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Prayers

Biddings

One of these sentences may be used to introduce intercessions

Let us pray for the Church and for the world,
[and let us thank God for his goodness].

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ,
let us pray to the Father.

From the rising of the sun to its setting, let us pray to the Lord.

Let us pray to the Father. The chosen versicle and response follow.
Responses

One of these responses may be used in a set of prayers

General

Lord, in your mercy
All hear our prayer.

Lord, hear us.
All Lord, graciously hear us.

God of love
All hear our prayer.

Father of all
All hear your children’s prayer.

In faith we pray
All we pray to you our God.

Lord, meet us in the silence
All and hear our prayer.

In seasons

Father of life
All make known your glory.

Lord, revealed in the world
All hear our prayer.

Lord, we come to the cross
All in your mercy, hear us.

Lord of life
All in your mercy, hear us.

Father, Lord of creation
All in your mercy, hear us.

As we pray to the Father
All Lord, send your Spirit.

Father, by your Spirit
All bring in your kingdom.

Your kingdom come
All your will be done.

Responses 361
A Cycle of Intercession

Prayers may include the following concerns if it is desired to pray for different topics through the week or through the seasons.

In Ordinary Time

Every day
- In the morning: the day and its tasks; the world and its needs; the Church and her life
- In the evening: peace; individuals and their needs

Sunday
- The universal Church
- Bishops, synods and all who lead the Church
- The leaders of the nations
- The natural world and the resources of the earth
- All who are in any kind of need

Monday
- The media and the arts
- Farming and fishing
- Commerce and industry
- Those whose work is unfulfilling, stressful or fraught with danger
- All who are unemployed

Tuesday
- All who are sick in body, mind or spirit
- Those in the midst of famine or disaster
- Victims of abuse and violence, intolerance and prejudice
- Those who are bereaved
- All who work in the medical and healing professions

Wednesday
- The social services
- All who work in the criminal justice system
- Victims and perpetrators of crime
- The work of aid agencies throughout the world
- Those living in poverty or under oppression
Thursday
- Local government, community leaders
- All who provide local services
- Those who work with young or elderly people
- Schools, colleges and universities
- Emergency and rescue organizations

Friday
- The Queen, members of parliament and the armed forces
- Peace and justice in the world
- Those who work for reconciliation
- All whose lives are devastated by war and civil strife
- Prisoners, refugees and homeless people

Saturday
- Our homes, families, friends and all whom we love
- Those whose time is spent caring for others
- Those who are close to death
- Those who have lost hope
- The worship of the Church
In Seasonal Time

Every day
1 In the morning: the day and its tasks; the world and its needs; the Church and her life
1 In the evening: peace; individuals and their needs

Advent
1 The Church, that she may be ready for the coming of Christ
1 The leaders of the Church
1 The nations, that they may be subject to the rule of God
1 Those who are working for justice in the world
1 The broken, that they may find God’s healing

Christmas
1 The Church, especially in places of conflict
1 The Holy Land, for peace with justice, and reconciliation
1 Refugees and asylum seekers
1 Homeless people
1 Families with young children

Epiphany
1 The unity of the Church
1 The peace of the world
1 The healing of the sick
1 The revelation of Christ to those from whom his glory is hidden
1 All who travel

Lent
1 Those preparing for baptism and confirmation
1 Those serving through leadership
1 Those looking for forgiveness
1 Those misled by the false gods of this present age
1 All who are hungry

Passiontide
1 The persecuted Church
1 The oppressed peoples of the world
1 All who are lonely
1 All who are near to death
1 All who are facing loss
Easter
¶ The people of God, that they may proclaim the risen Lord
¶ God’s creation, that the peoples of the earth may meet their responsibility to care
¶ Those in despair and darkness, that they may find the hope and light of Christ
¶ Those in fear of death, that they may find faith through the resurrection
¶ Prisoners and captives

