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*A Meditation before Prayer.*

**W**HEN I bethink my self how Eternity depends upon this Moment of Life, and consider that I shall be happy or miserable for ever, according as I neglect or improve the Means and Opportunities of Grace that are here afforded me: I cannot but wonder at my own Folly and Vanity, who am so little serious about my Eternal Concernments, and so apt to trifle away those happy Opportunities which are allowed me to fit my Soul for Heaven, and work out my Salvation in.

Prayer is the lifting up of the Soul to converse with God, and a Means to obtain

tain all Blessings ; 'tis an high Honour and a mighty Advantage to us : And withal 'tis accepted by God as an Acknowledgment of his Authority, and a Testimony of our Observance : But 'tis a difficult (tho' necessary and becoming) Duty, and requires so much Attention and Serenity of Mind, that it can never be well done without some preceding Preparation.

Consider therefore, O my Soul ! how infinitely it concerns us to use our utmost Care and Diligence, to bring our Minds into a serious and heavenly Frame, when we are about to approach the great Lord of Heaven and Earth, who is able for ever to save or destroy us ; and upon whose Favour depends all our Happiness, both in this World and the next.

Think, O my Soul ! how many invaluable Blessings we may obtain for our Selves, our Friends, and the whole Nation, if we duly improve these happy Opportunities, and present our Supplications with true Devotion ; and not merely out of Custom and Formality.

But since nothing makes us so unfit to pray, or so unlikely to be heard, as Sin unrepented of ; we must be infinitely careful not to indulge our selves in any one Sin, but use our utmost Care and Industry to correct and reform what-

whatever is amiss in us ; and then we may cheerfully hope for a Part in the Pardon which God has promised, and Christ has purchased for us : For since God will be faithful to his own Promise, and just to the Merits of his dear Son, He hath obliged Himself, upon our true Repentance, both to forgive us our Sins, and to cleanse us from all Unrighteousness, by giving us Grace to forsake every evil Way ; so that we shall be justified and sanctified also.

Therefore that we may not lose these great Blessings for want of due Qualifications on our Part ; strive, O my Soul ! with thy utmost Force and Vigour, to make good thy Title to these gracious Promises ; and to raise in thy Mind such suitable Dispositions, as may qualifie thee for obtaining these inestimable Advantages ; and let the Sense of thy own Unworthiness, and Inability to perform or attain any thing that is good, excite thy most fervent Supplications to Him, who is the Giver of every good and perfect Gift.

### *A Preparatory Prayer.*

**O** Thou that art the Beginner and Finisher of every good Work, be pleased to assist my holy Endeavours to withdraw my Mind more and more from



these sensible things, and fix it fast to thy Self, with the indissoluble Bands of an active Love and pregnant Devotion, that so whenever I prostrate my self before Thee, I may presently be born away far above all these sensible Goods, in a high Admiration of Thee, and a passionate Longing after Thee.

Thou knowest, O Lord, my Spirit is willing, though my Flesh is weak ; my labouring Soul aspires towards Thee, it stretches out the Wings of its Desires towards Thee, and would fain mount up above all earthly things, and unite it self to Thee in eternal Love ; But, alas ! when I think to be fervent in Prayer, and spread my Wants and my Desires before Thee, those worldly Cares and Delights, with which I have been too too conversant, are importunately thrusting themselves upon me, to divert my Thoughts, distract my Intentions, and carry away my Affections from Thee ; by reason whereof my Mind wanders, my Hope droops, and my Desires are frozen ; and whilst I am drawing near Thee with my Lips, my Heart is running away from Thee. O my God, have Pity upon me, pluck my Soul out of this deep Mire, quicken, raise, spiritualize these my groveling Affections. Possess this Heart, which

which opens it self to thy gracious Influences, with such a strong and vigorous Love to Thee, as may lift me up above all earthly Things, and continually carry forth my Soul in vehement Desires after Thee: So that I may always approach Thee with a joyful Heart; being glad to leave the Company of all other Things, to go to Thee, my God, my exceeding Joy. Give me a sober, diligent and collected Spirit; not choaked with Cares, nor scattered with Levity, nor discomposed with Passion, nor estranged from Thee with sinful Prejudice or Inadvertency.

O my God, draw near to me, and touch my Mind with such a powerful Sense of Thee, as in Spight of all my Indispositions, may attract, and draw up my Soul to Thee: And if it be thy blessed Will, I beseech Thee, inspire my Heart with such sweet Transports of Love to Thee, as may not only please, but better me; that they may lift me up above all the Temptations of this World, and revive my Strength, and quicken my Endeavours, and compose my distrustful Heart into a stedfast Dependence upon Thee; that so I may be fruitful in all good Works, and my Heart may be establish'd unblameable in Holiness before Thee.

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And now, O Lord, while I am addressing to Thee, gather in, I beseech Thee, my wandring Thoughts, and fix and stay them upon thy Self: And O! do Thou touch my cold and earthly Desires with an out-stretched Ray from thy self, and cause them to rise and flame up to Thee in Fervours answerable to my pressing Wants, that I may so ask, that I may receive; so seek, that I may find; so knock, that it may be opened unto me; through Jesus Christ my blessed Lord and Redeemer. *Amen, Amen.*

*A Prayer to be said when we first awake  
in the Morning.*

**O** Lord, I beseech Thee, raise and rouse up my dull Senses: As the Morning Lark flieth up with sweet Singing; so, Lord, let my Heart, Eyes, and all my Affections, be lifted up to Thee. O Lord, it is thy Mercy which has kept me safe this Night, and brought me to the Beginning of this Day; I beseech Thee to protect, direct and bless me in the same; and by thy gracious Providence, dispose all my Thoughts, Words, and Actions to thy Glory, thro' Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

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*Ejaculations in the Time of Dressing.*

**C**Loath me, O Lord, with the Ornaments of thy heavenly Grace, and cover me with the Robes of Righteousness, for Jesus Christ his Sake.

O Lord, whatever becomes of my outward Form, cloath my Soul with the Graces of thy holy Spirit; and then, I am sure, I cannot but be amiable in thy Sight.

Oh! make me regardless of the Applause of the World, and let it be my chief and only Care to approve my Self to Thee; so shall I be sure to be safe, rich and amiable here, and glorious hereafter, thro' Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

*A Morning Prayer.*

**O** Most Mighty and Glorious God, Thou that sittest in Heaven, surrounded with glorious Saints and Angels, vouchsafe to hear the humble Supplications of me, thy poor unworthy Servant, who here present my Self before Thee; blessing, praising, and adoring thy divine Majesty.

I confess, O Lord, that I am utterly unworthy to appear in thy Presence, or to speak with my unclean Lips to so holy a God as Thou art: For Thou knowest

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that in Sin I was conceived and born ; and that I have encreased my original Guilt and Misery by many and grievous actual Transgressions : I have broken thy holy, and righteous, and good Laws, throughout the whole Course of my Life, by Omissions and Commissions, by Negligence and Wilfulness, by Ignorance and Presumption, by Thought, Word, and Deed ; ( particularly, ——— ) O Lord, I confess, I have grievously sinned and provoked thy divine Majesty to Wrath and Indignation against me, to my utter Ruine, if thy Mercy do not help me : But I humbly beseech Thee, O gracious Lord, that Thou wilt not deal with me according to my Deservings ; but according to thy great Mercies : I have sinned, as a frail Creature ; but be Thou merciful, as God : Look not, I beseech Thee, upon what I have done, or upon what I should have done ; but upon what my Saviour has done for me : O let his Merits plead for me, who have no Merits of my own ; and for his Sake, pardon all my Sins, and receive me into thy Favour.

Oh ! speak Peace to my poor Heart ; and let me know, and feel, that Thou ~~forgivest~~ me. And I humbly beseech ~~Thee~~, for Jesus Christ his Sake, not only

only to pardon and forgive me all the Sins and Failings I have hitherto been guilty of; but to assist me, by thy Grace and holy Spirit, to serve Thee more faithfully for the Time to come.

Thou hast promised thy Grace to those that ask, and endeavour after it, in expectation of it: Oh! I desire it, and will do what I can to be assisted by it; and therefore I humbly hope this Promise shall be made good unto thy Servant.

Oh! vouchsafe me thy Holy Spirit, to be the Principle of new Life and Love in me, to infuse into my Soul a supernatural and habitual Grace, and Ability to obey and serve Thee; that I may hereafter live as a sworn Votary to thy Love.

Be Thou thy Self present to my Mind, and let thy Love and Fear rule in my Soul, in all those Places and Companies where my Occasions shall lead me this Day: Keep me chaste in all my Thoughts, temperate in all my Enjoyments, humble in all my Opinions of my self, charitable in all my Speeches of others, meek and peaceable under all Provocations, sincere and faithful in all my Professions; and so just and upright in all my Dealings, that no Necessity may force, or Opportunity in any kind allure me to defraud or go  
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beyond my Neighbour: When Thou bestowest Good on others, let not me envy, but rejoice at it; and when Thou addest any to my self, let me own thy Mercy, and humbly thank Thee for it: Afford me convenient Supplies in all my reasonable Necessities; and protect me from all Dangers both of Soul and Body.

Make me sincerely devout in all my religious Performances, and careful to improve all Opportunities of serving and glorifying Thee.

Thou needest not, O God, my Service; but accept, I beseech Thee, my Ambition of being serviceable to Thee; and bless me both with Abilities and Opportunities for it, and, if it be thy good Pleasure, with Success therein.

In all my Passage through this World, and my manifold Concerns in it, suffer not my Heart to be too much set upon it, or any thing in it; but always fix my Eyes upon the blessed Hope of good Things to come; that I may make all the Things of the World minister unto it, and be careful, above all Things, to fit my Soul for that pure and perfect Bliss which Thou hast prepared for all that love and fear Thee, in the Glories of thy Kingdom.

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Be gracious also, O Lord, to thy chosen People, wheresoever they live upon the Face of the Earth ; particularly, I beseech Thee, bless these Churches and Kingdoms, wherein I live, with the continuance of Peace, Justice, and true Religion.

Bless thy Servant, our Sovereign Lady, Queen *Anne* ; preserve her Person, and prosper her Reign ; endue Her with all those Gifts and Graces, which may make Her a great Instrument of Promoting thy Glory, and the Good of thy People ; make her Government a lasting Blessing to these Kingdoms, that under Her we may lead quiet and peaceable Lives in all Godliness and Honesty.

Bless Her in all her Relations ; in her Counsellors, Judges, and all other Officers both in Church and State ; grant that every one of them, in their several Stations, may uprightly and zealously do their Duty ; to the Maintenance of thy true Religion, and the Increase of Piety, Honesty, and brotherly Love among us.

Comfort and relieve all thy Servants that are in any Distress, Trouble, or Anguish, either of Body or Mind ; (particularly \* -- ) sanctifie all thy Dispensations to them, support them under, and



and graciously deliver them out of all their Distresses, for Jesus Christ his Sake.

I also humbly implore thy Favour and Blessings in behalf of all my dear Relations and Friends, Neighbours and Acquaintance, (especially \*) bless us all with all Blessings Temporal and Spiritual, and grant that we may all serve and honour Thee for ever.

And I humbly beseech Thee, O Father of Mercy, of thine infinite Goodness, accept my poor Returns of Praise and Thanksgiving, [for Preserving me the Night past; and] for all those numberless Blessings which continually flow upon me.

I bless and praise Thee, O my gracious God, for all thy Graces and Blessings Spiritual and Corporal, National and Particular; (\*) I adore Thee for them all; and above all, for our Lord Jesus Christ, and in Him for the Means of Grace, and the Hopes of Glory.

I beg a Continuance of all thy Blessings; above all, I implore Pardon for my Sins, and eternal Salvation for my poor Soul; and all this for Jesus Christ his Sake; in whose holy Name and Words I recommend myself to thy wonted Mercy.

*Our Father, &c.*

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*An Examination to be used before Evening Prayer.*

**W**HAT have I done this Day for God and his Glory? What can I now look back upon with Comfort?

What were my first Thoughts in the Morning? Did I not forget to praise God's Goodness for my Preservation and Refreshment, and to recommend my self again to his Protection? Did I not waste that Time in Sleep and Sloth, which should have been spent in Prayer?

Did I offer up my Prayers with Reverence and true Devotion, and not merely out of Custom and Formality?

Did I not wilfully omit the publick Prayers of the Church? Did I behave my self there with Reverence and due Attention?

Did I afterwards diligently apply my self to my proper Business, and not spend my Time in Idleness or Vanity?

Was I temperate in my Enjoyments, and serious in my Behaviour?

What hath been my Company this Day? What Good have I done to them, or received from them? Did I sincerely endeavour to render my Conversation useful and edifying, and to improve all Opportunities of promoting good Discourse? Did

Did I duly observe my set Time for Devotion, and not willingly spend it in other Employments?

What have I learned this Day? Have I endeavoured to keep my Mind in a devout and heavenly Frame, and sometimes lifted it up to God by a hearty Ejaculation?

Have I avoided my usual Faults, and checked the Vices I am most inclin'd to?

What Blessings and Deliverances have I received this Day, and how was my Heart under them? Was I affected with God's Goodness, and unfeignedly thankful? Am I duly sensible of the divine Bounty in my usual Enjoyments? Do I prize my Health, Friends, Peace and Plenty, and strive to express my Thankfulness by a constant and zealous Obedience?

Am I heartily sorrowful for my Sins and Failings; and resolv'd, by God's Grace, to strive against them?

### *An Evening Prayer.*

**O** Lord, I do again humbly present my self before Thee; Oh! let my Prayer be set forth in thy Sight as Incense, and the lifting up of my Hands be

be an Evening Sacrifice, well pleasing and acceptable in thy Sight, through Jesus Christ.

O most Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty; Thou art Holy, and Holiness becomes thy Presence, and those that draw nigh to Thee: But O Lord, I am unholy, I am unclean, I am unclean: I am sinful by Nature; but, O Lord, I am far worse by Practice; for I have grievously transgressed thy Commandments throughout the whole Course of my Life, by Thought, Word, and Deed; yea, this very Day I have not ceased to add new Sins to all my former Guilt; (\*) O Lord, I confess with Shame and Sorrow, that I am vile and vain, sensual and worldly, careless and indevout; (\*) For these my Sins, O Lord, my Conscience cries guilty, thy Law condemns me, and I deserve to receive the Sentence and Curse that is due to the wilful Breach of thy holy Commandments.

But I beseech Thee, O gracious Lord, that Thou wilt not deal with me according to my Deservings, but according to thy great Mercy: Execute not thy severe Justice against me, a Sinner; but exercise thy long Sufferance, in forbearing thine own Creature; and for his Sake, who has done nothing amiss,

amiss, be reconciled to me, who have done nothing perfectly well.

O Lord, with all the Ardency and Devotion of my Soul, I beg and implore Mercy, Pardon and Forgiveness, for all my Sins: Heal all my Backslidings, repair all my Breaches, mortifie my Lusts and Passions, vanquish all my irregular and inordinate Desires, and sanctifie me throughout, both in Soul and Body: O give me hearty Repentance and sincere Contrition for all my Sins past, and give me thy preventing and restraining Grace for the future; and let me never wilfully offend Thee any more.

And seeing, O Lord, Thou hast appointed me to die, and after Death comes Judgment; do Thou, O Lord, in great Mercy, fit and prepare me for my latter End; and whenever Thou art pleas'd to take me hence, do Thou, O Lord, receive my Soul into endless and everlasting Happiness.

In the mean Time, O Lord, whilst it is thy blessed Will and Pleasure that I should continue in this Vale of Misery, keep me continually in thy Fear and Favour; wean my Mind from the Love of this World, and worldly Vanities, and cause me more and more to settle my Conversation in Heaven,  
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and heavenly things; and perfect daily the good Work Thou hast begun in me, to the Glory of thy Name, and the Salvation of my sinful Soul.

To this End, I beseech Thee to bestow upon me all those Graces and Blessings which Thou knowest to be wanting in me, and necessary for me; with an Increase of all those good Gifts wherewith Thou hast already endued me; that so I may be the better enabled to lead such a godly Life, and honest Conversation, as that thy Name may thereby be glorified, others may take good Example by me, and my Soul may the more be filled with the Joy of the Holy Ghost.

Accept of my humblest Praises and Thanksgivings, O Lord, for all the Mercies and Blessings which I daily and hourly receive from thy bounteous Goodness: I thank and praise Thee, O my gracious God, for all thy Graces and Blessings, both to my Soul and Body, to my Friends and Relations, and this whole Nation; particularly for the Preservations and Blessings of the Day past, (\*) All Love, all Glory be to Thee.

Lord, grant me such a Sense of thy Goodness, as may express it self in a thankful and zealous Obedience; and  
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grant that not only my Lips, but my Life may shew forth thy Praise.

Be pleased, gracious Lord, to preserve, and take me into thy Protection this Night; preserve me from Sin and Danger; and grant me such seasonable Rest, that I may rise the next Morning more fit for thy Service.

And I beseech Thee, O gracious Lord, of thy bounteous Goodness, to have Mercy upon thy whole Church, especially that Part of it established in these Kingdoms: And herein bless the Queen, and all the Royal Family, all that are in Authority, all the Ministers of thy holy Word and Sacraments. Bless likewise all my Relations and Friends; give us all, I pray Thee, the Blessings both of this Life and that which is to come; guide us by thy Counsel here, and hereafter bring us to Glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Look down with an Eye of Mercy and Pity upon all thy wanting and suffering Servants; support them under, and graciously deliver them out of all their Distresses, for Jesus Christ his Sake.

Lord, hear me, and help me, pardon and accept me; and do for us all abundantly above what we are able to ask or think, for Jesus Christ his Sake; in  
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whose holy Name and Words, in behalf of my self and all my Friends, and all thy Servants, I humbly and heartily pray;  
*Our Father, &c.*

*A short Form of Prayer to be used either Morning or Evening, when there is not Time or Opportunity for the longer.*

**A** Lmighty God, who seest that I have no Power of my self, to help my self; I give Thee humble Thanks for thy Preservation of me this Night [*or, this Day*] past; and for all the Graces and Blessings, the Preservations and Deliverances Thou daily and hourly vouchsafest me, and all that belong to me: And I beseech Thee to pardon all our Sins, and to preserve us all from all Adversities which may happen to the Body, and from all evil Thoughts which may assault and hurt the Soul, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost; whose I am, and whom I serve, in whose Name I was baptized, and to whose Faith and Fear I am happily devoted; bless me both in Body and Soul, prosper the Work of my Hands, and the Way of my Goings; and together



ther with me, bless my Sovereign Lady the Queen, with all the Royal Family, and all that minister under Her both in Church and State ; and all my Relations and Friends, Neighbours and Acquaintance, with all Blessings Temporal and Spiritual, now and for ever, for Jesus Christ his Sake ; in whose holy Name and Words I recommend myself to thy wonted Mercy ;

*Our Eather, &c.*

*At going to Bed.*

**O** Thou that never slumberest nor sleepest, keep me in thy good Providence this Night ; make my Sleep safe and refreshing to me : Fit me for my great Change, that it may not surprise me unawares ; but that having led a holy Life, I may be happy in my Death ; and have Comfort, and well-grounded Hope in Thee.

Lord, grant that when my Body shall lie down in its Bed of Darknes, my Soul may pass into the Regions of Light, and live with Thee for ever, for Jesus Christ his Sake. *Amen.*

*A Prayer*

*A Prayer for Sunday Morning, to be  
added to our usual Devotions.*

**G**LORY be to Thee, O my gracious God; who, in Compassion to humane Weakness, which is not capable of an uninterrupted Contemplation of Thee, such as the Saints have above, hast appointed a solemn Day on Purpose for thy Remembrance, wherein I have nothing to do, but to praise and love Thee.

O my God, give me Grace on this thy Day, to worship Thee acceptably in Private, and in the Congregation: to spend it in doing Good; in Works of Necessity, Devotion, and Charity; in Prayers, and Praises, and Meditation. O! let thy Day ever be to me a Day Sacred to Divine Love, a Day of heavenly Rest and Refreshment.

Glory be to Thee, O blessed Spirit, who, on the first Day of the Week, didst descend in miraculous Gifts and Graces on the Apostles; Oh! descend upon me, that I may be always in the Spirit on the Lord's Day.

O my God, I humbly beseech Thee to prepare my Heart to worship Thee this Day acceptably, with Reverence and godly Fear. Oh! fill me with that  
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Faith which works by Love; purifie my Heart from all vain, or worldly, or sinful Thoughts; fix my Affections on things above, all the Day long: And, O Lord, give me Grace to receive thy Word, which I shall hear this Day, into an honest and good Heart, and to bring forth Fruit with Patience: Hear me, O God, for the Sake of Jesus thy Beloved.

O Lord, I beseech Thee, strengthen me, by thy Grace, to do what Thou requirest, as Thou wouldest have it done. Lord, pardon my Unpreparation, bear with my Infirmities, accept of my poor Services, and crown all with thy Blessing.

Grant that my Soul's Enemies may be kept off, at least resisted, and kept down; that my own Heart may not deceive me, nor the Devil divert me, nor the World distract or disturb me; but that I may behave my self as becomes thy Presence, with all Reverence and Devotion.

Oh! let me consider, it is the All-seeing God in whose Presence I am, and that the holy Angels are sent to observe my Devotions; that not one Thought should be entertained by me, but such as may be like Perfume breathing from the Altar of Incense; and not a  
Word

Word may pass from me, but may find Acceptance in Heaven, and sound pleasantly in thy Ears.

Oh ! raise Thou my Devotion to the highest Pitch it can possibly reach, to praise Thee; enlarge my Soul to its utmost Extent, to love Thee.

Lord, hear and accept me, for Jesus Christ his Sake. *Amen. Amen.*

### *In the Church.*

**O** Thou infinitely powerful and gracious God, remember, I beseech Thee, the Frailty of me thy poor Creature, and vouchsafe me the Assistance of thy holy Spirit in those Duties I am now about to perform. Draw away my Heart from all vain and unprofitable Thoughts, and confine it to thy Self, and thy Service; that I may shew a due Regard to all the Parts of thy Worship; and may now, and always, attend upon Thee with that profound Humility, becoming Reverence, and affective Devotion, that becomes a poor Creature, and miserable Sinner, before the great Creator and Judge of the World.

*Before the Lessons, or the Sermon.*

**B**lessed art Thou, O Lord : O teach me thy Statutes.

Lord, open my Eyes ; that I may see the wondrous Things of thy Law.

Lord, help me so to hear and understand, remember and practise thy heavenly Word, that it may make me wise to Salvation.

Lord, bless thy Servant that is to speak, and bless all us that are to hear ; and grant that we may now, and ever, profit by thy holy Word.

O Lord, I beseech Thee, add such inward Grace to these outward Means, as may make us willing to be taught and reprov'd : That thy Word may not be to any of us, as Seed falling on a Rock ; but may bring forth Fruit, to Life Eternal, through Jesus Christ. *Amen. Amen.*

*After Service.*

**O** Lord, I beseech Thee, accept our poor Services ; and compassionate our Infirmities. Oh ! pardon our Wandrings, Dulness, and Indevotion ; supply all our Wants, and the Wants of all thy Servants ; and grant all that we have prayed for, and whatever

ever else Thou see'st necessary or profitable for us, for Jesus Christ his Sake. *Amen*, Lord : So be it.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord, most High.

*When we are returning Home.*

**G**LORY be to Thee, O Lord, who hast permitted me to appear before Thee this Day; and to tread thy Courts.

Lord, pardon all my Failings in thy Service ; the Wandrings, Dulness, and Indevotion of my Prayers: For the Sake of my blessed Saviour, have Mercy upon me, pardon and accept me.

Lord, make me a Doer of thy Word, and not a Hearer only ; lest I deceive my own Soul. Let it be the Power of God unto Salvation.

O Lord hear, O Lord forgive ; O Lord hearken, and do : Defer not for thine own Sake, O my God.



Prayers for every Day in the Week ;  
to be said at any Time of the Day.

They may be added to our usual  
Prayers, either Morning or Even-  
ing, as best suits with our Lei-  
sure or Devotion.

*For* SUNDAY.

*A General Thanksgiving.*

**L**ORD, help me to love and praise  
Thee with heavenly Affections, and  
a suitable Devotion.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almigh-  
ty ; which was, and is, and is to come.  
Heaven and Earth, Angels and Men,  
the Air and the Sea, give Glory, and Ho-  
nour, and Thanks to him that sitteth on  
the Throne, who liveth for ever and ever.

All the blessed Spirits and Souls of the  
Righteous cast their Crowns before the  
Throne, and worship him that liveth  
for ever and ever.

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With these holy and blessed Spirits, I also thy Servant, O Thou great Lover of Souls, tho' I am utterly unworthy to offer Praise to such a Majesty, yet out of my bounden Duty, I humbly offer up my Heart and Voice to join with this blessed Quire in the Celebration of thy Glories.

Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive Glory, and Honour, and Power: For Thou hast created all Things; and for thy Pleasure they are, and were created.

Thou hast made Heaven, the Heaven of Heavens, with all their Hosts; the Earth, and all things that are therein: And Thou preservest them all.

I believe, O Thou great Creator, that thy divine Love made Thee communicate Being to thy Creatures; that Thou lovest all Things, and hatest nothing Thou hast made: Glory be to Thee.

I believe, O Thou communicative Goodness, that Thou dost preserve, and protect, and bless all Things Thou hast made, suitably to the Natures Thou hast given them; that 'tis in Thee only we live, and move, and have our Being: All Love, all Glory be to Thee.

I believe, O mighty Wisdom, that Thou dost most sweetly order, dispose, and govern all things, even the



most minute, to conspire to thy Glory :  
 O do Thou conduct my whole Life, steer  
 every Motion and Affection of my Soul  
 towards the great End of my Creation ;  
 to love, and to glorifie Thee.

Thy Works, O Lord, are wonder-  
 ful and amiable ; I love, admire, and  
 praise thy universal Providence over the  
 whole World, the perpetual Flux of thy  
 Goodness on every Creature : All Glory  
 be to Thee.

All Creatures share in thy Goodness,  
 O God ; O let all Creatures help me  
 to glorifie thy Name : Let every thing  
 that hath Breath, praise the Lord.

I love and praise Thee, O my God,  
 for all the particular Vouchsafements of  
 thy Love to me ; for all thy Deliveran-  
 ces and Blessings both to my Soul and to  
 my Body, known or unknown ; for all  
 that I do not remember, or did not con-  
 sider : All Love, all Glory be to Thee.

The longer I live, O my God, the  
 more Reason I have to love Thee ; be-  
 cause every Day supplies me with fresh  
 Experience, and new Instances of thy  
 Love to me : And therefore all Love,  
 all Glory be to Thee.

O most adorable Majesty, I beseech  
 Thee, grant me such a Sense of thy Good-  
 ness as may express it self in a thank-  
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ful and zealous Obedience. O may I always love and revere, serve and obey so powerful and gracious a Lord.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord God, for all thy many Blessings and Deliverances, all thy Forbearance and Long-sufferance to this sinful Land and Nation : Glory be to Thee, O Lord, who hast made me also share in those publick Mercies : And for that Light of the Gospel Thou vouchsafest us ; of which the greatest Part of the World is totally ignorant.

Above all, I give most humble and hearty Thanks to Thee, O God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, for the Redemption of the World by the Death and Passion of our Saviour Christ, both God and Man ; who did humble himself to Death, even to the Death of the Cross, for us miserable Sinners, who lay in Darkness and the shadow of Death ; that He might make us the Children of God, and exalt us to eternal Life.

