

Morning and Evening Prayer
With devotionals
For Good Friday
Friday, April 10
for use at home during this time of pestilence

When you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

~Matthew 6:6

Beloved members of All Saints and whoever else may find this,

We find ourselves in the throes of a global pandemic. Much grace and goodness is coming through, but also much fear. Someone challenged me – in this time – that I and all other faithful Christians draw into our prayer closets, our private places of prayer. This urged me to encourage those Christians I am called to teach and shepherd to join in praying daily the offices of Morning and Evening Prayer.

I will post daily downloads with both Morning and Evening Prayer, as well as a short daily devotional and activity to stretch you. It is my prayer that despite being apart from each other, we will all grow in Christ in the strange frightful season.

Let us ever be mindful that the God we serve is still on His Holy Throne, is always good, is still faithful, still loves us, still calls us to come before him on our knees, crying out to him day and night. May you be encouraged and never grow weary in the race you are running.

If you find this helpful – please use it and share it freely.

In the love and faithfulness of our Lord Jesus Christ,

Fr. Ian Emile Dunn

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There is no Devotional today, however Join us at 8:30 am for Morning Prayer and 6 pm for Evensong on YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCU_wG-DvAJ6gse762HMAO2A

Every hour between 9 am and 3 pm meditations on the Last Seven Words of Christ will be posted on YouTube, this will be presented by Fr. Ian and Pastor Jon Wolfinger from Union Church. A devotional download will be available to accompany this service at <https://www.allsaintsprescott.org/week-day-downloads> on Thursday night.

The Order for Morning Prayer Good Friday, April 10

Psalms and Lessons:

Psalm 22, 23

Genesis 22:1-18

John 18

Read the open sentences.

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.

Psalm li. 17.

I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, and am no more worthy to be called thy son. *St. Luke xv. 18, 19.*

The Leader shall say,

LET us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

A General Confession, to be said by all gathered:

ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father; 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 those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou those who are penitent; According to thy promises declared unto mankind In Christ Jesus 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.

Then the leader shall pray the collect for Trinity XXI:

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 our Lord. Amen.

All together:

OUR Father, 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. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Then likewise he shall say,

O Lord, open thou our lips.

Answer. And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

Here the leader shall say,

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

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

Leader: Praise ye the Lord.

Answer. The Lord's Name be praised.

Then shall follow a Portion of the Psalms, the Gloria Patri is omitted on all Psalms:

Psalm 22

MY God, my God, look upon me; why hast thou forsaken me? * and art so far from my health, and from the words of my complaint?

O my God, I cry in the day-time, but thou hearest not; * and in the night season also I take no rest. And thou continuest holy, * O thou Worship of Israel.

Our fathers hoped in thee; * they trusted in thee, and thou didst deliver them.

They called upon thee, and were holpen; * they put their trust in thee, and were not confounded.

But as for me, I am a worm, and no man; * a very scorn of men, and the outcast of the people.

All they that see me laugh me to scorn; * they shoot out their lips, and shake their heads, saying, He trusted in the LORD, that he would deliver him; * let him deliver him, if he will have him.

But thou art he that took me out of my mother's womb; * thou wast my hope, when I hanged yet upon my mother's breasts.

I have been left unto thee ever since I was born; * thou art my God even from my mother's womb.

O go not from me; for trouble is hard at hand, * and there is none to help me.

Many oxen are come about me; * fat bulls of Bashan close me in on every side.

They gape upon me with their mouths, * as it were a ramping and a roaring lion.

I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint; * my heart also in the midst of my body is even like melting wax.

My strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue cleaveth to my gums, * and thou bringest me into the dust of death.

For many dogs are come about me, * and the council of the wicked layeth siege against me.

They pierced my hands and my feet: I may tell all my bones: * they stand staring and looking upon me.

They part my garments among them, * and cast lots upon my vesture.

But be not thou far from me, O LORD; * thou art my succour, haste thee to help me.

Deliver my soul from the sword, * my darling from the power of the dog.

Save me from the lion's mouth; * thou hast heard me also from among the horns of the unicorns.

I will declare thy Name unto my brethren; * in the midst of the congregation will I praise thee.

