his throne of glory,  
you will sit on the twelve thrones to judge the tribes of Israel.

*Benedictus*

You did not choose me but I chose you  
and I appointed you to go out and bear fruit, fruit that shall last.

*Magnificat*

On the foundation stones of the heavenly city  
are written the names of the apostles of the Lamb.

*Collect*

Almighty God,  
who built your Church upon the foundation  
of the apostles and prophets,  
with Jesus Christ himself as the chief cornerstone:  
so join us together in unity of spirit by their doctrine,  
that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

29 October

## James Hannington

Red

Bishop of Eastern Equatorial Africa,

Martyr in Uganda, 1885

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).*

### *Collect*

Most merciful God,  
who strengthened your Church by the steadfast courage  
of your martyr James Hannington:  
grant that we also,  
thankfully remembering his victory of faith,  
may overcome what is evil  
and glorify your holy name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

1 November

## All Saints' Day

Principal Feast

Gold or

White

See page 443.

2 November

## Commemoration of the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)

Lesser Festival

Purple

At Morning Prayer, canticle 42 (page 593) may be said.

At Evening Prayer, canticle 57 (page 614) may be said.

### *Benedictus*

I am the resurrection and the life;  
whoever believes in me, though they die, yet shall they live.

### *Magnificat*

All that the Father gives to me will come to me;  
and the one who comes to me, I will not cast out.

### *Collect*

Eternal God, our maker and redeemer,  
grant us, with all the faithful departed,  
the sure benefits of your Son's saving passion  
and glorious resurrection  
that, in the last day,  
when you gather up all things in Christ,  
we may with them enjoy the fullness of your promises;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

3 November

**Richard Hooker**

White

Priest, Anglican Apologist, Teacher of the Faith, 1600

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith (page 529).*

**Collect**

God of peace, the bond of all love,  
who in your Son Jesus Christ have made the human race  
your inseparable dwelling place:  
after the example of your servant Richard Hooker,  
give grace to us your servants ever to rejoice  
in the true inheritance of your adopted children  
and to show forth your praises now and ever;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

7 November

**Willibrord of York**

White

Bishop, Apostle of Frisia, 739

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Missionaries (page 532).*

**Collect**

God, the Saviour of all,  
you sent your bishop Willibrord from this land  
to proclaim the good news to many peoples  
and confirm them in their faith:  
help us also to witness to your steadfast love  
by word and deed  
so that your Church may increase  
and grow strong in holiness;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

8 November

## The Saints and Martyrs of England

White

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Any Saint (pages 533–534).*

### *Collect*

God, whom the glorious company of the redeemed adore,  
assembled from all times and places of your dominion:  
we praise you for the saints of our own land  
and for the many lamps their holiness has lit;  
and we pray that we also may be numbered at last  
with those who have done your will  
    and declared your righteousness;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

10 November

## Leo the Great

White

*Bishop of Rome, Teacher of the Faith, 461*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith  
(page 529).*

### *Collect*

God our Father,  
who made your servant Leo strong in the defence of the faith:  
fill your Church with the spirit of truth  
that, guided by humility and governed by love,  
she may prevail against the powers of evil;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

11 November

**Martin of Tours**

White

*Bishop of Tours, c.397*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors (page 530).*

**Collect**

God all powerful,  
who called Martin from the armies of this world  
to be a faithful soldier of Christ:  
give us grace to follow him  
in his love and compassion for the needy,  
and enable your Church to claim for all people  
their inheritance as children of God;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

13 November

**Charles Simeon**

White

*Priest, Evangelical Divine, 1836*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors (page 530).*

**Collect**

Eternal God,  
who raised up Charles Simeon  
to preach the good news of Jesus Christ  
and inspire your people in service and mission:  
grant that we with all your Church may worship the Saviour,  
turn in sorrow from our sins and walk in the way of holiness;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

16 November

## Margaret of Scotland

White

Queen of Scotland, Philanthropist,  
Reformer of the Church, 1093

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Any Saint (pages 533–534).*

### Collect

God, the ruler of all,  
who called your servant Margaret to an earthly throne  
and gave her zeal for your Church and love for your people  
that she might advance your heavenly kingdom:  
mercifully grant that we who commemorate her example  
may be fruitful in good works  
and attain to the glorious crown of your saints;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