Glory be to Thee, O most condescending Majesty ; who didst stoop so low as to assume our frail Nature. Thou, O Eternal Word, didst become Flesh, and didst dwell among us, on purpose to save us : And therefore all Love, all Glory be to Thee.

Glory be to Thee, O most adorable Love, who didst undergo a whole Life of Sufferings, and at last didst submit to a sad and shameful, a publick and painful Death; and all this to save us, wretched Sinners, who had nothing in us to move Thee to pity us, but our extreme Misery; nothing to move Thee to save us, but our great Unworthiness, and thy greater Mercy.

O the Depth of the Riches of thy Love! Blessed Lord, how unutterable is thy Mercy, and thy Love past finding out!

Glory be to Thee, O Thou great Champion of Love, who didst for our sakes singly encounter all our Ghostly Enemies; who didst thy Self taste of Death, that Thou mightest take away the Sting of Death; who didst wrestle with Principalities and Powers, and all the Force of Hell, that we might share in thy Victory: For which Wonders of Love, I will always praise and love Thee.

Glory be to Thee, O triumphant Majesty; who now sittest in full and peaceful Possession of Bliss at the right **Hand of God**, adored by Angels, and interceeding for Sinners: All our Hopes of Heaven, our Resurrection, Ascension, and Glorification, depend on, and are derived from Thine; and are all the Trophies of thy Love to us: And there-

therefore I will always praise and love Thee.

With all my Heart, O God, I love and praise Thee; who art so infinitely excellent in thy Self, and so full of Love to us, that all I can know or believe of Thee, excites me to adore and love Thee.

Lord, daily encrease my Faith, and heighten my Love; that I may believe and love Thee as entirely, as becomes one entirely devoted to Thee.

Glory be to Thee, O most indulgent Love, for sending the Holy Spirit in thy stead; and for promising it to our Prayers: All Love, all Glory be to Thee.

Glory be to Thee, O Spirit of Love, for shedding the Love of God abroad in our Hearts; for filling those that love Thee with Exuberance of Joy and Consolation: All Love, all Glory be to Thee.

Glory be to Thee, O blessed Spirit, Glory be to Thee, for all the miraculous Gifts and Graces Thou didst bestow upon the Apostles, to fit them to convert the World; and for inspiring the sacred Penmen of holy Scripture:

Glory be to Thee, for instilling holy Thoughts into my Soul; for all the ghostly Strength and Support, and Comfort and Illumination, I receive from Thee; for all thy preventing,

and restraining, inciting, assisting, and sanctifying Grace: All Glory be to Thee.

O Thou blessed Spirit and Comforter, purifie my Soul, and infuse thy Love into it, and consecrate it to be thy Temple: And set all my Affections on Fire; that my Heart may be a continual Sacrifice of Love offered up to Thee, and the Flame may be ever aspiring towards Thee.

O sacred and mysterious Trinity! though I cannot comprehend Thee; yet, I beseech Thee, accept my humble Adorations of thy infinite and essential Glories and Perfections, and my hearty Thanksgivings for the continual Demonstration of thy Goodness to me, and all thy Servants.

Glory be to Thee, O most adorable Trinity, for being the joint Authors of our Salvation: Glory be to Thee, O Father, forgiving; O Son, propitiating; O Holy Ghost, purifying.

I miserable Sinner, who sigh, and pant, and languish for thy Forgiveness, and to be at Peace with Thee; praise, and adore, and love that most sweet and liberal, tender and amiable Mercy, that delights in forgiving and saving Sinners.

May thy infinite Goodness and Greatness, O glorious Lord, be for ever by all Men confest, admired, adored, and mag-

magnified, both in private and publick,  
in our Hearts, our Mouths, and our Lives..

Let the People praise Thee, O God ;  
yea, let all the People of the World praise  
Thee.

To God the Father, who first loved  
us, and made us accepted in the Belov-  
ed ; to God the Son, who loved us, and  
washed us from our Sins in his own  
Blood ; to God the Holy Ghost, who  
sheds the Love of God abroad in our  
Hearts ; be all Love, and all Glory, for  
Time, and for Eternity.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord most High.

## For MONDAY.

### *For the Love of God.*

**G**lory be to Thee, O great Jehovah ;  
who, to constrain us to love and ob-  
bey Thee, art pleased to honour every  
faithful Soul with a near and intimate  
Propriety in thy self, and graciously to  
declare, *I am the Lord thy God.*

O gracious Lord, what is it possible  
for me to desire more, than to have Thee  
for my God ?

If Thou be my God, the Relation  
ought to be mutual, and I must be thy  
Servant : O be Thou my God, and let  
me be thy Servant for ever..

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Glorious Jehovah! if Thou be my God, and if I truly love Thee; I can never suffer any Creature to be thy Rival, or to share my Heart with Thee; I can have no other God, no other Love, but Thee.

O infinite Goodness, Thou art altogether amiable; whatever is amiable besides Thee, is no farther amiable than it bears some Impressions on it of thy Amiability: And therefore all Love, all Glory be to Thee alone.

O Thou, who only art worthy to be loved, instil into my Soul so entire, reverential a Love of Thee, that I may love nothing but for thy sake, or in subordination to thy Love: Let thy Love so entirely possess my Soul, that there may be no Room for any Thing else.

My God, what can a Soul enamour'd of Thee, ever desire but Thee? O let not the World, nor any thing in it, have any Place in my Heart; but withdraw all my Affections from thence, and fix them on Thee.

O my God, Thou art the great Searcher of Hearts, and dost not only require outward Acts of Duty, but the inward Disposition of the Heart: The Heart is the chief Sacrifice Thou requirest; the Heart is the proper Seat of thy Love: And therefore I wholly devote my Heart unto Thee. O

O my God, Create in me a clean Heart, that the Fountain of Action being clean, the Streams may run clean also.

Give me a Heart, O Thou that only canst change the Heart, entirely turn'd to Thee; that I thirsting after Thee, as the wearied Hart after the cool Streams, may forsake all the vain Complacencies of the World; refuse all Societies that are lewd, impious, and uncharitable. Mortifie in me all inordinate Love of sensual Pleasure; and grant that I may desire nothing but Thee. Let me have no Passions, but what may become thy Servant, and a Disciple of the Holy Jesus.

My God, let thy heavenly Love be the constant Byass of my Soul. O may it be the natural Spring and Weight of my Heart; and always move towards Thee.

Turn Thou me, O Lord; and so shall I be turned. Turn, O Lord, the whole Stream of my Affections, from sensual Loves, to the Love of Thee.

O take from me all Affection to Sin and Vanity: Let not my Affections dwell below, but soar upwards to the Element of Love: Grant that I may love Thee and whatever Thou lovest, and hate whatever Thou hatest; and may know no Loves but the Love of God, and the most merciful Jesus.

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O my God, to love and to glorifie thy Name, is the great End of my Creation; which is still more enforced by my Redemption: Let it therefore be the greatest Business of my whole Life to love, and to glorifie it, all the possible Ways I can; by my Mouth, by my Conversation, by my publick Confession of Thee before Men, even to Death, if ever Thou art pleas'd to call me to it, by engaging all I can to glorifie and love Thee. O happy Life! O blessed Death! which is spent, and expires, in Glorifying and Loving Thee.

O my God, fix in my Soul an habitual pure Intention of thy Glory in all my Actions; that whether I eat or drink, or whatever I do, I may do all to the Honour of Thee my Beloved.

O bounteous God, to all thy Favours add this one, of making me esteem Thee above them all: Let nothing seem pleasant to me, but that which is pleasing to Thee; and let me never think any thing tedious or troublesome, that may promote thy Glory.

O my good God, keep me always Thine, and let nothing ever be able to divorce me from thy Love. Extinguish the impure Flame of Lust, and whatever evil Inclination Thou seest in me.

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Give me, O Lord, an excellent Spirit, a Spirit active and vigorous in the Performance of my Duty. Raise Thou the Powers of my Soul by thy Love ; that I may love Thee with all my Heart, praise Thee acceptably, and honour Thee unfeignedly all the Days of my Life. Let me have no Life, but in Thee ; no Care, but to serve, please, and enjoy Thee ; no Ambition, but thy Glory.

O my God, I humbly, I earnestly pray to Thee, to give me continual Supplies of thy Grace ; that I may continue in thy Love to my Life's End ; that being faithful unto Death, I may receive the Crown of Life, through the Merits and Mercies of Jesus thy Beloved.  
*Amen, Amen.*

## For T U E S D A Y.

### *A Prayer for Purity and Devotion.*

**O** Eternal Purity ; Thou art brighter than the Sun, purer than the Angels ; and the Heavens are not clean in thy Sight : With Mercy behold thy Servant, apt. to be tempted with every Object, and to be overcome by every Enemy. I cannot, O God, stand in the Day of Battle and Danger, unless Thou coverest me with thy Shield, and hidest  
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me under thy Wings; the fiery Darts of the Devil are ready to consume me, unless the Dew of thy Grace for ever descend upon me.

Create in me a clean Heart, O God; and be pleased to preserve me so pure and spotless, that my Body may be a holy Temple, and my Soul a Sanctuary to entertain thy divine Spirit, the Spirit of Purity and Holiness, the Prince of Light and Love.

O let no impure Thoughts pollute, that Soul which God has sanctified; no unclean Words pollute, that Tongue which God has commanded to be an Organ of his Praises; no unholy or unchaste Action, pollute that Temple which the holy Jesus hath been pleased to enter, and hath chosen for his Habitation.

Seal up all my Senses from all vain Objects; and let them be entirely possessed with Religion, and fortified with Prudence, Watchfulness, and Mortification.

O my God, let thy purest Love, who art Purity it self, create in me a perfect Abhorrence of all Impurity; that I may purifie my self, as Thou, Lord, art pure.

I know, O holy Lord, I can never be Partaker of the Divine Nature, unless I escape the Pollution that is in the World through Lust. O do Thou there-

therefore cleanse me from all Filthiness of Flesh and Spirit, that I may perfect Holiness in thy Fear.

Give me Grace to possess my Vessel in Sanctification and Honour, and to keep thy Temple holy; that the Spirit of Love may always there inhabit.

O fill my Soul with holy Desires, Holy as the Thoughts of a Cherubim. Give me Promptness and Alacrity to obey Thee, resembling that of the holy Angels. Give me Purity and Piety, Prudence and Modesty, like those Excellencies Thou didst create in the ever-blessed Virgin. Grant that my Employment may be always holy, unmixt with worldly Affections; and, as much as my Condition of Life will bear, retired from secular Interests and Disturbances; that I may converse with Angels, and entertain the holy Jesus in my Soul.

Let me know no Loves but those of Duty and Charity, Obedience and Devotion: That I may for ever run after Thee, who art the King of Virgins; and for whose Sake Queens have died, and Kings, with Joy, have laid down their Crowns and Scepters.

Pardon, O good God, all my vain Thoughts, all my Impurities: And grant that I being a Member of Christ, may not

not become the Member of a Harlot ;  
 neither the Slave of the Devil, nor a Ser-  
 vant of Lust and unworthy Desires.  
 But do Thou purifie my Love, and let  
 me seek the Things that are above ; ha-  
 ting even the Garments spotted with the  
 Flesh. Let me never any more grieve  
 thy Holy Spirit by filthy Inclinations, or  
 with impure & fantastick Thoughts: But  
 let my Thoughts be holy, my Soul pure,  
 my Body chaste and healthful, my Spirit  
 severe, devout, and religious, every Day  
 more and more ; that at the Day of our  
 Appearing, I may be presented to God  
 pure and spotless, being washed and  
 cleansed by the Blood of the Holy Lamb  
 Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen, Amen.*

### *For W E D N E S D A Y.*

*For a holy and useful Conversation.*

**O** Eternal God ; who madest all  
 Things for Man ; and Man for  
 thy Glory ; Sanctifie my Body and Soul,  
 my Thoughts and my Affections, my  
 Words and Actions, my Passions and  
 Intentions ; that whatsoever I shall think,  
 or do, or speak, may be by me designed  
 to the Glorification of thy Name, and  
 by thy Blessing may be successful and  
 effectual in the Work of God, as  
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far as it can be capable. Lord, turn my Necessities into Virtue, the Works of Nature into Grace; by making them orderly, regular, temperate, subordinate to Ends beyond their own proper Efficacy. And let no Pride or Self-seeking, no Covetousness or Revenge, no Vanity or Affectation, no little Ends or low Imaginations, pollute my Spirit, or unhallow any of my Words or Actions: But let my Body be a Servant of my Spirit, and both Body and Spirit Servants of Jesus; that doing all things for thy Glory here, I may be a Partaker of thy Glory hereafter, through Jesus Christ.

Lord, teach me to watch over all my Ways, that I may never sin against Thee. Set a Watch before my Mouth, and keep the Door of my Lips; that I offend not in my Tongue, either against Piety or Charity. Teach me to think of nothing but Thee, and what is in order to thy Glory and Service; to speak of nothing but Thee and thy Glories; and to do nothing but what becomes thy Servant, whom thy infinite Mercy, by the Grace of the holy Spirit, hath sealed up to the Day of Redemption.

O my God, keep my Love always watchful and on its Guard; that in thy negative Precepts, I may resist all Temptations to Evil: Keep my Love warm  
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with an habitual Zeal; that in all thy affirmative Precepts, I may lay hold on all Seasons, Occasions, and Opportunities of doing Good.

Let thy Love, O Thou that only art worthy to be beloved, make me careful and industrious to persuade and engage others to love Thee, and to keep thy Commands, as well as my self: O let me ever be seeking Occasions to excite all I can to adore and love Thee.

I know, O holy Lord, Thou needest not my Service: But, I beseech Thee, accept my Ambition of being serviceable to Thee, and bless me both with Strength and Opportunities for it; and, if it may be thy holy Will, with Success therein.

Fill my Mind, I beseech Thee, with the noblest Thoughts; that I may have something worthy to communicate and impart to those I converse with. Inspire my Heart with the devoutest Affections; that my Behaviour may be a holy Incentive, and may raise up holy Flames in the Breasts of all that are about me.

Lord, let all my Actions be pious and prudent; my self wise as a Serpent, and innocent as a Dove; and my whole Life exemplary, just, and charitable.

O my God, let all my Actions speak my Love and Obedience to thy Commandments : And Thou having possessed my Soul, and all my Faculties, during my whole Life ; let me possess thy Glories in the Fruition of a happy Eternity, thro' the infinite Merits of my crucified Saviour.

O Holy Lord, I beseech Thee, never suffer any Person to have Cause to accuse their Relation to me, or Acquaintance with me, for betraying them into Sin here, or Misery hereafter : But grant that all that are under my Care or Power, may receive such wholesome Influence from me, as may nourish all Christian Practice among them : And grant, O Lord, that my Behaviour and Example may be such to all, that I may never prove to any an Occasion of Falling.

Let me never contribute any thing to that Power which Vice has gotten in the World ; but with a steady Courage oppose all Impiety, how customary or fashionable soever ; let me think nothing honourable, but what bears thy Stamp and Impress upon it. Engage, and animate, and inflame my benumbed Breast to the most eager and vigorous Endeavours of recovering discountenanced Virtue to some Esteem  
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and Reputation among Men : And let the Conscience of my former great Sloth and Unfaithfulness in all Parts of my Stewardship, excite me to a more diligent and industrious Improvement of all those Advantages Thou hast put into my Hands, for thy Glory, and the Benefit of my Neighbour, and the eternal Joy of my own Soul : Grant this for Jesus Christ his Sake.

Grant, O gracious Lord, that by an assiduous Practice of all Duty, I may arrive to such a Gust and Relish of it, as may supplant all sensual Delights in my own Heart, and may qualifie me also to let others know how sweet it is to serve the Lord : That I may be an effectual, tho' unworthy, Instrument of drawing many to the Obedience of Christ. And grant that renouncing all the vain Ambitions of this World, I may aspire to no other Honour but that of being approved by Thee as a good and faithful Servant ; that by thy Mercy, having my Infirmities cover'd, and my Sincerity accepted, I may at the last be admitted into the Joy of my Lord, through the Merits of my blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

O God, the Strength of all that put their Trust in Thee, mercifully accept my

my Prayers ; and because, through the Weakness of my mortal Nature, I can do no good Thing without Thee, grant me the Help of thy Grace ; that in keeping thy Commandments I may please Thee both in Will and Deed, through Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

## *For* T H U R S D A Y.

### *A Prayer against Temptation.*

**O** Almighty and most gracious God, the Aid of all that trust in Thee ; look down with an Eye of Mercy and Pity upon me, thy poor Creature, who fly to Thee for Succour.

Thou seest, O holy Lord, that I am set in the Midst of so many and great Dangers, that without thy Help I cannot avoid my Ruin ; my ghostly Enemies are every Moment solliciting, enticing, alluring, or tempting me to Evil : Oh ! be merciful to me, save, help, and deliver me.

Thou seest, O my God, how infirm I am ; and how ready my own deceitful Heart is to betray it self to the Tempter. Alas ! I justly suspect my own Weakness, I fear the Power and Policy of my Enemies ; and therefore do most passionately and earnestly beseech

beseech Thee, not to leave me to myself ; but to support me by thy mighty Grace ; and by how much the more I discover my Weakness, so much the more to shew forth thy Power in me.

Lord, Thou knowest whereof I am made ; remember then that I am but Flesh : And Flesh, O Lord, is weak and frail ; it is thy Spirit, thy Spirit alone, that can uphold me : O establish me with thy free Spirit ; that no Temptation may ever be able to shake my Constancy, but that I may continue thy faithful and unfeigned Servant to my Life's End.

O Lord, I beseech Thee, remember the Frailty of me thy poor Creature, and vouchsafe to keep me wholly and throughout : Direct by thy Wisdom, sanctifie by thy Grace, and govern by thy Providence, all the Affections of my Heart, and the Members of my Body : Be pleased, O gracious Lord, to preserve me both in Body and Soul, from Sin and Danger ; and assist me so by thy Grace, that I may be enabled to discharge all my Duty, and glorifie thy Name. Lord, Thou knowest, that my Ways are not in mine own Power ; wherefore I commit them to Thee, who art able to bring them to pass. Thou hast hitherto been my Succour ;  
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leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my Salvation. With-hold not any good Thing from me, because I am unworthy : Nor deal with me as I deserve ; but as I desire, and hope for. I put my Trust in no other but Thee ; in whom none that hath trusted, was ever disappointed, or ashamed. Oh ! therefore do not despise me ; nor turn away my Prayers, nor thy Mercy from me ; but hear me, and help me, I humbly beseech Thee, for Jesus Christ his Sake.

O my God, look down upon thy wretched Pilgrim ; and teach me to look up to Thee, and to see thy Goodness in the Land of the Living. Thou that boughtest Heaven for me, guide me thither ; and for the Price it cost Thee, for thy Mercies Sake, in spite of all Temptations, enlighten Thou my Soul, direct it, crown it.

Dear Jesus, hear me ; and tho' Satan hath desired to have me, that he may sift me as Wheat ; yet do Thou, O blessed Mediator, pray for me, that my Faith fail not. Oh ! be Thou my Strength : I being not able, of my Self, to struggle with the slightest Temptations.

How often have I turned my Back in the Day of Battle ? How many Times have I been Confederate with thy Enemies ? O my God, suffer me no more,

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I beseech Thee, to turn thy Grace into Wantonness, to make thy Mercy an Occasion of Security. Let me no more thus start aside, like a broken Bow ; but do, Thou lift up my Hands that hang down, and strengthen my feeble Knees, that I faint not in this Warfare. Oh ! grant me Power and Strength to get the Victory, and to triumph over the World, the Flesh, and the Devil : And to continue thy unfeigned Servant unto my Life's End ; that being faithful unto Death, I may receive a Crown of Life, through thy Merits and Mercies, O holy and ever-blessed Jesus. *Amen. Amen.*

O God, I beseech Thee mercifully to hear my Prayers ; and grant, that I may both perceive and know what Things I ought to do, and also may have Grace and Power faithfully to fulfil the same, through Jesus Christ my Lord. *Amen.*

### *For* F R I D A Y.

*For Pardon of Sins, and Grace to subdue them.*

**L** O R D, be merciful to me, a poor, miserable Sinner : Heal my Soul ; for I have grievously sinned against Thee. Oh !

Oh ! be merciful to my Unrighteousness, hear my Prayers, and accept my Repentance, for Jesus Christ his Sake.

I have sinned, O Lord God, I have sinned, and done Evil in thy Sight : I have grievously offended Thee, throughout the whole Course of my Life, by Omissions and Commissions, by Ignorance and Presumption, by Carelessness and Vanity. Lord, which of thy Commandments have I not broken ? which of thy Ordinances have I not profaned ? which of thy Mercies have I not contemned ? Oh me ! My whole Life hath been as one continued Act of Sinning against Thee. If I pray ; 'tis so coldly and remissly, as if I needed not, or cared not to be relieved : If I praise Thee with my Lips ; yet my Heart is far from Thee. My Faith is weak, my Hope infirm, my Charity little, my real good Works none at all. My Thoughts are wicked and vain, my Words deceitful and impertinent, my Actions trifling, unprofitable, and wicked. (\*)

Thus, O Lord, I am become out of Measure sinful : And since I have thus chosen Death, and I am most worthy to take my Part in it ; even in the second Death, the Lake of Fire and Brimstone. I have given Thee just Cause to let loose thy Wrath and Indignation against me ;

which will be to my utter Ruin, if thy Mercy do not help me.

Lord, my Guilt is evident, my Danger apparent; and my Estate, without thy Help, is most deplorable: Therefore in this Distress, I do beseech Thee to have Mercy upon me; and since my Necessity forces me to be importunate, I must cry again, Have Mercy upon me. I know Thou art a most merciful Father; and therefore, tho' by my Sins I am unworthy to be called thy Child, yet I hope thy Bowels will yearn on me. I lie prostrate before Thee; begging of Thee, for thy dearly beloved Son my Lord Jesus Christ his Sake, and by the Merits of his Cross and Passion, to forgive me freely and fully all that is past, from the Beginning of my Life to this very Moment.

My God, I humbly, I earnestly beg Mercy, Pardon, and Forgiveness for all my Sins; Oh! be Thou graciously pleased to remit them all, and to receive me into thy Favour, for Jesus Christ's Sake.  
*Amen.*

Lord, make me an Instance of thy Mercy: And grant that when I have received so excellent and undeserved a Favour, I may, as engaged thereby, for ever after beware of falling back into the like Sin and Misery. Convert me, O gracious God, as well as pardon me; and enable

able me most obediently to serve, and most entirely to please Thee, by spending the rest of my Time in Newness of Life, and all holy Conversation. Heal all my Backslidings, repair all my Breaches, mortifie all my irregular and inordinate Desires ; and sanctifie me throughout both in Soul and Body. Oh ! give me hearty Repentance, and sincere Contrition for all my Sins past ; and give me thy preventing and restraining Grace for the future ; and let me never wilfully offend Thee any more.

O Lord, hear me, and graciously answer me ; and let me not go from thy Presence without a Blessing ; a Blessing of Pardon and Peace, a Blessing of thy Spirit and of thy Grace. Ah ! speak Peace to my poor Heart ; and let me know and feel, that Thou forgivest me. Turn not thy merciful Ears from my Prayers ; but hear me, and help me, pardon and accept me ; and do for me, and for all thy Servants, abundantly above what we are able to ask or think, for Jesus Christ his Sake : To whose Intercession for me do Thou say, Amen ; and it shall be to me according to thy Word.  
*Amen. Amen.*



*A Form of General Intercession.*

**O** Eternal God, who art the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, and for his Sake inclinable to shew us Mercy, relieving all that fly to Thee for Help; Hear the humble Prayers of me thy poor Servant, who am unworthy to ask any Petition for my self, yet in Duty am bound to pray for others. Oh! despise me not for my Unworthiness, cast not out my Prayers, nor turn thy Mercy from me; but hear me, and help me, and accept my poor Petitions, for Jesus Christ his Sake.

Let thy Mercy, O Lord, descend upon the whole Race of Mankind, however distressed, or wheresoever dispersed over the Face of the whole Earth: Enlighten all that sit in Darkness; all Jews, Turks, Infidels, Atheists, and Hereticks: And bring all Sinners to true Repentance, before it be too late. Let that Grace of Thine, O God, which bringeth Salvation, effectually appear to every one of us; teaching us to deny all Ungodliness and worldly Lusts, and to live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present evil World.

And in these Realms and Dominions, I beseech Thee, in a special Manner, ever  
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to bless thy Servant, our Sovereign Lady Queen *Anne* : Preserve Her Person, and prosper Her Reign ; endue Her with all those Gifts and Graces which may make Her a Terror to evil Works, and a great Promoter of thy Glory : Make Her Government a lasting Blessing to these Kingdoms ; that under Her we may lead quiet and peaceable Lives, in all Godliness and Honesty.

Bless Her, and all her Royal Relations, with a great Measure of all Temporal good Things, and with Eternal Glory in the World to come.

And let thy Blessing, O Lord, be upon all Orders and Degrees of Men among us ; from the highest to the lowest. Bless all the Nobility with true Piety, firm Loyalty, and uncorrupted Policy. Grant that they may excel others as much in Goodness, as in Greatness ; and make them all signal Instruments of thy Glory, and Examples of every divine Grace and Virtue.

Bless all the Judges and Magistrates with upright Hearts, fearing Thee, and hating Covetousness.

Bless the Gentry and Commonalty with Hearts religious towards Thee their God, Loyal towards the Queen, and loving and charitable to each other.

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Bless that Part of thy Church, which thine own right Hand has planted, and hitherto (Blessed be thy Name) so mercifully protected amongst us : Lord, water it with the Dew of thy heavenly Blessing; that it may spring and flourish still more and more ; and let no Weapon, formed against it, ever prosper. Assert thine own Truth, O God, and maintain thine own Cause in the World ; and suffer not foolish Men to blaspheme thy Name.

Bless, O Lord, this great City with Prosperity and Peace : Open our Eyes to see, and incline our Hearts, in good earnest to regard the great Things which truly belong to our Peace ; and let us never provoke Thee to hide them from our Eyes.

Have Mercy, O God, upon this sinful Land and Nation : In Mercy pardon our many great and crying Sins, compose our unhappy Differences, blast and consume our Errors and Heresies ; establish and settle us upon Foundations of Truth and Peace, never to be shaken.

Remove the Evils we still lie under ; avert those we have just Cause to fear : And however thou shalt think fit to correct us for our Sins ; yet never deprive us of the Means of our Reformation. Leave us not to our Selves, to the Lusts of our own Hearts ; but appoint what  
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Thou see'st most apt to reduce us : And that thy outward Applications may be no longer in vain, enforce and enliven them with inward ; and by the sweet Insinuations of thy blessed Spirit subdue our obstinate Perverseness, and give us at the last such Grace as we may not turn into Wantonness.

O Thou, to whom all Things are possible, who hast done so great Things for us, work yet a greater Miracle in us ; and of a prophane and ungrateful Nation, make us a holy People, acceptable to Thee. Let all Ranks and Conditions of Men as universally and industriously combine to propitiate, as they have done to provoke Thee ; that so by bringing forth worthy Fruits of Repentance, we may escape thy Wrath, both Temporal and Eternal.

Have Mercy upon all the Sons and Daughters of Affliction ; however distressed, in Body or Mind : Those that are afflicted in Conscience, Good Lord, relieve them ; and cause Thou the broken Bones again to rejoice : Those that are troubled or persecuted for Conscience, Good Lord, support and comfort them under their Sufferings ; and grant them a happy Deliverance out of all their Troubles : Those that are afflicted in Body, Good Lord, give them Ease ;

make Thou all their Beds in their Sickness (especially those whose Conditions are known to me, or who desire an Interest in the Prayers of the Church) Lord, visit them with thy Salvation; restore them to Joy, Peace, and Comfort, if it be thy Blessed Will; pardon their Sins, and save their Souls, for Jesus Christ his Sake.

