

Morning and Evening Prayer
With devotionals
For Wednesday, May 6
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

The Order for Morning Prayer Wednesday, May 6

Psalms and Lessons:

Psalm 89:1-19

Exodus 32:1-7, 15-20

Hebrews 10:15-25

Read the open sentences.

He is risen. The Lord is risen indeed. *St. Mark xvi. 6; St. Luke xxiv. 34.*

This is the day which the LORD hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it. *Psalm cxviii. 24.*

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 be said or sung the following Canticle;

Venite, exultemus Domino.

O COME, let us sing unto the LORD; * let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving; * and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.

For the LORD is a great God; * and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are all the corners of the earth; * and the strength of the hills is his also.

The sea is his, and he made it; * and his hands prepared the dry land.

O come, let us worship and fall down, * and kneel before the LORD our Maker.

For he is the Lord our God; * and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

O worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness; * let the whole earth stand in awe of him.

For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth; * and with righteousness to judge the world, and the peoples with his truth.

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. Amen.

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

Psalm 89:1-19

MY song shall be alway of the loving-kindness of the LORD; * with my mouth will I ever be showing thy truth from one generation to another.

For I have said, Mercy shall be set up for ever; * thy truth shalt thou stablish in the heavens.

I have made a covenant with my chosen; * I have sworn unto David my servant:

Thy seed will I stablish for ever, * and set up thy throne from one generation to another.

O LORD, the very heavens shall praise thy wondrous works; * and thy truth in the congregation of the saints.

For who is he among the clouds, * that shall be compared unto the LORD?

And what is he among the gods, * that shall be like unto the LORD?

God is very greatly to be feared in the council of the saints, * and to be had in reverence of all them that are round about him.

O Lord God of hosts, who is like unto thee? * thy truth, most mighty LORD, is on every side.

Thou rulest the raging of the sea; * thou stillest the waves thereof when they arise.

Thou hast subdued Egypt, and destroyed it; * thou hast scattered thine enemies abroad with thy mighty arm.

The heavens are thine, the earth also is thine; * thou hast laid the foundation of the round world, and all that therein is.

Thou hast made the north and the south; * Tabor and Hermon shall rejoice in thy Name.

Thou hast a mighty arm; * strong is thy hand, and high is thy right hand.

Righteousness and equity are the habitation of thy seat; * mercy and truth shall go before thy face.

Blessed is the people, O LORD, that can rejoice in thee; * they shall walk in the light of thy countenance.

Their delight shall be daily in thy Name; * and in thy righteousness shall they make their boast.

For thou art the glory of their strength, * and in thy loving-kindness thou shalt lift up our horns.

For the LORD is our defence; * the Holy One of Israel is our King.

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. Amen.

Then shall be read the First Lesson for Morning Prayer

Exodus 32:1-7, 15-20

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered themselves together to Aaron and said to him, "Up, make us gods who shall go before us. As for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." So Aaron said to them, "Take off the rings of gold that are in the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." So all the people took off the rings of gold that were in their ears and brought them to Aaron. And he received the gold from their hand and fashioned it with a graving tool and made a golden calf. And they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it. And Aaron made a proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a feast to the Lord." And they rose up early the next day and offered burnt offerings and brought peace offerings. And the people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play.

And the Lord said to Moses, "Go down, for your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted themselves.

Then Moses turned and went down from the mountain with the two tablets of the testimony in his hand, tablets that were written on both sides; on the front and on the back they were written. The tablets were the work of God, and the writing was the writing of God, engraved on the tablets. When Joshua heard the noise of the people as they shouted, he said to Moses, "There is a noise of war in the camp." But he said, "It is not the sound of shouting for victory, or the sound of the cry of defeat, but the sound of singing that I hear." And as soon as he came near the camp and saw the calf and the dancing, Moses' anger burned hot, and he threw the tablets out of his hands and broke them at the foot of the mountain. He took the calf that they had made and burned it with fire and ground it to powder and scattered it on the water and made the people of Israel drink it.

Then shall be read or said: Benedictus es, Domine.

BLESSED art thou, O Lord God of our fathers: * praised and exalted above all for ever.

Blessed art thou for the Name of thy Majesty: * praised and exalted above all for ever.

Blessed art thou in the temple of thy holiness: * praised and exalted above all for ever.

Blessed art thou that beholdest the depths, and dwellest between the Cherubim: * praised and exalted above all forever.

Blessed art thou on the glorious throne of thy kingdom: * praised and exalted above all for ever.

Blessed art thou in the firmament of heaven: * praised and exalted above all 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. Amen.

Then shall be read the Second Lesson

Hebrews 10:15-25

And the Holy Spirit also bears witness to us; for after saying,

“This is the covenant that I will make with them

after those days, declares the Lord:

I will put my laws on their hearts,

and write them on their minds,” then he adds,

“I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.” Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

Then shall be read or sung: Jubilate Deo. Psalm c.

O BE joyful in the LORD, all ye lands: * serve the LORD with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the LORD he is God; it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; * we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise; * be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.

For the LORD is gracious, his mercy is everlasting; * and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

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. Amen.