17 November

## Hugh

White

Bishop of Lincoln, 1200

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors  
(page 530).*

### Collect

O God,  
who endowed your servant Hugh  
with a wise and cheerful boldness  
and taught him to commend to earthly rulers  
the discipline of a holy life:  
give us grace like him to be bold in the service of the gospel,  
putting our confidence in Christ alone,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

18 November

## Elizabeth of Hungary

White

Princess of Thuringia, Philanthropist, 1231

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Any Saint (pages 533–534).*

### Collect

Lord God,  
who taught Elizabeth of Hungary  
to recognize and reverence Christ in the poor of this world:  
by her example  
strengthen us to love and serve the afflicted and the needy  
and so to honour your Son, the servant king,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

19 November

## Hilda

White

Abbess of Whitby, 680

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Members of Religious Communities (page 531).*

### Collect

Eternal God,  
who made the abbess Hilda to shine like a jewel in our land  
and through her holiness and leadership  
blessed your Church with new life and unity:  
help us, like her, to yearn for the gospel of Christ  
and to reconcile those who are divided;  
through him who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

20 November

**Edmund**

Red

King of the East Angles, Martyr, 870

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).*

**Collect**

Eternal God,  
whose servant Edmund kept faith to the end,  
both with you and with his people,  
and glorified you by his death:  
grant us such steadfastness of faith  
that, with the noble army of martyrs,  
we may come to enjoy the fullness of the resurrection life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

23 November

**Clement**

Red

Bishop of Rome, Martyr, c. 100

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).*

**Collect**

Creator and Father of eternity,  
whose martyr Clement bore witness with his blood  
to the love he proclaimed and the gospel that he preached:  
give us thankful hearts as we celebrate your faithfulness,  
    revealed to us in the lives of your saints,  
and strengthen us in our pilgrimage as we follow your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

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*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

When all is made new, and the Christ is on his throne of glory,  
you will sit on the twelve thrones to judge the tribes of Israel.

*Benedictus*

You did not choose me but I chose you  
and I appointed you to go out and bear fruit, fruit that shall last.

*Magnificat*

On the foundation stones of the heavenly city  
are written the names of the apostles of the Lamb.

*Collect*

Almighty God,  
who gave such grace to your apostle Saint Andrew  
that he readily obeyed the call of your Son Jesus Christ  
and brought his brother with him:  
call us by your holy word,  
and give us grace to follow you without delay  
and to tell the good news of your kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

6 December

**Nicholas**

White

*Bishop of Myra, c.326*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors (page 530).*

**Collect**

Almighty Father, lover of souls,  
who chose your servant Nicholas  
to be a bishop in the Church,  
that he might give freely out of the treasures of your grace:  
make us mindful of the needs of others  
and, as we have received, so teach us also to give;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

7 December

**Ambrose**

White

*Bishop of Milan, Teacher of the Faith, 397*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith (page 529).*

**Collect**

God of hosts,  
who called Ambrose from the governor's throne  
to be a bishop in your Church  
and an intrepid champion of your faithful people:  
mercifully grant that, as he did not fear to rebuke rulers,  
so we, with like courage,  
may contend for the faith we have received;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

8 December

## The Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

White

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary (page 527).*

### *Collect*

Almighty and everlasting God,  
who stooped to raise fallen humanity  
through the child-bearing of blessed Mary:  
grant that we, who have seen your glory  
    revealed in our human nature  
and your love made perfect in our weakness,  
may daily be renewed in your image  
and conformed to the pattern of your Son  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

13 December

**Lucy**

Red

*Martyr at Syracuse, 304*

*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).*

### *Collect*

God our redeemer,  
who gave light to the world that was in darkness  
by the healing power of the Saviour's cross:  
shed that light on us, we pray,  
that with your martyr Lucy  
we may, by the purity of our lives,  
    reflect the light of Christ  
and, by the merits of his passion,  
    come to the light of everlasting life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