Bless thine own Portion, the Ministers of thy sacred Word and Ordinances, (particularly those to whom I am peculiarly obliged) Make them all burning and shining Lights; that they may adorn that holy Religion they profess, and put to silence the Ignorance of foolish Men; and by their good Preaching and holy Living, promote the Glory of thy Name, and the Good of Souls.

And now, Lord, let thy Blessing, I beseech Thee, be upon me, and on all my near Relations and Friends, Neighbours and Acquaintance (\*) Lord, Thou best knowest all our Conditions, all our Desires, all our Wants: Oh! be Thou graciously pleased to suit thy Graces and Blessings to our several Necessities of Soul and Body.

Depute thy holy Angels to guard our Persons, thy Holy Spirit to guide our Souls, thy Providence to minister to our Necessities. Let all things happen to us  
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in that Order and Disposition, as may best promote thy greatest Glory and our Duty, our Likeness to Christ, and the Honour of his Kingdom. And let thy Grace and Mercy preserve us all from the bitter Pains of eternal Death, and bring us to eternal Life, through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Hear me, O Lord, and graciously answer me, I humbly beseech Thee; and do for me, and all thy Servants, abundantly above what we are able to ask or think. Hear me for them, and hear them for me; and hear thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ for us all: In Confidence of whose Merits, and Hope of his Mediation, I present these Supplications to Thee; beseeching Thee, for his Sake, that they may be acceptable in thy Sight, and may obtain thy Favour and Blessing, even all that Thou see'st necessary for our Souls and Bodies, in order to thy Glory, and our Salvation. *Amen.*

O Thou that sittest at the right Hand of God, using all thy powerful Interest there, in behalf of thy Servants; I beseech Thee, join thy powerful Intercessions, with my humble Suits, to the Throne of Grace; that for thy Sake I may be heard and accepted. *Amen. Amen.*

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## For S A T U R D A Y.

*A Prayer for Humility.*

**O** Holy and gracious Master and Saviour Jesus; who by thy Example hast taught, and by thy Precepts commanded me to be Meek and Humble, in Imitation of thy incomparable Sweetness and great Humility; be pleased to give me the Grace, as Thou hast given me the Commandment.

Oh! mortifie in me all proud Thoughts and vain Opinions of my self; and let me return to Thee the Acknowledgments of all those good Things I have received from Thee; confessing I am wholly in Debt to Thee for them; not boasting my self for what I have received, and for what I am highly accountable.

O my God, make me humbly and thankfully to acknowledge; whence, and how, I have received all that I have, all that I am.

Let not those Advantages I enjoy above others, tempt me to exalt my self, and despise them; but make me always to remember, and seriously to consider, that it is Thou only that makest me differ from another.

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It is, O Lord, thy restraining Grace alone, by which I have been kept back from any the greatest Sin; and it is thy inciting and assisting Grace alone, by which I have been enabled to do any the least Good: Therefore not unto me, not unto me; but to thy Name be the Praise.

Oh! take from me all Vanity, and phantastick Complacencies in my own Person or Actions; and give me Grace to return all the Glory to Thee.

Let me never seek the Praise of Men, nor delight in it when it is offered; but fear and tremble, lest I deserve Punishment, and lose a Reward which Thou hast promised to those that seek thy Glory, and despise their own.

Thou, O Lord, didst triumph over Sin and Death; subdue also my Pride and Vanity, that I be not puffed up to contemn my Brethren, nor use any of the Gifts Thou bestowest upon me, to their Discouragement; but grant that, with true Modesty and Lowliness of Mind, I may ever seek the Profit and the Peace of all, and esteem my self inferior to all, by a deep Sense of my Sins and Unworthiness.

Thou, Lord, hast said, that he that humbleth himself, shall be exalted: Oh! let this gracious Promise encourage me to follow Thee in thy Humility; that I  
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may in all Things obey thy Laws, and conform my self to thy Precedents, and at last enter into thy Inheritance, for thy Merits and Mercies Sake, O holy and eternal Jesus. *Amen.*

I am sensible, O Lord, how unable I am to perform, or attain any thing that is good, without thy Aid : For which I humbly look up to Heaven ; distrusting my Self, and confiding wholly in the Power of the Lord Jesus ; who is present, by his Holy Spirit, to all those that place their Strength and Confidence in his Almighty Grace. Oh ! grant me a lively Sense of my entire Dependance upon thy Bounty ; and of my Unworthiness to enjoy the least of those Favours Thou hast bestowed upon me. Increase all thy Gifts and Graces in me ; that I may every Day grow more fit for thy Service, and be more capable of promoting thy Honour and Glory : And grant that, after a diligent Improvement of all those Talents Thou hast entrusted me with, I may at last be received into the Joy of my Lord : Grant this for Jesus Christ his Sake. *Amen.*

O God, who seest that I put not my Trust in any thing that I do ; mercifully accept my Prayers : And because, through the Weakness of my mortal Nature,

Nature, I can do no good Thing without Thee, grant me the Assistance of thy Grace; that in Keeping thy Commandments, I may please Thee both in Will and Deed, through Jesus Christ.  
*Amen. Amen.*

## For SUNDAY.

### *A Prayer for Heavenly-mindedness.*

**O** Infinite Love! it is my Duty and my Happiness to love Thee; but alas! my own sad experience teaches me, how little able I am to love.

Ah! Lord, there is a dark Cloud of Ignorance spread over my Soul, that intercepts thy Beams; I cannot clearly see, I cannot fully know, how lovely Thou art.

Ah! Lord, whenever any Gleams of thy Loveliness break in upon my Spirit, and attract my Will, a Crowd of strange Loves importune and tempt me to wander after them.

Since, O my God, I can of my self neither know, nor love Thee; since I cannot by my own Strength do those Things Thou requirest, nor think so much as one good Thought; whither shall I fly, but only to thy free and unbounded Goodness? Thou art my Hope,  
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my Help, and my Salvation; Thou only canst teach and enable me to know, and to love thy own Goodness.

Oh! Lord, that I could wait and long for thy Salvation. Oh! that I could so mind the Things above, as to be a Stranger in Affections to the Things below.

Oh, that my Soul could be wrapt up to Heaven in Desire : Or that mine Eyes, by the Light of Faith, could see but a Glympe of the Heavenly Glory! How should I trample upon these poor Vanities of the Earth! How willingly should I endure all Sorrows, all Torments! How scornfully should I pass by all Pleasures! How should I long for my Dissolution!

I have seen enough of this Earth; and I have loved it too much. Oh! let me now see Heaven; and love it so much more, as the Things there are more worthy to be loved.

Alas! Lord, it is my Misery, that I love my Pain; how long shall these Vanities thus besot me? It is Thou only, that canst turn away mine Eyes from regarding these Follies, and my Heart from affecting them: Thou only; who, as Thou wilt one Day receive my Soul into Heaven, so now before-hand, canst fix my Soul upon Heaven and Thee. Oh! carry it up therefore; Thou that hast created, and redeemed it, carry it  
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up to thy Glory. Let me not always be thus dull and brutish ; let not these Scales of earthly Affections always dim and blind my Eyes : Illuminate them from above ; and in thy Light let me see Light.

My God, look down upon thy wretched Pilgrim ; and teach me to look up to Thee, and to see thy Goodness in the Land of the Living. O Thou that hast prepared a Place for my Soul, prepare my Soul for that Place ; prepare it with Holiness, prepare it with Desire ; and while it sojourns on Earth, let it dwell in Heaven with Thee, beholding ever the glorious Beauty of thy Face.

O Thou whom my Soul loveth ; since Thou hast left the World, what was there ever in it worthy of our Love ? Ah ! let all my Affections ascend after Thee, and never return to the Earth more : For whom have I in Heaven, but Thee ? and there is none upon Earth that I desire in Comparison of Thee.

O most glorious God, tho' Thou fillest all Places, yet thy Glory is most manifested in Heaven, and there thy Majesty does most illustriously dwell ; and to thy Throne there are we to lift up our Hearts, when we pray. Let my

my Soul therefore fly up to Thee, when I pray, in heavenly Thoughts, Desires, and Love : And let me savour nothing of Earth, whenever I treat with Thee in Heaven.

Lord, give me Grace, in Imitation of the blessed Spirits above, to set Thee always before me. Ravish my Soul with a lively Sense of thy Amiableness. Ah ! vouchsafe me one short Glympe of thy Goodness. Oh ! that I could once tast and see, how Gracious Thou art ; that all Things else might become tasteless to me : Then would my Desires be always flying up to Thee : Then I should render Thee Love, Praise, and Obedience, pure and chearful, constant and zealous, universal and uniform ; like that the holy Angels render Thee in Heaven.

O my God, let the Love of Thee and heavenly Things so entirely possess my Heart, and all my Affections, that there may be no room left for earthly Vanities. Fill my Heart with Thanksgivings for the Blessings, Praises of the Excellencies, Adoration of the Majesty, and a Zeal for the Glory of Thee my Beloved.

Oh ! that I could forget all other Things whenever I present my self before Thee, my God ; that I could ascend in my Thoughts, Desires, and Resolutions,

solutions, to Heaven, where Jesus is ; and when I come down again to converse with Things below, could look upon them with Contempt : To this End I beseech Thee, fill every Faculty of my Soul with Devotion, that I may be possessed with Zeal and religious Affections ; loving Thee above all Things in this World, worshiping Thee with the humblest Adorations, and frequent Addresses ; continually feeding upon the Apprehensions of thy divine Sweetness and infinite Excellencies, and Observations of all thy righteous Commandments ; that at last, from this deliciousness of Employment, I may pass into the Society of Saints and Angels, whose Work it is, with eternal Joy and Thanksgiving, to sing Praises to him that sits upon the Throne, to the Holy Spirit, and to the Lamb for ever : To whom be ascribed, as is most due, all Honour and Praise, Dominion and Thanks, by all Angels, and all Men, and all Creatures ; now, and to all Eternity. *Amen. Amen.*

Grant, I beseech Thee, Almighty God, that like as I do believe thine only begotten Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, to have ascended into the Heavens ; so I may also in Heart and Mind thither ascend, and with him continually dwell, who liveth and

and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, World without End. *Amen.*

## *For* M O N D A Y.

*For Grace to spend our Time well.*

**O** Almighty God; who madest all Things for Man; and Man for thy Glory; and hast created me to serve Thee in this Generation according to my Capacity; give me Grace that I may be a curious and a prudent Spender of my Time; so that I may prevent or resist all Temptations, and be profitable to the Christian Common-wealth; and by discharging all my Duty, may glorifie thy Name.

O take from me all Slothfulness; and give me a diligent and an active Spirit, and Wisdom to chuse my Employment; that I may do Works proportionable to my Person, and the Dignity of a Christian; and may fill up all the Spaces of my Time with Actions of Religion, Devotion, and Charity.

Lord, since thy gracious Providence has placed me in a State of more Ease and Vacancy than some others; Oh! let me not pervert it by a Life of Idleness and Sensuality; let me not be less, but better

ter busied than they: Let me never incur the Guilt or Reproach of being more remiss and indifferent in my Intercourse with Thee, than others are in their Traffick with the World; but let me be always acting something of thy Will.

O holy Lord, who madest all Things for thy Glory; I beseech Thee, suffer not me to live an unprofitable Part of thy Creation; but give me Grace industriously to improve my Time, so as may be most for thy Glory.

Thou hast created, redeemed, and sanctified me, for thy holy Love, Praise, and Service: Oh! let thy Love, thy Praise, and Service, be the very Nature of my Soul, and the Employment and Pleasure of my whole Life.

I crave no other Pleasure or Felicity in this Life, than to know and love Thee more, and to be made instrumental in the Promoting thy Glory.

I beseech Thee, O Lord, to inspirit me by thy Grace; that I may not only approve, but obey thy Commands; that I may conquer all the Discouragements of Sloth or Vice, and cheerfully set to the Practice of all Christian Duty; that so I may experimentally find how sweet the Lord is.

Let it be my chiefest Study and Delight, in all Things to please Thee, to  
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promote thy Kingdom, and to do thy Will. Let nothing seem pleasant to me, but that which is pleasing to Thee : And let me never think any Thing tedious, or troublesome, that may promote thy Glory.

O blessed Jesus, who from thy very Infancy, didst make it thy whole Employment to do thy Father's Will, kindle in me a forward Zeal for thy Glory ; that I may consecrate all my Endeavours to thy Service, and make it the great Business of my Life to know and fear, to love and obey my heavenly Father.

Grant, Lord, I beseech Thee, that in whatever State Thou art pleas'd to place me, I may discharge all my Duty, and glorifie thy Name. Make me an Instrument of thy Glory, by serving Thee faithfully, and doing Good in my Generation.

Oh ! let me never fall under the Sentence of the slothful and wicked Servant : But grant me so to employ my Time, and all other Talents Thou hast intrusted me with ; that when Thou shalt call me to give an Account of my Stewardship, I may do it with Joy, and not with Grief. Grant this, O gracious Lord, for thy Son Jesus Christ his Sake. *Amen.*  
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O God, the Protector of all that trust in Thee, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy, increase and multiply upon me thy Grace and Mercy ; that Thou being my Ruler and Guide, I may so pass through Things temporal, that I finally lose not the Things eternal. Grant this, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ his Sake. *Amen. Amen.*

## For T U E S D A Y.

### *A Prayer for Wisdom.*

**O** Holy Lord, who hast graciously proclaimed to the World, that whoever wants Wisdom should ask it of Thee ; who neither deniest, nor upbraidest ; I beseech Thee, incline thine Ears to the hearty Desires of me thy poor Servant. Lord, I want Heavenly Wisdom to conceive aright of Heavenly Things : I want it ; and I humbly ask it of Thee : Oh ! give me Grace to ask it instantly ; and give me, according to thy Promise, abundantly.

I bless and praise Thee, O my gracious God, for all the Helps to Learning and Piety, all the Means of Grace, and Incentives of thy Love Thou hast mercifully afforded me : And I beseech Thee, give me Grace so to improve them  
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to thy Glory; that they may never upbraid me.

Possess me, I beseech Thee, with right Notions and Apprehensions of Thee. And bless me also with such Integrity of Heart; that I may both have the Peace of a good Conscience, which is a continual Feast, and be filled likewise with Joy in the Holy Ghost, out of a Sense of thy divine Favour to me, which is better than Life it self.

Deliver me both from unprofitable Sadness, and from vain Mirth; and help me to acquire an equal Tranquillity of Mind, and a becoming Cheerfulness of Spirit. Bear me up, I beseech Thee, above all the Afflictions which may befall me, by the Joys of Faith, Hope, and Love; that so I may recommend the Religion of our Lord Jesus to all others; and testifie to all the World, by my Alacrity in doing and suffering his blessed Will, that his Yoke is easie, and his Burden light.

My Hope is, that Thou, Lord, who hast never failed those that seek Thee, wilt perfect that which concerneth me, and not forsake the Works of thine own Hands. It is Thou whom my Soul seeketh, that I may have a more lively and prevailing Sense of Thee; that I may most ardently love Thee, and constantly adhere

adhere to thy Will, and do Thee Honour by a cheerful Observance of all thy Commandments.

They are not the Things which Thou hast never promised, which I come to beg of Thee; Riches, Honours, long Life, or the rest of the Goods of this World; (for which I refer my self to thy Wisdom, to give me what Portion of them Thou pleasest :) But thy Holy Spirit I most earnestly implore; which my Saviour hath told me, Thou wilt as readily bestow on those that ask it, as a tender-hearted Parent will give Food to his hungry Children when they cry to him. I desire only, that thy own Life may be nourished and protected in me, and vanquish all its Enemies; and be completed in a blessed Immortality.

I beg of Thee more of the Graces of Humility and Modesty, Patience and Charity, Purity and Devotion; and whatever Thou seest wanting in me, and necessary for me, in order to thy Glory and my Soul's Good. Let, I pray Thee, thy merciful Kindness in these Things be for my Comfort, according to thy Word unto thy Servant. I entreat thy Favour with my whole Heart: Oh! be merciful to me, according to thy Word; which hath pronounced those blessed that hunger and thirst after Righteousness

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teousness, and promised they shall be filled. Fill me with Goodness, and all the Fruits of Righteousness. And fill me with all Joy and Peace, in Believing that Thou wilt never leave me, nor forsake me; but wilt make me perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle me; and be my God for ever and ever, my Guide even unto Death.

And grant that the nearer I draw to that eternal World; I may be the more pure and separated from all earthly Mixtures, have the clearer Sight and Prospect of my Happiness, attain the greater Assurance of thy Love, and be the fuller of Joy in Hope of thy Glory. Pity my present Weakness, increase my Strength; help me not only to resist, but to overcome all Temptations; enable me to discharge the Duties of my several Relations: Fit me for all Varieties of Conditions; that so, in whatever State Thou shalt be pleased to place me, I may serve Thee faithfully, and do Good in my Generation; and may daily improve in all divine Qualities, till I come to an unchangeable Goodness and Happiness in the Regions of Joy and Glory.

O Holy Lord Jesus, Bless me, I beseech Thee, with all Abilities of Mind and Body, which may make me daily in-

increase in whatsoever is good and Praiseworthy: But above all, bless me with Wisdom from above, and give me thy holy Spirit to assist and enlighten me; that as I grow in Age, I may grow in Grace, and in Favour with God and Man; and every Day be more and more conformable to thy unsinning and divine Example. *Amen, Lord Jesus, Amen. Amen.*

## For WEDNESDAY.

### *A Prayer against Failings.*

**O** Thou most compassionate Saviour of sinful Man, look down from Heaven, and have Mercy upon me, wretched Sinner: Oh! save me: Oh! help me; for, without Thee, I can do nothing as I ought.

Miserable Wretch that I am! my very Prayers and Repentance, even the best of all my Performances, are accompanied with so many Failings, that I am sometimes afraid that Thou, Lord, wilt not hear such Prayers, nor regard such Repentance.

None can love Thee, O my God, and endeavour to keep thy holy Commandments, but his daily Failings in his Duty; his frequent, involuntary, and unavoidable

voidable Slips, Interruptions, and Wandrings, afflict and humble him; the Infirmities of lapsed Nature create him a kind of perpetual Martyrdom; because he can love Thee no more; because he can so little serve Thee.

But, Thou, O most compassionate Father, in thy Covenant of Grace, dost require Sincerity, not Perfection; and therefore I praise and love Thee.

O my God; tho' I cannot love and obey Thee as much as I desire, I will do it as much as I am able; I will endeavour to keep all thy Commandments with my whole Heart, and to the End. Oh! accept of my imperfect Duty; and supply all the Defects of it by the Merits, and Love, and Obedience of Jesus thy beloved.

I most humbly beseech thy divine Goodness, accept of those sincere Desires that Thou hast wrought in me: Graciously accept of these Pantings of my Soul after, a freer, and more delightful, Converse with Thee. (And pity the great Weakness and Dulness of my Nature, which will not always maintain within me, nor permit to continue long, such Ardors of Love as, by thy Grace, I sometimes feel in my Heart towards Thee.) Pity, Oh pity and take Compassion on me, when I am so heavy,

as not to be able to lift up my Eyes to Heaven ; or when I move so slowly, as if I had no Mind to serve Thee, in Works of Piety, Righteousness, and Charity.

Oh ! possess my Heart with such a mighty Love to Thee, as may set Thee always before me ; carry forth my Soul in ardent Desires after Thee, and fill me with an humble Confidence in Thee.

Make me watchful, active, and zealous in my Duty ; and never suffer me to distrust thy Pity and Indulgence, when I unwillingly offend Thee : And assure me of thy kind Intentions towards me, in all the cross Accidents of my Life.

Maintain in me such cheerful Thoughts of Thee, that Religion may be my Delight, as much as it is my Duty, and I may always approach Thee with a joyful Heart ; being glad to leave the Company of all other Things, to go to Thee, my God, my exceeding Joy.

Pardon, O good God, the Unaffectedness of my dull Heart ; and imprint on my Soul, an awful Sense of thy divine Majesty ; that I may shew a due regard to all the Parts of thy Worship, and may now and always attend upon Thee, with that profound Humility, becoming Reverence, and affective Devotion, that be-



comes a frail Creature, a miserable Sinner, before his Creator and his Judge.

Oh! raise Thou my Devotion to the highest Pitch it can possibly reach, to praise Thee; enlarge my Soul to its utmost Extent, to love Thee.

O boundless Love! when shall I love Thee in Heaven, without Coldness or Interruption! which, alas! too often seize me here below.

When, O my God; Oh! when shall I have the transporting Vision of thy most amiable Goodness, that I may unalterably love Thee; that I may never more offend Thee?

I cannot here attend thy Service one Minute without Distraction. Oh! when shall that Happy Day come, when all this wretched Worldliness removed, I shall solace my self in my God?

O Thou whom my Soul loveth, I would not desire Heaven, but because Thou art there; for Thou makest Heaven wherever Thou art. I would not, O Jesus, desire Life everlasting, but that I may there everlastingly love Thee.

O inexhaustible Love, do Thou eternally breath Love into me, that my Love to Thee may be eternally encreasing, and tending towards Infinity; since a Love less than Infinite is not worthy of Thee.

O most gracious Lord Jesus, do Thou pity me, and accept my weak and imperfect Performances; and supply, by thy boundless Mercy, all the Defects in my Duty: And it being thy Pleasure that I should serve Thee better; O Lord God, increase my Succours of Grace, and I shall then increase my Obedience.

O Thou Lover of Souls, for the Sake of that infinite Compassion of Thine, which moved Thee to die for me; Hear me, and Help me. Amen, O blessed Lord Jesus, Amen; Amen.

## For THURSDAY.

### *A Prayer for Temperance.*

O Gracious and beautiful Lord God, who hast of thy great Goodness provided plentifully for me, thy unworthy Servant; not only what is sufficient to satisfy all my Needs, but a pleasant and comfortable Subsistence, above what Thou affordest to Multitudes of others; I beseech Thee, give me such a Sense of thy indulgent Kindness to me, as may express it self in a thankful and zealous Obedience: And grant, that in the Strength of thy Provisions, I may cheerfully, actively, and diligently serve Thee.

O bounteous God, to all thy Favours add this one, of making me esteem Thee above them all. Oh! never let any Thing which Thou designest for my Wealth, be to me an Occasion of Falling: But give me an entire Victory over my Sensual Appetites, that I may hunger for the Food of Angels, and thirst for the Wine of elect Souls; and may count it my Meat, and Drink, and Pleasure, to do thy Will, O God.

Pardon me, O good God, in whatsoever I have offended Thee, by Meat, or Drink, or Pleasure; and let me never wilfully offend Thee any more.

Lord let me eat and drink, so that my Food may not become a Temptation, or a Sin, or a Disease: And grant that I may watch over my Appetite, with so much Caution and Prudence, that (as in the Strength of thy Mercies and Refreshments) so in the Light of thy Countenance, and the Paths of thy Commandments, I may walk before Thee all the Days of my Life, acceptable to Thee by Jesus Christ; ever advancing his Honour, and being filled with his Spirit; that I may at last partake of his Glory, through the same Jesus Christ.

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*A Prayer for Charity.*

**O** Most gracious Lord God, whose Goodness extendeth unto all, but hath in an extraordinary Measure abounded towards me, thy unworthy Servant; let thy unwearied and tender Love to me, make my Love unwearied and tender to my Neighbour, and zealous to procure, promote, and preserve his Health and Safety, Life and Happiness; that he may be the better able to serve and love Thee.

O my God, make me like thine own Self; all Meekness and Benignity, all Goodness and Sweetness, all Gentleness and Long-suffering.

Give me to be full of good Wishes and Compassion, Liberal in Acts-giving, (according to my Ability,) and ready to succour and relieve; comfort, rescue, and pray for, all whom either thy Love, or their own Necessities, Miseries, or Dangers, recommend to my Charity. **O** let thy Love, Thou God of Love, make me peaceful and reconcilable, always ready to return Good for Evil, and easy to forgive; unless in those Instances, where the Impunity of the Criminal would be Injustice, and Cruelty to the Publick.

O Thou Lover of Souls, let thy Love raise in me a compassionate Zeal to save the Life, the eternal Life of Souls; and by friendly, affectionate, and seasonable Advice, or Reproof, to reclaim the Wicked, and to win them to love Thee.

O my gracious Lord, let thy all-powerful Love abound in my Heart, and in the Hearts of all that profess thy Name; that in these, and in all other possible Instances of Duty, our Lives may be continually employed to love and serve Thee; and for thy Sake, to love our Neighbour; and to excite our Neighbour to love Thee. *Amen, O infinite Love. Amen. Amen.*

*For F R I D A Y.*

*Prayers preparatory to the Holy Sacrament.*

*Before Examination.*

O Thou great Searcher of Hearts, Thou knowest all that Load of Impiety and Guilt under which I lie! Oh! help me so impartially to judge and condemn my self, so humbly to repent and beg Pardon, that I may not be condemned at thy Tribunal, when I shall appear before thee.

pear there at the last Day; but may be set at thy right Hand, among thy Lovers.

Lord, give me Grace to search every Secret of my Heart, to leave no Sin, if possible, unrepented of. Oh! discover to me all the Evils and Deceits of my own Heart; that I may confess, bewail, and forsake them, and obtain Mercy, through Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

*After having carefully perused the Form of Self-Examination, in the Whole Duty of Man, or that in the Manual for Winchester Scholars, these Prayers may be added; in which it will be expedient to confess particularly, those Sins we have remarked in the Examination.*

O Lord God, who willest not that any should perish, but that all should come to Repentance; bring me, I beseech Thee, to a sincere Repentance; such as Thou wilt accept, who triest the Heart.

O Lord, whatever Thou deniest me, deny me not a broken and a contrite Heart. Oh! that I could weep much, and love much; having so much to be forgiven. Lord, assist and accept me, for Jesus Christ's Sake. *Amen.*

*A Form of Confession.*

**O** Thou most just and righteous Lord, who canst not behold Evil without Indignation ; I beseech Thee, hide thy Face from my Sins ; which are so many, and so great, that I may justly fear they will bring some heavy Judgment on me, and occasion my final Condemnation. Oh ! blot out of thy Remembrance all my Iniquities ; and then I shall be safe : For it is in thy Power, for ever to acquit, or condemn me.

It grieves me, O most great and glorious God, it grieves me ; that I have sinned against so infinite a Power and Goodness : For this I lament and mourn ; and my Heart is wounded within me.

I confess, O Lord, with Shame and Sorrow, I confess ; that I have sinned, and done very wickedly. I have grievously offended Thee, throughout the whole Course of my Life. My Childhood and Youth have not only been Vanity, but Sin. My Corruptions grew up with me : And my Sins since are become so much the more sinful, by how much the more Knowledge I have had of thy Will, and Strength and Engagements to perform it.

To

To this very Day, I have daily broke thy holy Laws, in Thought, Word, and Deed; by choosing what Thou hast forbidden, and neglecting what Thou hast commanded. In all my Ways I miserably transgress. Those few good Things I do, have many, not only Infirmities, but Sins in them: So that I have need to repent, even of the very best of all my Performances.

How heedless, dull, and indifferent have I been! I have served Thee hypocritically with my Lips alone, and entertained vain and wicked Thoughts, even in the Time of thy most solemn Worship.

I have used thy glorious Name vainly, and irreverently. I have mispent thy holy Day; and neglected, and profaned, thy House and Service.

