



*Prayers and Liturgical Material*  
for use in the Church of England  
to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the  
Coronation of Her Majesty the Queen

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# The Coronation Anniversary Prayer

*The following Prayer, written by Westminster Abbey with the Queen's approval will be incorporated in the Service of Thanksgiving on the 60th anniversary of Her Majesty's Coronation in the Abbey on Tuesday 4th June 2013.*

*The Archbishops of Canterbury and York have commended it for use throughout the Church of England. Other churches are also welcome to use this prayer.*

## **Traditional language:**

Almighty God,  
who through anointing with the oil of gladness at the hands of priests and prophets  
dost strengthen thy chosen servants with the gifts of thy Holy Spirit:  
be pleased to accept our joyful praise as with united voice  
we give thanks for the long and glorious reign  
of our Sovereign Lady Queen Elizabeth;  
and to receive our humble prayer that, by renewing thy blessings,  
thou wilt pour upon her thy choicest gifts,  
and upon all thy people the spirit of humility and service,  
shown forth in the life and death of him who is the anointed King of all,  
our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

## **Modern language:**

Almighty God,  
at the hands of priests and prophets  
you anoint your chosen servants with the oil of gladness  
and strengthen them with the gifts of your Holy Spirit:  
accept our joyful praise as with united voice  
we give thanks for the long and glorious reign  
of our Sovereign Lady Queen Elizabeth.  
Renewing your blessings, pour on her your choicest gifts,  
and on all your people the spirit of humility and mutual service  
shown in the life and death of him who is the anointed King of all,  
our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

## Sentences of Scripture

Behold, our defender, O God,  
and look upon the face of your anointed.  
For one day in your courts  
is better than a thousand.

(Psalm 84. 8, 9)

I was glad when they said to me:  
Let us go into the house of the Lord.

(Psalm 122.1)

## Greeting

*All* The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

*All* We wait for your loving kindness, O God  
**in the midst of your temple.**

*All* Lord, open our lips  
**and we shall praise your name.**

## Introduction

*The minister may say these are other suitable words*

Beloved in Christ,  
we have come together  
to offer our worship and praise and thanksgiving,  
to hear and receive God's holy word,  
and to give thanks for the sixtieth anniversary  
of the Coronation of Her Majesty the Queen.  
We pray for her continued health and wisdom  
that by the power of the Holy Spirit  
she may continue to give herself to the service of God.  
We commit ourselves afresh to serve our community and our nation  
that the earth may be filled with God's justice, love and peace.

## Act of Penitence

We come to God as one from whom no secrets are hidden,  
to ask for his forgiveness and peace.

God be gracious to us and bless us,  
and make your face shine upon us:  
Lord, have mercy.

**All Lord, have mercy.**

May your ways be known on the earth,  
your saving power among the nations:  
Christ, have mercy.

**All Christ, have mercy.**

You, Lord, have made known your salvation,  
and reveal your justice in the sight of the nations:  
Lord, have mercy.

**All Lord, have mercy**

*The minister says these words or another authorized absolution*

The almighty and merciful Lord  
grant *you* pardon and forgiveness of all *your* sins,  
time for amendment of life,  
and the grace and strength of the Holy Spirit.

**All Amen**

Let us pray for Elizabeth our Queen and all God's people.

*Silence is kept.*

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 your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

*All* **Amen.**

*or*

O God,  
you provide your people with power  
and rule over them in love:  
Give to your servant Elizabeth, our Queen,  
the Spirit of wisdom and government,  
that being devoted to you with her whole heart,  
she may continue to govern wisely,  
and keep your Church in safety, devotion and peace;  
and that persevering to the end,  
she may come to your eternal joy  
through Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
now and for ever.

*All* **Amen.**

## Gospel Acclamations

Alleluia, alleluia.

Here is Wisdom;

This is the royal Law;

These are the lively Oracles of God.

**All Alleluia.**

Alleluia, alleluia.

Let my prayer come up into thy presence as the incense:

and let the lifting up of my hands be as an evening sacrifice.

**All Alleluia.**

## Responsories

Lift up your heads, O gates;

be lifted up, you everlasting doors;

**All and the King of glory shall come in.**

Who is the King of glory?

**All 'The Lord, strong and mighty,  
the Lord who is mighty in battle.'**

Lift up your heads, O gates;

be lifted up, you everlasting doors;

**All and the King of glory shall come in.**

Who is this King of glory?

**All 'The Lord of hosts,  
he is the King of glory.'**

Make your ways known upon earth, Lord God,

**All your saving power among all peoples.**

Renew your Church in holiness

**All and help us to serve you with joy.**

Guide the leaders of this and every nation,

**All that justice may prevail throughout the world.**

Let not the needy be forgotten,

**All nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

Make us instruments of your peace

**All and let your glory be over all the earth.**

## A Prayer especially for children

Lord Jesus,  
King of all creation,  
every one of us is a jewel in your kingdom:  
bless Elizabeth our Queen  
that may she continue to guide us all  
in the years to come.