14 December

**John of the Cross**  
Poet, Teacher of the Faith, 1591  
*Lesser Festival*

White

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith (page 529).*

**Collect**

O God, the judge of all,  
who gave your servant John of the Cross  
a warmth of nature, a strength of purpose  
and a mystical faith  
that sustained him even in the darkness:  
shed your light on all who love you  
and grant them union of body and soul  
in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

24 December

**Christmas Eve**

Purple

*See page 414.*

25 December

**Christmas Day**  
*Principal Feast*

Gold or  
White

*See page 415.*

26 December

**Stephen**  
Deacon, First Martyr  
*Festival*

Red

*The Christmas orders (pages 214–225) are used for Morning and Evening Prayer.*

*The canticles and refrains for Christmas are used.*

### **Collect**

Gracious Father,  
who gave the first martyr Stephen  
grace to pray for those who took up stones against him:  
grant that in all our sufferings for the truth  
we may learn to love even our enemies  
and to seek forgiveness for those who desire our hurt,  
looking up to heaven to him who was crucified for us,  
Jesus Christ, our mediator and advocate.

27 December

**John**  
Apostle and Evangelist  
*Festival*

White

*The Christmas orders (pages 214–225) are used for Morning and Evening Prayer.*

*The canticles and refrains for Christmas are used.*

### **Collect**

Merciful Lord,  
cast your bright beams of light upon the Church:  
that, being enlightened by the teaching  
of your blessed apostle and evangelist Saint John,  
we may so walk in the light of your truth  
that we may at last attain to the light of everlasting life;  
through Jesus Christ your incarnate Son our Lord.

28 December

## The Holy Innocents

Red

*Festival*

*The Christmas orders (pages 214–225) are used for Morning and Evening Prayer.*

*The canticles and refrains for Christmas are used.*

### *Collect*

Heavenly Father,  
whose children suffered at the hands of Herod,  
though they had done no wrong;  
by the suffering of your Son  
and by the innocence of our lives  
frustrate all evil designs  
and establish your reign of justice and peace;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

29 December

## Thomas Becket

Red

*Archbishop of Canterbury, Martyr, 1170*

*Lesser Festival*

*The canticles and refrains for Christmas are used.*

### *Collect*

Lord God,  
who gave grace to your servant Thomas Becket  
to put aside all earthly fear  
and be faithful even to death:  
grant that we, disregarding worldly esteem,  
may fight all wrong,  
uphold your rule,  
and serve you to our life's end;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Dedication Festival

*Principal Feast or Festival*

*Gold or*

*White*

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 34 (page 585) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 73 (page 631) may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

How awesome is this place!

This is none other than the house of God.

*Benedictus*

My house shall be called a house of prayer;  
a refuge for all peoples.

*Magnificat*

This is the place where we call on the holy name of God;  
of which it is written, My name shall be there.

*Collect*

Almighty God,  
to whose glory we celebrate the dedication  
of this house of prayer:  
we praise you for the many blessings  
you have given to those who worship you here:  
and we pray that all who seek you in this place may find you,  
and, being filled with the Holy Spirit,  
may become a living temple acceptable to you;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**The Blessed Virgin Mary**

*White*

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 21 (page 572) or 47 (page 599)  
may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 68 (page 626) or 73 (page 631)  
may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

Blessed are you, Mary,  
for you believed that what was said to you by the Lord  
would be fulfilled. [Alleluia.]

*Benedictus*

In the womb of Mary, you found a dwelling place on earth,  
O Christ;  
remain for ever in our hearts. [Alleluia.]

*Magnificat*

Mary gave birth to the Word of God;  
truly she is the ever-blessed mother of Christ our Lord. [Alleluia.]

*Collect*

Almighty and everlasting God,  
who stooped to raise fallen humanity  
through the child-bearing of blessed Mary;  
grant that we, who have seen your glory  
revealed in our human nature  
and your love made perfect in our weakness,  
may daily be renewed in your image  
and conformed to the pattern of your Son  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 23 (page 574) or 46 (page 598) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 57 (page 614) or 70 (page 628) may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness  
but will have the light of life. [Alleluia.]

*Benedictus*

Blessed are those who are persecuted for the cause of right,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. [Alleluia.]

*Magnificat*

Those who gave up their lives for Christ and followed in the Way  
rejoice with God now and for ever. [Alleluia.]