I have dishonoured my Superiors, and neglected my Inferiors; and have not discharged the Duty of my Place and Station, as I ought; but have grievously transgressed, particularly (\*)

I have not improved those Helps and Advantages thy great Goodness has afforded me, either of growing in Grace my Self, or of being helpful and useful to those about me; but have foolishly, and vainly, mispent my Time; abused thy Grace, and resisted the Motions of thy holy Spirit.

Lord



Lord, I have abused thy Mercy, despised thy Judgments, and turned thy Grace into Wantonness: I have been unthankful for thy infinite Loving-kindness. I am vile and vain, trifling and worldly,  
 \* ——— And after all my good Resolutions and Promises, I am still too prone to be \*

I confess, O Lord, with Shame and Sorrow, that by these and many other Ways, I have grievously transgressed and provoked Thee, my most gracious and long-suffering God, to Wrath and Indignation against me; insomuch that if Thou shouldst recompence me according to my Deservings, Thou mightest justly withdraw all thy Graces and Blessings from me, and leave me to perish in my Folly. To me, O Lord God, to me belongs nothing but Shame, and everlasting Confusion. Only to Thee belongs Mercy and Forgiveness; only to Thee therefore do I flee for Forgiveness; humbly beseeching Thee, who art the God of Mercy, to be merciful to me a miserable Sinner.

I lament, O Lord God, my detestable Impiety; in having so long, so often, so obstinately, and so vainly offended Thee. O Thou most gracious and reconcileable Lord, pity and pardon, and restore me to thy Favour.

Wo

Wo is me, miserable Wretch ! that I, the Work of thy Hands, should sin against Thee, my Maker : That I, the Price of thy Blood, should sin against Thee, my Jesus, who hadst so much Love as to be content to die for me : That I, the chosen Temple of the Holy Ghost, should sin against Him that sanctified me.

Wo is me, ungrateful Wretch ! that I should so slight the Goodness of my gracious God, and make such unworthy and base Requitals for all his infinite Kindness.

Lord, I confess, I have deserved to be scorned and rejected of Thee. It were just with Thee, to punish me with all Shame and Misery in this Life, and with eternal Torments in the World to come.

But, I beseech Thee, O Lord, that Thou wilt not consider nor weigh what is due for my Deservings, but rather what becometh thy Mercy ; without which, even the Angels in Heaven cannot stand before Thee ; much less we, silly Vessels of Clay.

Have Mercy upon me, O most gracious Lord, who art easy to be entreated. Not that I am worthy of thy Mercy ; but give Thou this Honour to thine own Name : Let not Satan triumph in thy Spoils, or insult over my Soul, which is thy purchase. **OR !**

Oh ! deliver not my Soul into the Power of Hell ; but save me as a Brand pluck'd out of the Fire : For tho' I have deserved to perish, yet what profit is there in my Blood ; or who shall give Thee Thanks in that bottomless Pit ?

Let me live in thy Sight, O my God ; let me live, that my Soul may praise Thee.

Look not upon me, as I am a Sinner ; but consider me as I am thy Creature. Forget me, as I am Disobedient, provoking Thee to Wrath, and regard me as I am distressed, crying out to Thee for Help.

Though I am weak, though I am unworthy, though I am unprofitable ; yet I am thy Servant. And here, upon my bended Knees, I humbly pray, that I may live and die for Thee.

Lord, Thou knowest, that nothing is so terrible to me as thy dreadful Displeasure. Oh ! deliver me from my Sins, and from the Wages of my Sins, thy Wrath, and everlasting Damnation : In the Time of my Tribulation, In the Hour of Death, and in the Day of Judgment, Good Lord, deliver me.

Hear me, O Lord, hear me ; and do not repay my Neglects of thy Calls, by refusing to hear me in the Time of my greatest Need : Do not repay my Carelessness

lessness and Indevotion, by rejecting my Prayers.

What, if Thou seest nothing in me but Misery and Vileness, which might move Anger and Fury : Behold the Merits of thy Son ; and Thou shalt see enough to move Thee to Mercy and Forgiveness. My Disobedience hath deserved a great Revenge ; but his Obedience merits a far more exceeding Weight of Mercy : For what can Man deserve to suffer, which God made Man, cannot merit to have forgiven ?

Therefore, O most gracious Lord, I beseech Thee, for the Sake of the bitter Death and bloody Passion of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, to pardon and forgive me all my Sins ; all the Errors and Vanities, the Omissions and Commissions, the Coldness and Carelessness, the sinful Defects and Failings I have been guilty of this Day, or at any time before ; and deliver me from the Curse and Vengeance that is due to me for them : And through his Merits, make me, O Lord, a Partaker of thy Mercy.

It is thy Mercy, thy Pardon, thy Favour and Grace, I most earnestly implore : O deny not, I humbly beseech Thee, but graciously incline thine Ears to my poor Petitions.

I do

I do not deny my Debts; nor stand upon my Innocence: But before Thou summonest me, I pray Thee, that Thou wilt not enter into Judgment, nor reckon strictly with me, thy poor and unworthy Servant, who acknowledge my Guilt, and rely on thy Mercy as my only Plea. Oh! therefore, do not despise me, nor turn away my Prayers, nor thy Mercy from me; but hear me, and accept me, and receive me into thy Favour, for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen. Amen.*

O Almighty God, who art always more ready to hear, than we to pray; and art wont to give more than either we desire or deserve; pour down upon me the Abundance of thy Grace and Mercy: Forgiving me those Things whereof my Conscience is afraid; and giving me those good Things which I am not worthy to ask, but through the Merits and Mediation of Jesus Christ thy Son, our Lord. *Amen.*

For **F R I D A Y** Evening.

A Prayer for Grace to subdue our Sins.

O Lord, I prostrate my self before Thee in all Humility; imploring thy divine Assistance, in the Subduing those

those Enemies that daily assault me. The Flesh evermore rebelleth against the Spirit in me ; and the Infirmities of my Nature are too strong, for me of my self to conquer. Behold, how my Frailties fight against my Soul, and have wounded me before Thee ! Oh ! shall my Sins be stronger than thy Grace ; or the Errors of my Life more powerful than thy Laws ? Pity my Irregularities, O Lord ; and forgive my Crimes. How long shall I groan under the Bondage of Sin, and weary Thee too with the Burden of my Corruptions ? Thou delightest to pardon Sins ; and shall mine remain ? Thou desirest not the Death of thy Creatures ; and shall I be forsaken ? I cannot live without Thee ; nor enjoy the Comfort of my very Being, till Thou revive me. It would be better I had never been, than to lose Thee ; and better I should be no more for ever, than not to regain and find Thee. Return, O Thou Comfort of my Soul ; and fill me with thy Love : Purge the Stains, and wash away the Blemishes of my Life, with my Saviour's Blood ; renew and quicken my Spirit, with the Influences and Joys of thy Holy Spirit. Sanctifie my Will with a pleasing Obedience unto Thine. Let the Merits of my Saviour's Righteousness benefit my Soul.

Cloath.

Cloath me with Innocence, and Purity here, and Immortality hereafter. Lord, bear me, and help me, and receive me into thy Favour, for Jesus Christ his Sake. Amen. Amen.

*A Prayer for Preparation before the Sacrament of the Eucharist.*

**G**lory be to Thee, O crucified Lord, who at thy last Supper didst institute the holy Eucharist, the Sacrament and Feast of Love.

It was for the continual Remembrance of the Sacrifice of thy Death, and the Benefits we receive thereby, that Thou wast pleased to ordain this sacred and awful Right: All Love, all Glory be to Thee.

I know, O my Lord, that a bare Remembrance of Thee is not enough: Oh! do Thou therefore fix in me such a Remembrance of Thee, as is suitable to the infinite Love I am to remember; work in me all those holy and heavenly Affections, and Qualifications, which become the Remembrance of a crucified Saviour.

O holy Jesus; when at thy Altar I see the Bread broken, and the Wine poured out; teach me to discern thy Body there. Oh! let those sacred and significant Actions create in me a most lively Remembrance

membrance of thy Sufferings ; how thy most holy Body was scourged and wounded, bruised and tormented ; how thy most precious Blood was shed for my Sins : And set all the Powers of my Soul on Work to love Thee ; and to celebrate thy Love in dying for me.

O dearest Lord, raise Thou my Devotion to the highest Pitch it can possibly reach to praise Thee ; enlarge my Soul to its utmost Extent to love Thee.

O crucified Love, raise in me fresh Ardours of Love and Consolation ; that it may be the greatest Torment to bear up duty to offend Thee ; that it may be my greatest Delight, to please Thee. Oh ! may I always love Thee. Oh ! may I never wilfully offend Thee.

Oh ! give to thy Servant such a Love, that whatever in thy Service happens contrary to Flesh and Blood, I may not feel it ; that when I labour, I may not be weary ; when I am despised, I may not regard it : That Adversity may be tolerable ; that Humility to my Saviour be Mortification of my Passions, the Exercise of my Days ; and thy Service, the Joy of my Soul. That Loss to me may be Gain, so I may win Thee ; and Death, it self, the Entrance to eternal Life, thro' thy Merits and Mercy. O blessed Lord in Jesus : Amen. : I know not what I know, nor what I know not.



I know, O holy Lord, that I shall receive inestimable Blessings, if I come worthily ; and therefore my humble Request is, that Thou wouldest assist me to perform acceptably the Duties of this holy Feast ; that so I may enjoy all the Blessings of it, and feel it a Communion of thy very Body and Blood.

I would gladly remember thy dying Love, with the most devout Affections, and a Heart that is full of Thanks, quite weary of my Sins, and most desirous of thy Grace: This I desire to do; but, alas! I cannot do it, unless Thou wilt graciously help me.

My Apprehensions of thy amazing Love are very low; Oh! be Thou graciously pleased to exalt them: My Heart is still insensible of what Thou hast done for me, and my Affections dull and heavy; Oh! do Thou quicken and enflame them: I believe, O Lord, I do not love Thee as

Make me to love Thee, as much as ever any of thy Servants loved Thee; to desire thy Grace, as highly as I need it; and to be irreconcilably set against every Sin. Oh! do Thou give me the Grace of true Repentance for all my Sins; for my Original Impurities; and for all my actual Transgressions; that I may abhor and forsake them all: Weand my Soul with a most affectionate Sorrow, for all

all the Injuries, Affronts, and Dishonours,  
I have offered to infinite Love.

My Lord, and my God, instil penitential Love into my Soul; that I may grieve for my Sins, that grieved Thee; that I may love Thee, for suffering for us Sinners, who occasioned all thy Griefs. Oh! may I always love Thee; Oh! may I never grieve Thee more.

Let thy Love, O my God, so perfectly possess my Soul, that I may for the future lead a new Life; that I may live as a sworn Votary to thy Love.

O heavenly Father, settle in my Soul a lively Faith in thy Mercy through Christ, a steadfast Belief of all thy Love to Sinners, an affectionate Reliance on the Merits and Mediation of thy crucified Son, and a comfortable Assurance of my being accepted in the Beloved; for whom I will ever adore and love Thee. *Amen. Amen.*

## For SATURDAY

### Prayers before the Sacrament.

**O** Most dreadful Judge! I stand in Amazement, when I consider, that the Heavens are not pure in thy Sight. And if Thou foundest Perverseness in the Angels, and didst not spare them; what

what will become of me, who seek to Thee for Help, and yet depart from thy Commandments?

There is no Holiness, O God, if Thou withdrawest thy Hand; no Wisdom profits, if thy Government ceases: When Thou leavest us, we drown and perish. We are unstable and unsecure, unless we be confirmed by Thee.

O how meanly do I deserve to be thought of! how little and inconsiderable is the Good; and how vast, how innumerable, how intolerable are the Evils I have done! Many good Things have I received from Thee; but I have abused them. Thou hast given me Grace; but I have turned it into Wantonness.

Thou Men have sometimes spoken good Things of me; yet I know not, when they were to be found in me. Grant, O my God, that I may no more desire, that I may no more seek, that I may no more be moved by the vain Praises of Men: For behold they speak; but they know nothing.

Thou art silent, who knowest all Things. And I, who encrease the Number of my Sins; what shall I say, or do, O Thou Preserver of Men? I will lay my Face in the Dust, and confess my self to be nothing.

Take

Take away the Partition-Wall, the Hindrances, the Sins that so easily beset me ; and do thou unite me to my blessed Saviour : And then, tho' of my self I am nothing ; yet in Him I shall be what I ought to be, and what Thou can'st not chuse but love.

Lord, when I consider thy Greatness, and my Nothingness ; thy Purity, and my Uncleanness ; thy Glory, and my Shame ; It seems to be infinitely unreasonable, and presumptuous, for me to approach thy Sacred Presence, and desire to partake of the Sacrament. But when I consider thy Mercy and thy Wisdom, thy Bounty and thy Goodness, thy Readiness to forgive, and thy Desires to impart thy Self unto thy Servants ; Then I am lifted up with Hope, then I come boldly to the Throne of Grace : Even so, O Lord, because Thou hast commanded it ; and because Thou lovest it should be so.

O Jesus, be a Jesus to me ; and let thy Body be to me the Bread of Life, and thy Blood the Purifier of my sinful Life. Ah ! send me not away empty : I shall faint and die, I cannot live, without Thee.

O let Virtue go from Thee, to heal all the Distempers of my Soul. Appear graciously in these Mysteries; and enlighten my Darkneſs: Deliver me from all vain Imaginations and Illuſions of the Enemy, all Perverſeneſs of the Will, all Violence and Inordinacy of Paſſions, all ſenſual Deſires, Luſt and Malice, Gluttony and Pride, Envy and Detraction: And let not Sin reign in my Members, nor the Devil lead my Will captive, nor the World abuſe my Underſtanding, and debauch my Converſation.

Lord, grant that I may receive theſe Divine Mysteries for the Amendment of my Life, and as a Preſervative againſt my Sins; for the Encreaſe of Virtue; and the Perfection of my Spirit. Grant that I may from Thee, thus Sacramental-ly communicated, derive prevailing Grace for the renewing of my Life; ſpiritual Wiſdom, for the diſcerning the Way of Truth, and the Spirit of Love and Purity: That in the whole Courſe of my Life, I may endeavour to walk worthy of the gracious Favours which Thou beſtoweſt on me, moſt unworthy of them; that I may do all my Works with a pure and right Intention; that I may reſiſt every Temptation with never fainting Courage, with a Caution  
never

never surpris'd, and a Prudence never deceived.

Sweetest Saviour, I come to Thee upon thy Invitation; and by thy Command : I could not come to Thee, but by Thee : O let me never go from Thee any more.

Dearest Saviour, enter into my Heart, feed me with thy Word, sustain me with thy Spirit, refresh me with thy Comforts, let me receive Thee in these divine Mysteries; and be Thou my Wisdom and my Righteousness, my Sanctification and Redemption. Let me receive this holy Food for the Strengthening of my Faith, and an Incentive of a holy Life; for the Encreasing of a holy Hope, and the Consummation of a heavenly Love; and as the Earnest of an eternal Inheritance. O grant, that Thou being one with me, and I with Thee; I may by Thee be gracious in the Eyes of my Heavenly Father, and may receive a Portion among his Children in thy Kingdom, most holy and blessed Jesus.

I confess, O Lord, that I, by my late Failings, and the remaining Pollution of my former Sins, deserve to sink under the Gulph of thy Displeasure : But do Thou grant, that being admitted

to thy holy Sacrament, I may tast of and be refreshed by thy miraculous Sweetness; and that my Heart and my Affections may be lifted up on high. O grant that my Soul may be lifted up to Thee, with an unfeigned Love, a firm Faith, an ardent Devotion, and profound Reverence.

A single Pleasure, poor and empty, wearying and unsatisfying, has too often made me to forget Thee: Lord, whenever I present my self at thy holy Table, where Thou art present; grant that I may forget all Deliciousness besides Thee, O let not any Pleasure of the World seem pleasant to me; make me to forget all the World, to quit all the World, whilst I enjoy Thee, my dearest Saviour: Do Thou open thy Repositories of Sweetness, and fill my Soul and all my Desires; that there may be no Room for any Thing else.

Lord, assist and accept my poor Services, for thine own infinite Merits. *Amen. Amen.*

*For*

*For SUNDAY Morning.**Before the Sacrament.*

**I**T is Pity and Compassion, O Lord, alone, that can cover my Unworthiness; therefore renouncing all Merits in my self, I fly to Thee for Succour: O do not despise me; nor turn away my Prayers, nor thy Mercy from me.

My sweetest Saviour, I long for thy Company, and am miserable without Thee; but scarce dare to draw near, because not pure enough to entertain Thee. Lord, be merciful to me a Sinner: I am really grieved for my Unworthiness; and hugely amaz'd at thy Condescension, in offering thy self to be received by so vile a Person.

O how wretched have I been; who have so highly offended the God of Heaven, that nothing less than the Blood of his dear Son can make my Peace!

Holy Jesus, I am ashamed of my self; that ever I should put Thee to part with such a Price, and to endure such exceeding Smart and Tortures to befriend me: I am ashamed to think of it; and I abhor my Sins, which brought Thee to it.



I grieve, I love, I melt all over, when I hear Thee on the Cross, crying out; *My God, my God, why hast Thou forsaken me?* Ah! sinful Wretch that I am; how infinite and unconceivable were the inward Dolours and Agonies Thou didst undergo for us Sinners, when Thou didst tread the Wine-press of thy Father's Wrath alone; when it pleased thine own most beloved Father to bruise Thee, to put Thee to Grief; when the Iniquities of the whole World were laid on Thee, and my numerous Sins encreased thy Load, and heightened thy Torments; when thine own Father withdrew all Consolation from Thee; when God, offended by our Sins, did afflict Thee in the Day of his fierce Anger! No Grief, no Love, was ever like to Thine for me: No Grief, no Love, but thine own, should exceed mine for Thee.

I lament, O Lord God, my detestable Impiety; for having so long, so often, and so obstinately offended Thee. O Thou most gracious and reconcileable Lord, pity, pardon me, and restore me to thy Favour.

I confess, O Lord, I have nothing Good in me; nothing that can any way move Thee to compassionate so loathsome a Sinner: But I beseech Thee look graciously upon me, for the infinite Merits of my crucified Saviour. O

O hear his dying Groans, regard his Agony and bloody Sweat. By his Cross and Passion, let my Sins be blotted out ; and let me feel every evil Affection and Lust killed and crucified in me..

I should have nothing to plead, if He had not done enough, and fulfilled all thy Will : But since He has laid down his Life in Obedience to Thee ; let me, by Virtue of that voluntary Sacrifice, obtain thy Mercy, and Remission of all my Sins : Lord, I beseech Thee, lay none of them to my Charge ; but graciously pardon them all, and receive me into thy Favour.

O heavenly Father, accept my imperfect Repentance, compassionate my Infirmities, forgive my Wickedness, purify my Uncleaness, fix my Unstability, quicken and enliven my dull Devotion, and let thy Love ever rule in my Heart, through the Merits, the Sufferings, and Love of thy beloved Son, in whom Thou art always well pleased. *Amen.*

O blessed High-Priest, who art able to save to the utmost all that come to God by Thee ; I humbly beseech Thee to help and save me, who have no Hope but in thy Merits and Intercession.

E 4

Holy

Holy Jesus, I have by my many and grievous Sins, crucified Thee afresh; yet Thou, who prayedst for thy Crucifiers, interceed for me also, I humbly beseech Thee; and plead thy meritorious Sufferings in my behalf: O my Redeemer, suffer not my Soul, the Price of thy Blood, to perish.

Remember for whose Sake it was, that Thou camest from the Bosom of thy Father, and didst humble thy Self so low as to be born of thy poor Handmaid. Remember for whom it was, that thy tender Body was scourged, and wounded, and crucified; and thy precious Blood shed: Thou that didst suffer these Things, remember for whom Thou didst suffer them. Remember me, O Lamb of God, who takest away the Sins of the World; and have Mercy upon me.

O my God, look down upon me, a wretched Pilgrim; and teach me to look up to Thee, and to see thy Goodness in the Land of the Living. Thou that boughtest Heaven for me, guide me thither; and for the Price that it cost Thee, for thy Passion Sake, in spite of all Temptations, enlighten Thou my Soul, direct it, crown it.

Blessed Jesus, let thy Passion work Compassion for me; that by thy Mercy I may obtain Remission of my Sins; and by

by thy Merits I may obtain everlasting Salvation in the Kingdom of Heaven.

*Amen. Amen.*

O Spirit of Grace, I have, by my horrid Impieties, done Despight to Thee; yet Thou blessed Comforter, though I have often grieved Thee, be graciously pleased to succour and relieve me; and say unto my Soul, I am thy Salvation.

O blessed Spirit, purifie my Soul, and consecrate it to be thy Temple: And set all my Affections on Fire; that my Heart may be an acceptable Sacrifice of Love offered up to Thee, and the Flame may continually ascend to the Throne of thy Glory.

Particularly, I implore thy divine Assistance in the Performance of the great Duty I am going about. O holy Spirit, I humbly depend upon thy Assistance. Be Thou graciously present with me, to help my Infirmities, and assist my poor Endeavours. Raise my Devotion to the highest Pitch it can possibly reach. And work in me all such holy Affections and Heavenly Qualifications, as become the Remembrance of my crucified Saviour.

O inexhaustible Love, do Thou eternally breath Love into me, that my Love to Thee may be eternally encreasing, and tending towards Infinity; since a Love less than infinite is not worthy of Thee.

E 5

O

O sacred, adorable, and mysterious Trinity ; though I am not able to comprehend Thee, yet let me have Experience of thy Goodness, and feel thy sweet Influences. Be Thou graciously pleased to convey thy Mercies and Graces to my Soul, by this holy Sacrament I am going to partake of ; and let me be wholly, and for ever Thine. Let thy Grace, O Lord Jesus Christ ; let thy Love, O God the Father ; let thy Communications, O Holy Spirit, be ever with me. *Amen. Amen.*

*At the Holy Table.*

**T**H E good Lord pardon me, and every one that prepareth his Heart to seek Thee, the Lord God of our Fathers, altho' we be not cleansed according to the Purification of the Sanctuary. The Lord hear our Prayers, and accept us graciously.

O Lord God, the Bread of Heaven, and the Life of the World ; I have sinned against Heaven and before Thee, and am not worthy to partake of thy most holy Mysteries: Yet vouchsafe, merciful Lord, to make me worthy by thy Grace, that I may not receive thy holy Body and Blood to my Condemnation ; but to the Remission of my Sins, *the*

the Fulness of thy Grace, and everlasting Life.

Most gracious and glorious God, I bless and glorifie thy Name, and adore thy Goodness, and delight in thy Love; for that Thou hast once more given me the Opportunity of Receiving the greatest Favour I can receive in this World, even the Body and Blood of my blessed Saviour. O grant that I may partake of it with an holy Reverence and Relish; and to the great Comfort of my Soul. Let it be effectual for the casting out all Evil from within me, and my fulfilling all thy Commandments; for the Establishing of my Faith, and the Encreasing of my Love; for the Replenishing me with the Fulness of Wisdom; for the preserving of my Body and Soul from the many Dangers in this mortal Life; for the taking out the Sting of temporal Death, and begetting in me a lively Hope of a glorious Resurrection unto everlasting Life; and finally, for procuring me thy Mercy at the Day of Judgment.

I confess, O Lord, that I am utterly unworthy of those great Things I come to beg of Thee: For I have grievously offended Thee, and broken thy holy, righteous, and good Laws (particularly by ———) And after all my religious Endeavours, I am still too prone to be vain, and

and trifling, careless and indevout,  
 ——— O Lord, I confess, I am so vile  
 and sinful, so unworthy of the least of  
 thy Mercies, that Thou mightest justly  
 reject both my Person and my Services,  
 and leave me to perish in my Folly. But,  
 I beseech Thee, O gracious Lord, rather  
 magnifie thy Mercy in my Forgiveness  
 and Salvation: I beseech Thee, accept  
 the Oblation of thy dear Son, and blot  
 out all my Transgressions; accept of  
 that inestimable Sacrifice, and forget my  
 manifold Offences. Accept of his un-  
 speakable Grief and Anguish, for that  
 Grief which I should have, and do not  
 feel. Accept of his Tears and bloody  
 Sweat, for my want of Tears, and dri-  
 ness of Mind. Accept of his most fer-  
 vent Prayers, for my Dulness, and Dead-  
 ness, and wandring Thoughts in Prayer.  
 Accept of all that ever He did and suf-  
 fered, for my multiplied and grievous  
 Rebellions against Thee.

O Heavenly Father, I have nothing of  
 my own to offer; but I offer Thee, my  
 Saviour, my Redeemer, thine only Son,  
 with all possible Devotion and Reverence.  
 O let his Merits plead for me, who have  
 no Merits of my own; and for his Sake  
 be reconciled to me, and receive me in-  
 to thy Favour. Amen, O gracious Lord.  
*Amen. Amen.*

*At*

*At the Offertory.*

**B**lessed be Thou, O Lord, who hast put me into a Capacity of Relieving others. I dedicate my self, and all I have, to Thee, by this Earnest and Pledge: Accept it, and me; and let it derive a Blessing on all I have. O be Thou pleased to give me thy greater and surer Riches, thy Graces for my poor, blind and naked Soul; and then I shall be rich in good Works. Grant this, for Jesus Christ's Sake. *Amen.*

*We must be sure to join with all possible Devotion in the publick Prayers, and attend with Seriousness and Reverence to the Exhortations in the Communion-Service; and we may apply every Precept to our selves in some such Method as this. When the Minister, in the Beginning of the Exhortation, puts us in Mind of the great Benefits that are conferred on those who approach these holy Mysteries, with such Qualifications as they ought, we may apply it to our selves, and lift up our Hearts to God in some such Meditation as this.*

**I** Know, O holy Lord, I shall receive inestimable Benefits if I come worthily: And therefore my humble Request



quest is, that Thou wouldest assist me acceptably to perform the Duties of this holy Feast ; that so I may enjoy all the Blessings of it, and feel it to be a Communion of thy very Body and Blood.

*Or thus.*

**O** My Lord, and my God ; do Thou so dispose my Heart to receive these holy Mysteries, that I may feel all the sweet Influences of Love crucified ; the Strengthening and Refreshing of my Soul, by the Body and Blood of Christ, as my Body is by the Bread and Wine. **O** work in me all those holy spiritual Affections which become the Remembrance of a crucified Saviour.

*When he proceeds to remind us of the great Guilt and Danger of unworthy Receiving, we may say in our Hearts.*

**O** Lord, deliver me from this dreadful Guilt and Danger : And grant, that I may not receive thy holy Body and Blood to my Condemnation ; but to the Remission of my Sins, the Fulness of thy Grace, and everlasting Life.

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*When the Minister goes on to excite our Repentance; and to persuade us to judge our selves, that we be not judged of the Lord; we may proceed to say in our Hearts.*

**L**ORD, if my Repentance be not such as Thou requirest, I beseech Thee, grant me such a broken and contrite Heart as Thou hast promised not to despise.

O let thy mighty Spirit work in me, whatever Thou seest wanting to fit me for thy Mercy and Acceptation. Give me a perfect and entire Hatred of every Sin, and sincere Resolutions of Amendment for the Time to come; that I may hereafter live as a sworn Votary to thy Love.

*When he goes on to stir up our Thankfulness; and to that End reminds us of the infinite Goodness of God, in sending his only Son to die for our Sins; we may say in our Hearts;*

**L**ORD, my Apprehensions of thy amazing Love are very low; O do Thou exalt them: My Heart is still insensible of what Thou hast done for me, and my Affections dull and heavy; O do Thou quicken and inflame them.

