



AN ORDRE FOR EVENING PRAYER THROUGHOUT THE YERE.

The morning and evening prayer, shal be used in suche place of the Churche, Chapell, or Chauncel, and the minister shal so turne him, as ye people maye best heare. And if there be any controversie therein, the matter shalbe referred to the ordenarie, and he or his deputie shal appoynte the place, and the Chauncels shal remayne, as they have done in times past.

And here is to be noted, that the minister at the tyme of the Communion and all other tymes in his ministracion, shall use neither albe, vestment, nor cope: but being archbishop or bishop, he shall have and wear a rochet; and being a preest or deacon, he shall have and wear a surplice onely.

At the beginning both of Morning Prayer, and likewyse of Evening Prayer, the minister shal reade with a loud voyce some one of these sentences of the scriptures that folow. And then he shal say that, which is written after the said sentences.

Turn thy face away from our sinnes (O Lorde) and blot out all our offences. Psalm li.

Rente your heartes, and not your garmentes, and turne to the lord your God: because he is gentle and mercyful, he is pacient and of muche mercy, and suche a one that is sory for your afflictions. Joel ii.

Amende your lyves, for the kingdom of God is at hand. Math. iii.

EARELY beloved brethren, the scripture moveth us in sundry places, to acknowledge and confess our manifold synnes and wickedness, and that we should not dissemble nor cloke them before the face of almighty God our heavenly father, but confess them with an humble, lowely, penitent and obedient heart: to thende that we may obtayn forgeveness of the same by hys infinite goodness and mercie. And although we ought at al times humbly to knowledge our synnes before God: yet ought we most chiefly so to doe, when we assemble and mete together, to rendre thanks for the great benefytes that we have received at his hands, to set foorth hys moste worthy prayse, to hear his most holy word, and to aske those things which be requisite and necessarye, as well for the body as the soule. Wherfore I praye and beseche you, as many as be here present, to accompany me wyth a pure heart and humble voyce, unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying after me.

A generall confession, to be sayd of the whole congregacion after the minister, knelynge.

A LMIGHTY and most mercyfull father, we have erred and strayed from thy wayes, lyke lost shepe. We have followed too much the devises and desyres of oure owne hearts. We have offended against thy holy lawes. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those, thinges which we ought not to have done, and there is no health in us: but thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offendors. Spare thou them, O God, which confesse theyr faultes. Restore thou them that be penitent, according to thy promyses declared, unto mankynde, in Christe Jesu oure Lorde. And graunt, O most merciful father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sobre life, to the glory of thy holy name. Amen.

The absolucion to be pronounced by the minister alone.

A LMIGHTY God, the father of oure Lord Jesus Christ, which desireth not the death of a synner, but rather that he maye turne from his wickedness and live: and hath geven power and commaundment to hys ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, beinge penitent, the absolution and remission of their synnnes: he pardoneth and absolveth all them which truely repent, and unfeynedly believe his holy Gospel. Wherefore we beseche him to graunt us true repentaunce and his holy Spirite, that those thinges may please him, which we do at this present, and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy: so that at the last we may come to hys eternall joye, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The people shal answere.

Amen.

Then shal the Minister begin the Lordes Prayer nyth a loude voyce.

OUR Father, which art in heaven, hallowed by thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy wylle be done in earth as it is in heaven. Geve us this daye oure daylye bread. And forgeve us our trespasses, as we forgeve them that trespass against us. And leade us not into temptacion. But delyver us from evyll. Amen.

Then lykewyse he shal saye.

O Lord, open thou our lippes.

Aunswere. And our mouth shal shewe furth thy prayse.

Priest. O God, make spede to save us.

Aunswere. Lord, make haste to helpe us.

Priest.

Glory be to the father, and to the sonne: and to the holy gost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without ende. Amen.

Prayse ye the Lorde.

Then Psalmes as they be appointed in ye Table for Psalmes, except there be proper Psalmes appointed for that day.

¶ Quam dilecta! (Psalm lxxxiv)

how amiable are thy dwellings, thou Lord of hosts! My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest, where she may lay her young, even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

Blessed are they that dwell in thy house; they will be always praising thee. Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee, in whose heart are thy ways, who going through the vale of misery use it for a well; and the pools are filled with water. They will go from strength to strength, and unto the God of gods appeareth every one of them in Sion.

O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; hearken, O God of Jacob. Behold, O God our defender, and look upon the face of thine Anointed.

For one day in thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a door-keeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of ungodliness. For the Lord God is a light and defence; the Lord will give grace and worship, and no good thing shall he withhold from them that live a godly life.

O Lord God of hosts, blessed is the man that putteth his trust in thee.

Then a Lesson of the Old Testament, as it is appointed likewise in the Kalendar. And before every lesson, the minister shall say thus. The first, second, third, or fourth Chapiter of Genesis or Exodus, Matthew, Mark, or other like, as is appointed in the Kalendar.

Proverbs 24

And in the ende of every Chapter, he shall say.

¶ Here endeth such a Chapiter of such a Boke.

After that, Magnificat in Englishe, as foloweth.

Magnificat.*

Y soule doth magnifie the Lord :

And my spirite hath rejoyced in god my Saviour.

For he hath regarded the lowelyness of hys handmayden.

For beholde from henceforth all generacions shall call me blessed.

For he that is mightie, hath magnified me : and holy is his name.

And his mercy is on them that feare him: throughout all generacions.

He hath shewed strength with hys arm: he hath scatered the proud, in the imaginacion of their hearts. He hath put down the mighty from their seate : and hath exalted the humble and meke.