*Collect*

Almighty God,  
by whose grace and power your holy martyr *N*  
triumphed over suffering and was faithful unto death:  
strengthen us with your grace,  
that we may endure reproach and persecution  
and faithfully bear witness to the name  
of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 33 (page 584) or 47 (page 599) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 53 (page 606) or 67 (page 625) may be said.*

### *Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

Wisdom is treasure without end,  
those who attain it are God's friends. [Alleluia.]

### *Benedictus*

Those who are wise will shine as brightly as the heavens,  
and those who have instructed many in virtue will shine like stars  
for all eternity. [Alleluia.]

### *Magnificat*

Those who keep and teach the commandments  
will be considered great in heaven. [Alleluia.]

### *Collect*

Almighty God,  
who enlightened your Church  
by the teaching of your servant *N*:  
enrich it evermore with your heavenly grace  
and raise up faithful witnesses  
who, by their life and teaching,  
may proclaim the truth of your salvation;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 26 (page 577) or 32 (page 583)  
may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 61 (page 619) or 68 (page 626)  
may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

The word of God is alive and active,  
and speaks to us of salvation. [Alleluia.]

*Benedictus*

I will give you shepherds after my own heart  
who will feed you with knowledge and understanding. [Alleluia.]

*Magnificat*

Well done, good and faithful servant:  
you have been faithful over a little, I will make you ruler over much.  
[Alleluia.]

*Collect*

Eternal God,  
you called *N* to proclaim your glory  
in a life of prayer and pastoral zeal:  
keep the leaders of your Church faithful  
and bless your people through their ministry,  
that the Church may grow into the full stature  
of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

*or (for a bishop)*

Almighty God,  
the light of the faithful and shepherd of souls,  
who set your servant *N* to be a bishop in the Church,  
to feed your sheep by the word of Christ  
and to guide them by good example:  
give us grace to keep the faith of the Church  
and to follow in the footsteps  
of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 45 (page 597) or 48 (page 600) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 59 (page 616) or 68 (page 626) may be said.*

### *Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

Like everlasting foundations on a rock  
are the commandments of God in the hearts of the blessed.  
[Alleluia.]

### *Benedictus*

They who wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength;  
they shall mount up with wings as an eagle. [Alleluia.]

### *Magnificat*

You have left all things and followed me:  
you will be rewarded a hundred times over and gain eternal life.  
[Alleluia.]

### *Collect*

Almighty God,  
by whose grace *N*, kindled with the fire of your love,  
became a burning and a shining light in the Church:  
in flame us with the same spirit of discipline and love,  
that we may ever walk before you as children of light;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 29 (page 580) or 40 (page 591)  
may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 60 (page 618) or 63 (page 621)  
may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

May our whole nature be transformed  
that we may come to discern the will of God. [Alleluia.]

*Benedictus*

Christ gave them as a light to the nations  
that his salvation might reach to the ends of the earth. [Alleluia.]

*Magnificat*

How beautiful on the mountains  
are the feet of those who bring good news and proclaim  
the gospel of peace. [Alleluia.]

*Collect*

Everlasting God,  
whose servant *N* carried the good news of your Son  
to the people of ... :  
grant that we who commemorate *his/her* service  
may know the hope of the gospel in our hearts  
and manifest its light in all our ways;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 28 (page 579), 44 (page 596)  
or 49 (page 601) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 63 (page 621) or 64 (page 622)  
may be said.*

*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*

The Lord guides the humble in the right path  
and teaches his way to the poor. [Alleluia.]

*Benedictus*

They were faithful until death  
and God has given them the crown of life. [Alleluia.]

*Magnificat*

In the heavenly kingdom,  
the blessed have their dwelling place and their rest for ever and ever.  
[Alleluia.]

