

1 January

The Naming and Circumcision of Jesus

White

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 liveth and reigneth with thee,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Almighty and everlasting God,

whose incarnate Son was given the Name of Saviour:

grant that we who have shared

in this sacrament of our salvation

may live out our lives in this world

in the power of the Name that is above every name,

Jesus Christ our Lord.

25 January

The Conversion of Paul

White

Collect

O God,

who through the preaching of the blessed apostle Saint Paul,

hast caused the light of the gospel

to shine throughout the world:

grant, we beseech thee, that we,

having his wonderful conversion in remembrance,

may show forth our thankfulness unto thee for the same,

by following the holy doctrine which he taught;

through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,

who liveth and reigneth with thee,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

of Apostles and Evangelists

Almighty God,

who on the day of Pentecost

didst send thy Holy Spirit to the apostles

with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame,

filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel:

by the power of the same Spirit

strengthen us to bear witness to thy truth

and to draw everyone to the fire of thy love;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(or)

O Lord God, the source of truth and love,

keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship,

united in prayer and the breaking of bread,

and one in joy and simplicity of heart,

in Jesus Christ our Lord.

19 March

Joseph of Nazareth

White

Collect

O God our Father,

who from the house of thy servant David

didst raise up Joseph the carpenter

to be the guardian of thine incarnate Son

and husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary:

give us grace to follow him

in faithful obedience to thy commands;

through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,

who liveth and reigneth with thee,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Heavenly Father,

whose Son grew in wisdom and stature

in the home of Joseph the carpenter in Nazareth

and on the wood of the cross

perfected the work of the world's salvation:

grant us, strengthened by this sacrament of his passion,

to count the wisdom of this world as foolishness,

and to walk with him in simplicity and faith;

through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord.

25 March

The Annunciation of Our Lord

Principal Feast

Gold or White

Collect

We beseech thee, O Lord,

pour thy grace into our hearts;

that, as we have known the incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ

by the message of an angel,

so by his cross and passion

we may be brought unto the glory of his resurrection;

through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,

who liveth and reigneth with thee,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

O God most high,

whose handmaid bore the Word made flesh:

we give thee thanks that in this sacrament of our redemption

thou dost visit us with thy Holy Spirit

and dost overshadow us by thy power;

strengthen us to walk with Mary the joyful path of obedience

and so to bring forth the fruits of holiness;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Collect

O God of hosts,

who didst so kindle the flame of love

in the heart of thy servant George

that he bore witness to the risen Lord

by his life and by his death:

grant 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 thy Son our Lord,

who liveth and reigneth with thee,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

O eternal God,

who hast given us this holy meal

in which we have celebrated the glory of the cross

and the victory of thy martyr George:

by our communion with Christ

in his saving death and resurrection,

grant us with all thy saints the courage to overcome evil

and so to partake of the fruit of the tree of life;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(or)

O God our redeemer,

whose Church was strengthened

by the blood of thy martyr George:

so bind us, in life and in death,

to the sacrifice of Christ

that, our lives being broken and offered with his,

we may carry his death

and proclaim his resurrection in the world;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Collect

Almighty God,

who hast enlightened thy holy Church

through the inspired witness of thine evangelist Saint Mark:

grant that we, being rooted and grounded

in the truth of the gospel,

may be faithful to its teaching both in word and deed;

through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,

who liveth and reigneth with thee,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

One of the Post Communions of Apostles and Evangelists is used ([here](#)).

1 May

Philip and James

Red

Collect

O almighty God,

whom truly to know is everlasting life:

grant us perfectly to know thy Son Jesus Christ

to be the way, the truth and the life;

that, following the steps of thy holy apostles,

Saint Philip and Saint James,

we may steadfastly walk

in the way that leadeth to eternal life;

through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,

who liveth and reigneth with thee,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

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14 May

Matthias

Red

Collect

O almighty God,

who into the place of the traitor Judas

didst choose thy faithful servant Matthias

to be of the number of the twelve apostles:

grant that thy Church,

being alway preserved from false apostles,

may be ordered and guided by faithful and true pastors;

through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,

who liveth and reigneth with thee,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

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31 May

The Visit of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Elizabeth

White

Collect

Almighty God,

by whose grace Elizabeth rejoiced with Mary

and greeted her as the mother of the Lord:

look with favour, we beseech thee, on thy lowly servants,

that, with Mary, we may magnify thy holy name

and rejoice to acclaim her Son our Saviour,

who liveth and reigneth with thee,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