Lord,

Lord, help me to love and praise Thee acceptably. O raise Thou my Devotion to the highest Pitch it can possibly reach, to praise Thee: Enlarge my Soul to its utmost Extent, to love Thee.

*Or thus:*

**O** My crucified God, Thou Sovereign Inflammative of Love; let the Remembrance of thy Death set all the Powers of my Soul on work: That I may desire and pant after Thee; that I may admire and adore Thee; that I may take heavenly Delight in thy gracious Presence; that with Praise and Thanksgiving, with Jubilation and Triumph, I may receive Thee into my Heart; and may with the highest Love and Devotion entertain Thee.

*When the Minister mentions the exceeding great Love of our blessed Saviour, in not only dying for us, but giving himself to us in the Holy Sacrament; we may employ our Thoughts after this Manner:*

**G**lory be to Thee, O gracious Jesus, who, to help our Memories, and to impress thy Love deep on our Souls, hast instituted and ordained ho-  
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ly Myſteries, as Pledges of thy Love, to our great and endless Comfort.

O moſt indulgent Saviour, let that mighty Salvation thy Love has wrought for us, never ſlip out of my Mind; but eſpecially let the Remembrance of it in the Holy Sacrament be always moſt lively and affecting. O create in me heavenly Affections, to celebrate ſo heavenly an Inſtitution; for which I will always praiſe and love Thee. *Amen. Amen.*

*When the Miniſter reads the comfortable Sentences of Scripture after the Abſolution, we may again purſue this Method: When he repeats thoſe Words of our bleſſed Saviour, Matth. xi. 29. we may ſay in our Hearts;*

**B**Ehold, Lord, I come at thy Call, and I come weary and heavy laden with the Burden of my Sins; be it unto me according to thy Word: O Thou that art faithful and juſt, forgive me my Sins, and cleanſe me from all Unrighteouſneſs.

*When he reads thoſe Words, St. John iii. 16. we may ſay;*

**G**Lory be to Thee, O gracious Lord, for firſt loving us; and giving the deareſt Thing Thou haſt for us: O  
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help me to love again; and to think nothing too dear for Thee.

*When he reads those Words of St. Paul,  
1 Tim. i. 15. we may say;*

**L** O R D, I am a Sinner; a great one:  
O let me find the saving Efficacy  
of thy Death: Be merciful to me, O  
Christ, be merciful to me, for my Soul  
trusteth in Thee; and in thy Wounds  
shall be my Refuge, until thy Father's  
Indignation be over-past.

*When he reads those Words of St. John,  
1 Ep. ii. 1. we may say;*

**G** Lory be to Thee, O most adorable  
Trinity, for thy infinite Love in  
our Forgiveness and Salvation: Glory be  
to Thee, O Father forgiving, O Son  
propitiating, O holy Ghost purifying.  
I miserable Sinner, who sigh and pant,  
and languish for thy Forgiveness, and to  
be at Peace with Thee; praise, adore,  
and love that most sweet, liberal, tender  
and amiable Mercy, that delights in for-  
giving and saving Sinners.

*If the Time will not permit to use all these  
Ejaculations; we may chuse such of them as  
best suit with our Leisure and Devotion, and  
leave the rest till another Opportunity. At*

*At the Consecration.*

**O** My dearest Lord, I do remember, with a most affectionate Pity; how Thou wast scourged with Whips, wounded with Thorns, torn with Nails, and wrack'd for Three long Hours most cruelly on the Cross. My Pleasures have put Thee to Pain; my sinful Life hath caused thy bitter Death: It was my Sins which were thy Betrayers and Murderers; and therefore from my Heart I bewail, detest, and abjure them.

My Lord and my God, instil penitential Love into my Soul, that I may grieve for my Sins which grieved Thee; that I may love Thee for suffering for us Sinners, who occasioned all thy Grievs: O may I always love Thee; O may I never grieve Thee more.

*Immediately after the Prayer of Consecration.*

**O** Lord, and heavenly Father, regard, I beseech Thee, the Supplications of thy Congregation, and ratifie this Consecration in Heaven: Sanctifie by thy Word and Spirit these thy Creatures of Bread and Wine, and make them to us the Body and Blood of thy dear Son:  
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And grant that all we who shall be Partakers of them, may thereby be filled full and thoroughly replenished with thy Grace and heavenly Benediction: O let both Parts of the Sacrament go together; and as Thou art pleased to admit us to partake of the outward Signs; so grant we may receive the Thing signified, even our blessed Saviour, with all his Merits and Graces. Amen, O gracious Lord.  
*Amen. Amen.*

*Before Receiving the Bread.*

**O** Lord, I confess I am not worthy, nor fit to come near so great a Mystery, by reason of my manifold Sins; but Thou canst make me worthy: And therefore, although a Sinner, I come unto Thee to offer the Sacrifice Thou hast commanded: O pardon my Offences, and receive me graciously.

Blessed Jesus, Thou hast said, This is my Body; and therefore I believe it to be so: And though my Senses assure me, that the Substance is not changed; yet thy Power and my Faith convince me, that I shall verily and indeed take and receive Thee, by these holy Symbols.

As it is thy Body, I am not fit to touch it: But as it was given for me, and made the Price of my Redemption;

I may take it as given to me; and must profess, I am surprised at thy wondrous Love in laying down thy Life for me: In return to which inestimable Favour, I now humbly give my self to Thee; to love and serve Thee with all my Power, as long as I have a Being.

O holy Jesus, I behold Thee stretched on the Cross with Arms spread ready to receive all Mankind into thy Bosom: I hear thy holy Spirit blessing these sacred Symbols, for the Sanctification of my Spirit; thy blessed Self making Intercession for me in the Heavens: Thy infinite Arm of Mercy is reached out unto me; and my Arm of Faith, to Thee. Blessed be Jesus, who will be thus joined to his Servants.

Thou, Lord, hast said, That he that eateth thy Flesh, and drinketh thy Blood, hath eternal Life; and that he dwelleth in Thee, and Thou in him: Behold the Servant of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy Word.

I confess the Favour is too great for me to ask; but not for Thee to grant: Thou canst as easily convey thy Body and Blood to my Soul by this Bread and Wine, as Thou didst thy holy Spirit by thy Breath to thy Disciples.

O suffer not any Impenitence or Failing in me, to obstruct thy inestimable Mer-



Mercies to me; but qualify me, by thy Grace, to receive the full Benefit of all Thou hast done for me.

Thou that hast done such great, such wonderful Things for me, be pleased to make this holy Sacrament effectual to me: And grant, that I may receive therein the abundant Communications of thy Grace and Goodness; even all the blessed Effects of thy Death and Passion. O strengthen and refresh my Soul by thy holy Body and Blood: Let Virtue come from Thee, to heal all my Infirmities; and inflame my Affections: And make me wholly, and for ever, Thine.

I earnestly ask for all this, because I infinitely need it: And humbly hope for the same, O good God, because thy Grace is infinite, which will not suffer Thee to see the Wants of thy poor Servant unsupplied; who, unworthy as I am, am still the Price of thy Blood. O then do not despise me, but graciously accept me; and do for me abundantly above what I am able to ask or think, for thine own Merits and Mercies Sake. Amen, O blessed Lord Jesus. *Amen. Amen.*

O Lord, I desire to renew my Covenant with Thee, and to seal it in this blessed Sacrament: Lord, put thy Laws into my Heart, and write them in my Mind:

Mind : And for the Passion Sake of thy dear Son, which we now commemorate, be merciful to my Unrighteousness ; my Sins and my Iniquities remember no more : Be Thou my God, and let me be thy Servant, for ever.

*After receiving the Bread.*

**O** Infinite Love, let this immortal Food Thou now vouchsafest me, instil into my weak and languishing Soul new Supplies of Grace ; new Life and Love, new Vigour and Resolution ; that I may never more faint, or droop, or tire in my Duty.

*Before receiving the Cup.*

**B**lessed Jesus, thy Blood is my only Refuge : Oh ! let it make my Atonement, or I perish for ever : I am a Sinner, a great Sinner ; let me find and feel its saving Efficacy. Wherefore didst Thou shed it, but to save Sinners ? Neither can the Merit of it be overwhelmed, either by the Greatness or Number of my Sins.

Lord, if Thou wilt, Thou canst make me clean : O touch me, and say, I will be Thou clean.

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*Immediately after Receiving.*

**M**Y Jesus, my Life, my Joy, my Glory, my Comfort ; Thou didst, that I might live ; I remember this wonderful Mercy, and adore thy unspeakable Goodness. O be Thou mine, and make me wholly and for ever Thine : And as this holy Bread and Wine mingle with my Substance ; so let thy Holy Spirit mingle with my Soul, that the same Mind may be in me, which was also in Thee.

Welcome, thrice welcome art Thou to me, O blessed Jesus ; though I am not worthy Thou shouldest come under my Roof : But the more unworthy I am, the greater is thy Love ; and the higher are my Obligations. I will believe thy Mercy, though it passeth all understanding ; and I will rejoice in this Favour as much as I am able : I will feed on this heavenly Food in my Heart by Faith with Thanksgiving.

O Holy Jesus, let the Power of thy Cross prevail against all the Powers of Darkness : Let the Wisdom of thy Cross make me wise to Salvation : Let the Peace of thy Cross reconcile me to thy eternal Father, and bring me to Peace of Conscience : Let the Victory of thy Cross

Cross mortifie all my evil and corrupt Affections: Let the Triumph of thy Cross lead me on to a State of Holiness; that I may sin no more; but in all things please Thee, in all things serve Thee, and in all things glorifie Thee.

May the blessed Sacrament which I have now received, though very unworthy of so great a Mercy, seal to my Soul both Pardon and Peace. And the Lord grant, that I being now made whole, may sin no more.

The Bread which I have taken, is the Bread which came down from Heaven, and giveth Life to the World: O that I may now feel its Efficacy, quickning and inflaming my Soul with the heavenly Ardours of Divine Love: And that I may be my Lord's faithful Soldier and Servant to my Life's End.

O my good God, keep me always Thine; and let nothing ever be able to divorce me from thy Love. Extinguish the impure Flames of Lust and whatever evil Inclination Thou seest in me; and give me an excellent Spirit, a Spirit active in the Practice and Exercise of Virtue. Raise the Powers of my Soul by thy Love, that I may love Thee with all my Heart; that I may praise Thee, that I may honour Thee, and think nothing tedious or troublesome that may promote thy Glory.

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Thy Grace is the Treasure I want;  
Thou hast promised it; I beg it of Thee:  
O let me not go away without it.

O my God, I humbly, I earnestly beg  
of Thee to give me continual Supplies  
of thy Grace; that I may continue in  
thy Love unto my Life's End: That be-  
ing faithful unto Death, I may receive a  
Crown of Life, through the infinite Me-  
rits of Jesus my Saviour. *Amen. Amen.*

*While others are Receiving.*

**O** Holy Trinity, the Store-house of  
Blessings, vouchsafe to bless, con-  
firm and strengthen all of us that are  
here present before Thee: Deliver us  
at the Day of Condemnation, and let us  
not be confounded when we shall appear  
before Thee, and in the Presence of thy  
holy Angels; but grant that through  
this Blood of the Cross we may all be  
cleansed from our Sins, and be presented  
pure, unblameable, and unreprieveable in  
thy Sight; that so we may be admitted  
to that Holy Place, where no unclean  
Thing can enter; there to sing eter-  
nal Praises to Him that sits upon the  
Throne, to the Holy Spirit, and to the  
Lamb for ever and ever.

I humbly beseech Thee, O Lord, to  
be propitious to the Catholick Church;  
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and by the Increase of Faith, Hope and Charity, enlarge its Limits: Be pleased likewise to remember all that are fallen, all that are in Captivity or any kind of Affliction, the Infirm and Sick, the stranger, the Fatherless and Widow: In great Mercy look upon them all, restore, redeem, heal, comfort and relieve them all, for Jesus Christ his Sake. *Amen. Amen.*

Another Form, which may be used sometimes for Variety.

*Before receiving the Bread.*

**O** My God, assist me graciously, both now and ever. Grant that I may not receive the Bread alone; but that I may receive Thee. I do admire, I worship, I love and adore Thee. Thou hast overcome, O Lord, Thou hast overcome; ride on triumphantly, and lead my Soul in this Triumph as thine own Purchase: Thy Love hath conquered; and I am thy Servant for ever. Lord, sanctifie me wholly; that my whole Spirit, Soul and Body, may become thy Temple: O Lord, Thou dwell in me, and be Thine; O Lord, God, and let me be thy Servant for ever. *Amen.*

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Glory

Glory be to Thee, O Thou heavenly Guide of our Devotion and our Love, who hast elevated these obvious and outward Signs to an Efficacy far above their Natures ; not only to signify, but to be happy Means and Instruments to convey thy Grace to us ; to be Seals and Pledges to confirm and assure to us the Communications of thy Love, that our Sight may assist our Faith ; that if with due Preparation we receive them, both Parts of the Sacrament will go together ; and as certainly as we receive the outward and visible Sign, so certainly shall we receive the Thing signified, even thy most blessed Body and Blood : To receive which inestimable Blessing, O merciful Lord, do Thou fit and prepare me.

I know my Body is liable to temporal, and my Soul to eternal Death : But if I may but touch Thee by Faith, thy Life-giving Body will preserve my Body and Soul to everlasting Life ; for this will take away the Sting of the first, and the Power of the second Death. And O how it cheers my Heart, to hear Thee call upon me to take and eat this ! Adored be thy Love to a poor perishing Sinner : Behold, I open my Mouth and my Heart to receive Thee, with all thy Merits and Graces.

Lord,

Lord, I believe; help Thou my Unbelief.

O come now Lord Jesus, come quickly. My Heart is desirous of thy Presence, and thirsty of thy Grace, and would fain entertain Thee; not as a Guest, but as an Inhabitant, as the Lord of all my Faculties. Enter in and take entire Possession, and dwell with me for ever. Let me feed on Thee by Faith, and grow up by the Increase of God, till I have perfected Holiness in thy Fear. Amen, O blessed Lord Jesus. *Amen.*

*After receiving the Bread.*

O Thou infinite Lover of Souls, for the Sake of that infinite Compassion of Thine, which moved Thee to die for me, have Mercy upon me; and bless this holy Ordinance to all the great Purposes of thy Glory, and my Salvation. O convey all thy Merits and Graces to my Soul by these holy Symbols.

*Before receiving the Cup.*

O That this precious Blood of my dear Redeemer may be now the Purification and Nourishment of my Soul, the Seal of my Pardon and Peace with God, and the Pledge of mine Inheritance in Heaven.



My Soul thirsteth for Thee, my Heart longeth after Thee ; O my God, do Thou pity and refresh me.

*After Receiving.*

**G**Lory be to Thee, O Lord, who feedest me with the Bread of Life, and permittest me to drink of the Fountain of Life freely.

My Beloved is mine, and I am his. What shall I render to Thee for this wonderful Favour, O Thou Saviour of Men ! What can I give Thee which is not thine own already ? O that I could give Thee but all thine ! I will love Thee, O Lord, my King, with all my Heart, and praise thy Name for ever and ever.

Blessed Saviour Jesus ; I adore the Secrets of thy eternal Wisdom, I admire the Mysteriousness of our Salvation ; and I love, and praise, and give all possible Thanks to Thee, the Author of our Spiritual Life, for thus feeding my Soul with thy most blessed Body and Blood. O let this Heavenly Food transfuse new Life and Vigour into my Soul, and into the Souls of all that communicate with me ; that our Faith may daily increase ; that we may all grow more humble, and more contrite for our Sins ; that we may all love Thee, and serve Thee,  
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delight in Thee, and praise Thee, more fervently, more incessantly, more acceptably than ever we have done heretofore. *Amen.*

Lord, Thou dwellest in every sanctified Soul; O receive my Soul, presented to Thee in this Holy Communion, for thy dwelling Place: Make it a House of Prayer and holy Meditations, the Seat of thy Spirit, the Repository of Graces; and let no unclean Thing be in me, who have now received Thee into my Heart and Soul. Make me such as Thou wouldest have me to be; strengthen my Faith, confirm my Hope, give me a daily increase of Charity; and grant that I may always serve Thee to the utmost of my Power and Capacity, growing from Grace to Grace, till at last, by thy Mercy, I shall receive the Consummation and Perfection of Grace, even the Glories of thy Kingdom, in the full Fruition of the Face and Excellencies of God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost; to whom be Glory and Praise, Honour and Adoration, given by all Angels, and all Men, and all Creatures, now and to all Eternity. *Amen. Amen.*

*While others are Receiving.*

**P**Raise the Lord, O my Soul, and all that is within me praise his holy Name. Praise the Lord, O my Soul, and forget not all his Benefits ; who forgiveth all thy Sins, and healeth all thy Infirmities ; who saveth thy Life from Destruction, and crowneth Thee with Mercy and Loving-kindness.

O Thou infinite Lover of Souls, with all my Heart I love, I praise, and adore thy Love to me ; but alas ! I can never do it enough : O do Thou at last, gracious Lord, translate me to thy Kingdom of Glory ; that there I may love Thee to the utmost Capacity of a Creature, and praise Thee to all Eternity. *Amen.*

Grant me in the mean Time, gracious Lord, a pure Intention of Heart, and a stedfast Resolution to despise all Vanity ; to fight the Battles of the Lord manfully, against the World, the Flesh, and the Devil ; to spend my Time religiously, and usefully ; to walk always, as in thy Presence ; and keep my Soul and Body in Purity and Holiness, fit for the Habitation of the Spirit of God.

Grant that all carnal Affections may die in me, and in every one of us here present before Thee ; and that all Things be-

belonging to the Spirit may live and grow in us.

Grant that we may have Power and Strength to have Victory, and to triumph over the World, the Flesh, and the Devil; and may continue thy faithful and unfeigned Servants to our Lives End.

Grant, Lord, I beseech Thee, that all we who have now solemnly dedicated our Selves unto Thee, may be endued with all heavenly Virtues in this Life, and everlastingly rewarded in the Life to come, through thy Mercy, O blessed Lord God, who dost live and govern all Things World without End. *Amen.*

O Thou that sittest at the right Hand of God, using all thy powerful Interest there in the Behalf of thy Servants; I beseech Thee, join thy powerful Intercession with our humble Suits to the Throne of Grace, that for thy Sake we may be graciously accepted, and may obtain all Graces and Blessings that are needful for our Souls and Bodies, in order to thy Glory and our Salvation. *Amen. Amen.*

*A Prayer for Pardon and Acceptance,  
after the Sacrament ; to be said when  
we are returned Home.*

O Thou All-seeing, and most Holy Lord God, I have been admitted to make an Oblation of my Praises, and my self to thy Divine Majesty ; and it infinitely concerns me, that Thou shouldst accept me therein ; as I humbly trust Thou doest ; tho' not for any Merit in me, but for my dearest Saviour's Sake. I confess, O Lord, I have been polluted with Sin, undutiful to thy Commands, unfaithful to my Promises, unmindful of my Obligations, confederate with thy Enemies ; yea, and even in the Time of these holy Mysteries, so confused, so trifling and vain, so careless and indevout, that I might justly fear lest my Wretchedness should make my Sacrifice an Abomination : I am ashamed, that I have been no fitter ; I lament, that I should bring so many Defilements, where the Purity of an Angel is scarce sufficient : But I take Sanctuary in thy most obliging Condescensions ; and because I am so unworthy, I will endeavour to esteem my self as vile as I really am in thy Sight : O do not look upon  
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the Deserts of a wretched Sinner; but remember thy own Mercies, and accept what Thou hast required of me. I confess, O Lord, I have been very unworthy through my manifold Sins, and very unfit through my miserable Indispositions, to offer Thee any Sacrifice, either of Prayer and Praise, or of my own Soul and Body by way of Gratitude for my Redemption: Yet I beseech Thee to accept what hath been done with many Imperfections. It was my bounden Duty and Service: Thou didst command it; and I desiring to please Thee, set about it. Accept me therefore, O gracious Lord; not weighing my Merits, by which I can claim nothing; but pardoning my Offences, which I hope I have sincerely bewailed: So shall thy Favours be the more Illustrious, because they are bestowed upon so undeserving a Creature; and the Sense of my Unworthiness shall enlarge my Thankfulness, and make me praise Thee more than if I had approached Thee with all Perfections. Lord, hear and accept me, for Jesus Christ's Sake. *Amen. Amen.*

### *A Thanksgiving.*

**I** Thank Thee most entirely, O my gracious God, for calling me this Day  
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to thine own Table, to shew me how thine only Son freely died in my stead ; and to assure me that now, for his Sake, Thou art fully reconciled, and wilt live at present in me by thy Grace, and raise me up hereafter to Glory, to be eternally Happy with thy self in thy Heavenly Kingdom; of all which Thou hast given me the surest Pledges in his precious Body and Blood. With all the Affections of an infinitely obliged Heart, I humbly thank Thee for what Thou hast done, and gladly consent to those Terms of Life and Mercy, which were purchased by it ; and will never wilfully yield to do any thing that is unworthy of so great a Favour : I desire to fulfil thy Will in all Things, and adore thy glorious Goodness, and shew forth thy boundless Praise to my Life's End. O keep me unalterable in this Mind, and never suffer my corrupt Lusts to turn me from it.

O holy Saviour, Thou having taken Possession of my Heart, let thy Presence banish away thine Enemies ; and let them not ever pretend to it again, since 'tis now become Holy to the Lord : O let not my Lusts ever return to pollute that Place wherein so Divine a Guest is lodged : Thou that art pleased now to enter under my Roof, be pleased to have  
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me always in thy keeping ; who am safe in no Hands but thine.

Give me a due Sight and Sense of all the Benefits of thy crucified Body and Blood, whereof, by thy wonderful Mercy, I am made Partaker. Thy Blood was shed for the Remission of Sins ; O let me know and feel, that mine are all forgiven : It obtained the Assistance of thy Spirit and Grace ; O let me ever enjoy this, as I stand in need of it : It was the Price Thou payedst down for eternal Life ; O let that finally be my Lot, since Thou hast paid so dear for it. O sweetest Saviour, let thy Body be my Food ; thy Strength, my Guard ; thy Spirit, my Life ; and the Sense of thy Favour, my greatest Joy and Comfort : Go on graciously to accomplish what Thou hast begun in me ; and let me be ever secure and happy in thy Custody : Be it even so, for thine own Sake, Blessed Jesus. *Amen. Amen.*

### *A Prayer of Intercession.*

**O** Most merciful and gracious God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, I thy poor unworthy Servant, relying upon thy Goodness, trusting in thy Promises, and having received my dearest Lord into my Soul, remembering the glorious



rious Sacrifice which the holy Jesus made upon the Cross, and by a never-ceasing Intercession now exhibits to Thee in Heaven; in the Office of an eternal Priesthood ; I humbly address my self to thy Divine Majesty, in behalf of all Mankind, especially thy holy Catholick Church, and this poor sinful Nation wherein I live ; Particularly in behalf of the Queen, together with all that minister under Her both in Church and State ; as also all my Relations and Friends, Neighbours and Acquaintance ; and all those who have this Day communicated, or who desire to communicate, in any Part of Christendom : Praying to Thee, in Virtue of our glorious Saviour, to grant unto us, all those Graces and Blessings which Thou seeest wanting in us, and necessary for us. O be Thou graciously pleased to pardon our Sins, and pity our Infirmities ; to support and relieve us in our Sorrows, and keep us for ever in thy Fear and Favour : And let the Kingdom of thy dear Son be set up in every one of our Hearts ; and prevail mightily both now and for ever.

Give unto us, O Lord, an Interest in all the good Prayers that are made in Heaven and Earth ; the Intercession of our Lord, and the Supplications of all thy Servants. Let all Things happen to  
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us in such Order and Disposition as may best promote thy greatest Glory, and our Duty ; our Likeness to Christ, and the Honour of his Kingdom : And let thy Grace and Mercy preserve us all from the bitter Pains of Eternal Death, and bring us to Eternal Life, through Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

Lord, I beseech Thee, pardon all my Sins and Failings ; and graciously accept my poor Services : O grant all that I have prayed for ; and whatever else Thou seest Necessary or Profitable for me, or for any of thy Servants, in order to thy Glory, and our Souls Good. *Amen.* Lord ; so be it, for Jesus Christ his Sake : Whom I adore and love ; and whom I desire to love still more and more, and for ever. *Amen. Amen.*

### *A Prayer for Perseverance.*

**O** Most holy and gracious Lord, who art the Beginner and Finisher of every good Work, look down, I beseech Thee, upon me, a weak and mutable Creature ; whom Thou hast redeemed to thy Self, and hitherto conducted by thy Grace and Spirit. Thou knowest, O Lord, the Weakness of my Nature, and how unable I am, without thy Strength and Assistance, to finish the Race Thou hast

hast set before me: Thou knowest what Temptations I must struggle with, and what Difficulties I must yet overcome, before I can be seized of the blessed Prize I am labouring for: O Thou who hast hitherto been my constant Support and Defence, forsake me not for thy Name's Sake; but as Thou hast begun a good Work in me, so (I beseech Thee) finish and complete it: Uphold my feeble Soul by thy free Spirit, under all Temptations and Difficulties; that so by patient Continuance in well-doing, I may seek for, and at last obtain Honour and Glory, Immortality, and eternal Life.

O Thou faithful Guide and Keeper of returning Souls, it is the unfeigned Desire of my Heart, and shall (thro' thy Grace) be the great Endeavour of my Life, above all Things, to keep true to Thee: And my chiefest Prayer to Thee is, to keep me from falling any more from thy Fear; or from forfeiting thy Mercy.

I beg no greater Mercy, than to be found Stedfast in thy Ways; nor shall account any Things to be so great Favours to me, as those which serve to keep me in the same.

O blessed Author and Finisher of all Grace, I give my Heart to Thee, and  
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humbly pray, that it may always be in thy Hands ; since it is so unconstant in what is Good, and prone to turn aside to what is Evil, when it is in my own keeping. O holy Father, keep it Stedfast in thy Ways : Let it not be inclined to any evil Thing, nor lean towards any of my former Vanities. Keep mine Eyes from beholding Wickedness ; and mine Ears from listening thereto : Let not my Lips utter any thing that is ill ; nor my Feet move in any of the Paths of Death : But preserve my whole Spirit, and Soul, and Body, unblameable, until the Coming of the Lord Jesus.

I know, O gracious Father, the Falseness of my own Heart, and the Instability of my Spirit ; and it is not in myself, but in Thee, that I trust : My Faith is in thine Almighty Aid, which Thou hast bountifully promised, and which thy Son has dearly purchased for us with his most precious Blood. Oh ! let that always be my Guard ; and then my Sins shall no more prevail over me.

Holy Father, I desire above all Things, to partake of thy Righteousness : Having utterly defaced my self, I would gladly be new made by Thee : Having hitherto miscarried, whilst I would be in my own Hands, I desire now to be wholly in Thine. I loath my self, O my dear  
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**God, whilst I am without Thee: And whatever else I want, my earnest Prayer is, that I may recover thy Likeness, thro' Jesus Christ our Lord.**

I know, O gracious Lord, that I cannot receive this, but from thy Self: Oh! be Thou therefore both the blessed Giver and the Gift. I know also, alas! that I am utterly unworthy to have thy Divine Image stamped upon my Soul: But I extremely need and desire it, and I extremely value it; and such Thou art pleased to account worthy of it. I dearly love Thee, O my gracious God, or else I should not be thus desirous to be like Thee: And Thou that lovest to communicate thy Goodness; whom should'st Thou imprint and display it upon; but on those that love Thee, and are earnestly desirous of the same?