*Collect (general)*

Almighty Father,  
you have built up your Church  
through the love and devotion of your saints:  
inspire us to follow the example of *N*,  
whom we commemorate today,  
that we in our generation may rejoice with *him/her*  
in the vision of your glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*or (for Christian rulers)*

Sovereign God,  
who called *N* to be a ruler among *his/her* people  
and gave *him/her* grace to be their servant:  
help us, following our Saviour Christ  
in the path of humble service,  
to see his kingdom set forward on earth  
and to enjoy its fullness in heaven;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*or (for those working with the poor and underprivileged)*

Merciful God,  
you have compassion on all that you have made  
and your whole creation is enfolded in your love:  
help us to stand firm for your truth,  
to struggle against poverty,  
and to share your love with our neighbour,  
that with your servant N  
we may be instruments of your peace;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*or (for men and women of learning)*

God our Father,  
who gave wisdom and insight to your servant N  
to fathom the depths of your love  
and to understand your design for the world you have made:  
grant us the help of your Holy Spirit  
that we also may come to a full knowledge of your purposes  
revealed in your Son Jesus Christ, our wisdom and our life;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

*or (for those whose holiness was revealed in marriage and family life)*

Eternal God,  
whose love is revealed in the mystery of the Trinity:  
help us, like your servant N,  
to find in our human loving a mirror of your divine love  
and to see in all your children our brothers and sisters in Christ,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## The Guidance of the Holy Spirit

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*At Morning Prayer, canticle 40 (page 591) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 58 (page 615) may be said.*

### *Benedictus*

I will pour out my Spirit on the earth  
and everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.  
[Alleluia.]

### *Magnificat*

The Lord is the Spirit,  
and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. [Alleluia.]

### *Collect*

God, who from of old  
taught the hearts of your faithful people  
by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit:  
grant us by the same Spirit  
to have a right judgement in all things  
and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort;  
through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour.

*(or)*

Almighty God,  
you have given your Holy Spirit to the Church  
to lead us into all truth:  
bless with the Spirit's grace and presence  
the members of this (*synod/PCC etc.*);  
keep *us/them* steadfast in faith and united in love,  
that *we/they* may manifest your glory  
and prepare the way of your kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Harvest Thanksgiving may be celebrated on a Sunday and may replace the provision for that day, provided it does not supersede any Principal Feast or Festival.*

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 22 (page 573) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 69 (page 627) may be said.*

### *Benedictus*

Consider the lilies of the field,  
yet even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these.

### *Magnificat*

He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor;  
his righteousness endures for ever.

### *Collect*

Eternal God,  
you crown the year with your goodness  
and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season:  
grant that we may use them to your glory,  
for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 22 (page 573) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 69 (page 627) may be said.*

### *Benedictus*

Have faith in God,  
and whatever you ask for in prayer will be yours. Alleluia.

### *Magnificat*

Everyone who asks receives,  
and everyone who searches finds. Alleluia.

### *Collect*

Almighty God,  
whose will it is that the earth and the sea  
should bear fruit in due season:  
bless the labours of those who work on land and sea,  
grant us a good harvest  
and the grace always to rejoice in your fatherly care;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*(or)*

Almighty God and Father,  
you have so ordered our life  
that we are dependent on one another:  
prosper those engaged in commerce and industry  
and direct their minds and hands  
that they may rightly use your gifts in the service of others;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*(or)*

God our Father,  
you never cease the work you have begun  
and prosper with your blessing all human labour:  
make us wise and faithful stewards of your gifts  
that we may serve the common good,  
maintain the fabric of our world  
and seek that justice where all may share  
the good things you pour upon us;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 29 (page 580) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 63 (page 621) may be said.*

*Benedictus*

You are the light of the world.

A city built on a hill cannot be hid. [Alleluia.]

*Magnificat*

Go and make disciples of all nations,  
baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son  
and of the Holy Spirit. [Alleluia.]

*Collect*

Almighty God,  
who called your Church to witness  
that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself:  
help us to proclaim the good news of your love,  
that all who hear it may be drawn to you;  
through him who was lifted up on the cross,  
and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 32 (page 583) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 60 (page 618) may be said.*

*Benedictus*

This is the message that we have heard from the beginning,  
that we should love one another. [Alleluia.]

*Magnificat*

Christ is our peace, who has made us one  
and has broken down the barriers which divided us. [Alleluia.]

