

The Sodality of St. Edmund, King and Martyr

(A Catholic Community in the Diocese of Hamilton)



Evensong

May 28, 2023

**The Day of Pentecost
(Commonly called Whitsunday)**

Background:

Our goal, as a Catholic Community, is to join the North American Ordinariate.

On November 4, 2009, Pope Benedict XVI promulgated the **Apostolic Constitution, *Anglicanorum coetibus***, and thereby formally responded to requests of many who embraced an Anglican patrimony to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church within the Latin Rite.

Pope Benedict established 3 Personal Ordinariates:

The Personal Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham (England, Wales, and Scotland)

The Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of St. Peter (USA, and Canada)

The Personal Ordinariate of Our Lady of the Southern Cross (Australia, and Japan)

Members of a personal ordinariate are full members of the Roman Catholic Church with all the rights, privileges and obligations of any other Catholic.

Evensong (Evening Prayer) is one of the gifts of the Anglican patrimony that has been approved by the Holy See.

We, initially, intend to have Evensong, monthly, on the last Sunday of the month.

A bit of history:

Evensong was created in the mid 16th century and is derived from two monastic offices, namely Vespers and Compline. Vespers would have been (and still is) sung at sunset and includes the *Magnificat*, and Compline would have been (and still is) sung at the end of the day, and includes the *Nunc Dimittis*.

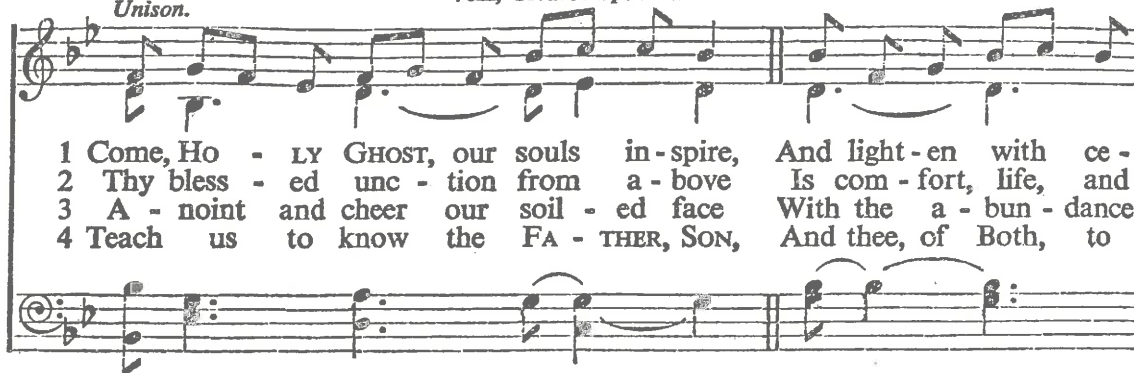
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All stand for the Hymn

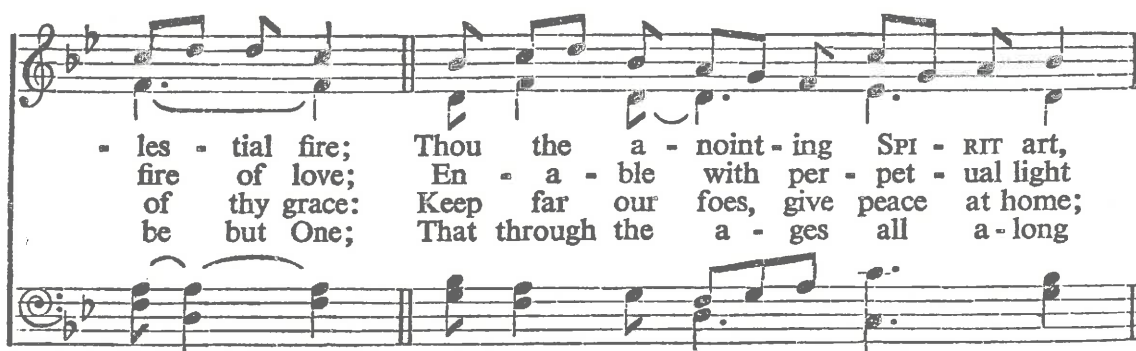
Veni, Creator Spiritus.

Mechlin Plainsong,
arr. HEALEY WILLAN, 1930.