Hear me therefore, O my God; and breath into my Soul thy Spirit, to renew it after thine own Image, in Righteousness and true Holiness. O Thou that seekest out Sinners to make them good, do not reject me now, when I seek to Thee to make me better. I am poor and naked; Oh! fill me with thy Righteousness: My good Thoughts are unconstant and changeable; Oh! fix them by thy Grace. Set up thy Kingdom, O Jesus, in my Heart: For to be-  
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come thy faithful Servant, is more to me than to have the Empire of this World. Let thy Promises be my Hope ; thy Providence, my Guard ; thy Grace, my Strength ; and thy Blessed Self, my Portion. - Keep me Stedfast, O Lord, in serving Thee, till Thou takest me finally to enjoy Thee ; through Jesus Christ my Blessed Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*  
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### *A Prayer for Growth in Grace.*

O God, who art my Hope and Strength, upon whose Aid and Assistance I depend, look down, I beseech Thee, upon a poor, helpless Creature, who am beset with Snares and Temptations. Blessed be thy Grace, which first excited my Endeavours, and hath hitherto prospered them. My Heart is sincerely desirous to be entirely Thine, and fully bent to please and obey Thee in all Things. But, O Lord, I am afraid of my self, I dread my own Inconstancy ; and Thou knowest, I have too much Reason for it : And therefore I the more passionately and earnestly beseech Thee, for Jesus Christ his Sake, withdraw not thy Self from me ; but continue to assist my weak Endeavours with thy powerful

erful Grace, till Thou hast crowned them with a perfect Victory.

I thankfully acknowledge, 'tis by thy Grace that I am what I am ; 'tis to thy Grace, that I owe all the Good I have done ; and 'tis by thy Aid, that I have escaped all the Evils I have been tempted to : Wherefore not unto me, O Lord, not unto my Strength or Endeavours, but unto thy Name, be all the Praise and Glory.

And now, O Lord, I am come before Thee, and, I hope, with a truly loyal and sincere Heart, to offer up my Soul and Body to Thee, and vow an everlasting Obedience to thy blessed Will. For Jesus his Sake refuse not this poor Oblation ; which, though it be infinitely unworthy of thine Acceptance, is the best Thing I am able to present Thee. O accept me, and take entire Possession of me, that I may be wholly and for ever Thine ; and be Thou graciously pleased to make me such as Thou wouldest have me to be.

I am ashamed of my self, to see how unlike Thee I am ; how I am laded with Imperfections ; and how, after all my religious Endeavours, my Nature is still vitiated with inordinate Lusts and Affections ; how much Vanity yet remains in my Mind, how much Perverseness in my Will, how much spiritual and carnal Iniquity

quity in my Affections and Appetites. Lord, I have been long a contending with this corrupt Nature, and yet upon all Occasions I find my self too too prone to be \* ——— Wo is me, even my fairest Graces have their foul Spots and Blemishes ; my purest Dispositions, their sinful Intermixtures ; and my best Works, their Flaws and Imperfections.

O my God, have Pity upon me, who here lie sighing at thy Feet, under a miserable diseased Nature : As Thou hast begun the blessed Cure in me, so, for Christ his Sake, I beseech Thee to complete it ; that being entirely recovered and raised up into Newness of Life, I may, in the perfect Health and Vigour of my Soul, serve and glorifie Thee for the future ; and as I have been hitherto a signal Instance of thy Goodness, so I may be an happy Instrument of thy Praise to eternal Ages.

Let thy blessed Spirit be my constant Monitor, to guide and assist, and prosper me in all my Ways. O let his sacred Influences always excite and encourage my Endeavours, quicken my Dulness, raise my Devotion, and suppress all evil Inclinations in me ; that I may love and serve Thee with all my Heart, with all my Soul, and with all my Strength.

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Hear me, O my God, I beseech Thee, and strengthen me with all Might by thy Spirit in the inward Man; that I may hereafter contend more vigorously and successfully against all the vile Inclinations of my Nature. And grant I may be always so sensible of my own Imperfection, as that I may never rest in any present Attainment; but may be still pressing forward to the Mark of my high Calling in Jesus Christ.

That I may every Day serve Thee more freely and stedfastly, wean me, I beseech Thee, more and more from those Temptations to Sin that are round about me; and give me such a true Understanding of the Nature of all the Good and Evil of this World, as that neither the Flatteries of the one, nor the Terrors of the other, may ever be able to withdraw me from my Duty.

Stir up my slothful Mind to a diligent Attendance on thy publick Ordinances; that so in the solemn Assemblies of thy Saints, I may constantly hear thy Word with Reverence and Attention, offer up my Prayers with Fervency and Devotion, and approach thy Table with all that Humility and Love, Gratitude and Resignation of Soul, that becomes the solemn Remembrance and Representation of my dying Saviour.

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Grant, I beseech Thee, that in the Use of these blessed Means, my Mind may be more and more raised above these sensible Things, and may have the clearer Sight of its heavenly Country, from whence it came, and whither it desires to return; that so having my Eye alway fixt upon that blessed Remcompence of Reward, I may live above this World; and in despite of all its Terrors and Allurements, persevere to the End in a steady and even Course of Obedience.

O cause me to love Thee for thy Self, and Religion for Thee, and the Instruments of Religion, in order to thy Glory and my own Happiness: That so founding my Content upon Thee, and the blessed Interests of a virtuous Life, I may grow in Grace, and be rich in good Works, and go on with a satisfied and triumphant Spirit, from Imperfection to Strength, from Acts to Habits, and from Habits to Confirmation in Grace; and may be still more and more confirmed in all the heavenly Graces, till they are finally consummated into everlasting Glory. And when, by thy Grace and Assistance, I have perfectly conquered the corrupt Nature within, and the Temptations without me, and am arrived

rived into the State of everlasting Triumph, I will lay all my Victories at thy Feet, and with Palms in my Hand, and Hallelujahs from my Lips, celebrate thy Praises to Eternity.

Hear me, O my God, in this and whatever else Thou knowest to be needful for me, for Jesus Christ his Sake: To whom with thy Self, and eternal Spirit, be rendred all Honour, Glory and Power, from this Time forth for evermore. *Amen. Amen.*

*A Prayer for Hope in God, and Cheerfulness in his Service.*

**O** Father of Mercies, and God of all Comfort; who hast given us everlasting Consolation, and good Hope through thy Grace in Jesus Christ; I bless and adore thy infinite Love and Bignity to Sinners, for all the Means of Grace, and Incentives of thy Love, Thou mercifully vouchsafest us; particularly for indulging us the Privilege, the Honour, the Happiness to pray to Thee, to pour out our Souls, to breath out our Desires, to present our Wants, and to unbosom our Grievs at thy Throne of Love.

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I praise and adore Thee, O most condescending Majesty, for not only permitting us, miserable Wretches, to pray to Thee; but also for giving us all imaginable Encouragement to so important a Duty. I adore and love Thee, for pouring out thy Holy Spirit of Grace and Supplication on us, to help our Infirmities, to assist us in praying, to make Intercession for us with Sighs and Groans that cannot be uttered. I adore and love Thee, for giving us so many glorious Promises of hearing our Prayers, so many firm Assurances of a gracious Acceptance.

O grant that I may always set a true Value on this most valuable Privilege, and take Delight in approaching to Thee: And suffer not any Defect, or Unworthiness in me, to hinder the Success of my Prayers; but qualify me, by thy Grace, to receive the full Benefit of all thy gracious Promises.

Maintain in me such cheerful Thoughts of Thee, that Religion may be my Delight, as much as it is my Duty; and I may always approach Thee with a joyful Heart, being glad to leave the Company of all other Things to go to Thee, my God, my exceeding Joy.

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gentle Yoke of my most loving Saviour ; none of whose Commandments are grievous, but all his Ways Pleasantness, and his Paths Peace : O therefore grant, that I may not only do thy Will, but take Pleasure in doing it ; and may have the Comfort as well as the Guidance of thy Grace.

Grant me, even now, as well as hereafter, to taste the Pleasures, and reap the Profits of thy Service : That I may go on therein more cheerfully my self ; and may also recommend the Religion of our Lord Jesus to all others, and testify to all the World, by a cheerful and zealous Obedience, that his Yoke is easy, and his Burden light. And that I may always serve Thee with Freedom and Alacrity, remove from me, I beseech Thee, all unprofitable Sadness and Melancholy ; and help me to acquire an equal Tranquillity of Mind, and a becoming Cheerfulness of Spirit.

Lord, fill me plenteously with all those Graces of thy holy Spirit, which must recommend my Soul to Thee ; and with such Comforts of the same, as may sweeten Religion to me : And cause me, instead of spending my self in fruitless Complaints, to put forth real Endeavours of doing Thee Honour and Service ; and  
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to lay out my self in the Ways of thy Glory, and of my own everlasting Peace.

I beseech Thee to inspire me with such clear and lively Apprehensions of thy essential Beauties and Perfections, and of thy bountiful Love and boundless Benevolence to all thy Creatures, as may every Day more and more raise and improve my Love to Thee; that this, being the great Spring and Principle of all my Actions, may continually excite me to a cheerful Obedience to thy Will, and a vigorous Imitation of thy Perfections.

Preserve me from all Dejection of Spirit, and unjust Suspicions of thy Anger and Displeasure, when I find less Delight and Complacency in the sincere and careful Performance of all the Duties which I owe Thee. And whenever Thou art pleased to enlarge my Heart with sweet Transports of Love to Thee, and inspire my Mind with delightful Thoughts of Thee; grant, I beseech Thee, that they may not only please, but better me; that they may lift me up above all the Temptations of this World, and revive my Strength, quicken my Endeavours, and compose my distrustful Heart into a steadfast Dependance upon Thee: That so I may be fruitful in all good Works, and my

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Heart may be establish'd unblameable in Holiness before Thee unto the Coming of the Lord Jesus Christ ; for whose Sake I beg these Mercies of Thee, and humbly hope to be heard, through his Merits and Mediation. *Amen. Amen.*

*A Prayer for Mercy, and favourable Allowances in trying our Service.*

**O** Thou ever-blessed Majesty, who fillest Heaven and Earth with thy Presence, and art always listening to the Supplications of a World of Creatures that depend upon Thee ; Open, I beseech Thee, thine Ear of Mercy to me thy poor, frail, defective Creature. I confess, O Lord, I am very unworthy through my manifold Sins, and very unfit through my miserable Indispositions, to offer Thee any Sacrifice, or to draw near to Thee : But I beseech Thee, that Thou wilt not reject me for my Unworthiness, as I have deserved ; but exercise thy long Sufferance in bearing with my Infirmities.

O my God, examine all my Ways and Weaknesses, with the indulgent and compassionate Abatements of a Father ; Judge me with the Mercy and Gentleness of a Saviour ; Try me with the Favour

vour of one that died for me, and seeks to save, not to condemn me.

Lord, tho' I am still offending Thee, yet I dearly love Thee: I can never take Pleasure in my self, but when I think I have pleased Thee. Nay, I hate my self for it, as often as I find that I have offended Thee: And I bear Thee a Child's obedient Regard and Reverence; tho' alas! with too much of the Alloy and Mixture of a Child's Folly and Negligence.

Look upon my Offences, I humbly intreat Thee, O Father, as the Offences of one who loves Thee above all Things: Look upon them as the Slips of one, whose Heart nevertheless is bent upon thy Fear, and devoted to thy Service; but who pays Thee this Service, under a Load of humane Infirmities, and much Frailty of the Flesh; Who at one time is drowsie, at another time, vain and heedless; who is forgetful in many Things; and hasty and inconsiderate in more; who naturally grows weary and remiss, when Trials return often, or continue long; and whose unconstant Temper is too often dull and listless, when it needs to be most active and vigorous; supine and inadvertent, when it should be most circumspect, and stand most strictly upon its Guard.



Through all this Cloud of mine Infirmities, be Thou pleased, O gracious Lord, to look to my Love, and Devotedness to thy Laws; and mercifully accept my Love, and pity my Weaknesses. O Thou who madest me, consider and pity my Frailty. O Thou who hast bore humane Infirmities, tho' without Sin in thy Self, have Compassion on them in me. Lord, bear with them as with the Failures and Forgetfulness of a sincerely affectionate and devoted, tho' of a very frail and heedless Servant. Bear with them, O Father, as with the Errors and Oversights of a loving and dutiful, tho' of a very weak and simple Child. And let me have thy Grace to help and guard me against them, as well as thy Mercy to pity and pardon them.

O that no Mistrusts of thy merciful Acceptance may either discourage the Course of my sincere Obedience, or deprive me of the Comforts of the same. Whilst I am labouring sincerely to serve Thee, give me the Comfort of Hope that Thou dost accept me; and let me find the Ways of Righteousness to be Ways of Peace, both now and for ever.

Lord, I humble my self before Thee; do Thou in Mercy lift me up: Which with all my Comforts, I will ever most  
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thankfully ascribe to thy free BOUNTY and Grace, through the Merits of my blessed Saviour and Redeemer Jesus Christ. *Amen. Amen.*

*A Prayer in the Time Sickneſs: Which may (with a little Alteration) be uſed in the Behalf of a Sick Friend.*

**O** Heavenly Father, who in thy Wiſdom knoweſt what is beſt for me; Glory be to Thee.

Lord, if it ſeem Good in thy Sight, I beſeech Thee to remove this Diſtemper which now afflicts me, and reſtore me to my former Health: And give me Grace to improve it to thy Glory, and praife thy Name, for the Sake of Jeſus Chriſt my Lord and Saviour. But if Thou art pleaſed it ſhould increaſe upon me, give me Grace to ſubmit my ſelf entirely to thy good Pleaſure; and to bear patiently whatever Thou art pleaſed to lay upon me.

I deſire, O Lord, to acknowledge and adore thy Divine Wiſdom and Goodneſs in every Diſpenſation of Providence towards me; and only beg, that Thou wouldeſt keep me ſafe under all: Then uſe what Methods Thou pleaſeſt of bring-

ing me to my Self, and preparing me for thy Kingdom.

Possess my Soul, I beseech Thee, with awful and becoming Apprehensions of thy Majesty. Give me a serious Sense and Sorrow for having at any Time provoked that Vengeance, which is able to consume in a Moment.

Grant me, I beseech Thee, true Repentance, and thy Holy Spirit; and then open thine Eye of Mercy upon my languishing Condition, and give me the Comfort of Pardon and Forgiveness. In thy Mercy, O Lord, I put my full Trust; in thy Mercy alone, through the meritorious Sufferings of my crucified Saviour. Impute not unto me, O Lord, my former Sins, but strengthen me with thy Blessed Spirit; and grant that this Weakness of my Body, may tend to the Increase of Christian Holiness, and the Healing of my Soul.

Guard me by thy Power from the Assaults of the Tempter; and suffer him not to take Advantage of my Weakness. Deliver me from all Frowardness and Impatience; and give me an entire Resignation to thy Will. O suffer not the Disease to take away my Senses; and do Thou continually supply my Thoughts with Holy Aspirations.

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Lord, direct and bless all proper Means for my Recovery ; and restore me to my Health in thy good Time : But if thy infinite Wisdom has otherwise determined concerning me, thy blessed Will be done. O wean my Affections from all Things below, and so fit and prepare me for the Hour of Death ; that after my Departure hence, in Peace, and in thy Favour, my Soul may be received into thine everlasting Kingdom. For this, O Lord, is the chief Desire of my Soul, that whether I live, I may live unto Thee ; or whether I die, I may die unto Thee ; so that living and dying I may be Thine, through Jesus Christ, my dear and only Saviour. *Amen.*

### *A Thanksgiving for Recovery.*

**O** Most mighty God, and merciful Father, wonderful in thy Doings, and gracious in all thy Dispensations toward the Children of Men ; I thy unworthy Servant prostrate my self before Thee, with all the fervent Affections of a grateful Heart ; acknowledging it thy Goodness, that I was not long ago consumed. Thou, Lord, hast chastened and corrected me ; but Thou hast not given me over unto Death. Blessed be that divine Wisdom, which saw my late

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Affliction seasonable for me, and would not suffer me to perish in my Folly, for want of such necessary Warning. Blessed be that tender Compassion, which in the midst of Wrath remembred Mercy. Blessed for ever be that Power and Goodness, which by sparing me, when I had deserved to be utterly cut off, hath given me Opportunity to make good those holy Resolutions, which thy Grace, O Lord, inspired when I was in Trouble. Lord, let the Remembrance of this thy Goodness to me, and my own serious Purposes of Amendment, never depart from my Mind. And give me such a grateful Sense thereof, as may more and more incite me to love and obey Thee, and to depend upon Thee for the future.

Lord give me Grace to perform all my good Resolutions. Make me every Day more and more zealous in promoting thy Glory, and the Good of my Brethren: As a Person saved from Destruction for this very End, that the Remainder of my Life should be employed in the Service of my most gracious Deliverer.

Sanctifie, I beseech Thee, all the Methods of thy Providence to the Salvation of my immortal Soul; and especially, let not thy abused Mercies ever rise up in Judgment against me. Oh! may my past Sufferings work in me great Humility

lity and godly Fear; and tend to confirm me in Faith and Patience, and in an entire Resignation to thy Will in all thy Dispensations towards me.

Keep me still, O Lord, under the watchful Care of thy good Providence. And perfect, I beseech Thee, perfect thy own Work in me: That so the Glory of it may be for ever redounding to Thee; and that, as I have been hitherto a signal Instance of thy Goodness, so I may be a happy Instrument of thy Praise to Eternity.

Grant, I beseech Thee, that the Sense of thy unspeakable Kindness towards me, may so captivate my Soul and all my Faculties, that I may be most entirely Thine; that my Reason and my Will, my Fear, and my Hope, my Love and Desire, may from henceforth be all resigned up to Thee, and for ever devoted to thy Honour and Praise: And this I most humbly beg for Jesus Christ his Sake; to whom with Thee, O Father, and thy Eternal Spirit, be rendred all Honour, Glory and Power, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

### *A Prayer in Time of Affliction.*

**O** Most merciful and gracious God, who hast commanded us to call up-  
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on Thee in the Time of Trouble, and promised to help us; I beseech Thee, incline thine Ears to the Supplications of me thy poor Servant, who fly to Thee for Succour.

I confess, O Lord, I have so grievously offended Thee by my Sins, that in the severest of thy Inflictions I must acknowledge; Righteous art Thou, O Lord, and true are thy Judgments.

I complain not of thy Sharpness; discerning herein thy Mercy, inasmuch as I have deserved far more grievous Punishments. But, O merciful Lord, I beseech Thee, that Thou wilt not consider nor weigh what is due to my Deservings, but rather what becometh thy Mercy. O let that incline Thee to do for me whatever my wretched Estate stands in need of. O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive; consider and do it, for thy Name's Sake, for thy Mercy's Sake, for Jesus Christ his Sake.

O deliver me, and be merciful to my Sins; and say unto my Soul, I am thy Salvation. Deal Thou with me, O Lord, according to thy Name, for sweet is thy Mercy. O deliver me, for I am helpless and poor, and my Heart is wounded within me.

I am sensible of the Uncertainty of all Things else, but only of thy Love; which

which will inspire me, I hope, to be-  
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of it, in every State and Condition of  
Life. O that I may now show how much  
I love Thee more than my self, by ex-  
pressing all Patience, Meekness, For-  
giveness of others, cheerful Submission  
to Thee, and Confidence in Thee, with  
Thankfulness for all thy past and re-  
maining Mercies: Be they always ac-  
knowledged, and never forgotten by  
me. And fill me with all Joy and Peace,  
in Believing that Thou wilt never leave  
me nor forsake me; but make me per-  
fect, stablish, strengthen, settle me, and  
be my God for ever and ever, my Guide  
even unto Death.

I hope, O Gracious Lord, Thou send-  
est this Affliction on me for my Good;  
even to humble and reform me: O grant  
that it may work that saving Effect  
in me.

Lord, I submit to thy divine Dispen-  
sations; I throw my self at thy Feet:  
Do with me what Thou pleasest. O dispose  
of me, and all my Affairs, so as may  
best promote thy Glory, and my Soul's  
Good: And let this be the happy Effect  
of all thy Dispensations toward me, even  
to bring me nearer to thy Self.

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diation of my crucified Saviour: Oh! for his Sake forgive and save me. *Amen. Amen.*

*A Thanksgiving for Deliverance.*

**P**Raised be the Lord daily, even the God that helpeth me, and poureth his Benefits upon me. Glory be to Thee, O blessed Lord, who art gracious and merciful, slow to Anger, and of great Kindness, and repentest Thee of the Evil.

I thankfully acknowledge, O gracious Lord, that Thou hast not dealt with me according to my Deservings: For tho' my Sins have deserved eternal Torments, Thou hast corrected me only with a gentle Rod; neither hast Thou suffered me long to lie under that, but hast given me a timely and a gracious Issue out of my late Distresses: For which, all Love, all Glory be to Thee.

It was not my Merit, but thy Mercy; not my Prudence, but thy gracious Providence, that delivered me: And therefore to Thee I return all the Praise, and Honour, and Glory of my Deliverance. Praise the Lord, O my Soul, and all that is within me praise his holy Name: Who remembered me in my low Estate; for his Mercy endureth for ever.

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O gracious Lord, who of thy infinite Mercy hast delivered me; make me strictly careful to sin no more, lest a worse Thing come unto me. O let these various Methods of Thine have their proper Effects on my Soul; that Gratitude for past Mercies may allure me to Good, and Fear of impending Judgments may drive me from Evil; and so by bringing forth worthy Fruits of Repentance, I may escape thy Wrath, both Temporal and Eternal. And grant, that as I have felt the sweet Refreshment of thy Mercy; my Heart may be so ravished with it, and knit to Thee in the firmest Bands of Love; that I may be entirely devoted to Thee, and serve Thee with a cheerful Obedience all my Days, through Jesus Christ. *Amen. Amen.*

*A Prayer for the Clergy, to be used in  
Ember Week.*

O Thou great Shepherd and Bishop of our Souls, who hast commanded us to pray for Labourers in thy Harvest; I beseech Thee, give us Pastors after thy own Heart. Let them be cloathed with Righteousness, and wash their Hands in Innocence, before they

they compass thine Altar. Make them all pious in their Lives, sound in their Doctrine, and diligent in their Calling: And both by their Piety and Learning, to adorn their holy Profession, and put to Silence the Ignorance of foolish Men.

O let not any vain Ambition for themselves make them expose and prostitute the Honour of their God; nor Affectation of that Knowledge that puffeth up, divert them from that Charity which only edifieth. Grant that the Interests of Religion may always be uppermost in their Hearts, and never vail to secular Ends; nor the Pretence of Truth cloke any exorbitant Passion.

Lord, refine even their Zeal: And make it serve, not to consume, but kindle their Charity; and to inspirit them with such an unwearied Industry, that they may always abound in the Work of the Lord, and diligently take heed to those Flocks over whom the Holy Ghost has made them Overseers: That after a plentiful Conversion of Sinners from the Errors of their Ways, they may at the last shine like the Stars in Glory, through thy Merits and Mediation, O holy and ever-blessed Jesus. *Amen. Amen.*

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*A Prayer for Religious Societies.*

**O** Blessed Lord, who art infinitely holy and happy in thy Self, and from whom alone we derive the Possibility of being either ; I prostrate my self before Thee, to implore thy Favour and Blessing upon all religious Societies. O Lord, increase their Number, and confirm and advance their Piety : Let them not rest in the Form and Outside of Religion ; but seriously weigh, and industriously answer the Obligations of their holy Profession, by living as thy Saints have lived, in Innocence and Purity, in Mortification and Abstinence, in Charity and Devotion, in Meekness and Humility ; doing all such good Works as Thou hast prepared for them to walk in.

Give them Grace to fly all the Incitements to the unsatisfying Pleasures of Luxury and Vice ; and grant them that more solid transcending Delight that attends thy Service.

O inspirit them by thy Grace, that they may not only approve, but obey thy Commands ; conquer all the Discouragements of Sloth or Vice, and cheerfully set to the Practice of all Christian Duties ;

Duties ; that so they may experimental-ly find, how sweet the Lord is.

That none of those who are thus strictly engaged to serve Thee, may ever dishonour Thee, by falling back into sinful Courses ; I do most humbly and earnestly beseech Thee, not to leave them to themselves ; They are weak, and apt to be deceived ; and their Enemies are mighty, politick, and watchful. Lord, Thou knowest whereof they are made ; Thou remembrest that they are but Flesh. It is thy Spirit, O Lord, thy Spirit alone that can uphold them : O establish them with a free Spirit ; that they be not weary nor faint in their Mind ; And by how much the more they discover their Weakness, so much the more do Thou shew forth thy Power in them : That no Temptation may ever be able to shake their Constancy ; but that they may resist even unto Blood, striving against Sin ; and may continue thy faithful Soldiers and Servants unto their Lives End.

Lord, grant them true Humility and Lowliness of Mind ; that they be not puffed up with a Conceit of their own Holiness : But make them always to remember, and seriously to consider ; that it is Thou only that makest them to differ from the worst of Sinners.

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I beseech Thee also to inspire them with the Spirit of Truth, Unity, and Concord; that there may be no Divisions among them, but that they may be perfectly joined together in the same Mind, and in the same Judgment.

And since all their Success depends on thy Favour and Blessing, I humbly and earnestly beseech Thee, to look down with an Eye of Favour and Blessing upon them; to assist and prosper all their pious and charitable Endeavours. O be Thou graciously pleased to make them very successful in promoting thy Honour and Glory, and suppressing all Vice and Prophaneness: And grant them true Zeal, unwearied Diligence, and undaunted Courage therein; that they may as industriously combine to propitiate, as others do to provoke Thee: And let them not only deliver their own Souls, but obtain Mercy also for this crooked and perverse Generation; even such a mighty Grace as may be effectual to reduce us.

Hear me, good Lord; and grant them all these Graces and Blessings, and whatever else Thou seeest necessary for them, for Jesus Christ his Sake.  
*Amen. Amen.*

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*A shorter Prayer in behalf of the Societies.*

**O** Holy and gracious Lord, who despisest not the Mean, nor acceptest the Persons of the Mighty ; I beseech Thee, incline thine Ears to the Supplications which I present unto Thee, in behalf of all religious Societies. Oh ! deliver them from the Sins and Errors, the Schisms and Heresies of the Age. Give them Grace to pray daily for the Peace of the Church, and earnestly to seek it ; and to excite all they can to praise and love Thee.

Grant that by the Holiness of their Lives, they may adorn the Doctrine of the Church of *England* ; take off the Scandal our Licentiousness has given to them that are without, and evidence their Relation to the Prince of Peace and Holiness.

Give them Grace, I most humbly beseech Thee, to resist all Temptations to Sin and Vanity ; and to improve all those Helps to true Piety, all those Means of Grace and Incentives of thy Love, Thou mercifully indulgest them : That they may with primitive Affections and Fervour praise and serve Thee ; that they may all love one another, and all join in loving Thee.

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And because of themselves they are not able to do any of these things, or to think so much as one good Thought ; I humbly and earnestly beseech Thee, to grant them continual Supplies of thy Grace : That they may continue in thy Love to their Lives End ; and being faithful unto Death, may receive the Crown of Life, which Thou hast promised to those that fight a good Fight, and endure to the End. Grant this, and whatever else Thou seest necessary or profitable for them, for Jesus Christ his Sake ; to whom with Thee and the Holy Ghost be all Honour and Glory both now and for ever. *Amen. Amen.*

*Short Prayers and Ejaculations to be used as we see Occasion.*

*For a devout Frame of Spirit.*

**G**LORY be to Thee, O Thou heavenly Guide of our Devotion and our Love, who, by teaching us to pray, hast shewed us ; that Prayer is the Treasury, where all our Blessings are kept ; the Armoury, where all our Strength and Weapons are stored ; the great Preservative, and the vital Heat of Divine Love

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O my God, give me Grace to call on Thee at all Times by diligent Prayer. May I ever keep my self in thy Love, by praying in the Holy Ghost, and by praying without ceasing; since I incessantly want the Succours of thy Love.