Ascension until Pentecost
¶ God’s royal priesthood, for empowerment by the Spirit
¶ Those who wait on God, that they may find renewal
¶ All people, that they may acknowledge the kingdom of the ascended Christ
¶ The earth, for productivity and for fruitful harvests
¶ All who are struggling with broken relationships

All Saints until Advent
¶ The saints on earth, that they may live as citizens of heaven
¶ All people, that they may hear and believe the word of God
¶ All who fear the winter months
¶ All sovereigns and political leaders, that they may imitate the righteous rule of Christ
¶ All who grieve or wait with the dying
Some Forms of Intercession

Some or all parts of these forms of intercession may be used, as occasion demands. Specific petitions may be added, or silence may be kept, at suitable points.

Suitable for Morning Prayer

That this day may be holy, good and joyful:
All we pray to you, O Lord.

That we may offer to you our worship and our work:
All we pray to you, O Lord.

That we may strive for the well-being of all creation:
All we pray to you, O Lord.

That in the pleasures and pains of life, we may know the love of Christ and be thankful:
All we pray to you, O Lord.

That we may be bound together by your Holy Spirit, in communion with [N and with] all your saints, entrusting one another and all our life to Christ:
All we pray to you, O Lord.

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray, to the mercy and protection of God.

Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.

The Collect and Lord’s Prayer follow.
That this and all our days may be full of your praise:

All we pray to you, O Lord.

That you will keep us this day without sin:

All we pray to you, O Lord.

That we may walk before you in the paths of righteousness and peace:

All we pray to you, O Lord.

That you will bless your people and lift them up for ever:

All we pray to you, O Lord.

That you will guide and protect us by your Holy Spirit and bring us with your saints to glory everlasting:

All we pray to you, O Lord.

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray, to the mercy and protection of God.

Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.

The Collect and Lord’s Prayer follow.
3

We pray for God’s grace.

Lord, receive our praise

All and hear our prayer.

Lord God, through your grace we are your people: through your Son you have redeemed us; in your Spirit you have made us your own.

We pray for … (the Church)
Make our hearts respond to your love.

Lord, receive our praise

All and hear our prayer.

We pray for … (the world)
Make our lives bear witness to your glory in the world.

Lord, receive our praise

All and hear our prayer.

We pray for … (the sick and those in need)
Make our wills eager to obey, and our hands ready to heal.

Lord, receive our praise

All and hear our prayer.

We give you thanks for …
Make our voices one with all your people in heaven and on earth.

Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.

The Collect and Lord’s Prayer follow.
Suitable for Evening Prayer

4

That this evening may be holy, good and peaceful:

All we pray to you, O Lord.

That your holy angels may lead us in the paths of peace and goodwill:

All we pray to you, O Lord.

That we may be pardoned and forgiven for our sins and offences:

All we pray to you, O Lord.

That there may be peace in your Church and for the whole world:

All we pray to you, O Lord.

That we may be bound together by your Holy Spirit, in communion with [N and with] all your saints, entrusting one another and all our life to Christ:

All we pray to you, O Lord.

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray, to the mercy and protection of God.

Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.

The Collect and Lord's Prayer follow.
We pray to the Lord.
In faith we pray.

All We pray to you, our God.
That the rest of this day may be holy, peaceful and full of your presence:
in faith we pray.

All We pray to you, our God.
That the work we have done and the people we have met today may bring us closer to you:
in faith we pray.

All We pray to you, our God.
That we may hear and respond to your call to peace and justice:
in faith we pray.

All We pray to you, our God.
That you will sustain the faith and hope of those who are lonely, oppressed and anxious:
in faith we pray.

All We pray to you, our God.
That you will strengthen us in your service, and fill our hearts with longing for your kingdom:
in faith we pray.

All We pray to you, our God.

Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.

The Collect and Lord’s Prayer follow.
Suitable for Late Evening

6

That you will give us a quiet night and a perfect end:
All we pray to you, O Lord.

That you will have mercy upon us and grant us your salvation:
All we pray to you, O Lord.

That you will keep us this night without sin:
All we pray to you, O Lord.