Unison.



1 Come, Ho - LY GHOST, our souls in - spire, And light - en with ce -
 2 Thy bless - ed unc - tion from a - bove Is com - fort, life, and
 3 A - noint and cheer our soil - ed face With the a - bun - dance
 4 Teach us to know the FA - THER, SON, And thee, of Both, to

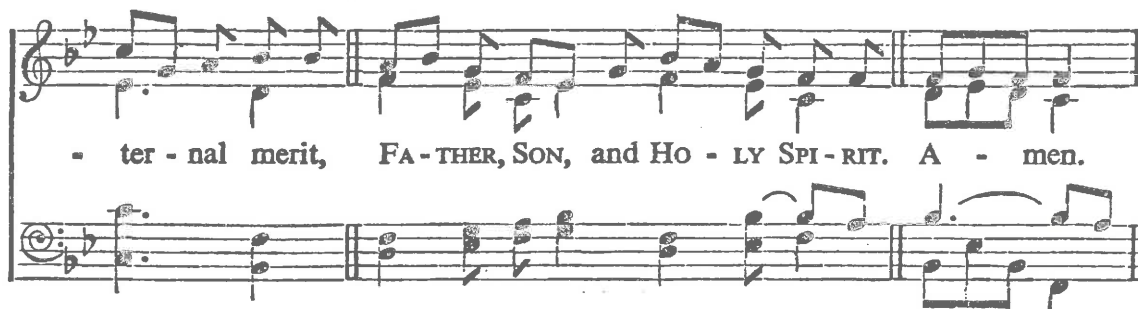


- les - tial fire; Thou the a - noint - ing SPI - RIT art,
 fire of love; En - a - ble with per - pet - ual light
 of thy grace: Keep far our foes, give peace at home;
 be but One; That through the a - ges all a - long

To be sung after last verse.



Who dost thy sev'n - fold gifts im - part.
 The dul - ness of our blind - ed sight;
 Where thou art Guide no ill can come.
 This may be our end - less song, Praise to thy e -



- ter - nal merit, FA - THER, SON, and HO - LY SPI - RIT. A - men.

Sentence from Holy Scripture

The Officiant says, all remain standing

The love of God hath been shed abroad in our hearts through the Holy Spirit which was given unto us.

Revelation 4:8

The Exhortation

The Officiant continues

DEARLY beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins 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, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice unto the throne of the heavenly grace.

All kneel

A general Confession

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father; (*all*) We have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, We have offended against thy holy laws, We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, And we have done those things which we ought not to have done; And there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults. Restore thou them that are penitent; According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

If a Priest is present, standing, he says

ALMIGHTY God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness, and live, and hath given power and commandment to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the absolution and remission of their sins: he pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel. Wherefore we beseech him to grant us true repentance and his Holy Spirit, that those things 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 his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

If a Priest is not present, the Officiant, kneeling, says

GRANT, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace: that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

Amen.

*All **stand** and make the Sign of the Cross on their lips with the right thumb.*

Officiant. + O Lord, open thou our lips;

People. And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

Officiant. + O God, make speed to save us;

People. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Officiant. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:

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

Officiant. Praise ye the Lord;

People. The Lord's Name be praised.

The Psalm

All sit. It is appropriate to bow, while sitting, at the Gloria Patri.

Psalm 145

Exaltabo te, Deus.