O praise the LORD, ye that fear him: * magnify him, all ye of the seed of Jacob; and fear him, all ye seed of Israel.

For he hath not despised nor abhorred the low estate of the poor; * he hath not hid his face from him; but when he called unto him he heard him.

My praise is of thee in the great congregation; * my vows will I perform in the sight of them that fear him.

The poor shall eat, and be satisfied; they that seek after the LORD shall praise him: * your heart shall live for ever.

All the ends of the world shall remember themselves, and be turned unto the LORD; * and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before him.

For the kingdom is the LORD'S, * and he is the Governor among the nations.

All such as be fat upon earth * have eaten, and worshipped.

All they that go down into the dust shall kneel before him; * and no man hath quickened his own soul.

My seed shall serve him: * they shall be counted unto the Lord for a generation.

They shall come, and shall declare his righteousness * unto a people that shall be born, whom the Lord hath made.

Psalm 23

THE LORD is my shepherd; * therefore can I lack nothing.

He shall feed me in a green pasture, * and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.

He shall convert my soul, * and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness for his Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; * for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.

Thou shalt prepare a table before me in the presence of them that trouble me; * thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

Surely thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; * and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

Then shall be read the First Lesson for Morning Prayer

Genesis 22:1-18

After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you." So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar. Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship and come again to you." And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the

lamb for a burnt offering?" Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together.

When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. So Abraham called the name of that place, "The Lord will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided."

And the angel of the Lord called to Abraham a second time from heaven and said, "By myself I have sworn, declares the Lord, because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, I will surely bless you, and I will surely multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of his enemies, and in your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because you have obeyed my voice."

Then said Psalm 40:1-16

I WAITED patiently for the LORD, * and he inclined unto me, and heard my calling.

He brought me also out of the horrible pit, out of the mire and clay, * and set my feet upon the rock, and ordered my goings.

And he hath put a new song in my mouth, * even a thanksgiving unto our God.

Many shall see it, and fear, * and shall put their trust in the LORD.

Blessed is the man that hath set his hope in the LORD, * and turned not unto the proud, and to such as go about with lies.

O LORD my God, great are the wondrous works which thou hast done, like as be also thy thoughts, which are to us-ward; * and yet there is no man that ordereth them unto thee.

If I should declare them, and speak of them, * they should be more than I am able to express.

Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, * but mine ears hast thou opened.

Burnt-offering and sacrifice for sin hast thou not required: * then said I, LO, I come;

In the volume of the book it is written of me, that I should fulfil thy will, O my God: * I am content to do it; yea, thy law is within my heart.

I have declared thy righteousness in the great congregation: * lo, I will not refrain my lips, O LORD, and that thou knowest.

I have not hid thy righteousness within my heart; * my talk hath been of thy truth, and of thy salvation.

I have not kept back thy loving mercy and truth * from the great congregation.

Withdraw not thou thy mercy from me, O LORD; * let thy loving-kindness and thy truth always preserve me.

For innumerable troubles are come about me; my sins have taken such hold upon me, that I am not able to look up; * yea, they are more in number than the hairs of my head, and my heart hath failed

me.

O LORD, let it be thy pleasure to deliver me; * make haste, O LORD, to help me.

Then shall be read the Second Lesson

John 18

When Jesus had spoken these words, he went out with his disciples across the brook Kidron, where there was a garden, which he and his disciples entered. Now Judas, who betrayed him, also knew the place, for Jesus often met there with his disciples. So Judas, having procured a band of soldiers and some officers from the chief priests and the Pharisees, went there with lanterns and torches and weapons. Then Jesus, knowing all that would happen to him, came forward and said to them, "Whom do you seek?" They answered him, "Jesus of Nazareth." Jesus said to them, "I am he." Judas, who betrayed him, was standing with them. When Jesus said to them, "I am he," they drew back and fell to the ground. So he asked them again, "Whom do you seek?" And they said, "Jesus of Nazareth." Jesus answered, "I told you that I am he. So, if you seek me, let these men go." This was to fulfill the word that he had spoken: "Of those whom you gave me I have lost not one." Then Simon Peter, having a sword, drew it and struck the high priest's servant and cut off his right ear. (The servant's name was Malchus.) So Jesus said to Peter, "Put your sword into its sheath; shall I not drink the cup that the Father has given me?"