Ah! Lord, I know my Devotion has daily many unavoidable and necessary Interruptions; and I cannot always be actually praying: All I can do is to beg of thy Love to keep my Heart always in an habitual Disposition to Devotion, and in Mindfulness of thy Divine Presence; that I may perpetuate my Prayers by frequent Ejaculations.

O my God, as thy infinite Love is ever streaming in Blessings on me, so let my Soul be ever breathing Love to Thee.

*At going out.*

**L**ORD Jesus, be Thou with my Spirit: And give thy Angels charge over me, to keep me in all my Ways. Keep me in thy Fear and Favour; and preserve me from all Dangers of Soul and Body.

*When*

*When we begin any Business.*

**H** E L P me, Good Lord, I beseech Thee : O Lord, send me now Prosperity. Guide and direct, bless and prosper me ; and grant that what I am going about, may tend to the Advancement of thy Glory and my Soul's Good, through Jesus Christ my Lord. *Amen.*

*At Work.*

**T** E A C H me, O Lord, to improve my precious Time, and not to spend it in Idleness or Sin ; but to dispatch the Work on which my endless Life depends, and to live as I shall wish at last that I had lived.

O Thou who madest all Things for thy Glory, I beseech Thee suffer me not to live an unprofitable Part of thy Creation ; but grant I may be always doing something of thy Will.

*When we are alone.*

**W** Herever I am, whatever I do, Thou, Lord, seest me : O keep me in thy Fear all the Day long. Keep me from Sin and Death eternal, and from all my Enemies visible and invisible.

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Give me Grace to live a holy Life; and thy Favour, that I may die a godly and a happy Death. O Lord, hear the Prayer of thy Servant; and grant me thy holy Spirit.

*When we are going into Company.*

**L**ORD, I recommend my self to thy Protection, preserve me from all Sin and Danger; and grant that whatsoever I shall think, or do, or speak, may tend to the Advancement of thy Glory, and the Good of my self and others.

Transcribe thy Graces on my Soul and Life; that my Conversation may shew that I am thy Disciple indeed, resolved to live and die, and rise with Thee to eternal Glory: And as Thou, my God, who hast called me, art holy; so may I be holy in all Manner of Conversation.

O let me remember that I am a Christian, and have vowed my self to thy Service; and let me be diligent to serve Thee, in keeping even the least of thy Commandments.

O Holy Jesus, attract my Soul with thy Beauty. Teach me to tread in thy Steps. Let thy Example be ever before me; and wherever I am, let me do nothing unworthy of it.

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*When we hear any Good of our Acquaintance.*

**O** Let them grow in Grace, and go on from Virtue to Virtue, and be fruitful in every good Word and Work.

*When we hear any Ill.*

**O** Lord, I beseech Thee, grant them  
a Sight of their Folly and Mad-  
ness before it be too late. Let not Ini-  
quity be their Ruine ; but grant them  
true Repentance unto Life, not to be  
repented of.

Though the World lies in Wickedness; yet let not the Familiarity and common Practices of Men be any Temptation to me: Let me ever look up to that great and glorious God that forbids it, and count my self happier in his Favour, than in all the Solaces and Flatteries of evil Men.

*When we are despised for Righteousness  
Sake.*

**G**lory be to Thee, O gracious Lord,  
for admitting me to this great Ho-  
nour. O let me ever esteem the Re-  
proach

proach of Christ greater Riches than all the Treasures of this World.

I must stand or fall at last by thy just Sentence, who wilt not value the Talk of vain Persons : O let this Belief influence my Life, and all my Actions.

Let me see with other Eyes than carnal Men see. Make me a Follower of those wise and excellent Souls, that despise the World, and labour for Glory, and Honour, and Immortality.

O Thou who didst endure the Cross, and despise the Shame, give me a holy Ambition to be like Thee : Give me Grace to follow Thee, the Captain of my Salvation, through Honour and Dishonour, through evil Report and good Report ; and in spite of all Opposition, let me continue thy faithful and unfeigned Servant to my Life's End : That I may at last obtain the Crown of Life (which Thou hast laid up for those that fight a good Fight, and endure to the End) for thy Merits and Mercies Sake, O holy and ever blessed Jesus. *Amen. Amen.*

*When we are Hungry, or Thirsty.*

**O** Holy Lord Jesus, who hast pronounced those blessed that hunger and thirst after Righteousness, and promised

mised that they shall be filled ; make me one of that happy Number. O that it might be my Meat and Drink, as it was Thine, to do the Will of thy heavenly Father.

Lord, grant me an habitual, pure Intention of thy Glory in all my Actions ; that whether I eat or drink, or whatever I do, I may do all to the Honour of Thee my Beloved.

*Before Reading.*

**L**ORD, open Thou my Eyes, that I may see the great Things of thy Law, and the Mysteries of the Gospel. It is thy abundant Love to this Nation, O gracious Lord, that Thou indulgest thy Word to us in our own Mother Tongue ; that we have free Access to those dear Volumes, and may from thence daily, and on all Occasions, apply proper Fuel to our Love and Devotion.

Lord, give me Grace to study thy Knowledge ; that the more I know Thee, the more I may love Thee. Grant that I may always read and hear thy Word, the heavenly Register of thy Love, with a serious Attention, and inflammable Heart, and a particular Application ; and ever learn from it some Lesson of thy Love.

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*After Reading.*

**B**lessed art Thou, O Lord, O teach me thy Statutes. O let thy Word be daily my Delight, my Counsellor, and my Meditation. Grant that the Knowledge Thou hast given me, may have such an Efficacy on my Practice, that it may always guide, never upbraid me. O let it bring forth Fruit to Life eternal, through Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

*When we find our Thoughts vain or ro-  
ving in holy Duties.*

**M**Y Soul cleaveth to the Dust, quicken Thou me according to thy Word.

O suppress all these foolish vain Thoughts which disturb my Devotion : Raise up my dull and earthly Mind from grovelling here below, and inspire me with a holy Zeal to seek the Things that are above.

O my God, draw near unto me ; and touch my Mind with such a powerful Sense of Thee, as may lift me up above all earthly Things, and continually carry forth my Soul in vehement Desires after Thee. Lord, assist and accept me, for Jesus Christ his Sake. *Amen.*

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*When we are Dull or Drowsie.*

**O** Lord, hear my Prayer, and let my Cry come unto Thee. Lord, pardon the Weakness of my Prayers, and suffer not my Wandrings and Dulness, and infinite Unworthiness, to turn them into Sin.

Let thy good Spirit help my Infirmities; give me a praying Spirit, and let my Soul follow hard after Thee. O do Thou touch my cold and earthly Desires with an outstretched Ray from thy self, and cause them to rise and flame up to Thee, in Fervours answerable to my pressing Wants; that I may so ask, as that I may receive; so seek, as that I may find; so knock, as that it may be opened unto me; through Jesus Christ my blessed Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

*After any Sin committed.*

**L**ORD, be merciful to me a poor miserable Sinner; heal my Soul, for I have sinned against Thee.

I have sinned, O Lord, I have sinned, and done Evil in thy Sight. I have grievously offended Thee, by \* ---- But I humbly and earnestly beseech Thee, for Jesus Christ his Sake, that Thou wilt



not lay this Sin to my Charge ; but mercifully acquit me, and receive me into thy Favour. Father, forgive me. Lord Jesus have Mercy upon me.

Thou art a God forgiving Iniquity ; forgive that which lies so heavy upon me. Thou art the Saviour of Sinners ; save me who am a most grievous Sinner, and let me not perish in my Sins. Holy Father, have Mercy upon me ; sweet Jesus, cleanse and save me. Wash away the Stain of my Sins, and speak Peace to my affrighted Conscience ; revive and comfort my broken Heart.

O speak Peace to my poor Heart ; and let me know, and feel, that Thou forgiveest me. And grant that the Sense of these my Miscarriages may render me more careful and vigilant for the future ; that I may bring forth Fruits of Repentance in Amendment of Life, to the Praise and Glory of thy Grace in Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

*After having done any Good.*

**B**lessed be thy Name, O most gracious and merciful Father, for those great and numberless Favours which from time to time Thou hast heaped upon me, who am less than the least of thy Mercies. 'Tis to thy Grace that I owe all the Good

I have done ; and 'tis by thy Aid that I have escaped all the Evils I have been tempted to : Wherefore not unto me, O Lord, ~~not~~ unto my Strength or Endeavours, but unto thy Name, be all the Praise, and Honour, and Glory.

O my adored Benefactor, who art a never-failing Friend to all those that humbly depend upon Thee, I bless and praise thy glorious Name, for this Experience I have had of thy indulgent Kindness.

Praised be thy Name, that Thou hast not suffered me to be tempted above what I was able, but hast so powerfully assisted me, and by putting so many good Thoughts in my Mind, hast strengthened my Resolution, and rendered it so successful and victorious.

O never let the Remembrance of this thy Goodness towards me depart from my Mind ; but let it kindle in me such a grateful Sense, as may more and more incite me to love and obey Thee. And grant that my Heart may be so inflamed with the Remembrance of thy Goodness, so encouraged with the happy Success Thou hast now vouchsafed me, and so endeared to the Practice of Virtue by the growing Delights and Pleasures of it, that I may persist in my Christian Course with greater Courage and Alacrity. All

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this I humbly beg for Jesus Christ his Sake. *Amen. Amen.*

*In the Time of Trouble*

**O** Father of Mercies, be Thou my Support and Stay under all this Trouble and Heaviness; and let not thy Mercies nor my Faith fail me, when all things else do.

I know, O Lord, that thy Judgments are right, and that Thou of very Faithfulness hast caused me to be troubled.

O let thy Smiting reclaim and amend me; and then let thy Comforts revive me. Let thy dear Son's most precious Blood expiate all my sins; and let his Grace enable me to bring forth all the Fruits of Righteousness.

Heavenly Father, my Hope is wholly in thy Mercy, and in the Merits and Sufferings of my crucified Saviour. O for his Sake forgive and save me. *Amen.*

*When we are in Danger.*

**O** Lord, who in thy Wisdom knowest what is best for me; all Glory be to Thee. Lord, if it seem good in thy Sight, I beseech Thee to avert this Danger which now threatens me; and grant that I may use thy Blessings to thy Glory, and praise thy Name. But

But if it be thy Pleasure that this Affliction should befall me ; give me Grace to submit humbly and cheerfully to thy Dispensations, and to acquiesce in thy Choice as best for me.

O Thou that hast made me, consider my Frailty ; and lay no more upon me than Thou wilt enable me to bear. Lord, I am weak and ignorant, timorous and inconstant ; and I fear lest something should happen that may discompose the State of my Soul, and displease Thee : Thou knowest that this is my great Fear ; but let thy Spirit secure, that nothing may be able to separate me from thy Love, or tempt me to offend Thee. Do what Thou wilt with me, so Thou dost but preserve me in thy Fear and Favour. Thou art good and gracious, and I throw myself upon thy Mercy. Let me never let go my hold ; and do Thou with me what seems good in thy own Eyes. I cannot suffer more than my Sins have deserved ; and yet I can need no Relief so great as thy Mercy is : For Thou art infinitely more merciful than I can be miserable ; and thy Mercy, which is above all thy Works, must needs be above all my Sin, and all my Misery. Dearest Jesus, let me trust in Thee forever ; and let me never be confounded.

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*After any Blessing, or Deliverance.*

**I**T is of the Lord's Mercies that I am not consumed, because his Compassions fail not.

O Lord, I render Thee most humble and hearty Thanks for the great Blessing Thou hast now vouchsafed me.

Praised be the Lord, which hath not cast out my Prayer, nor turned his Mercy from me. Lord, grant me such a Sense of this thy Goodness as may express it self in a thankful and zealous Obedience: That I living here to thy Glory, may at last enter into the Joy of my Lord, and spend a whole Eternity in thy Praises. *Amen. Amen.*

*When we see plentiful Provision for our bodily Sustenance.*

**G**Lory be to Thee, O Heavenly Benefactor, who openest thy Hand, and fillest all things living with Plentifulness. Glory be to Thee, who givest us Life, and Breath, and all things; who givest us fruitful Seasons, and fillest our Hearts with Food and Gladness.

O let it be thy good Pleasure to give me, and all that wait on thy benificent Love,

Love, such a Competence as thy Divine Wisdom sees fittest for us; and grant that in the Strength of thy Provisions we may cheerfully, actively, and diligently serve Thee.

Above all, O Lord, give us the Bread of Life, that Bread which came down from Heaven, the Body and Blood of thy most blessed Son, to feed our Souls to Life eternal.

Blessed Jesus; O that it might be my Meat and Drink, as it was Thine, to do the Will of thy Heavenly Father..

*When we hear a Passing-Bell..*

**O** Lord, I beseech Thee have Mercy upon all sick and dying Persons; let their Sins be done away by thy Mercy, and their Pardon be sealed in Heaven, before they go hence and be no more seen.

O brightest Jesus, shine gloriously upon them; let thy Mercy, and the Light of thy Countenance, sustain them in all their Agonies, Weaknesses and Temptations. Let thy mighty Spirit work in them whatever Thou see'st wanting to fit them for thy Mercy and Acceptation: Support them under, and graciously deliver them out of all their Distresses, for thine own infinite Merits and Mercies Sake. *Amen* In

In great Mercy, O Lord, fit and prepare me for my latter End; and whenever Thou art pleased to take me hence, do Thou receive my Soul into endless and everlasting Happiness.

O let the last Trump be ever sounding in my Ears, that I may be always mindful of my great Accounts; that I may neither speak, nor do, nor think any thing that may wound my Conscience, or provoke thy Anger, or make me tremble at thy awful Day.

*At any Time.*

**O** Lord God, I have sworn and am stedfastly purposed to keep thy righteous Judgments. O hold Thou up my Goings in thy Paths, that my Footsteps slip not.

My good God, keep me always Thine; and let nothing ever be able to divorce me from thy Love.

O bounteous God, to all thy Favours add this one, of making me to esteem Thee above them all.

Lord, keep me from all Evil, but especially from Sin; and let all things work together for my Good.

O blessed Spirit, shed abroad the Love of God in my Heart.

Lord,

Lord, daily increase my Faith, make it active and fruitful; that I may believe and love Thee, as entirely as becomes one entirely devoted to Thee.

Lord, do Thou conduct my whole Life, steer every Motion of my Soul towards the great End of my Creation; to love and glorify Thee.

Glory be to Thee, O Heavenly Father, for first loving us, and giving the dearest Thing Thou hadst for us: O help me to love again, and to think nothing too dear for Thee.

O Thou eternal Source of Goodness, give me Grace to imitate thy boundless Goodness; let thy Love work in me a universal Propension to love, and to do good to all Men, to be merciful to others, as Thou Lord art merciful.

O let my Mouth be filled with thy Praise, that I may sing of thy Glory and Honour all the Day long.

O Lord God, who seest that I am not able of my self to serve Thee, and to keep thy Commandments; I beseech Thee to help and strengthen me by thy special Grace, that I may daily and sincerely perform my Duty towards Thee, and my Duty towards my Neighbour.

Lord, make me such as Thou wouldst have me to be; vouchsafe me all those



those Graces and Blessings Thou seest wanting in me, and necessary for me; and encrease all the good Gifts Thou hast already bestowed upon me.

O my God, I humbly, I earnestly pray to Thee, to give me continual Supplies of thy Grace, that I may continue in thy Love unto my Life's End; and being faithful unto Death, may receive a Crown of Life.

Unto him that lov'd us, and wash'd us from our Sins in his own Blood, be Glory and Dominion, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

O Thou that sittest at the right Hand of God, using all thy powerful Interest there in Behalf of thy Servants; have Mercy upon me, and make my Peace in Heaven.

I beseech Thee, join thy powerful Intercession with my humble Suits to the Throne of Grace; that for thy Sake I may be heard, and graciously accepted; and may obtain all my Petitions, and whatever else Thou seest necessary or profitable for me, or any of thy Servants, in order to thy Glory and our Soul's Good. Amen, Lord, so be it, for thine infinite Merits and Mercies Sake. *Amen. Amen.*

Glory be to Thee, O Lord most High.

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**T**HE foregoing Collection of Prayers being designed only for the Use of a private Person, there were no Family Prayers in the First Edition: But upon the Reprinting thereof, it was thought fit to add a Morning and Evening Prayer for a Family; which may be useful to some Persons who are not better provided: And 'tis greatly to be wish'd; that no Family, that desires to be called Christian, would omit the Morning and Evening Oblations required by God. Let those that have failed herein, consider seriously these Words of the Prophet Jeremy, (Jer. x. 25.) Pour out thy Fury upon the Heathen that know Thee not, and upon the Families that call not upon thy Name.

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*A Morning-Prayer, for the Use of a  
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**M**A Y the good Spirit of God dispose us unto, and assist us in his Service. The Lord give us all a true and lively Sense of our Wants, and of his Mercy and Presence amongst us, that we may serve him with our Hearts, as well as with our Bodies ; and that our Prayers may be heard, for the Sake of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord.  
*Amen.*

**O** God, by whom the whole World is preserved and governed ; we most humbly adore thine infinite Majesty and Perfection, praising thine holy Name, for the continual Expressions of thy Bounty and Goodness to us : Particularly for our Preservation from the Dangers of the Night past, and for the many Comforts in which we are brought to the Beginning of this Day.

Thou, O Lord, art Holy and Blessed :  
But we are vile and abominable ; and  
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deserve to be most miserable : For we have broken thy holy and righteous Laws, sinning wilfully after the Knowledge of the Truth, and the Vows we have made ; doing those Things which we knew Thou hast forbidden, and neglecting to do those Things Thou hast expressly commanded : And thereby we have provoked thy Wrath and Indignation against us. But, O Thou, that art, by Jesus Christ thy Son, reconciling the World to thy Self, not imputing their Trespases, be merciful unto us, for the Sake of that blessed Mediator : Through his satisfactory Oblation, O Lord, pardon all that is past, and give us Grace to serve Thee more faithfully for the Time to come.

We acknowledge thy great Patience and Mercy to us, O God, in sparing us when we deserve Punishment ; and thy great Goodness and Bounty in giving us the Necessaries of this Life, and setting before us the Happiness of a better State. Give us, we pray Thee, such a Sense of thy Goodness and Mercy, as may raise in us a constant Indignation to all Sin, and a vigorous Love and Regard to all thy Commandments : That as we advance in Years, we may grow in Grace, and may be the better prepared for our latter End, the nearer we approach to it.

it. Lord, increase our Faith, that we may walk as in thy Sight, fearing to offend Thee by any sinful Thought, Word or Deed: And gird upon us the whole Armour of Thee our God, that we may vanquish all the Temptations of the World, the Flesh, and the Devil. Make us an Household fearing God, submitting our Selves to thy good Pleasure, and putting our whole Trust in thy Mercy.

Grant us the continual Conduct of thy good Spirit, that we may live as it becometh the blessed Gospel; being upright in our Hearts, favoury in our Speeches, and unblameable in our Lives. Make us diligent and prosperous in our lawful Business relating to this Life: And suffer not our Worldly Concerns to diminish our Heavenly-Mindedness; but make us fervent in Spirit, serving the Lord.

And because we cannot be safe without thy Succour, defend us, we beseech Thee, from all Dangers both of Soul and Body.

Make us ever sensible, that we depend upon Thee; that in all our Necessities we may look up to Thee for Help. And the gracious God give us what is needful for us, and an holy Contentment in all Conditions.

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Give us the Blessings of this Life, with thy Grace to direct us to the best Use of them : But above all things, give us the Blessings of the World to come, for Jesus Christ his Sake.

Be gracious, O Lord, to thy whole Church, especially to that Part of it in these Kingdoms : Be pleased to bless and preserve the King, and all the Royal Family. Grant that all Magistrates may be faithful in their Trust, and zealous to promote thy Glory : And that all Ministers of thy Gospel may be serious, diligent and successful in the Work of their holy Calling, being Examples of all good Works.

Let the whole Nation, and especially this Neighbourhood, grow in the true Knowledge and Fear of Thee. Visit with thy Grace and Blessing all our Relations, Friends and Benefactors. Forgive and reconcile both to thy self and to us, all our Enemies. Comfort, relieve, and in thy own good Time, deliver all thy afflicted Servants : And sanctifie, both to them and us, all thy Dealings ; causing all Things in the End to work together for Good unto us.

O Lord, pardon the Infirmities of these our Prayers ; and deal not with us according to our Deservings, but according to thine infinite Mercies in thy beloved

loved Son: And grant us all those Blessings He hath comprehended in that excellent Form of Words, which He hath taught us, when we pray, to say.

*Our Father, which art, &c.*

*An Evening-Prayer, for the Use of a Family.*

○ God, the Father of Heaven, the God of Angels and Men, the Fountain of Goodness, and the Father of Compassions; have Mercy upon us miserable Sinners; hear our Prayers, and accept us graciously through Jesus Christ thy Son.

We confess, O Lord, with Shame and Sorrow, that we have grievously sinned against Thee: We have neglected our Duty to Thee, our Neighbour, and our Selves; and transgressed thy Will, in Thought, Word, and Deed: Yea, we have Reason to fear, that we have this Day added to the Measure of our former Sins. O Lord, shouldest Thou enter into Judgment, what could we expect, but that fiery Indignation that consumes thine Adversaries, as the due Reward of our Sins? But, O Lord, there is Mercy with.

with Thee; that Thou mayest be served in Hope. O fit us for that Mercy, by giving us a deep and hearty Repentance; and then, according to thy Goodness, let thine Anger be turned away from us. Look favourably upon us, for the Sake of thy Blessed Son our Saviour; and for the Merit of his Sufferings, pardon all our Sins: And by the Power of thy Grace, so renew and purifie our Hearts, that we may become new Creatures; sincerely forsaking every evil Way, and living in constant and universal Obedience to Thee all the rest of our Days.

Let thy Holy Spirit, by whom we are called to this State of Salvation; be the Guide of our Lives, and lead us in the Way that we should go; that we may, through his Aid, mortifie our corrupt Affections, and daily increase in all Virtue and Godliness. And give us Grace never to consent to any known Wickedness, nor ever to grieve thy Holy Spirit, by which we are sanctified.

Make us to see the Evil of Sin, that we may flee from it, and strive against it, as against the greatest Evil that can befall us. And may the Sense of our Infirmities and Backslidings  
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make us serious and careful to avoid all Temptations to Sin, to look up to Thee for Help, and to use all the Means of Grace which thy Goodness shall afford us; that we may receive the Fulness of thy Grace, and remain in the Number of thy faithful Servants all the Days of our Life.

Enlighten our Souls with saving Truth. Correct us in Mercy, when we grow careless of our Salvation. Make us ever mindful of our latter End. From sudden, and from eternal Death, Good Lord, deliver us.

We beseech Thee, O God, that thy Grace may ever be with us, to keep us from all Thoughts, Words, and Actions, that we should have Cause to repent of. Let thy Grace, which is sufficient, secure us from the Temptations of the World, the Flesh, and the Devil; that we may not follow, nor be led by them.

Lord, make us sensible, that we wholly depend upon Thee, for Life and Health, Prosperity and Comfort. Let it be our Delight, as well as our Duty, to serve Thee faithfully. Continue to us thy Blessings, we beseech Thee; and give us Grace, never to abuse them.

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Defend us in all Dangers, comfort us in all Afflictions, direct us when we know not what to do; and bring us, in thy good Time, to thy Heavenly Kingdom, for Jesus Christ his Sake.

We confess, O gracious Lord, that we are not worthy of the least of all the Mercies, which Thou hast shewed thy Servants; for we wholly depend upon Thee: And therefore we do most humbly thank Thee for all thy Favours; thy continual Care over us, thy Patience towards us, thy fatherly Corrections, thy merciful Deliverances: Particularly, we thank and adore thy great Goodness, for the Preservations and Blessings of the Day past: But above all, for the unspeakable Benefits of the Death of Christ; That we are Christians, and in the Way of Salvation. O Lord, preserve in our Souls, a lively Sense and Remembrance of all thy Blessings; that we may be affected with thy Goodness, may still partake of thy Kindness, and may continue in thy Favour, and under the Direction of thy good Spirit, unto our Lives End.

In Confidence that Thou hearest us, and art every where, and never sleepest nor sleepest; we commit our selves to the Custody of thy watchful Pro-

Providence this Night; to be secured and protected by Thee, when we cannot in the least contribute to our own Preservation. May it please thy Goodness, to give this whole Family comfortable Rest and Repose: O Lord, defend our Habitation, and all about us, from Fire, and all calamitous Accidents; deliver us from the Power of evil Spirits, and of evil Men; and raise us up in Health of Body and Ability of Mind, cheerfully to praise and glorify Thee both in Soul and Body, and to serve Thee faithfully, the next Day.

Shew Mercy, O Lord, to the whole World. Let the Gospel of thy Son run, and be glorified, throughout all the Earth. Particularly, we beseech Thee, to be gracious to this Church and Nation: Grant that we may be so humbled and reformed, as that we may be pardoned and spared.

Pour down Abundance of thy Blessings upon the King, and all the Royal Family: Give them Grace to exceed others, as much in Goodness as in Greatness; and make them signal Instruments of thy Glory, and of the publick Good.

Thy loving Father, who is ever ready to bestow Blessings upon his children, who are ever ready to receive them, Amen.

Bless all our Governours both in Church and State: So rule their Hearts, and strengthen their Hands, that they may neither want Will nor Power to punish Wickedness and Vice, and to maintain thy true Religion and Virtue.

Visit with thy Grace and Mercy, all thy afflicted Servants; relieve all their particular Necessities of Body and Mind, give them Patience and Submission to thy blessed Will, and in thy due Time deliver them from all their Troubles: And let this be the happy Effect of all thy Dispensations, both to them and us, even to bring us nearer to thy Self.

Bless all our Friends and Relations; and all that have done Good to us, or others for thy Sake: Be pleased to assist them by thy Grace; comfort them in their Troubles, protect them in all Dangers; and grant them whatsoever Thou seest necessary; either to their Souls or Bodies.

Have Mercy, Lord, on all that sue for Mercy; supply the Needs of all that want: And grant us all such Measures of thy Grace, as may enable us to persevere in Well-doing; that growing up to such Degrees of Holiness,  
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as this mortal State is capable of, we may at last attain the Perfection of it in thy Kingdom.

O Lord, pardon the Wandrings and Coldness of these our Prayers; and deal not with us according to our Deserts, but according to the Freedom and Fulness of thy Mercies in Jesus Christ; in whose blessed Name and Words, we recommend our Selves, and all that belong to us, to thine abundant Mercy.

*Our Father, &c.*

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## A Morning-Hymn.

**A** Wake, my Soul; and with the Sun  
 Thy daily Stage of Duty run:  
 Shake off dull Sloth, and early rise,  
 To pay thy Morning Sacrifice.

Redeem thy mispent Time that's past;  
 Live this Day as if 'twere thy last:  
 To improve thy Talent take due Care;  
 'Gainst the Great Day thy self prepare.

Let all thy Converse be sincere;  
 Thy Conscience as the Noon-Day clear:  
 Think how All-Seeing God thy Ways,  
 And all thy secret Thoughts surveys.