- 1 I WILL magnify **thee**, my God[^]and King : and I will praise thy Name for **ev**-er[^]and ev-er.
- 2 Every day will I give **thanks** un-to thee : and praise thy Name for **ev**-er[^]and ev-er.
- 3 Great is the Lord, and highly **to** be prais-ed : there is no **end** of[^]his grät-ness.
- 4 One generation shall praise thy works **un**-to[^]an-o-ther : and de-**clare** thy migh-ty[^]deeds.
- 5 As for me, I will be talking **of** thy wor-ship : thy glory, thy **praise**, and wön-drous[^]works.
- 6 And men shall speak of the might of thy **mar**-vel-lous acts : and I will also **tell** of[^]thy grät-ness.
- 7 The memorial of thy abundant kindness **shall** be show-ed : and men shall sing **of** thy righ-teous[^]ness.
- 8 The Lord is **gra**-cious[^]and mer[^]ci-ful : long-suffering and **of** great kind-ness.
- 9 The Lord is **lov**-ing un[^]to all : and his mercies are **o**-ver äll his[^]works.
- 10 All thy works **praise** thee, O Lord : and thy saints give **thanks** un-tö thee.
- 11 They show the glory **of** thy king-dom : and **talk** of thÿ power;
- 12 That thy power, thy glory, and the mightiness **of** thy king-dom : might be **known** un-tö men.
- 13 Thy kingdom is an ever-**last**-ing king-dom : and thy dominion endureth through-**out** all ä-ges.
- 14 The Lord is **faith**-ful[^]in äll[^]his words : and **gra**-cious[^]in äll his[^]deeds.
- 15 The Lord upholdeth **all** such as fall : and lifteth up all **those** that äre down.
- 16 The eyes of all **wait** up-on thee : and thou givest them their **meat** in[^]due sēa-son.
- 17 Thou **o**-pen[^]est thy hand : and fillest all things **liv**-ing[^]with plēn-teous[^]ness.



- 18 The Lord is **righ**-teous[^]in all[^]his ways : and **gra**-cious[^]in äll his[^]works.
- 19 The Lord is nigh unto all them that **call** up-on him : yea, all such as call up-**on** him fäith-ful[^]ly.
- 20 He will fulfil the desire of **them** that fear him : and he will hear their cry, **and** will hēlp them.
- 21 The Lord preserveth all **them** that love him : but scattereth abroad **all** the[^]un-göd-ly.
- 22 My mouth shall speak the **praise** of the Lord : and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy Name for **ev**-er[^]and ev-er.
- Glory be to the **Fa**-ther,[^]and to[^]the Son : and **to** the Hö-ly[^]Ghost;
- As it was in the beginning, is now, and **ev**-er shall be : world with-**out** end.
- Ä-men.

The First Lesson

The People remain seated for the First Lesson

The First Lesson is written in The Book of of the Prophet Isaiah, chapter 11, beginning at the 1st verse: (1 - 9)

There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse,
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him,
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.

And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see,
or decide by what his ears hear;

but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;
and he shall smite the earth with the rod of his mouth,
and with the breath of his lips he shall slay the wicked.

Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist,
and faithfulness the belt of his loins.

The wolf shall dwell with the lamb,
and the leopard shall lie down with the kid,
and the calf and the lion and the fatling together,
and a little child shall lead them.

The cow and the bear shall feed;
their young shall lie down together;
and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

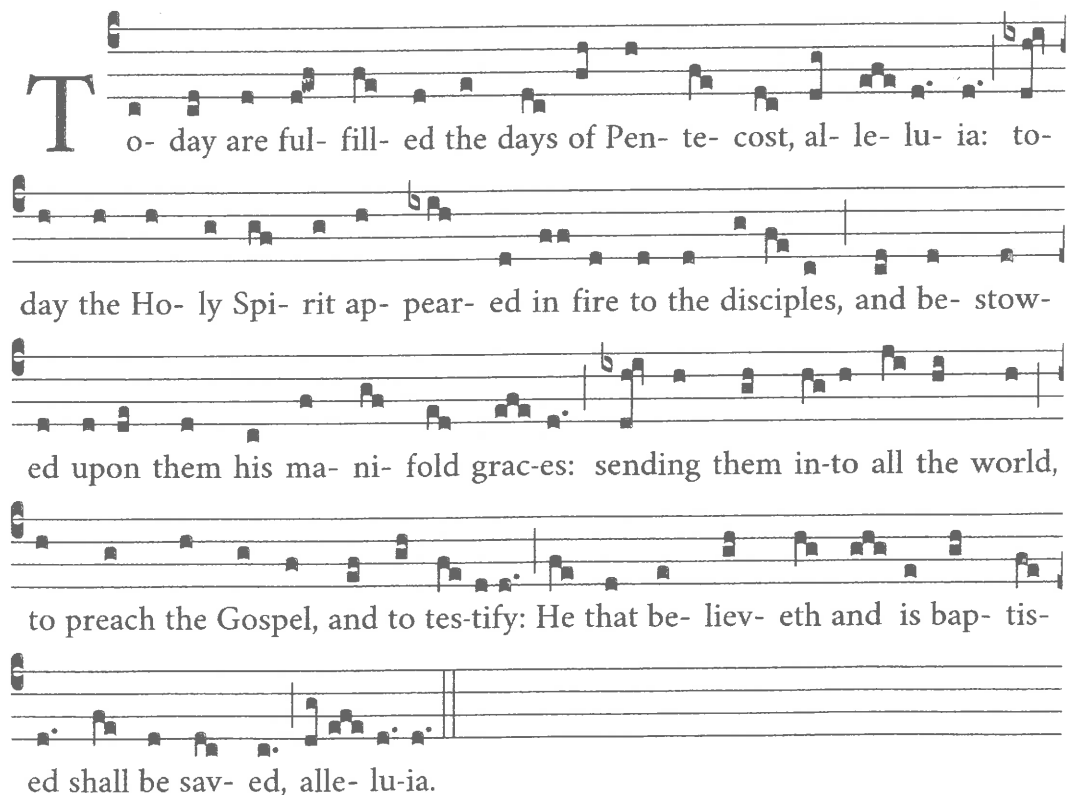
The sucking child shall play over the hole of the asp,
and the weaned child shall put his hand on the adder's den.