That you will guard us and give us your blessing:
All we pray to you, O Lord.

That you will bring us with [N and] all your saints to glory everlasting:
All we pray to you, O Lord.

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray, to the mercy and protection of God.

Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.

The Collect and Lord’s Prayer follow.
Suitable for General Use

7

For the unity of the Church in witness and proclamation of the Gospel …;
let us pray to the Lord: \(R\)

For the peace and stability of all peoples and for the leaders of the nations …;
let us pray to the Lord: \(R\)

For places of work, education and leisure …;
let us pray to the Lord: \(R\)

For a blessing on our homes; for our relations and friends and all whom we love …;
let us pray to the Lord: \(R\)

For the sick and suffering and all who minister to their needs …;
let us pray to the Lord: \(R\)

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray, to the mercy and protection of God.

*Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.*

*The Collect and Lord’s Prayer follow.*
Let us pray to God the Father, who has reconciled all things to himself in Christ:

For peace among the nations, that God may rid the world of violence and let peoples grow in justice and harmony …;

For those who serve in public office, that they may work for the common good …;

For Christian people everywhere, that we may joyfully proclaim and live our faith in Jesus Christ …;

For those who suffer from hunger, sickness or loneliness, that the presence of Christ may bring them health and wholeness …;

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray, to the mercy and protection of God.

Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.

The Collect and Lord’s Prayer follow.
High and holy God,
robbed in majesty,
Lord of heaven and earth,
we pray that you will bring justice, faith and
salvation to all peoples.
[Especially we pray …]
Lord, hear us.

All **Lord, graciously hear us.**

You chose us in Christ to be your people
and to be the temple of your Holy Spirit;
we pray that you will fill your Church with
vision and hope.
[Especially we pray …]
Lord, hear us.

All **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Your Spirit enables us to cry, ‘Abba! Father!’,
affirms that we are fellow-heirs with Christ
and pleads for us in our weakness;
we pray for all who are in need or distress.
[Especially we pray …]
Lord, hear us.

All **Lord, graciously hear us.**

In the baptism and birth of Jesus,
you have opened heaven to us
and enabled us to share in your glory;
the joy of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit
from before the world was made.
[Especially we remember …]
May your whole Church, living and departed,
come to a joyful resurrection in your city of light.
Lord, hear us.

All **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray,
to the mercy and protection of God.
In peace, let us pray to Jesus our Lord, who ever lives to make intercession for us.

Saviour of the world, be present in all places of suffering, violence and pain, and bring hope even in the darkest night. Inspire us to continue your work of reconciliation today. R

Lord of the Church, empower by your Spirit all Christian people, especially NN, and the work of your Church in every land. Give us grace to proclaim the gospel joyfully in word and deed. R

Shepherd and Guardian of our souls, guide and enable all who lead and serve this community and those on whom we depend for our daily needs. Grant that we may seek the peace and welfare of this place. R

Great Physician, stretch out your hand to bring comfort, wholeness and peace to N and all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit. Fill us with compassion, that we may be channels of your healing love. R

Conqueror of death, remember for good those whom we love but see no longer. Help us to live this day in the sure and certain hope of your eternal victory. R

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray, to the mercy and protection of God.

Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.

The Collect and Lord’s Prayer follow.
II

Let us by prayer and intercession with thanksgiving make our requests to God.

Gracious God,
we pray for peace, justice and reconciliation throughout the world.
We pray for the honouring of human rights,
and for the relief of the oppressed.
We give thanks for all that is gracious in the lives of men,
   women and children. R

We pray for the renewal of the Church in faith, love and service.
We pray for N our bishop and for the life of this parish/community.
We give thanks for the gift of your word,
the grace of the sacraments
and the fellowship of your people. R

We pray for this local community
and for all people in their daily life and work.
We pray for the young and the elderly,
for families, and all who are alone.
We give thanks for human skill and creativity
and all that reveals your loveliness. R

We pray for those who are in need;
for the sick, sorrowful and bereaved.
We pray for all who bring comfort, care and healing.
We give thanks for human love and friendship
and for all that enriches our daily lives. R

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray,
to the mercy and protection of God.

Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.

The Collect and Lord’s Prayer follow.
Suitable for Seasonal Use

Advent

Watchful at all times,
let us pray for strength to stand with confidence
before our Maker and Redeemer.

That God may bring in his kingdom with justice and mercy,
let us pray to the Lord: R

That God may establish among the nations
his sceptre of righteousness,
let us pray to the Lord: R

That we may seek Christ in the scriptures
and recognize him in the breaking of the bread,
let us pray to the Lord: R

That God may bind up the brokenhearted,
restore the sick
and raise up all who have fallen,
let us pray to the Lord: R

That the light of God’s coming may dawn
on all who live in darkness and the shadow of death,
let us pray to the Lord: R

That, with all the saints in light,
we may shine forth as lights for the world,
let us pray to the Lord: R

Let us commend the world, which Christ will judge,
to the mercy and protection of God.

Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.

The Collect and Lord’s Prayer follow.
Christmas

13
To us a child is born, to us a son is given; let us pray for the people he came to save.

Wonderful Counsellor, you order all things with your wisdom: help the Church to reveal the mystery of your love and fill her with the Spirit of truth: R

Mighty God, the government is on your shoulders: guide the leaders of the nations and bring in your kingdom of justice and righteousness: R

Everlasting Father, you call us to live together in unity: protect by your mercy all your children, bless our families and renew our communities: R

Prince of Peace, you bring reconciliation through the cross: by your healing power give to all who suffer your gift of wholeness and peace: R

Let us commend the world, to which Christ came, to the mercy and protection of God.

Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.

The Collect and Lord's Prayer follow.
Epiphany

14

From the rising of the sun to its setting, let us pray to the Lord.

That the people of God in all the world
may worship in spirit and in truth,
let us pray to the Lord: \( R \)

That the Church may discover again that unity which
is the Father’s will,
let us pray to the Lord: \( R \)

That the nations of the earth
may seek after the ways that make for peace,
let us pray to the Lord: \( R \)

That the whole creation, groaning in travail,
may be set free to enjoy the glorious liberty of the children of God,
let us pray to the Lord: \( R \)

That all who with Christ have entered the shadow of death
may rest in peace and rise in glory,
let us pray to the Lord: \( R \)

Let us commend the world, to which Christ showed the way,
to the mercy and protection of God.

*Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.*

*The Collect and Lord’s Prayer follow.*
Lent

15

In penitence and faith let us make our prayer to the Father and ask for his mercy and grace.

For your holy people,
that they may triumph over evil and grow in grace,
we pray to you, O Lord: R

For candidates for baptism and confirmation,
that they may live by every word that proceeds from your mouth,
we pray to you, O Lord: R

For the leaders of the nations,
that you will guide them in the ways of mercy and truth,
we pray to you, O Lord: R

For the needy,
that they may not be forgotten,
nor the hope of the poor be taken away,
we pray to you, O Lord: R

For the sick in body, mind and spirit,
that they may know your power to heal,
we pray to you, O Lord: R

For the poor in spirit,
that they may inherit the kingdom of heaven and see you face to face,
we pray to you, O Lord: R

Let us commend the world, for which Christ suffered,
to the mercy and protection of God.

Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.

The Collect and Lord’s Prayer follow.
Passiontide

16

With faith and love and in union with Christ,
let us offer our prayer before the throne of grace.

Have mercy on your people,
for whom your Son laid down his life: R

Bring healing and wholeness to people and nations,
and have pity on those torn apart by division: R

Strengthen all who are persecuted for your name’s sake,
and deliver them from evil: R

Look in mercy upon all who suffer,
and hear those who cry out in pain and desolation: R

Bring comfort to the dying,
and gladden their hearts with the vision of your glory: R

Give rest to the departed
and bring them, with your saints, to glory everlasting: R

Let us commend the world, for which Christ died,
to the mercy and protection of God.

Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.

The Collect and Lord’s Prayer follow.
Easter

17

On this day that the Lord has made,
let us pray for the people he has redeemed.

That we may live as those who believe in the triumph of the cross: $R$

That all people may receive the good news of his victory: $R$

That those born to new life in the waters of baptism
may know the power of his resurrection: $R$

That those who suffer pain and anguish
may find healing and peace in the wounds of Christ: $R$

That in the undying love of Christ
we may be united with all who have died in the faith of Christ: $R$

Let us commend the world, in which Christ rose from the dead,
to the mercy and protection of God.

*Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.*

*The Collect and Lord’s Prayer follow.*
Ascension until Pentecost

18

Through Christ, who ever lives to make intercession for us, let us pray to the Lord.

Lift up our hearts to the heavenly places and inspire us to serve you as a royal priesthood: R

Let all peoples acknowledge your kingdom and grant on earth the blessing of peace: R

Send down upon us the gift of the Spirit and renew your Church with power from on high: R

May peace abound and righteousness flourish, that we may vanquish injustice and wrong; R

Help us to proclaim the good news of salvation, and grant us the needful gifts of your grace: R

Let us commend the world, for which Christ prays, to the mercy and protection of God.

Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.

The Collect and Lord's Prayer follow.
All Saints’ Day until Advent

Surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,
let us make our prayer in the power of the Spirit,
looking to Jesus the pioneer of our faith.

That with the noble fellowship of the prophets
we may discern the signs of your kingdom in our midst,
we pray to you, O Lord: R

That with the glorious company of the apostles
we may proclaim your gospel throughout the world,
we pray to you, O Lord: R

That with the white-robed army of martyrs
we may be ready to suffer for the truth’s sake,
we pray to you, O Lord: R

That with all who are anointed by your Spirit
we may bring good news to the poor and freedom to the oppressed,
we pray to you, O Lord: R

That with the saints in light
we may bind up the brokenhearted and comfort all who mourn,
we pray to you, O Lord: R

That within the whole company of Christ’s pilgrim people
we may come to the inheritance of the saints in glory,
we pray to you, O Lord: R

In communion with all the saints,
let us commend the world to the mercy and protection of God.

Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.

The Collect and Lord’s Prayer follow.
Saints’ Days

20
Rejoicing in our fellowship with N and all the saints, we make our prayer to our gracious God.

For your grace revealed in N, and for all that inspires us from her/his life: R

For her/his insight into the mystery of Christ and for every way in which her/his faith continues to speak today: R

That following her/his good example, we may hear afresh your call to holiness of life: R

That we may receive grace to grow into the likeness of Christ: R

That we may persevere in prayer and seek new light and truth from your word: R

That we may draw other people to the fire of your love: R

That we may be faithful to Christ even to death: R

In communion with N and all the saints, let us commend the world to the mercy and protection of God.

Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.

The Collect and Lord’s Prayer follow.
Not every section of this intercession need be used on every occasion.

In every age you have raised up holy men and women to reflect the light of Christ and to teach us the way of holiness.

We thank you for those who have been teachers in the school of Christ: give understanding to those who study the faith that the Church has handed on, and clarity to those who communicate the gospel in a changing world …

Lord, hear us.

All **Lord, graciously hear us.**

We thank you for those who have been shepherds of your people: give a pastoral heart to deacons, priests and bishops, and the needful gifts to all your people in their ministry …

Lord, hear us.

All **Lord, graciously hear us.**

We thank you for those who have been Christian rulers in the world, and for those who carried the good news to lands where it had not been before: give wisdom to all who have power and influence among the nations, and establish God's sovereignty among people of every race …

Lord, hear us.

All **Lord, graciously hear us.**

We thank you for those whom you have called to live in community: establish mutual love among those drawn into fellowship in your service, and bless with Christ's presence all the communities to which we relate …

Lord, hear us.