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,

The Third Sunday After Easter

ALMIGHTY God, who showest to them that are in error the light of thy truth, to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness; Grant unto all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's Religion, that they may avoid those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. 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 off 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 Wednesday, May 6

Lessons

Psalm 90

Isaiah 48:12-21

Ephesian 2:1-10

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In moderate time

1 Sa - viour, when night in - volves the skies, My soul, a -
 2 On thee my wa - king rap - tures dwell, When crim - son
 3 When noon her throne in light ar - rays, To thee my
 4 O'er earth, when shades of eve - ning steal, To death and

dor - ing, turns to thee, Thee, self - a - based in
 gleams the east a - dorn, Thee, vic - tor of the
 soul tri - umph - ant springs, Thee, throned in glo - ry's
 thee my thoughts I give: To death, whose power I

mor - tal guise And wrapt in shades of death for me.
 grave and hell, Thee, source of life's e - ter - nal morn.
 end - less blaze, Thee, Lord of lords and King of kings.
 soon must feel, To thee, with whom I trust to live.

THOMAS GISBORNE, 1805

Read the sentences for the day,

Thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. *1 Cor. xv. 57.*

If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. *Col. iii. 1.*

followed by:

LET us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

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Then all together pray:

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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, followed by the Gloria Patri:

Psalm 90

LORD, thou hast been our refuge, * from one generation to another.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever the earth and the world were made, * thou art God from everlasting, and world without end.

Thou turnest man to destruction; * again thou sayest, Come again, ye children of men.

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For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past, * and as a watch in the night.
 As soon as thou scatterest them they are even as a sleep; * and fade away suddenly like the grass.
 In the morning it is green, and groweth up; * but in the evening it is cut down, dried up, and withered.
 For we consume away in thy displeasure, * and are afraid at thy wrathful indignation.
 Thou hast set our misdeeds before thee; * and our secret sins in the light of thy countenance.
 For when thou art angry all our days are gone: * we bring our years to an end, as it were a tale that is told.

The days of our age are threescore years and ten; and though men be so strong that they come to fourscore years, * yet is their strength then but labour and sorrow; so soon passeth it away, and we are gone.

But who regardeth the power of thy wrath? * or feareth aright thy indignation?

So teach us to number our days, * that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

Turn thee again, O LORD, at the last, * and be gracious unto thy servants.

O satisfy us with thy mercy, and that soon: * so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

Comfort us again now after the time that thou hast plagued us; * and for the years wherein we have suffered adversity.

Show thy servants thy work, * and their children thy glory.

And the glorious majesty of the LORD our God be upon us: * prosper thou the work of our hands upon us; O prosper thou our handy-work.

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. Amen.

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

Isaiah 48:12-21

“Listen to me, O Jacob,
 and Israel, whom I called!

I am he; I am the first,
 and I am the last.

My hand laid the foundation of the earth,
 and my right hand spread out the heavens;
 when I call to them,
 they stand forth together.

“Assemble, all of you, and listen!

Who among them has declared these things?

The Lord loves him;

he shall perform his purpose on Babylon,
 and his arm shall be against the Chaldeans.

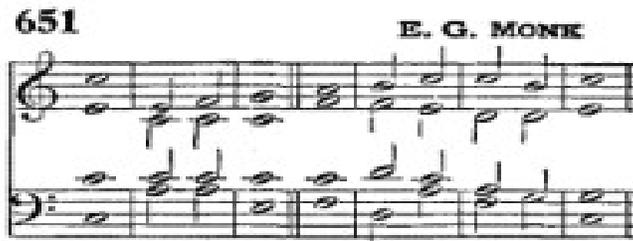
I, even I, have spoken and called him;

I have brought him, and he will prosper in his way.

Draw near to me, hear this:

from the beginning I have not spoken in secret,
 from the time it came to be I have been there.”
 And now the Lord God has sent me, and his Spirit.
 Thus says the Lord,
 your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel:
 “I am the Lord your God,
 who teaches you to profit,
 who leads you in the way you should go.
 Oh that you had paid attention to my commandments!
 Then your peace would have been like a river,
 and your righteousness like the waves of the sea;
 your offspring would have been like the sand,
 and your descendants like its grains;
 their name would never be cut off
 or destroyed from before me.”
 Go out from Babylon, flee from Chaldea,
 declare this with a shout of joy, proclaim it,
 send it out to the end of the earth;
 say, “The Lord has redeemed his servant Jacob!”
 They did not thirst when he led them through the deserts;
 he made water flow for them from the rock;
 he split the rock and the water gushed out.

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.

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He remembering 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. Amen.

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

Ephesians 2:7-10

And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

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.
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. Amen.

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.

The Third Sunday After Easter

ALMIGHTY God, who showest to them that are in error the light of thy truth, to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness; Grant unto all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's Religion, that they may avoid those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. 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 offer 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.

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SAMUEL WEBBE, 1782

Deliberately

1 New ev - 'ry morn - ing is the love Our wake - ning and up -
 2 New mer - cies, each re - turn - ing day, A - round us hov - er
 3 If on our dai - ly course our mind Be set to hal - low

ri - sing prove; Through sleep and dark - ness safe - ly brought,
 while we pray; New per - ils past, new sins for - giv'n,
 all we find, New trea - sures still, of count - less price,

Re - stored to life and power and thought.
 New thoughts of God, new hopes of heav'n.
 God will pro - vide for sac - ri - fice. A - men.

4 Old friends, old scenes, will lovelier be,
 As more of heav'n in each we see;
 Some soft'ning gleam of love and prayer
 Shall dawn on every cross and care.

5 The trivial round, the common task,
 Will furnish all we ought to ask;
 Room to deny ourselves — a road
 To bring us daily nearer God.

6 Only, O Lord, in thy dear love,
 Fit us for perfect rest above;
 And help us, this and every day,
 To live more nearly as we pray. Amen.

JOHN KEBLE, 1822, *AM*

Here endeth the Order of Evening Prayer.