They shall not hurt or destroy
in all my holy mountain;
for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD
as the waters cover the sea.

Here endeth the First Lesson.

Antiphon

*(Sung, by all, before the Magnificat, **standing**)*



To- day are ful- fill- ed the days of Pen- te- cost, al- le- lu- ia: to-
day the Ho- ly Spi- rit ap- pear- ed in fire to the disciples, and be- stow-
ed upon them his ma- ni- fold grac-es: sending them in-to all the world,
to preach the Gospel, and to tes-tify: He that be- liev- eth and is bap- tis-
ed shall be sav- ed, alle- lu-ia.

Magnificat

(The Song of the Blessed Virgin Mary)

St Luke 1. 46



+ MY soul doth ' magnify • the ' LORD : and my spirit hath re- ' joiced •
in ' God my ' Saviour.

For ' he hath • re- ' garded : the ' lowli-ness ' of his ' hand-maiden.

For be- ' hold from ' henceforth : all gene- ' rations • shall ' call me '
blessèd.

For he that is mighty hath ' magni- • fied ' me : and ' holy ' is his '
Name.

And his mercy is on ' them that ' fear him : throughout ' all ' gene- '
rations.

He hath showed ' strength • with his ' arm : he hath scattered the
proud in the imagi- ' nation ' of their ' hearts.

He hath put down the mighty ' from their ' seat : and hath ex- ' alted •
the humble • and ' meek.

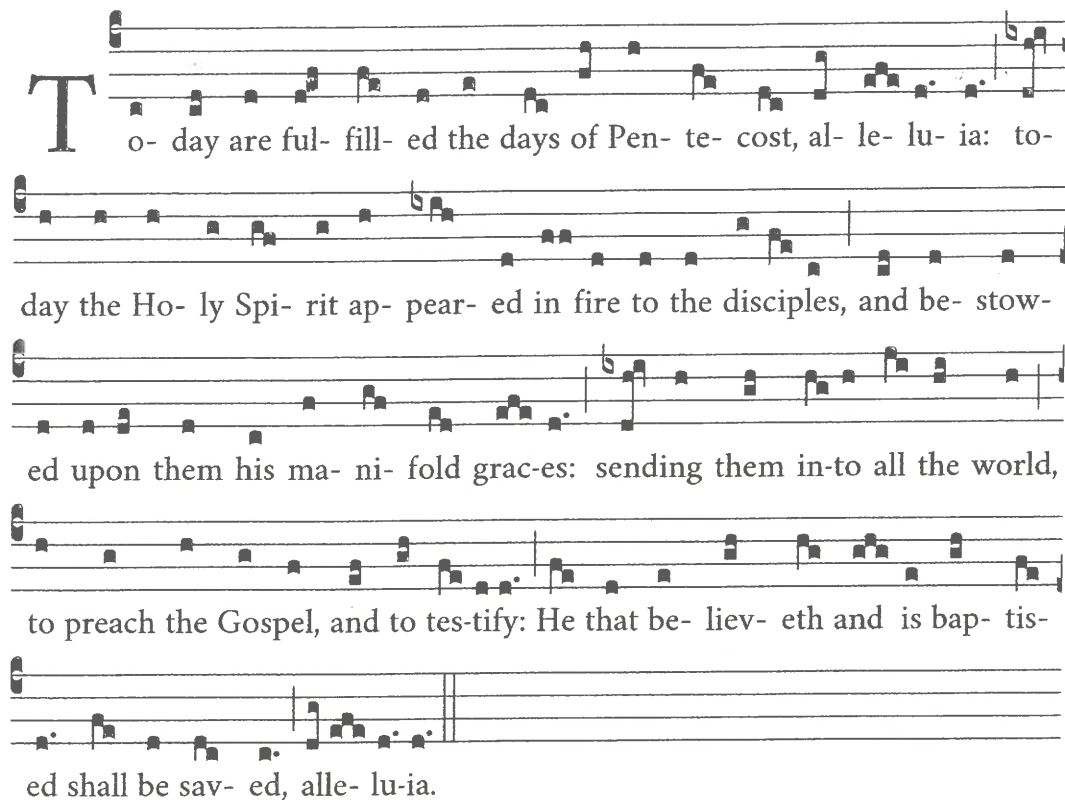
He hath filled the ' hungry • with ' good things : and the rich he ' hath
sent ' empty • a- ' way.