He hath filled the hungrye with good thyngs : and the riche he hath sent emptie away.

He rememberynge hys mercy, bath holpen hys servaunt Israel: as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his sede, for ever.

Glory be to the father, and to the sonne: and to the holy gost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without ende. Amen.

Then a Lesson of the newe Testament. And before every lesson, the minister shall say thus. The first, second, third, or fourth Chapiter of Genesis or Exodus, Matthew, Mark, or other like, as is appointed in the Kalendar.

2 Thessalonians 3

And in the ende of every Chapter, he shall say.

¶ Here endeth such a Chapiter of such a Boke.

And after that (Nunc dimittis) in Englishe, as foloweth.

ORD, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace: Laccordyng to thy worde.

For mine iyes have seen: thy salvacion.

Whiche thou hast prepared: before the face of al people;

To be a light to lighten the Gentiles : and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

Glory be to the father, and to the sonne: and to the holy gost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without ende. Amen.

Then shal folowe the Crede, with other prayers as is before appointed at Morning prayer after Benedictus.

I BELEVE in God the father almightie, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his onely sonne our Lord, whiche was conceved by the holy gost, borne of the virgin Mary; Suffred under Ponce Pilate, was crucifyed, dead and buried, he descended into hell. The thyrd daye he rose agayn from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sytteth on the ryght hande of God the father almighty. From thence shall he come to judge the quicke and the dead. I beleve in the holy ghost. The holy Catholique Church. The communion of saincts. The forgeveness of synnes. The resurrection of the bodye. And the lyfe everlastinge. Amen.

And after that, these prayers folowing, aswell at Evening prayer as at Morning' prayer: all devoutly kneeling. The Minister first pronouncinge with a loude voyce.

The Lorde be wyth you.

Answer.

And wyth thy spyryte.

The Minister.

Let us praye.

Lorde, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lorde, have mercy upon us.

Then the Minister, Clerkes, and people, shall saye the Lordes prayer in Englishe, with a loude voyce.

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed by thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy wylle be done in earth as it is in heaven. Geve us this daye oure daylye bread. And forgeve us our trespasses, as we forgeve them that trespass against us. And leade us not into temptacion. But delyver us from evyll. Amen.

Then the Minister standing up shall saye.

O Lord, shewe thy mercy upon us.

Aunswere.

And graunt us thy salvacion.

Priest.

O Lorde, save the kynge.

Aunswere.

And mercyfully hear us, when we call upon thee.

Priest.

Indue thy ministers with righteousnes.

Aunswere.

And make thy chosen people joyeful.

Priest.

O Lorde, save thy people.

Aunswere.

And blesse thine enheritaunce.

Priest.

Geve peace in oure time, O Lorde.

Aunswere.

Because there is none other that fyghteth for us, but onely thou, O God.

Priest.

O God, make clean our heartes within us.

Aunswere.

And take not thyne holy spyryte from us.

And with three Collects: First of the day: the second of peace: Third for aide against al perilles, as herafter foloweth: wiche two laste Collectes shalbe daiely said at Evening praier without alteracion.

Land gever of all good thynges; graffe in our hartes the love of thy name, increase in us true religion, norishe us with all goodnes, and of thy great mercy kepe us in the same; Through Jesus Christe our Lorde. Amen.

The second Collecte at Evening Prayer.

GOD, from whom all holy desyres, all good counsayls, an all just woorks doe procede. Geve unto thy servaunts that peace, which the worlde cannot geve; that both our heart maie be set to obeye thy commaundments, and also that by thee we beeing defended from the feare of our enemies, may pass our tyme in reste and quietnes through the merites of Jesu Chryste our Savioure. Amen.

The third Collecte jor ayde agaynst al perilles.

Lighten our darkenes, we beseche thee, O Lorde, and by thy greate mercye, defend us from al perilles and daungers of thys nyghte, for the love of thy onely Sonne, our Savyoure Jesus Christe. Amen.

Thus endeth the ordre of Morning and Evening Prayer through the whole yeare.

The Priest.

Athem that departe hence in the lord, and in whom the soules of them that be elected, after they be delivered from the burden of the fleshe, be in joye and felicitie: We geve thee hearty thankes, for that it hath pleased thee to deliver Jane our sister out of the myseryes of this sinneful world: beseching thee, that it maye please thee of thy gracious goodnesse, shortely to accomplyssh the noumbre of thyne electe, and to haste thy kingdome, that we with this our sister, and al other departed in the true faith of thy holy name, maye have our perfect consummacion and blisse, both in body and soule, in thy eternal and everlastyng glory. Amen.

The Collect.

MERCIFUL God, the father of our Lorde Jesus Christe, who is the resurreccion and the lyfe, in whom whosoever beleveth, shall lyve though he dye; and whosoever liveth and beleveth in hym, shall not dye eternally: who also taught us (by his holy Apostle Paule) not to be sorve, as men without hope, for them that slepe in hym: We mekely beseche thee (O father) to raise us from the death of sinne unto the life of righteousnes, that when we shal depart thys lyfe, we may reste in him, as our hope is our sister doeth; and that at the general resurreccion in the laste daye, we may be founde acceptable in thy syghte, and receive that blessing which thy welbeloved sonne shall then pronounce to al that love and feare thee, saying: Come, ye blessed children of my father, receive the kyngdome prepared for you from the beginning of the world. Graunt this we beseche thee, O merciful father, through Jesus Christ our mediatour and redevemer. Amen.



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