All **Lord, graciously hear us.**
We thank you for those who have lived out their vocation in family life:
give your grace to all who nurture children
and all who care for the aged,
and enfold in your love all your sons and daughters …
Lord, hear us.
All **Lord, graciously hear us.**

We thank you for those who have brought wholeness through the medicine of the gospel:
give skill to all who minister healing and reconciliation in your name,
and comfort all who cry out to you from any sort of distress …
Lord, hear us.
All **Lord, graciously hear us.**

We thank you for the noble army of martyrs by the shedding of whose blood the Church has been enriched:
keep under your protection those who are persecuted for the cause of Christ,
and acknowledge, we pray, those who have passed through death trusting your promises …
Lord, hear us.
All **Lord, graciously hear us.**

[We thank you today for …
As we celebrate his/her memory and rejoice in his/her friendship,
we ask you to bless …
Bring into one communion and fellowship all those for whom Christ died.]
Lord, hear us.
All **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Hasten, Lord, the day when people will come from east and west, from north and south, and sit at table in your kingdom, and we shall see your Son in his glory.

**Open prayer may be offered and silence is kept.**

*The Collect and Lord’s Prayer follow.*
Seasonal Acclamations

These Acclamations may be used in place of the usual intercessions. They should be preceded by some short biddings, or open prayer. The Lord’s Prayer and Collect follow. It should be noted that all the Acclamations are addressed to the second person of the Trinity.

Advent

22
Let us turn our eyes to the Lord of glory, saying:
come, Lord Jesus.

Jesus, servant of God,
you bring justice to the nations:
All come, Lord Jesus.

You love your people with a faithful love:
All come, Lord Jesus.

You were lifted up on the cross
that you might draw all people to yourself:
All come, Lord Jesus.

You bring hope and joy
to those who walk in the valley and shadow of death:
All come, Lord Jesus.

You have liberated us so that we might be free for ever:
All come, Lord Jesus.

You, O Christ, are our justice,
our peace and our redemption:
All come, Lord Jesus.
Christmas

23

Let us praise the eternal Word of God,
who is seated at God’s right hand,
and yet was born for us in the midst of time, saying:
be born in us today.

O saving Lord, God with us,
born of the Virgin by the power of the Spirit:
All be born in us today.

Son of David,
foretold by the prophets:
All be born in us today.

Glorious offspring of Abraham,
awaited by the patriarchs:
All be born in us today.

Saviour of your people,
proclaimed by angels:
All be born in us today.

O Light eternal,
giving sight to the eyes of the blind:
All be born in us today.

O lover of justice and peace,
ruler of all the ages:
All be born in us today.
Epiphany

24

To Jesus, redeemer of the peoples,
let us lift our voices, saying:
make known your glory.

Lord, you are the faithful guide of those who seek you
with a pure heart:
All make known your glory.

You came among us to usher in your kingdom of peace:
All make known your glory.

O Lord, encompassed in light as with a cloak,
you conquer the darkness of our night:
All make known your glory.

O bread eternal,
you feed the hunger of your people in desert places:
All make known your glory.

You change our vessels of water
into the gladdening wine of new life:
All make known your glory.

You are the true host of the marriage feast,
welcoming sinners to your banquet table:
All make known your glory.
Lent

25

We come before the Son of God, crucified and risen, who eternally intercedes for us to the Father, saying:

**turn our hearts again.**

Son of God, you came into the world to save sinners:

*All* **turn our hearts again.**

You became poor that we might become rich:

*All* **turn our hearts again.**

You have taken on yourself all our sufferings:

*All* **turn our hearts again.**

You loved the Church and gave yourself for her:

*All* **turn our hearts again.**

For the joy which was set before you, you endured the cross:

*All* **turn our hearts again.**

King of the ages, you brought us the gift of life and opened the way to unending joy:

*All* **turn our hearts again.**
26

Let us come to him who died that we might live 
and who intercedes for ever before the Father, saying: 
we praise you, Lamb of God.

