

**THE ORDER FOR  
MORNING PRAYER  
DAILY THROUGHOUT THE YEAR**

**SENTENCES OF SCRIPTURE**

*Minister*

When the wicked man turneth away from his wickedness that he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive.

*Ezekiel 18: 27*

I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me.

*Psalm 51: 3*

Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities. *Psalm 51: 9*

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

*Psalm 51: 17*

Rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God: for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil.

*Joel 2: 13*

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.

*Daniel 9: 9,10*

O Lord, correct me, but with judgement; not in thine anger, lest thou bring me to nothing.

*Jeremiah 10: 24; Psalm 6: 1*

Repent ye; for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

*Matthew 3: 2*

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.

*Luke 15: 18,19*

Enter not into judgment with thy servant, O Lord; for in thy sight shall no man living be justified.

*Psalm 143: 2*

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*1 John 1: 8,9*

*(For CHRISTMAS)*

Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people: for unto you is born this day, in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. *Luke 2: 10,11*

*(For EASTER)*

Christ is risen from the dead, and become the first-fruits of them that slept. *1 Corinthians 15: 20*

*(For ASCENSION)*

Him hath God exalted with his right hand to be a Prince and a Saviour, for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins. *Acts 5: 31*

*(For WHITSUNTIDE)*

If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them, that ask him? *Luke 11: 13*

*The minister says this Exhortation, or a portion of it:*

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, saying after me:

*Instead of the Exhortation the minister may say*

Let us humbly confess our sins unto almighty God.

*Kneel*

### A GENERAL CONFESSION

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 them, O God, which confess their faults. Restore thou them that 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.

### THE ABSOLUTION

*or Remission of sins is pronounced by the priest alone.*

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 let us 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.

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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, The power, And the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

O Lord, open thou our lips  
**and our mouth shall show forth thy praise.**

O God, make speed to save us.  
**O Lord, make haste to help us.**

*Stand*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;  
**as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.**  
**Amen.**

Praise ye the Lord.  
**The Lord's name be praised.**

*VENITE is said or sung.*

*Psalm 95*

- 1 O come let us | sing un•to the Lord; ■  
let us heartily rejoice in the | strength of | our sal|vation.
- 2 Let us come before his | presence • with | thanksgiving ■  
and show ourselves | glad in | him with | psalms.
- 3 For the Lord is a | great | God ■  
and a great | King a•bove | all | gods.
- 4 In his hand are all the | corners • of the | earth ■  
and the strength of the | hills is | his | also.
- 5† The sea is his and | he | made it, ■  
and his | hands pre|pared the • dry | land.
- 6 O come let us worship and | fall | down ■  
and kneel be|fore the | Lord our | Maker.
- 7 For he is the | Lord our | God; ■  
and we are the people of his pasture, | and the | sheep of • his | hand.
- 8 Today if ye will | hear his | voice: ■  
harden not your hearts, as in the provocation  
and as in the day of temp|tation | in the | wilderness;
- 9 When your | fathers | tempted me, ■  
provèd | me and | saw my | works.

10 Forty years long was I grieved with this generation • and | said, ■  
It is a people that do err in their hearts,  
for they | have not | known my | ways;  
11 Unto whom I swear | in my | wrath, ■  
that they should not | enter | into • my | rest.  
Glory | be • to the | Father, ■  
and to the Son, | and • to the | Holy | Spirit;  
as it | was in • the be|ginning, ■  
is now and ever shall be, | world with •out | end. A|men.

*On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday Venite may be omitted.*

*On Easter Day and seven days after*

### THE EASTER ANTHEMS

*1 Corinthians 5: 7,8 Romans 6: 9-11 1 Corinthians 15: 20-22*

1 Christ our passover is | sacri•ficed | for us, ■  
therefore | let us | keep the | feast,  
2 Not with the old leaven  
nor with the leaven of | malice • and | wickedness: ■  
but with the unleavened bread | of sin|cerity • and | truth.  
3 Christ being raised from the dead | dieth • no | more; ■  
death hath no | more do|minion | over him.  
4 For in that he died, he died unto | sin | once; ■  
but in that he liveth, he | liveth | unto | God.  
5 Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed | unto | sin; ■  
but alive unto God through | Jesus | Christ our | Lord.  
6 Christ is | risen • from the | dead: ■  
and become the | first-fruits • of | them that | slept.  
7 For since by | man came | death, ■  
by man came also the resur|rection | of the | dead.  
8 For as in Adam | all | die, ■  
even so in Christ shall | all be | made a|live.  
Glory | be • to the | Father, ■  
and to the Son, | and • to the | Holy | Spirit;

as it | was in • the be|ginning, ■  
is now and ever shall be, | world with •out | end. A|men.