O gracious God,

who gavest to Elizabeth and Mary

joy in recognizing the signs of redemption at work within them:

grant us, who have shared in the joy of this communion,

knowledge of the Lord deep within us,

and of his love shining forth in our lives,

that the world may rejoice in thy salvation;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Collect

O God, the giver of all good gifts,

who didst pour out thy Spirit upon thy servant Barnabas

and gavest him grace to strengthen others:

grant us, by his example,

to be generous in our judgements

and faithful in our service;

through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,

who liveth and reigneth with thee,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

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24 June

The Birth of John the Baptist

White

Collect

Almighty God,

by whose providence thy servant John Baptist was wonderfully born,

and sent to prepare the way of thy Son our Saviour,

by preaching of repentance:

make us so to follow his doctrine and holy life,

that we may truly repent according to his preaching

and, after his example,

constantly speak the truth,

boldly rebuke vice

and patiently suffer for the truth's sake;

through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,

who liveth and reigneth with thee,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

O merciful Lord,

whose prophet John the Baptist

proclaimed thy Son to be the Lamb of God

who taketh away the sin of the world:

grant that we, who in this sacrament

have known thy pardon and thy life-giving love,

may ever tell of thy mercy and thy peace;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

29 June

Peter and Paul

Red

Collect

Almighty God,

whose blessed apostles Peter and Paul

glorified thee in their death as in their life:

grant that thy Church,

inspired by their teaching and example,

and made one by thy Spirit,

may ever stand firm on the one foundation

which is thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord;

who liveth and reigneth with thee,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

or, where Peter is celebrated alone

Almighty God,

who didst inspire thy apostle Saint Peter

to confess Jesus as Christ and Son of the living God:

build up thy Church upon this rock,

that in unity and peace it may proclaim one truth

and follow one Lord, thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,

who liveth and reigneth with thee,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

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3 July

Thomas

Red

Collect

Almighty and eternal God,

who, for the greater confirmation of the faith,

didst allow thy holy apostle Thomas

to doubt the resurrection of thy 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 liveth and reigneth with thee,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

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22 July

Mary Magdalene

White

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 us our sins, we beseech thee,

and heal us by thy grace,

that we may serve thee in the power of his risen life;

who liveth and reigneth with thee,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Almighty God,

from whom all life and love proceed,

whose risen Son called Mary Magdalene by her name,

sending her to tell his apostles of his resurrection:

we pray thee in thy mercy to assist us,

who have been united with him in this holy communion,

to proclaim the good news

that he liveth and reigneth, now and for ever.

25 July

St James, Apostle

Collect

Grant, O merciful God,

that as thine holy apostle Saint James,

leaving his father and all that he had,

without delay was obedient unto the calling

of thy Son Jesus Christ, and followed him:

so we, forsaking all worldly and carnal affections,

may be evermore ready to follow thy holy commandments;

through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,

who liveth and reigneth with thee,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

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6 August

The Transfiguration of Our Lord

Gold or White

Collect

Heavenly Father,

whose Son Jesus Christ was wonderfully transfigured

before chosen witnesses upon the holy mountain,

and spoke of the exodus he would accomplish at Jerusalem:

grant us strength so to hear his voice and bear our cross

that in the world to come we may behold him as he is;

who liveth and reigneth with thee,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

O holy God,

we behold thy glory in the face of Jesus Christ:

grant that we who are partakers at his table

may reflect his life in word and deed,

that all the world may know his power to change and save;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

15 August

The Blessed Virgin Mary

White

Collect

Almighty God,

who didst look upon the lowliness of the Blessed Virgin Mary

and didst choose her to be the mother of thy only Son:

grant that we who are redeemed by his blood

may share with her in the glory of thine eternal kingdom;

through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,

who liveth and reigneth with thee,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

O God most high,

whose handmaid bore the Word made flesh:

we give thee thanks that in this sacrament of our redemption

thou dost visit us with thy Holy Spirit

and dost overshadow us with thy power;

strengthen us to walk with Mary in the joyful path of obedience,

that we may bring forth the fruits of holiness;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

24 August

Bartholomew

Red

Collect

O almighty and everlasting God,

who didst give to thine apostle Bartholomew grace

truly to believe and to preach thy word:

grant, we beseech thee, unto thy Church,

to love that word which he believed,

and both to preach and receive the same;

through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,

who liveth and reigneth with thee,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

One of the Post Communions of Apostles and Evangelists is used ([here](#)).