So the band of soldiers and their captain and the officers of the Jews arrested Jesus and bound him. First they led him to Annas, for he was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, who was high priest that year. It was Caiaphas who had advised the Jews that it would be expedient that one man should die for the people.

Simon Peter followed Jesus, and so did another disciple. Since that disciple was known to the high priest, he entered with Jesus into the courtyard of the high priest, but Peter stood outside at the door. So the other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out and spoke to the servant girl who kept watch at the door, and brought Peter in. The servant girl at the door said to Peter, "You also are not one of this man's disciples, are you?" He said, "I am not." Now the servants and officers had made a charcoal fire, because it was cold, and they were standing and warming themselves. Peter also was with them, standing and warming himself.

The high priest then questioned Jesus about his disciples and his teaching. Jesus answered him, "I have spoken openly to the world. I have always taught in synagogues and in the temple, where all Jews come together. I have said nothing in secret. Why do you ask me? Ask those who have heard me what I said to them; they know what I said." When he had said these things, one of the officers standing by struck Jesus with his hand, saying, "Is that how you answer the high priest?" Jesus answered him, "If what I said is wrong, bear witness about the wrong; but if what I said is right, why do you strike me?" Annas then sent him bound to Caiaphas the high priest.

Now Simon Peter was standing and warming himself. So they said to him, "You also are not one of his disciples, are you?" He denied it and said, "I am not." One of the servants of the high priest, a relative of the man whose ear Peter had cut off, asked, "Did I not see you in the garden with him?" Peter again denied it, and at once a rooster crowed.

Then they led Jesus from the house of Caiaphas to the governor's headquarters. It was early morning. They themselves did not enter the governor's headquarters, so that they would not be defiled, but could eat the Passover. So Pilate went outside to them and said, "What accusation do you bring against this man?" They answered him, "If this man were not doing evil, we would not have delivered him over to you." Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and judge him by your own law." The Jews said to him, "It is not lawful for us to put anyone to death." This was to fulfill the word that Jesus had spoken to show by what kind of death he was going to die.

So Pilate entered his headquarters again and called Jesus and said to him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you say this of your own accord, or did others say it to you about me?" Pilate answered, "Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have delivered you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But my kingdom is not from the world." Then Pilate said to him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice." Pilate said to him, "What is truth?"

After he had said this, he went back outside to the Jews and told them, "I find no guilt in him. But you have a custom that I should release one man for you at the Passover. So do you want me to release to you the King of the Jews?" They cried out again, "Not this man, but Barabbas!" Now Barabbas was a robber.

Then say Psalm 54

SAVE me, O God, for thy Name's sake, * and avenge me in thy strength.

Hear my prayer, O God, * and hearken unto the words of my mouth.

For strangers are risen up against me; * and tyrants, which have not God before their eyes, seek after my soul.

Behold, God is my helper; * the Lord is with them that uphold my soul.

He shall reward evil unto mine enemies: * destroy thou them in thy truth.

An offering of a free heart will I give thee, and praise thy Name, O LORD; * because it is so comfortable.

For he hath delivered me out of all my trouble; * and mine eye hath seen his desire upon mine enemies.

Then shall be said the Apostles' Creed by all

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, 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.

Then the leader says:

The Lord be with you.

Answer. And with thy spirit.

Leader: Let us pray.

Leader. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

Answer. And grant us thy salvation.

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

Answer. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Then shall be said the Collects,

Good Friday

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech thee graciously to behold this thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed, and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the cross; who now liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost ever, one God, world without end. Amen.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified; Receive our supplications and prayers, which we offer before thee for all estates of men in thy holy Church, that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry, may truly and godly serve thee; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

MERCIFUL God, who hast made all men, and hatest nothing that thou hast made, nor desirest the death of a sinner, but rather that he should be converted and live; Have mercy upon all who know thee not as thou art revealed in the Gospel of thy Son. Take from them all ignorance, hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word; and so fetch them home, blessed Lord, to thy fold, that they may be made one flock under one shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

A Collect for Peace.

O GOD, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom; Defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries, through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Collect for Grace.