A LESSON

*from the Old Testament is read if three lessons are used.*

## THE PSALM OR PSALMS

Glory | be • to the | Father, ■  
and to the Son, | and • to the | Holy | Spirit;  
as it | was in • the be|ginning, ■  
is now and ever shall be, | world with •out | end. A|men.

*is repeated at the end of every Psalm.*

A LESSON

*from the Old Testament is read.*

*If three lessons are used the Lesson is from the New Testament.*

## TE DEUM

### Part 1

- 1 We praise | thee O | God, ■  
we acknowledge | thee to | be the | Lord.
- 2 All the earth doth | worship | thee, ■  
the | Father | ever|lasting.
- 3 To thee all angels cry aloud  
the heavens and all the | powers there|in, ■  
to thee Cherubim and Seraphim con|tin•ual|ly do | cry,
- 4 Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord | God • of Sa baoth: ■  
heaven and earth are full of the | majes•ty | of thy | glory.
- 5 The glorious company of the apostles | praise | thee; ■  
the goodly fellowship of the | prophets | praise | thee.
- 6 The | noble | army ■ \_\_ of | martyrs | praise | thee.
- 7 The | holy | Church ■  
throughout all the world | doth ac|knowledge | thee;
- 8 The Father of an | infin•ite | majesty, ■  
thine honourable, true, and only Son,  
also the | Holy | Spirit • the | Comforter.

### Part 2

- 9 Thou art the King of | glory • O | Christ. ■  
Thou art the ever|lasting | Son of • the | Father.

10 When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man, ■  
thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.

11† When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, ■  
thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

12 Thou sittest at the right hand of God, ■  
in the glory of the Father.

13 We believe that thou ■ \_\_\_\_\_ shalt come to be our judge.

14 We therefore pray thee help thy servants, ■  
whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.

15 Make them to be numbered with thy saints ■  
in glory everlasting.

*Part 3*

16 O Lord, save thy people and bless thine heritage: ■  
govern them and lift them up for ever.

17 Day by day we magnify thee: ■  
and we worship thy Name ever, world without end.

18 Vouchsafe, O Lord, ■  
to keep us this day without sin.

19 O Lord, have mercy upon us, ■  
have mercy upon us.

20 O Lord, let thy mercy lighten up on us, ■  
as our trust is in thee.

21 O Lord, in thee have I trusted: ■  
let me never be confounded.

*or BENEDICITE (page 124)*

*or URBS FORTITUDINIS Isaiah 26: 1-4,7,8*

1 We have a strong city: ■  
salvation will God appoint for walls and bulwarks.

2 Open ye the gates: ■  
that the righteous nation which keepeth the truth may enter in.

3 Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on thee ■  
because he trusteth in thee.

4 Trust ye in the Lord for ever: ■  
for our rock of ages is the Lord.

- 5 The way of the | just is | uprightness; ■  
 thou that art upright dost di|rect the | path • of the | just.
- 6 Yea in the way of thy judgments O Lord have we | waited • for | thee; ■  
 the desire of our soul is to thy Name, |  
 and • to the re|embrance • of | thee.  
 Glory | be • to the | Father, ■  
 and to the Son, | and • to the | Holy | Spirit;  
 as it | was in • the be|ginning, ■  
 is now and ever shall be, | world with • out | end. A | men.

*or LAUDATE DOMINUM Psalm 148*

A LESSON

*from the New Testament is read.*

*If three lessons are used this is always a Gospel reading.*

## BENEDICTUS

*The Song of Zechariah Luke 1: 68-79*

- 1 Blessèd be the Lord | God of | Israel, ■  
 for he hath visited | and re|deemed his | people,
- 2 And hath raised up a mighty sal|vation | for us ■  
 in the | house of • his | servant | David;
- 3 As he spake by the mouth of his | holy | Prophets ■  
 which have been | since the | world be|gan;
- 4 That we should be | saved • from our | enemies, ■  
 and from the | hands of | all that | hate us,
- 5 To perform the mercy | promised • to our | forefathers, ■  
 and to re|member • his | holy | covenant;
- 6 To perform the oath which he sware to our | fore • father | Abraham: ■  
 that | he would | give | us,
- 7 That we being delivered out of the | hand of • our | enemies ■  
 might serve | him with|out | fear,
- 8 In holiness and | righteous • ness be | fore him ■  
 all the | days | of our | life.
- 9 And thou, child, shalt be called the | Prophet • of the | Highest, ■  
 for thou shalt go before the face of the | Lord • to pre|pare his | ways;
- 10 To give knowledge of salvation | unto • his | people, ■  
 for the re|mission | of their | sins,



11 Through the tender mercy | of our | God ■  
whereby the day-spring from on | high hath | visit•ed | us,  
12 To give light to them that sit in darkness  
and in the | shadow • of | death, ■  
and to guide our feet | into • the | way of | peace.  
Glory | be • to the | Father, ■  
and to the Son, | and • to the | Holy | Spirit;  
as it | was in • the be|ginning, ■  
is now and ever shall be, | world with•out | end. A|men.