He re- ' membering • his ' mercy : hath ' holpen • his ' servant ' Israel;
As he promised ' to our ' forefathers : Abraham ' and his ' seed for '
ever.

GLORY be to the Father, and ' to the ' Son : and ' to the ' Holy ' Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ' ever ' shall be : world without
' end. ' A- ' men.

Antiphon

(Sung, by all, after the Magnificat, standing)



The musical notation consists of five staves. The first staff begins with a large 'T' and the lyrics 'o- day are ful- fill- ed the days of Pen- te- cost, al- le- lu- ia: to-'. The subsequent staves continue the melody and lyrics: 'day the Ho- ly Spi- rit ap- pear- ed in fire to the disciples, and be- stow- ed upon them his ma- ni- fold grac-es: sending them in-to all the world, to preach the Gospel, and to tes-tify: He that be- liev- eth and is bap- tis- ed shall be sav- ed, alle- lu-ia.' The notation includes various musical symbols such as notes, rests, and bar lines.

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ed shall be sav- ed, alle- lu-ia.

The Second Lesson

The People sit for the Second Lesson

The Second Lesson is written in The Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans, chapter 8, beginning at the 18th verse: (18 - end)

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us.

For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God;

for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of him who subjected it in hope;

because the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and obtain the glorious liberty of the children of God.

We know that the whole creation has been groaning in travail together until now;

and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies.

For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees?

But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with sighs too deep for words.

And he who searches the hearts of men knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

We know that in everything God works for good with those who love him, who are called according to his purpose.

For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the first-born among many brethren.

And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

What then shall we say to this? If God is for us, who is against us?

He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, will he not also give us all things with him?

Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies;

who is to condemn? Is it Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised from the dead, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us?

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

As it is written,

“For your sake we are being killed all the day long;
we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

For I am sure that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Here endeth the Second Lesson.

Nunc Dimittis

(The Song of Simeon)

St Luke 2. 29

Tonus Peregrinus



Sung by all, standing

+ LORD, now lettest thou thy servant de-¹ part in¹ peace :
ac-¹ cording¹ to thy¹ word.

For mine eyes have¹ seen thy • sal-¹ vation : which thou hast
prepared be-¹ fore the¹ face of • all¹ people;

To be a light to¹ lighten • the¹ Gentiles : and to be the¹ glory of • thy¹
people¹ Israel.

GLORY be to the Father, and¹ to the¹ Son : and¹ to the¹ Holy¹ Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and¹ ever¹ shall be : world without¹
¹ end. ¹ A-¹ men.

The Confession of the Faith (called the Apostles' Creed)

Said by all, standing

I BELIEVE in God, the Father Almighty, (*all*) Maker of heaven and earth: and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried: he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholic Church; the Communion of Saints; the Forgiveness of sins; the Resurrection of the body, + and the life everlasting. Amen.

All kneel

Officiant. O Lord hear our prayer.

People. And let our cry come unto thee.

Officiant. Lord, have mercy upon us.

People. Christ, have mercy upon us.