O Lord, our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day; Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings, being ordered by thy governance, may be righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

In Time of Great Sickness and Mortality.

O MOST mighty and merciful God, in this time of grievous sickness, we flee unto thee for succour. Deliver us, we beseech thee, from our peril; give strength and skill to all those who minister to the sick; prosper the means made use of for their cure; and grant that, perceiving how frail and uncertain our life is, we may apply our hearts unto that heavenly wisdom which leadeth to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(You may continue here for the full service of Morning Prayer, or stop and offer your own prayers and have a time of devotion – for those participating with the stream from the church we will continue with the following prayers).

A Prayer for The President of the United States, and all in Civil Authority.

O LORD our Governor, whose glory is in all the world; We commend this nation to thy merciful care, that being guided by thy Providence, we may dwell secure in thy peace. Grant to THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, and to all in authority, wisdom and strength to know and to do thy will. Fill them with the love of truth and righteousness; and make them ever mindful of their calling to serve this people in thy fear; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

A Prayer for the Clergy and People.

Almighty and everlasting God, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift; Send down upon our Bishops, especially +Walter and +Robert, and other Clergy, 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 thy holy Church universal; 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's sake. Amen.

(If doing the whole service of Morning Prayer – here offer your own prayers and petitions).

A General Thanksgiving. – prayed together

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we, thine unworthy servants, do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and lovingkindness to us, and to all men; We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

A Prayer of St. 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.

2 Cor. xiii. 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.

Here endeth the Order of Morning Prayer.

The Order for Evening Prayer Good Friday, April 10

Lessons

Psalm 69:1-22, Psalm 88

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

1 Peter 2:11-25

Read the sentences for the day,

To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him; neither have we obeyed the voice of the LORD our God, to walk in his laws which he set before us. *Dan. ix. 9, 10.*

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 St. *John i. 8, 9.*

followed by:

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ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father; 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 those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore thou those who are penitent; According to thy promises declared unto mankind In Christ Jesus 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.

Then the leader shall pray the Collect for Trinity XXI:

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 our Lord. Amen.

Then all together pray:

OUR Father, 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. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Then likewise the leader shall say,

O Lord, open thou our lips.

Answer. And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

The leader shall say,

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

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

Leader. Praise ye the Lord.

Answer. The Lord's Name be praised.

Then shall follow a Portion of the Psalms, omitting the Gloria Patri:

Psalm 69:1-22

SAVE me, O God; * for the waters are come in, even unto my soul.

I stick fast in the deep mire, where no ground is; * I am come into deep waters, so that the floods run over me.

I am weary of crying; my throat is dry; * my sight faileth me for waiting so long upon my God.

They that hate me without a cause are more than the hairs of my head; * they that are mine enemies, and would destroy me guiltless, are mighty.

I paid them the things that I never took: * God, thou knowest my simpleness, and my faults are not hid from thee.

Let not them that trust in thee, O Lord GOD of hosts, be ashamed for my cause; * let not those that seek thee be confounded through me, O Lord God of Israel.

And why? for thy sake have I suffered reproof; * shame hath covered my face.

I am become a stranger unto my brethren, * even an alien unto my mother's children.

For the zeal of thine house hath even eaten me; * and the rebukes of them that rebuked thee are fallen upon me.

I wept, and chastened myself with fasting, * and that was turned to my reproof.

I put on sackcloth also, * and they jested upon me.

They that sit in the gate speak against me, * and the drunkards make songs upon me.

But, LORD, I make my prayer unto thee * in an acceptable time.

Hear me, O God, in the multitude of thy mercy, * even in the truth of thy salvation.

Take me out of the mire, that I sink not; * O let me be delivered from them that hate me, and out of the deep waters.

Let not the water-flood drown me, neither let the deep swallow me up; * and let not the pit shut her mouth upon me.

Hear me, O LORD, for thy loving-kindness is comfortable; * turn thee unto me according to the multitude of thy mercies.

And hide not thy face from thy servant; for I am in trouble: * O haste thee, and hear me.