*or JUBILATE Psalm 100*

1 O be joyful in the Lord | all ye | lands; ■  
serve the Lord with gladness  
and come before his | presence | with a | song.  
2 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.  
3 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.  
4 For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is | ever|lasting, ■  
and his truth endureth from gene|ration • to | gene|ration.  
Glory | be • to the | Father, ■  
and to the Son, | and • to the | Holy | Spirit;  
as it | was in • the be|ginning, ■  
is now and ever shall be, | world with•out | end. A|men.

THE APOSTLES' CREED  
*is said or sung*

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 Spirit,  
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 Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Lord be with you  
and with thy Spirit.

*Kneel*

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

**Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Lord, have mercy upon us.

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 tres-  
pass against us. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil.  
Amen.

*The minister stands and says*

O Lord, show thy mercy upon us  
**and grant us thy salvation.**

**N.I.** [O Lord, save the Queen]

**R.I.** [O Lord, guide and defend our rulers]  
**and mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.**

Endue thy ministers with righteousness  
**and make thy chosen people joyful.**

O Lord, save thy people  
**and bless thine inheritance.**

Give peace in our time, O Lord,  
**because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.**

O God, make clean our hearts within us  
**and take not thy Holy Spirit from us.**

#### THE COLLECTS

*The Collect of the day is said and the following collects:*

#### THE SECOND 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.**

#### THE THIRD 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 may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

AN ANTHEM OR HYMN *may be sung.*

A SERMON *may be preached here  
or after the following prayers.*

PRAYERS

*The prayers always conclude with A Prayer of Saint Chrysostom  
and THE GRACE.*

N.I. [*A Prayer for the Queen's Majesty*

O Lord, our heavenly Father, high and mighty, King of kings, Lord of lords, the only Ruler of princes, who dost from thy throne behold all dwellers upon earth: Most heartily we beseech thee with thy favour to behold our most gracious Sovereign *Lady, Queen ELIZABETH*; and so replenish *her* with the grace of thy Holy Spirit, that *she* may always incline to thy will, and walk in thy way: Endue *her* plenteously with heavenly gifts; grant *her* in health and wealth long to live; strengthen *her* that *she* may vanquish and overcome all *her* enemies; and finally, after this life, *she* may attain everlasting joy and felicity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**]

N.I. [*A Prayer for the Royal Family*

Almighty God, the fountain of all goodness, we humbly beseech thee to bless \* and all the Royal Family: Endue them with thy Holy Spirit; enrich them with thy heavenly grace; prosper them with all happiness; and bring them to thine everlasting kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**]

*\*Here shall be inserted the names and titles of members of the Royal Family as directed.*

N.I. [*A Prayer for the High Court of Parliament*

Most gracious God, we humbly beseech thee, as for this kingdom in general, so especially for the High Court of Parliament, at this time assembled, that thou wouldest be pleased to direct and prosper all their consultations to the advancement of thy glory, the good of thy Church, the safety, honour, and welfare of our Sovereign, and *her* Dominions; that all things may be so ordered and settled by their endeavours upon the best and surest foundations, that peace and happiness, truth and justice, religion and piety, may be established among us for all generations. These and all other necessaries, for them, for us, and thy whole Church, we humbly beg in the Name and Mediation of Jesus Christ our most blessed Lord and Saviour. **Amen.**]

*R.I. [A prayer for the President and all in authority*

Almighty God, who rulest over the kingdoms of the world; We commend to thy merciful care the people of this land, that being guarded by thy providence, they may dwell secure in thy peace. Grant to the President of this State and to all in authority, wisdom and strength to know and to do thy will. Fill them with the love of truth and righteousness, that they may serve thy people faithfully to thy honour and glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**]

*R.I. [A prayer for the Houses of the Oireachtas*

Almighty God, source of all authority and wisdom: guide by your Spirit those who represent us in Dáil and Seanad. As representatives of the people keep them humble, as legislators make them compassionate, and as politicians defend their integrity. So may the proceedings of the Oireachtas serve the truth and promote the common good. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, the servant Lord. **Amen.**]

*A Prayer for the Clergy and People*

Almighty and everlasting God, who alone workest great marvels: Send down upon our Bishops and Clergy, and all People 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.**

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; [*\*especially those for whom our prayers are desired*]; 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.**

*A General Thanksgiving*

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, We thine unworthy servants Do give thee most humble and hearty thanks For all thy goodness and loving-kindness 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 ourselves 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 Spirit Be all honour and glory, World without end. 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 of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.** *2 Corinthians 13: 14*