Officiant. Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Lord's Prayer

OUR Father (*all*) who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

All remain kneeling

Suffrages

Officiant. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

People. And grant us thy salvation.

Officiant. O Lord, save the King.

People. And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Officiant. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

People. And make thy chosen people joyful.

Officiant. O Lord, save thy people.

People. And bless thine inheritance.

Officiant. Give peace in our time, O Lord.

People. Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

Officiant. O God, make clean our hearts within us.

People. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Collects

The Officiant says

The Collect of the Day

O GOD, who as at this time didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

The Second Collect: For Peace

O GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

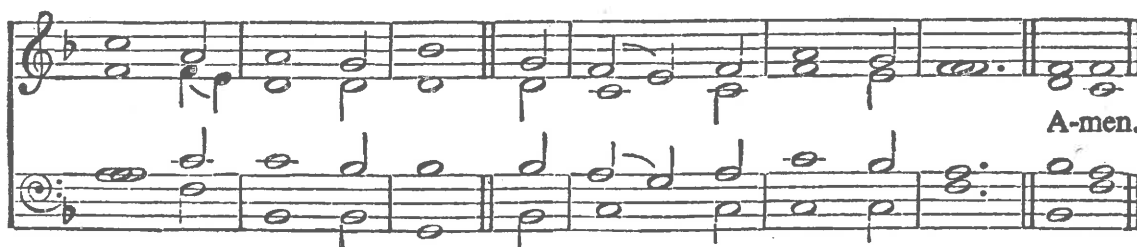
The Third Collect: For Aid against All Perils

LIGHTEN our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

All stand for the Hymn

TRENTHAM. S.M.

ROBERT JACKSON, 1894.



[By permission of Mrs. E. Taylor.]

Rev. Edwin Hatch, 1878.

- B**REATHE on me, Breath of God,
Fill me with life anew,
That I may love what thou dost love,
And do what thou wouldst do.
- 2 Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Until my heart is pure;
Until my will is one with thine
To do and to endure.
- 3 Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Till I am wholly thine;
Until this earthly part of me
Glow with thy fire divine.
- 4 Breathe on me, Breath of God,
So shall I never die,
But live with thee the perfect life
Of thine eternity.

All kneel, the Officiant says

A Prayer for the King and the Commonwealth

ALMIGHTY God, the fountain of all goodness, we humbly beseech thee to bless our Sovereign Lord, King *CHARLES*, the Parliaments of the Commonwealth, and all who are set in authority under him; that they may order all things in wisdom, righteousness, and peace, to the honour of thy holy Name, and the good of thy Church and people; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Prayer for the Pope, Clergy, and People

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift: Send down upon Francis, our Pope, Douglas and Wayne our Bishops, all bishops, priests, and deacons, and upon the congregations committed to their charge, the healthful Spirit of thy grace; and that they may truly please thee, pour upon them the continual dew of thy blessing. Grant this, O Lord, for the honour of our Advocate and Mediator, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

A Prayer for all Conditions of men.

O GOD, the Creator and Preserver of all mankind, we humbly beseech thee for all sorts and conditions of men; that thou wouldest be pleased to make thy ways known unto them, thy saving health unto all nations. More especially we pray for the good estate of the Catholic Church; that it may be so guided and governed by thy good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Finally we commend to thy fatherly goodness all those, who are any ways afflicted or distressed in mind, body, or estate; that it may please thee to comfort and relieve them, according to their several necessities, giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions. And this we beg for Jesus Christ his sake. *Amen.*

For Pastoral Charge

ALMIGHTY God, who knowest the needs of thy Church in every place: Look graciously at this time upon the people of this community; and give them a faithful Pastor, who shall feed thy flock according to thy will, and make ready a people acceptable unto thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Prayer of Saint Chrysostom

ALMIGHTY God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise, that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests; Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