Draw nigh unto my soul, and save it; * O deliver me, because of mine enemies.
 Thou hast known my reproach, my shame, and my dishonour: * mine adversaries are all in thy sight.
 Reproach hath broken my heart; I am full of heaviness: * I looked for some to have pity on me, but
 there was no man, neither found I any to comfort me.
 They gave me gall to eat; * and when I was thirsty they gave me vinegar to drink.

Psalm 88

O LORD God of my salvation, I have cried day and night before thee: * O let my prayer enter into thy
 presence, incline thine ear unto my calling;
 For my soul is full of trouble, * and my life draweth nigh unto the grave.
 I am counted as one of them that go down into the pit, * and I am even as a man that hath no
 strength;
 Cast off among the dead, like unto them that are slain, and lie in the grave, * who are out of
 remembrance, and are cut away from thy hand.
 Thou hast laid me in the lowest pit, * in a place of darkness, and in the deep.
 Thine indignation lieth hard upon me, * and thou hast vexed me with all thy storms.
 Thou hast put away mine acquaintance far from me, * and made me to be abhorred of them.
 I am so fast in prison * that I cannot get forth.
 My sight faileth for very trouble; * LORD, I have called daily upon thee, I have stretched forth my
 hands unto thee.
 Dost thou show wonders among the dead? * or shall the dead rise up again, and praise thee?
 Shall thy loving-kindness be showed in the grave? * or thy faithfulness in destruction?
 Shall thy wondrous works be known in the dark? * and thy righteousness in the land where all things
 are forgotten?
 Unto thee have I cried, O LORD; * and early shall my prayer come before thee.
 LORD, why abhorrest thou my soul, * and hidest thou thy face from me?
 I am in misery, and like unto him that is at the point to die; * even from my youth up, thy terrors have
 I suffered with a troubled mind.
 Thy wrathful displeasure goeth over me, * and the fear of thee hath undone me.
 They came round about me daily like water, * and compassed me together on every side.
 My lovers and friends hast thou put away from me, * and hid mine acquaintance out of my sight.

Psalm 23

THE LORD is my shepherd; * therefore can I lack nothing.
 He shall feed me in a green pasture, * and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.
 He shall convert my soul, * and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness for his Name's sake.
 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; * for thou art with me;
 thy rod and thy staff comfort me.
 Thou shalt prepare a table before me in the presence of them that trouble me; * thou hast anointed
 my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.

Surely thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; * and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

Then shall be read the First Lesson, according to the Table or Calendar.

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

Behold, my servant shall act wisely;
he shall be high and lifted up,
and shall be exalted.

As many were astonished at you—
his appearance was so marred, beyond human semblance,
and his form beyond that of the children of mankind—
so shall he sprinkle many nations.

Kings shall shut their mouths because of him,
for that which has not been told them they see,
and that which they have not heard they understand.

Who has believed what he has heard from us?
And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?

For he grew up before him like a young plant,
and like a root out of dry ground;
he had no form or majesty that we should look at him,
and no beauty that we should desire him.

He was despised and rejected by men,
a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief;
and as one from whom men hide their faces
he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

Surely he has borne our griefs
and carried our sorrows;
yet we esteemed him stricken,
smitten by God, and afflicted.

But he was pierced for our transgressions;
he was crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace,
and with his wounds we are healed.

All we like sheep have gone astray;
we have turned—every one—to his own way;
and the Lord has laid on him
the iniquity of us all.

He was oppressed, and he was afflicted,
yet he opened not his mouth;
like a lamb that is led to the slaughter,

and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent,
 so he opened not his mouth.
 By oppression and judgment he was taken away;
 and as for his generation, who considered
 that he was cut off out of the land of the living,
 stricken for the transgression of my people?
 And they made his grave with the wicked
 and with a rich man in his death,
 although he had done no violence,
 and there was no deceit in his mouth.
 Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him;
 he has put him to grief;
 when his soul makes an offering for guilt,
 he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days;
 the will of the Lord shall prosper in his hand.
 Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied;
 by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant,
 make many to be accounted righteous,
 and he shall bear their iniquities.
 Therefore I will divide him a portion with the many,
 and he shall divide the spoil with the strong,
 because he poured out his soul to death
 and was numbered with the transgressors;
 yet he bore the sin of many,
 and makes intercession for the transgressors.

After which shall be sung or said the Hymn called Magnificat, as followeth.