14 September

Holy Cross Day

Red

Collect

Almighty God,

who in the passion of thy blessed Son

hast 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 liveth and reigneth with thee,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

O faithful God,

whose Son bore our sins in his body on the tree

and gave us this sacrament to show forth his death until he comes:

give us grace to glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ,

for he is our salvation, our life and our hope,

who reigneth as Lord, now and for ever.

Collect

O almighty God,

who by thy blessed Son

didst call Matthew from the receipt of custom

to be an apostle and evangelist:

grant us grace to forsake all covetous desires

and inordinate love of riches,

and to follow the same thy Son Jesus Christ,

who liveth and reigneth with thee,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

One of the Post Communions of Apostles and Evangelists is used ([here](#)).

29 September

Michael and All Angels

White

Collect

O everlasting God,

who hast ordained and constituted

the services of angels and mortals in a wonderful order:

mercifully grant that,

as thy holy angels always do thee service in heaven,

so by thy appointment

they may succour and defend us on earth;

through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,

who liveth and reigneth with thee,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

O Lord of heaven,

in this sacrament thou hast brought us near

to an innumerable company of angels

and to the spirits of the saints made perfect:

as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage

we have shared their fellowship,

so may we come to share their joy in heaven;

through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord.

Collect

Almighty God,

who calledst Luke the physician,

whose praise is in the gospel,

to be an evangelist and physician of the soul:

may it please thee that,

by the wholesome medicines of the doctrine delivered by him,

all the diseases of our souls may be healed;

through the merits of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord,

who liveth and reigneth with thee,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

One of the Post Communions of Apostles and Evangelists is used ([here](#)).

28 October

Simon and Jude

Red

Collect

O almighty God,

who hast built thy Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets,

Jesus Christ himself being the head cornerstone:

grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine,

that we may be made an holy temple acceptable unto thee;

through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,

who liveth and reigneth with thee,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

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30 November

Andrew

Red

Collect

Almighty God,

who didst give such grace unto thy apostle Saint Andrew

that he readily obeyed the calling of thy Son Jesus Christ and followed him without delay:

grant unto us all that we, being called by thy holy word,

may forthwith give up ourselves obediently to fulfil thy holy commandments;

through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,

who liveth and reigneth with thee,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

One of the Post Communions of Apostles and Evangelists is used ([here](#)).

Collect

Gracious Father,

who gavest to 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,

who liveth and reigneth with thee,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Merciful Lord,

we give thee thanks for the signs of thy mercy

revealed in birth and death:

save us, we beseech thee, by the coming of thy Son,

and grant us joy in honouring Stephen,

first martyr of the new Israel;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

27 December

John

White

Collect

Merciful Lord,

we beseech thee to cast thy bright beams of light upon thy Church,

that it being enlightened by the doctrine

of thy blessed apostle and evangelist Saint John

may so walk in the light of thy truth,

that it may at length attain to the light of everlasting life;

through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,

who liveth and reigneth with thee,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Grant, O Lord God, we beseech thee,

that the Word made flesh

proclaimed by thine apostle John

may, by the celebration of these holy mysteries,

ever abide and live within us;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

28 December

The Holy Innocents

Red

Collect

Heavenly Father,

whose children suffered at the hands of Herod,

though they had done no wrong:

by the suffering of thy Son

and by the innocence of our lives

frustrate, we beseech thee, all evil designs

and establish thy reign of justice and peace;

through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,

who liveth and reigneth with thee,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Lord Jesus Christ,

who in thy humility stooped to share our human life

even with the most defenceless of thy children:

grant that we who have received these gifts of thy passion

may rejoice in celebrating the witness of the Holy Innocents

to the purity of thy sacrifice

made once for all upon the cross;

for thou livest and reignest, now and for ever.

Dedication Festival

Gold or White

Collect

Almighty God,

to whose glory we celebrate the dedication of this house of prayer:

we praise thee for the many blessings

thou hast given to those who worship thee here:

and we pray that all who seek thee in this place may find thee,

and, being filled with the Holy Spirit,

may become a living temple acceptable to thee;

through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,

who liveth and reigneth with thee,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Father in heaven,

whose Church on earth is a sign of thy heavenly peace,

an image of the new and eternal Jerusalem:

grant to us in the days of our pilgrimage

that, fed with the living bread of heaven,

and united in the body of thy Son,

we may be the temple of thy presence,

the place of thy glory on earth,

and a sign of thy peace in the world;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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