*Collect*

Heavenly Father,  
you have called us in the Body of your Son Jesus Christ  
to continue his work of reconciliation  
and reveal you to the world:  
forgive us the sins which tear us apart;  
give us the courage to overcome our fears  
and to seek that unity which is your gift and your will;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*(or)*

Lord Jesus Christ,  
who said to your apostles,  
'Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you':  
look not on our sins but on the faith of your Church  
and grant it the peace and unity of your kingdom;  
where you are alive and reign with the Father  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## The Peace of the World *Colour of the Season*

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 24 (page 575) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 57 (page 614) may be said.*

### *Benedictus*

Peace I leave with you, my own peace I give you;  
do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. [Alleluia.]

### *Magnificat*

Live with one another in peace,  
and the God of peace will be with you. [Alleluia.]

### *Collect*

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

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 33 (page 584) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 53 (page 606) may be said.*

*Benedictus*

Blessed are the merciful,  
for they will receive mercy. [Alleluia.]

*Magnificat*

Blessed are the meek,  
for they will inherit the earth. [Alleluia.]

*Collect*

Eternal God,  
in whose perfect realm  
no sword is drawn but the sword of righteousness,  
and no strength known but the strength of love:  
so guide and inspire the work of those who seek your kingdom  
that all your people may find their security  
in that love which casts out fear  
and in the fellowship revealed to us  
in Jesus Christ our Saviour.

*(or)*

Almighty and eternal God,  
to whom we must all give account:  
guide with your Spirit the ... of this (*city, society, etc.*),  
that *we/they* may be faithful to the mind of Christ  
and seek in all *our/their* purposes to enrich our common life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Ministry (including Ember Days)

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colour of  
the Season

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 31 (page 582) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 67 (page 625) may be said.*

### *Benedictus*

Whoever wishes to become great among you must be  
your servant,  
and whoever wishes to be first among you must be  
the servant of all. [Alleluia.]

### *Magnificat*

Jesus said, Do you love me?  
Then feed my sheep. [Alleluia.]

### *Collect*

*(for the ministry of all Christian people)*

Almighty and everlasting God,  
by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church  
is governed and sanctified:  
hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people,  
that in their vocation and ministry  
they may serve you in holiness and truth  
to the glory of your name;  
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

*or (for those to be ordained)*

Almighty God, the giver of all good gifts,  
by your Holy Spirit you have appointed  
various orders of ministry in the Church:  
look with mercy on your servants  
now called to be deacons and priests;  
maintain them in truth and renew them in holiness,  
that by word and good example they may faithfully serve you  
to the glory of your name and the benefit of your Church;  
through the merits of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

*or (for vocations)*

Almighty God,  
you have entrusted to your Church  
a share in the ministry of your Son our great high priest:  
inspire by your Holy Spirit the hearts of many  
to offer themselves for the ministry of your Church,  
that strengthened by his power,  
they may work for the increase of your kingdom  
and set forward the eternal praise of your name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*or (for the inauguration of a new ministry)*

God our Father, Lord of all the world,  
through your Son you have called us into the fellowship  
of your universal Church:  
hear our prayer for your faithful people  
that in their vocation and ministry  
each may be an instrument of your love,  
and give to your servant *N* now to be (*installed, inducted, etc.*)  
the needful gifts of grace;  
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 42 (page 593) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 73 (page 631) may be said.*

*Benedictus*

Jesus said, Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?  
And they were filled with great awe and wonder.

*Magnificat*

Jesus said, In the world you face persecution.  
But take courage; I have overcome the world!

*Collect*

Sovereign God,  
the defence of those who trust in you  
and the strength of those who suffer:  
look with mercy on our affliction  
and deliver us through our mighty Saviour Jesus Christ.

*At Morning Prayer, canticle 22 (page 573) may be said.*

*At Evening Prayer, canticle 72 (page 630) may be said.*

*Benedictus*

Give to Caesar the things that are Caesar's,  
and to God the things that are God's. [Alleluia.]

*Magnificat*

The greatest among you must become like the youngest,  
and the leader like one who serves. [Alleluia.]

*Collect*

Almighty God, the fountain of all goodness,  
bless our Sovereign Lady, *Queen Elizabeth*,  
and all who are in authority under her;  
that they may order all things  
    in wisdom and equity, righteousness and peace,  
to the honour and glory of your name  
and the good of your Church and people;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.