Magnificat. St. Luke i. 46.

MY soul doth magnify the Lord, * and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
 For he hath regarded * the lowliness of his handmaiden.
 For behold, from henceforth * all generations shall call me blessed.
 For he that is mighty hath magnified me; * and holy is his Name.
 And his mercy is on them that fear him * throughout all generations.
 He hath showed strength with his arm; * he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
 He hath put down the mighty from their seat, * and hath exalted the humble and meek.
 He hath filled the hungry with good things; * and the rich he hath sent empty away.
 He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel; * as he promised to our forefathers,
 Abraham and his seed, for ever.

Then a Lesson of the New Testament, as it is appointed.

1 Peter 2:11-25

Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul. Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation.

Be subject for the Lord's sake to every human institution, whether it be to the emperor as supreme, or to governors as sent by him to punish those who do evil and to praise those who do good. For this is the will of God, that by doing good you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish people. Live as people who are free, not using your freedom as a cover-up for evil, but living as servants of God. Honor everyone. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the emperor.

Servants, be subject to your masters with all respect, not only to the good and gentle but also to the unjust. For this is a gracious thing, when, mindful of God, one endures sorrows while suffering unjustly. For what credit is it if, when you sin and are beaten for it, you endure? But if when you do good and suffer for it you endure, this is a gracious thing in the sight of God. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps. He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

And after that shall be sung or said the Hymn called Nunc dimittis,

LORD, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, * according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen * thy salvation,

Which thou hast prepared * before the face of all people;

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

Then shall be said the Apostles' Creed by all people.

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, 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.

The Leader first pronouncing,

The Lord be with you.

Answer. And with thy spirit.

Leader. Let us pray.

Leader. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

Answer. And grant us thy salvation.

Leader. O Lord, save the State.

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

Leader. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

Answer. And make thy chosen people joyful.

Leader. O Lord, save thy people.

Answer. And bless thine inheritance.

Leader. Give peace in our time, O Lord.

Answer. For it is thou, Lord, only, that makest us dwell in safety.

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

Answer. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

Then shall be said the Collect for the Day, and after that the Collects and Prayers following.

Good Friday

ALMIGHTY God, we beseech thee graciously to behold this thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed, and given up into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the cross; who now liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost ever, one God, world without end. Amen.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified; Receive our supplications and prayers, which we offer before thee for all estates of men in thy holy Church, that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry, may truly and godly serve thee; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

MERCIFUL God, who hast made all men, and hatest nothing that thou hast made, nor desirest the death of a sinner, but rather that he should be converted and live; Have mercy upon all who know thee not as thou art revealed in the Gospel of thy Son. Take from them all ignorance, hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word; and so fetch them home, blessed Lord, to thy fold, that they may be made one flock under one shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

A 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.

A Collect for Aid against 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.

In Time of Great Sickness and Mortality.

O MOST mighty and merciful God, in this time of grievous sickness, we flee unto thee for succour. Deliver us, we beseech thee, from our peril; give strength and skill to all those who minister to the sick; prosper the means made use of for their cure; and grant that, perceiving how frail and uncertain our life is, we may apply our hearts unto that heavenly wisdom which leadeth to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(You may continue here for the full service of Evening Prayer, or stop and off your own prayers and have a time of devotion).

A Prayer for The President of the United States, and all in Civil Authority.

Almighty God, whose kingdom is everlasting and power infinite; Have mercy upon this whole land; and so rule the hearts of thy servants THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, The Governor of this State, and all others in authority, that they, knowing whose ministers they are, may above all things seek thy honour and glory; and that we and all the People, duly considering whose authority they bear, may faithfully and obediently honour them, 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.

A Prayer for the Clergy and People.

Almighty and everlasting God, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift; Send down upon our Bishops, especially +Walter and +Robert, and other Clergy, 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 thy holy Church universal; 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's sake. Amen.

(Here pause and offer your own prayers and thanksgivings.)

A General Thanksgiving. – Prayed together

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we, thine unworthy servants, do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and lovingkindness to us, and to all men. We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

A Prayer of St. 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.

2 Cor. xiii. 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.

Here endeth the Order of Evening Prayer.