*All* **Amen.**

## General Prayers

O Lord and heavenly Father,  
who exalts the humble and strengthens your people,  
and who consecrated kings, priests and prophets  
by anointing them with the oil of gladness,  
bless Elizabeth our Queen:  
strengthen her with  
    the Spirit of wisdom and government,  
    the Spirit of counsel and strength,  
    the Spirit of knowledge and true godliness,  
and continue to fill her, O Lord, with your holy fear,  
now and for ever;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

O God, the crown of the faithful,  
bless and sanctify your servant Elizabeth  
upon whose head a crown was placed  
as a sign of royal majesty.  
Fill her day by day with your abundant grace  
and with all charitable virtues;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

Loving God,  
you have taught us that the power of the heart  
is greater than the power of wealth and might:  
Hear us as we pray for the fulfilment of your reign;  
We ask this through Jesus Christ our King;  
to him be glory and power for ever.

**All Amen.**

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 your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**All Amen.**

*from Common Worship: Festivals*

*This may be used as the Post Communion prayer at Holy Communion*

O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
our only Saviour, the Prince of Peace:  
give us grace seriously to lay to heart  
the great dangers we are in by our unhappy divisions;  
take away our hatred and prejudice  
and whatever else may hinder us from godly union and concord,  
that, as there is but one body, one Spirit  
and one hope of our calling,  
one Lord, one faith, one baptism,  
one God and Father of us all,  
so may we henceforth be all of one heart and of one soul,  
united in one holy bond of truth and peace, of faith and charity,  
and may with one mind and one mouth glorify you;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All Amen.**

*from Common Worship: Festivals*

## A Prayer for the Royal Family

Almighty God, the fountain of all goodness,  
bless, we pray,  
Philip Duke of Edinburgh, Charles Prince of Wales,  
and all the Royal Family.  
Endue them with your Holy Spirit;  
enrich them with your heavenly grace;  
prosper them with all happiness;  
and bring them to your everlasting kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

## A Prayer for those who govern

Eternal God,  
fount and source of all authority and wisdom,  
hear our prayer for those who govern.  
Give to Elizabeth our Queen grace  
as the symbol of loyalty and unity  
for all our different peoples;  
give to the parliaments in these islands,  
and especially to our own Government,  
wisdom and skill, imagination and energy;  
give to the members of the Commonwealth nations  
vision, understanding and integrity,  
that all may live in peace and happiness, truth and prosperity;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

Heavenly Father,  
we ask your blessing  
upon Her Majesty the Queen  
as she celebrates the anniversary of her coronation.  
May your wisdom sustain her,  
and your love strengthen her.  
Grant her continued strength  
to serve you, our country and the Commonwealth  
with integrity and faithfulness.  
Through Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

O Lord Jesus Christ, who hast created and redeemed me  
and hast foreordained me unto that which now I am;  
thou knowest what thou wouldst do with me;  
do with me according to thy will, in thy mercy.

**All Amen.**

*A prayer of King Henry VI (translated)*

## **Te Deum Laudamus**

We praise thee, O God : we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.  
All the earth doth worship thee : the Father everlasting.  
To thee all Angels cry aloud : the heavens and all the powers therein.  
To thee Cherubin and Seraphin : continually do cry,  
Holy, Holy, Holy : Lord God of Sabaoth;  
Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty : of thy glory.  
The glorious company of the Apostles : praise thee.  
The goodly fellowship of the Prophets : praise thee.  
The noble army of Martyrs : praise thee.  
The holy Church throughout all the world : doth acknowledge thee;  
The Father : of an infinite Majesty;  
Thine honourable, true : and only Son;  
Also the Holy Ghost : the Comforter.  
Thou art the King of glory : O Christ  
Thou art the everlasting Son : of the Father.  
When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man:  
thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.  
When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death : thou didst open the  
kingdom of heaven to all believers.  
Thou sittest at the right hand of God : in the glory of the Father.  
We believe that thou shalt come : to be our Judge.  
We therefore pray thee, help thy servants :  
whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.  
Make them to be numbered with thy Saints : in glory everlasting.  
O Lord, save thy people : and bless thine heritage.  
Govern them : and lift them up for ever.  
Day by day : we magnify thee;  
And we worship thy Name : ever world without end.

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

## Lectionary

Joshua 1. 1-9; Proverbs 8. 1-16  
Psalms 20; 101; 121  
Romans 13. 1-10; Revelation 21. 22-22.4  
Matthew 22. 16-22; Luke 22. 24-30

### **A Short Proper Preface for use in Common Worship**

*The following may be used with Eucharistic Prayers A, B and C*

And now we give you thanks  
because you have anointed  
Elizabeth as our Queen,  
and by your grace  
she remains defender of the faith  
and the guardian of your Church  
and people in this land.

### **Introduction to the Peace**

*The following may be used with Common Worship: Holy Communion, Order One.*

To crown all things there must be love,  
to bind all together and complete the whole.  
Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

The Lord be with you:  
**All and also with you**

May God crown you with glory and righteousness,  
that you may obtain the crown of an everlasting kingdom  
by the gift of him whose kingdom endures forever;  
and the blessing...

*or*

Be strong and of a good courage:  
keep the commandments of God  
and walk in his ways;  
and the blessing....

*or*

God grant to the living, grace;  
to the departed, rest;  
to the Church, the Queen, the Commonwealth, and all humankind,  
peace and concord;  
and to us and all his servants, life everlasting;  
and the blessing ...

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