Influenc'd by the Light Divine,  
 Let thy own Light in good Works shine:  
 Reflect all Heaven's propitious Rays,  
 In ardent Love, and cheerful Praise.

Stir up thy Self my thankful Heart;  
 And with the Angels bear thy Part:  
 Who all Night long unwearied sing,  
 Glory to the Eternal King.

Glory to Thee, who safe has kept,  
 And hast refresh'd me whilst I slept:  
 Grant, Lord, when I from Death shall wake  
 I may of endless Life partake.

*I would not wake, nor rise again ;  
 Ev'n Heav'n it self I would disdain,  
 Wer't not Thou there to be enjoy'd,  
 And I in Hymns to be imploy'd.*

*Heav'n is, dear Lord, where'er Thou art,  
 O never then from me depart ;  
 For to my Soul 'tis Hell to be  
 But for one Moment without Thee.*

*Lord, I my Vows to Thee renew,  
 Scatter my Sins as Morning Dew :  
 Guard my first Springs of Thought and Will ;  
 And with thy Self my Spirit fill.*

*Direct, control, suggest this Day,  
 All I design, or do, or say :  
 That all my Pow'rs, with all their Might,  
 In thy sole Glory may unite.*

*Praise God, from whom all Blessings flow ;  
 I praise him, all Creatures here below ;  
 Praise him above, ye Angelick Host :  
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

### An Evening-Hymn.

**G**lory to Thee, my God, this Night,  
 For all the Blessings of the Light :  
 Keep me, O keep me, King of Kings,  
 Under thy own Almighty Wings.

For-

Forgive me, Lord, for thy dear Son,  
The Ill which I this Day have done :  
That with the World, my self, and Thee,  
I, e're I sleep, at Peace may be.

Teach me to live, that I may dread  
The Grave as little as my Bed :  
Teach me to die, that so I may  
Triumphing rise at the last Day.

O may my Soul on Thee repose,  
And with sweet Sleep my Eye-lids close :  
Sleep that may me more vig'rous make,  
To serve my God when I awake.

When in the Night I sleepless lie,  
My Soul with Heav'nly Thoughts supply :  
Let no ill Dreams disturb my Rest,  
No Pow'rs of Darkness me molest.

But though Sleep o'er my Frailty reigns,  
Let it not hold me long in Chains:  
And now and then let loose my Heart,  
Till it an Hallelujah dart.

The faster Sleep the Sense does bind,  
The more unfetter'd is the Mind ;  
O may my Soul from Matter free,  
Thy unvail'd Goodness waking see.

O when shall I in endless Day,  
Eor ever chase dark Sleep away :



*And endless Praise, with th' Heavenly Choir,  
Incessant sing, and never tire!*

*May my blest Guardian, whilst I sleep,  
Close to my Bed his Vigils keep;  
Divine Love into me instil,  
Stop all the Avenues of Ill.*

*Thought to Thought with my Soul converse,  
Celestial Joys to me rehearse:  
And in my Stead, all the Night long,  
Sing to my God a grateful Song.*

*Praise God, &c.*

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### *A Midnight-Hymn.*

**L**ORD, now my Sleep does me forsake,  
The sole Possession of me take:  
Let no vain Fancy me illude,  
No one impure Desire intrude.

*Blest Angels! while we silent lie,  
You Hallelujahs sing on high:  
You, ever wakeful near the Throne,  
Prostrate, adore the Three in One.*

*I now awake do with you join,  
To praise our God in Hymns Divine:  
With you in Heav'n I hope to dwell,  
And bid the Night and World farewell.*

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My Soul, when I shake off this Dust,  
 Lord, in thy Arms I will entrust :  
 O make me thy peculiar Care,  
 Some Heav'nly Mansion me prepare.

Give me a Place at thy Saints Feet ;  
 Or some fall'n Angel's vacant Seat :  
 I'll strive to sing as loud as they,  
 Who sit above in brighter Day.

O may I always ready stand,  
 With my Lamp burning in my Hand :  
 May I in sight of Heav'n rejoice,  
 When e'er I hear the Bridegroom's Voice.

Glory to Thee in Light array'd,  
 Who Light thy dwelling Place hast made :  
 An immense Ocean of bright Beams,  
 From thy All-glorious Godhead streams.

The Sun in its Meridian height,  
 Is very Darkness in thy sight :  
~~My Soul O lighten, and enflame,~~  
 With Thought and Love of thy great Name.

Blest Jesu, Thou, on Heav'n intent,  
 Whole Nights hast in Devotion spent :  
 But I, frail Creature, soon am tir'd,  
 And all my Zeal is soon expir'd.

My Soul, how canst thou weary grow,  
 Of Anti-dating Heav'n below,

In

*In sacred Hymns, and Divine Love,  
Which will Eternal be above?*

*Shine on me, Lord, new Life impart;  
Fresh ardours kindle in my Heart :  
One Ray of thy All-quickning Light,  
Dispels the Sloth and Clouds of Night.*

*Lord, lest the Tempter me surprize,  
Watch over thine own Sacrifice :  
All loose, all idle Thoughts cast out ;  
And make my very Dreams devout.*

*Praise God, from whom all Blessings flow ;  
Praise him, all Creatures here below ;  
Praise him above, ye Angelick Host,  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*



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## *The Order for the Administration of the Lords Supper, or holy Communion.*

**O**UR Father, which art in Heaven; Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in Earth, As it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

### *The Collect.*

**A**lmighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnifie thy holy Name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ Then shall the Priest, turning to the People, rehearse distinctly all the Ten Commandments; and the People still kneeling, shall after every Commandment ask God mercy for their transgression thereof for the time past, and grace to keep the same for the time to come, as followeth.

### *Minister.*

**G**od spake these words, and said, I am the Lord thy God: Thou shalt have none other Gods but me.

*People.* Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

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*Minister.* Thou shalt not make to thy self any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down to them; nor worship them: for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, and visit the sins of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me, and shew mercy unto thousands in them that love me, and keep my commandments.

*People.* Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

*Minister.* Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain: for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh his Name in vain.

*People.* Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

*Minister.* Remember that thou keep holy the sabbath-day. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all that thou hast to do; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God. In it thou shalt do no manner of work, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, thy man-servant, and thy maid-servant, thy cattle, and the stranger that is within thy gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is therein, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the seventh day, and hallowed it.

*People.* Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

*Minister.* Honour thy father and thy mother, that thy days may be long in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

*People.* Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

*Minister.* Thou shalt do no murder.

*People.* Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

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*Minister.* Thou shalt not commit adultery.

*People.* Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

*Minister.* Thou shalt not steal.

*People.* Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

*Minister.* Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

*People.* Lord, have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep this law.

*Minister.* Thou shalt not covet thy neighbours house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbours wife, nor his servant, nor his maid, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is his.

*People.* Lord, have mercy upon us, and write all these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.

¶ *Then shall follow one of these two Collects for the Queen, the Priest standing as before, and saying,*

Let us pray.

**A**lmighty God, whose kingdom is everlasting, and power infinite; Have mercy upon the whole Church, and so rule the heart of thy chosen servant *ANNE*, our Queen and Governor, that she (knowing whose Minister she is) may above all things seek thy honour and glory; and that we and all her subjects (duly considering whose Authority she hath) may faithfully serve, honour and humbly obey her, in thee, and for thee, according to thy blessed Word and Ordinance, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

¶ *Or.*

**A**lmighty and everlasting God, we are taught by thy holy Word, that the hearts of kings are in thy rule and governance, and that thou dost

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dispose and turn them as it seemeth best to thy godly wisdom; We humbly beseech thee so to dispose and govern the heart of *ANNE* thy servant, our Queen and Governor, that in all her thoughts, words, and works, she may ever seek thy honour and glory, and study to preserve thy people committed to her charge, in wealth, peace, and godliness. Grant this, O merciful Father, for thy dear Sons sake Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall be said the Collect of the Day. And immediately after the Collect, the Priest shall read the Epistle, saying, The Epistle, [ or, The portion of Scripture appointed for the Epistle ] is written in the---Chapter of---beginning at the---verse. And the Epistle ended, he shall say, Here endeth the Epistle. Then shall be read the Gospel ( the People all standing up ) saying, The holy Gospel is written in the--Chapter of---beginning at the---verse. And the Gospel ended, shall be sung or said the Creed following, the People still standing as before.*

**I** Believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible :

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made : Who for us men, and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, And the third day he rose again according to the scriptures, And ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory

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to judge both the quick and the dead : Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and giver of life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the prophets. And I believe one Catholick and Apostolick Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come: Amen.

*¶ Then shall the Priest return to the Lords Table, and begin the Offertory, saying one or more of these Sentences following, as he thinketh most convenient in his discretion.*

**L**et your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorifie your Father which is in heaven. *S. Mat. 5. 16.*

Lay not up for your selves treasure upon earth, where the rust and moth doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal : but lay up for your selves treasures in heaven, where neither rust nor moth doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through and steal. *S. Mat. 6. 19, 20.*

Whatsoever ye would that men should do unto you, even so do unto them; for this is the law and the prophets. *S. Mat 7. 12.*

Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven, but he that doth the will of my Father which is in heaven. *S. Mat. 7. 21.*

Zaccheus stood forth, and said unto the Lord, Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor, and if I have done any wrong to any man, I restore four-fold. *S. Luke 19. 8.*

Who goeth a warfare at any time of his own cost? who planteth a vineyard, and eateth not of

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the fruit thereof? or who feedeth a flock, and eateth not of the milk of the flock? *1 Cor. 9. 7.*

If we have sown unto you spiritual things, is it a great matter if we shall reap your worldly things? *1 Cor. 9. 11.*

Do ye not know that they who minister about holy things, live of the sacrifice? and they who wait at the altar, are partakers with the altar? Even so hath the Lord also ordained, that they who preach the Gospel, should live of the Gospel. *1 Cor. 9. 13, 14.*

He that soweth little, shall reap little: and he that soweth plenteously, shall reap plenteously. Let every man do according as he is disposed in his heart, nor grudgingly, or of necessity; for God loveth a cheerful giver. *2 Cor. 9. 6, 7.*

Let him that is taught in the word, minister unto him that teacheth, in all good things. Be not deceived, God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he reap. *Gal. 6. 6, 7.*

While we have time, let us do good unto all men, and specially unto them that are of the household of faith. *Gal. 6. 10.*

Godliness is great riches if a man be content with that he hath: for we brought nothing into the world, neither may we carry any thing out. *1 Tim. 6. 6, 7.*

Charge them who are rich in this world, that they be ready to give, and glad to distribute, laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may attain eternal life. *1 Tim. 6. 17, 18, 19.*

God is not unrighteous, that he will forget your works and labour that proceedeth of love; which love ye have shewed for his names sake, who have ministered unto the saints, and yet do minister. *Heb. 6. 10.*

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To do good, and to distribute, forget not ; for with such sacrifices God is pleased. *Heb. 13. 16.*

Whoso hath this worlds good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him ?  
1 S. *Job. 3. 17.*

Give alms of thy goods, and never turn thy face from any poor man, and then the face of the Lord shall not be turned away from thee. *Tob. 4. 7.*

Be merciful after thy power. If thou hast much, give plenteously. If thou hast little, do thy diligence gladly to give of that little : for so gatherest thou thy self a good reward in the day of necessity. *Tob. 4. 8, 9.*

He that hath pity upon the poor, lendeth unto the Lord ; and look what he layeth out, it shall be paid him again. *Prov. 19. 17.*

Blessed be the man that provideth for the sick and needy : the Lord shall deliver him in the time of trouble. *Psal. 41. 1.*

¶ Whilst these Sentences are in reading, the Deacons, Church-wardens, or other fit Person appointed for that purpose, shall receive the Alms for the poor, and other Devotions of the people, in a decent bason, to be provided by the Parish for that purpose ; and reverently bring it to the Priest, who shall humbly present and place it upon the holy Table.

¶ And when there is a Communion, the Priest shall then place upon the Table so much Bread and Wine, as he shall think sufficient. After which done, the Priest shall say,

Let us pray for the whole state of Christs Church militant here in earth.

**A**lmighty and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers and

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supplications, and to give thanks for all men ; We  
 humbly beseech thee most merci-  
 fully [ \* to accept our alms and \* If there be no alms  
or oblations, then shall  
the words [ of accept-  
ing our alms and ob-  
lations ] be left out  
unsaid. oblations, and ] to receive these  
 our prayers, which we offer unto  
 thy divine Majesty, beseeching  
 thee to inspire continually the  
 universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity,  
 and concord : and grant that all they that do con-  
 fess thy holy Name, may agree in the truth of thy  
 holy word, and live in unity and godly love. We  
 beseech thee also to save and defend all Christian  
 Kings, Princes and Governors ; and especially thy  
 servant *ANNE* our Queen, that under her we  
 may be godly and quietly governed: and grant un-  
 to her whole Council, and to all that are put in  
 authority under her, that they may truly and in-  
 differently minister justice, to the punishment of  
 wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy  
 true religion and virtue. Give grace, O heavenly  
 Father, to all Bishops and Curates, that they may  
 both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and  
 lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy  
 holy Sacraments: and to all thy people give thy  
 heavenly grace ; and especially to this congregati-  
 on here present, that with meek heart and due re-  
 verence they may hear and receive thy holy Word,  
 truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all  
 the days of their life. And we most humbly beseech  
 thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and suc-  
 cour all them, who in this transitory life are in  
 trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adver-  
 sity. And we also bless thy holy Name, for all  
 thy servants departed this life in thy faith and  
 fear ; beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow  
 their good examples, that with them we may be  
 partakers of thy heavenly Kingdom. Grant this, O  
 Father,

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Father, for Jesus Christs sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

¶ *When the Minister giveth warning for the Celebration of the holy Communion, (which he shall always do upon the Sunday, or some Holy day immediately preceding) after the Sermon, or Homily ended, he shall read this Exhortation following.*

**D**Early beloved, on--day next, I purpose with Gods assistance, to Administer to all such as shall be religiously and devoutly disposed, the most comfortable Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ, to be by them received in remembrance of his meritorious cross and passion, whereby alone we obtain remission of our sins, and are made partakers of the Kingdoms of heaven. Wherefore it is our duty to render most humble and hearty thanks to Almighty God our heavenly Father, for that he hath given his Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, not only to die for us, but also to be our spiritual food and sustenance in that holy Sacrament. Which being so divine and comfortable a thing to them who receive it worthily, and so dangerous to them that will presume to receive it unworthily; my duty is to exhort you in the mean season to consider the dignity of that holy mystery, and the great peril of the unworthy receiving thereof, and so to search and examine your own consciences, (and that not lightly, and after the manner of dissemblers with God; but so) that ye may come holy and clean to such a heavenly feast, in the marriage garment required by God in holy Scripture, and be received as worthy partakers of that holy Table.

The way and means thereto is: First, to examine your lives and conversations by the rule of Gods

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Gods commandments; and whereinsoever ye shall preceive yourselves to have offended, either by will, word, or deed, there to bewail your own sinfulness, and to confess your selves to Almighty God, with full purpose of amendment of life. And if ye shall perceive your offences to be such as are not only against God, but also against your neighbours, then ye shall reconcile your selves unto them, being ready to make restitution and satisfaction according to the uttermost of your powers, for all injuries and wrongs done by you to any other; and being likewise ready to forgive others that have offended you, as ye would have forgiveness of your offences at Gods hand: for otherwise the receiving the holy Communion doth nothing else but increase your damnation. Therefore if any of you be a blasphemer of God, an hinderer or slanderer of his Word, an adulterer, or be in malice, or envy, or in any other grievous crime; repent you of your sins, or else come not to that holy Table, lest after the taking of that holy Sacrament, the devil enter into you, as he entred into Judas, and fill you full of all iniquities, and bring you to destruction both of body and soul.

And because it is requisite, that no man should come to the holy Communion, but with a full trust in Gods mercy, and with a quiet conscience; therefore if there be any of you, who by this means cannot quiet his own conscience herein, but requireth further comfort or counsel; let him come to me, or to some other discreet and learned Minister of Gods Word, and open his grief, that by the ministry of Gods holy Word he may receive the benefit of Absolution, together with ghostly counsel and advice, to the quieting of his conscience, and avoiding of all scruple and doubtfulness.

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*¶ Or in case he shall see the People negligent to come to the holy Communion, in stead of the former, he shall use this Exhortation.*

**D**early beloved brethren, on--I intend by Gods grace, to celebrate the Lords Supper: unto which in Gods behalf I bid you all that are here present, and beseech you for the Lord Jesus Christs sake, that ye will not refuse to come thereto, being so lovingly called and bidden by God himself. Ye know how grievous and unkind a thing it is, when a man hath prepared a rich feast, decked his Table with all kind of provision, so that there lacketh nothing but the guests to sit down, and yet they who are called (without any cause) most unthankfully refuse to come. Which of you in such a case would not moved? Who would not think a great injury and wrong done unto him? Wherefore, most dearly beloved in Christ, take ye good heed, lest ye withdrawing your selves from this holy Supper, provoke Gods indignation against you. It is an easie matter for a man to say, I will not communicate, because I am otherwise hindered with worldly business. But such excuses are not so easily accepted and allowed before God. If any man say, I am a grievous sinner, and therefore am afraid to come: wherefore then do ye not repent and amend? When God calleth you, are ye not ashamed to say you will not come? When ye should return to God, will ye excuse your selves, and say ye are not ready? Consider earnestly with your selves, how little such feigned excuses will avail before God. They that refused the feast in the Gospel, because they had bought a farm, or would try their yokes of oxen, or because they were married, were not so excused, but counted unworthy of the heavenly feast. I for my part shall be ready, and according to mine office, I bid you in the Name of God, I call you

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in Christs behalf, I exhort you, as you love your own salvation, that ye will be partakers of this holy Communion. And as the Son of God did vouchsafe to yield up his soul by death upon the cross for your salvation: so it is your duty to receive the Communion, in remembrance of the sacrifice of his death, as he himself hath commanded: Which if ye shall neglect to do, consider with your selves how great injury ye do unto God, and how sore punishment, hangeth over your heads for the same; when ye wilfully abstain from the Lords Table, and separate from your brethren, who come to feed on the banquet of that most heavenly food. These things if ye earnestly consider, ye will by Gods grace return to a better mind: for the obtaining whereof we shall not cease to make our humble petitions unto Almighty God our heavenly Father.

*To At the time of the Celebration of the Communion, the Communicants being conveniently placed for receiving of the holy Sacrament, the Priest shall say this Exhortation.*

**D**EARLY-beloved in the Lord, ye that mind to come to the holy Communion of the body and blood of our Saviour Christ, must consider how Saint Paul exhorteth all Persons diligently to try and examine themselves, before they presume to eat of that Bread, and drink of that Cup. For as the benefit is great, if with a true penitent heart and lively faith we receive that holy Sacrament (for then we spiritually eat the flesh of Christ, and drink his blood; when we dwell in Christ, and Christ in us; we are one with Christ, and Christ with us:) So is the danger great, if we receive the same unworthily. For then we are guilty of the body and blood of Christ our Saviour; we eat and drink our own damnation, not

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considering the Lords body ; we kindle Gods wrath against us ; we provoke him to plague us with divers diseases, and sundry kinds of death. Judge therefore your selves, brethren, that ye be not judged of the Lord ; repent you truly for your sins past ; have a lively and stedfast faith in Christ our Saviour ; amend your lives, and be in perfect charity with all men, so shall ye be meet partakers of those holy mysteries. And above all things ye must give most humble and hearty thanks to God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, for the redemption of the world by the death and passion of our Saviour Christ, both God and man, who did humble himself even to the death upon the Cross, for us miserable sinners, who lay in darkness and the shadow of death, that he might make us the children of God, and exalt us to everlasting life. And to the end that we should alway remember the exceeding great love of our Master, and only Saviour, Jesus Christ, thus dying for us, and the innumerable benefits which by his precious blood-shedding he hath obtained to us ; he hath instituted and ordained holy mysteries, as pledges of his love, and for a continual remembrance of his death, to our great and endless comfort. To him therefore with the Father, and the Holy Ghost, let us give (as we are most bounden) continual thanks, submitting our selves wholly to his holy will and pleasure, and studying to serve him in true holiness and righteousness all the days of our life. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest say to them that come to receive the holy Communion.*

**Y**E that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, follow.

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following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways; Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

*¶ Then shall this general Confession be made in the name of all those that are minded to receive the holy Communion, by one of the Ministers, both he and all the People kneeling humbly upon their knees, and saying,*

**A** Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought word and deed, Against thy divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christs sake, Forgive us all that is past, And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*¶ Then shall the Priest ( or the Bishop being present ) stand up and turning himself to the People, pronounce this Absolution.*

**A** Almighty God our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and

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and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
*Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all that truly turn to him.

**C**OME unto me, all that travel and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. *S. Matth. 11. 28.*

So God loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *S. Job. 3. 16.*

Hear also what S. Paul saith.

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Tim. 1. 15.*

Hear also what S. John saith.

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous, and he is the propitiation for our sins. *1 S. John 2. 1.*

¶ *After which the Priest shall proceed, saying,*

Lift up your hearts.

*Answ.* We lift them up unto the Lord.

*Priest.* Let us give thanks our unto Lord God.

*Answ.* It is meet and right so to do.

¶ *Then shall the Priest turn to the Lords Table, and say,*

**I**T is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places give thanks unto thee, O Lord, \* Holy Father, Almighty, everlasting God.

\* *These words [ Holy Father ] must be omitted on Trinity-Sunday.*

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¶ Here shall follow the proper Preface, according to the time, if there be any specially appointed : or else immediately shall follow,

**T**herefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnifie thy glorious Name, evermore praising thee, and saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. *Amen.*

¶ Proper Prefaces.

¶ Upon Christmas day, and seven days after.

**B**ecause thou didst give Jesus Christ thine only Son to be born at this time for us, who by the operation of the Holy Ghost, was made very man of the substance of the Virgin Mary his mother, and that without spot of sin, to make us clean from all sin. Therefore with Angels, &c.

¶ Upon Easter day, and seven days after.

**B**ut chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord : for he is the very Pascal Lamb which was offered for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world ; who by his death hath destroyed death, and by his rising to life again, hath restored to us everlasting life. Therefore with Angels, &c.

¶ Upon Ascension-day, and seven days after.

**T**hrough thy most dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who after his most glorious resurrection manifestly appeared to all his Apostles, and in their sight ascended up into heaven to prepare a place for us ; that where he is, thither we might also ascend, and reign with him in glory. Therefore with Angels, &c.

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¶ *Upon Whit Sunday, and six days after.*

**T**Hrough Jesus Christ our Lord; according to whose most true promise, the Holy Ghost came down as at this time from heaven with a sudden great sound, as it had been a mighty wind, in the likeness of fiery tongues, lighting upon the Apostles, to teach them; and lead them to all truth, giving them both the gift of divers languages, and also boldness with fervent zeal, constantly to preach the Gospel unto all nations, whereby we have been brought out of darkness and error into the clear light and true knowledge of thee, and of thy Son Jesus Christ. Therefore with Angels, &c.

¶ *Upon the Feast of Trinity only.*

**W**Ho art one God, one Lord; not one only person, but three persons in one substance. For that which we believe of the glory of the Father, the same we believe of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, without any difference or inequality. Therefore with Angels, &c.

¶ *After each of which Prefaces, shall immediately be sung or said,*

**T**herefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnifie thy glorious Name, evermore praising thee, and saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy Glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most High. Amen.

¶ *Then shall the Priest, kneeling down at the Lords Table, say in the name of all them that shall receive the Communion, this Prayer following.*

**W**E do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather



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ther up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy; Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the Flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us.  
*Amen.*

*¶ When the Priest, standing before the Table, hath so ordered the Bread and Wine, that he may with the more readiness and decency break the Bread before the People, and take the Cup into his hands, he shall say the Prayer of Consecration, as followeth.*

**A** Almighty God our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption, who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world, and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue a perpetual memory of that his precious death, until his coming again; Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee, and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of Bread and Wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood: Who in the same night that he was betrayed (a) took bread, and when he had given thanks, (b) he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take eat, (c) this is my body which is given for you, do this in remembrance of me. Likewise

(a) *Mean the Priest is to take the Paten into his hands:*

(b) *And here to break the bread:*

(c) *And here to lay his hand upon all the bread.*

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after supper (d) he took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of this, for this (e) is my blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins : Do this as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me. *Amen.*

(d) Here he is to take the cup into his hand :

(e) And here to lay his hand upon every vessel (be it chalice or flagon) in which there is any wine to be consecrated.

¶ Then shall the Minister first receive the Communion in both kinds himself, and then proceed to deliver the same to the Bishops, Priests, and Deacons in like manner (if any be present) and after that to the people also in order, into their hands, all meekly kneeling. And when he delivereth the Bread to any one, he shall say,

**T**HE Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith with thanksgiving.

¶ And the Minister that delivereth the Cup to any one, shall say,

**T**HE Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Drink this in remembrance that Christ's Blood was shed for thee, and be thankful.

¶ If the consecrated Bread or Wine be all spent before all have communicated ; the Priest is to consecrate more according to the Form before prescribed : Beginning at [Our Saviour Christ in the same night, &c.] for the blessing of the Bread ; and at [Likewise after Supper, &c.] for the blessing of the Cup.

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¶ *When all have communicated, the Minister shall return to the Lords Table, and reverently place upon it what remaineth of the consecrated Elements, covering the same with a fair linen Cloth.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest say the Lords Prayer, the People repeating after him every petition.*

**O** Ur Father, which art in Heaven; Hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in Earth, As it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, The power and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

¶ *After shall be said as followeth.*

**O** Lord and heavenly Father, we thy humble servants entirely desire thy fatherly goodness, mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies to be a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that all we who are partakers of this holy Communion, may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction. And although we be unworthy through our manifold sins to offer unto thee any sacrifice; yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost;  
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all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *Amen.*

*¶ Or this.*

**A**lmighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us, who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical Body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of the most precious death and passion of thy dear Son. And we most humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in, through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee, and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory world without end. *Amen.*

*¶ Then shall be said or sung,*

**G**lory be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorifie thee, we give thanks to thee, for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only begotten Son Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

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For thou only art holy, thou only art the Lord, thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

¶ Then the Priest (or Bishop, if he be present) shall let them depart with this blessing.

**T**He peace of God which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

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¶ Collects to be said after the Offertory, when there is no Communion, every such day one or more; and the same may be said also, as often as occasion shall serve, after the Collects either of Morning or Evening Prayer, Communion or Litany, by the discretion of the Minister.

**A** Shift us mercifully, O Lord, in these our supplications and prayers, and dispose the way of thy servants towards the attainment of everlasting salvation; that among all the changes and chances of this mortal life, they may ever be defended by thy most gracious and ready help, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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

**G**rant, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that the words which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may through thy grace be so grafted

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grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honour and praise of thy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**P**revent us, O Lord, in all our doings, with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help, that in all our works begun, continued and ended in thee, we may glorifie thy holy Name, and finally by thy mercy obtain everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord, *Amen.*

**A**lmighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, who knowest our necessities before we ask, and our ignorance in asking ; We beseech thee to have compassion upon our infirmities ; and those things which for our unworthiness we darenot, and for our blindness we cannot ask, vouchsafe to give us for the worthiness of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

**A**lmighty God, who hast promised to hear the petitions of them that ask in thy Sons Name ; We beseech thee mercifully to incline thine ears to us that have made now our prayers and supplications unto thee, and grant that those things which we have faithfully asked according to thy will, may effectually be obtained, to the relief of our necessity, and to the setting forth of thy glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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