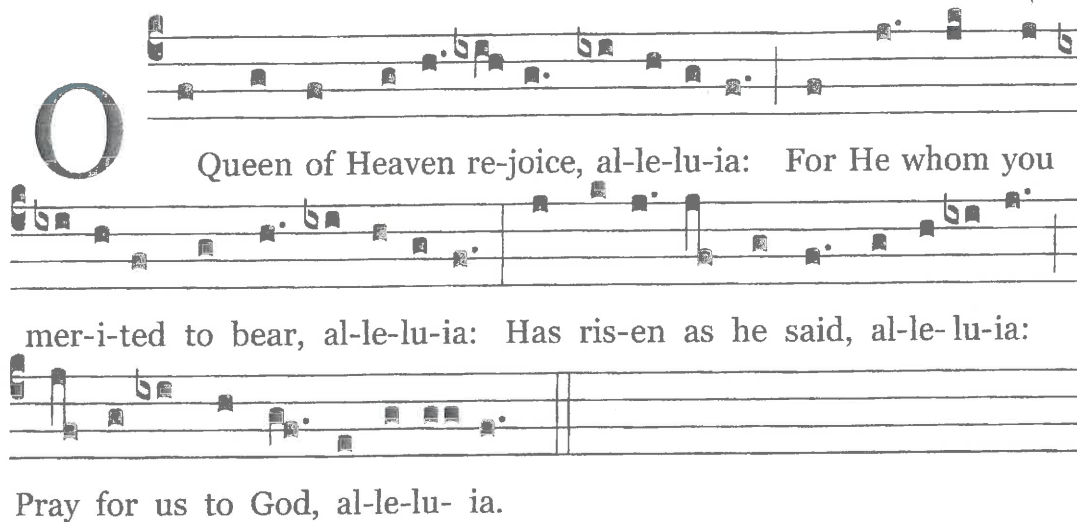
The Grace

2 Corinthians 13:14

+ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen.*

All stand

Regina Caeli



O Queen of Heaven re-joice, al-le-lu-ia: For He whom you
mer-i-ted to bear, al-le-lu-ia: Has ris-en as he said, al-le-lu-ia:
Pray for us to God, al-le-lu- ia.

The Officiant continues, all remain standing

Officiant. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.

People. For the Lord is risen indeed, alleluia.

Let us pray.

O GOD, who, by the Resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ didst vouchsafe to give gladness unto the world: grant we beseech thee, that we, being holpen by the Virgin Mary, his Mother, may attain unto the joys of everlasting life; through the same Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

All remain standing for the Hymn

DIADEMATA. D.S.M.

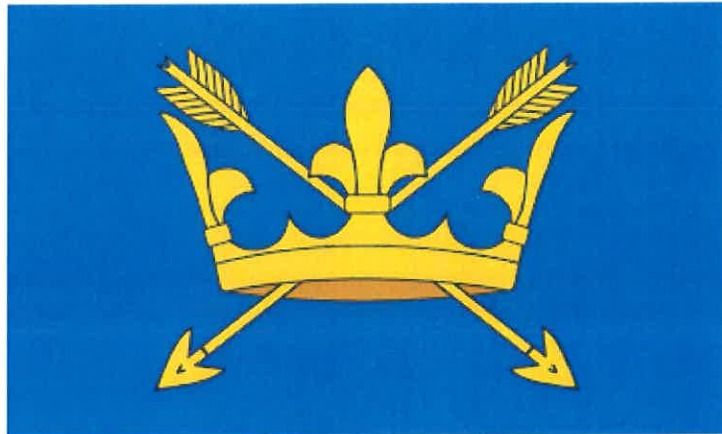
Sir G. J. ELVEY, 1868.

Matthew Bridges, 1851.

- C**ROWN him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon his throne;
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
All music but its own:
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of him who died for thee,
And hail him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity.
- 2 Crown him the Virgin's Son,
The God Incarnate born,
Whose arm those crimson trophies won
Which now his brow adorn:
The Shiloh long foretold,
The Branch of Jesse's Stem;
The Shepherd King of Israel's fold,
The Babe of Bethlehem.
- 3 Crown him the LORD of love;
Behold his hands and side,
Those wounds yet visible above
In beauty glorified:

No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his burning eye
At mysteries so bright.

- 4 Crown him the LORD of peace,
Whose power a sceptre sways
From pole to pole, that wars may cease,
And all be prayer and praise:
His reign shall know no end,
And round his pierced feet
Fair flowers of Paradise extend
Their fragrance ever sweet.
- 5 Crown him the LORD of years,
The Potentate of time,
Creator of the rolling spheres,
Ineffably sublime:
All hail! Redeemer, hail!
For thou hast died for me;
Thy praise shall never, never fail,
Throughout eternity.



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