Lord Jesus, you embraced the cross 
that we might learn to give our lives for the 
sake of love:

All we praise you, Lamb of God.

Innocent captive, 
you submitted to the judgement of sinners:

All we praise you, Lamb of God.

In the hour of death 
you heard the penitent thief 
and opened to him the door of paradise:

All we praise you, Lamb of God.

Most merciful Saviour, 
you have known the pain of abandonment:

All we praise you, Lamb of God.

Lord, you loved the Church 
and gave up your own self for her:

All we praise you, Lamb of God.

Through your blood 
you have brought to all people the crown of life:

All we praise you, Lamb of God.
Easter

27
To Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
and who now lives in the glory of the Father,
let us lift our voices in praise, saying:
risen Lord, we bless you, alleluia.

Lord Jesus, you are the Amen, the faithful witness,
the firstborn of the dead:
All risen Lord, we bless you, alleluia.

You are Alpha and Omega,
the one who is, and was, and who is to come:
All risen Lord, we bless you, alleluia.

You search into the thoughts and affections of all people:
All risen Lord, we bless you, alleluia.

You reprove and chasten those whom you love:
All risen Lord, we bless you, alleluia.

You open the eyes of the blind
and set the prisoners free:
All risen Lord, we bless you, alleluia.

In your paschal victory,
you have proclaimed the coming of the kingdom:
All risen Lord, we bless you, alleluia.
Ascension until Pentecost

28

Let us turn to the risen Lord,
who gives us the Spirit to make all things new, saying:
renew us in your love.

O Word of life,
one God with the Father and the Spirit:
All renew us in your love.

O eternal Light,
who through the working of the Holy Spirit
received from the Virgin our human nature:
All renew us in your love.

O crucified Redeemer,
by the eternal Spirit you offered yourself to the Father for us:
All renew us in your love.

You breathed on the apostles the Spirit of your love,
that sinners might come to know the mercy of God:
All renew us in your love.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father,
from whom we receive the gifts of the Spirit:
All renew us in your love.

Through the power of the Holy Spirit
you wash away our sins in the waters of baptism
and open our hearts to the guiding hand of the Father:
All renew us in your love.
All Saints’ Day until Advent

29

Let us praise Christ our King,
by whose cross we have citizenship in heaven, saying:
all your saints praise you.

Lord, you built your Church on the foundation of the apostles:
All
all your saints praise you.

You witness to your truth in the lives of your saints:
All
all your saints praise you.

You made us to be a kingdom and priests serving our God:
All
all your saints praise you.

You have shared our burdens,
revealing the holiness of our life and work:
All
all your saints praise you.

You stir us to seek the mysteries of the kingdom:
All
all your saints praise you.

You lead us to the eternal assembly of the saints:
All
all your saints praise you.
Ordinary Time

30

Let us give thanks to Jesus Christ the Good Shepherd, who laid down his life for us all, saying:
we thank you, Jesus our Lord.

You lead us out and we find pasture:
All we thank you, Jesus our Lord.

You call us by name and we hear your voice:
All we thank you, Jesus our Lord.

Whoever enters by you will be saved:
All we thank you, Jesus our Lord.

You laid down your life in order to take it up again:
All we thank you, Jesus our Lord.

You came that we might have life and have it abundantly:
All we thank you, Jesus our Lord.

You lead us through the valley of the shadow of death and we fear no evil:
All we thank you, Jesus our Lord.
Litanies

The following may be used either as versicles and responses or as petitions for a litany, with a response after each one.

31
Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance.
Govern and uphold them now and always.
Day by day, we bless you.
We praise your name for ever.
Keep us today, Lord, from all sin.
Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.
We long for your salvation, O Lord:
grant us understanding, that we may live.
Lord, show us your love and mercy,
for we put our trust in you.
In you, Lord, is our hope:
let us not be confounded at the last.

32
Show us your mercy, O Lord;
and grant us your salvation.
O Lord, save the Queen;
And teach her counsellors wisdom.
Let your priests be clothed with righteousness;
let your faithful people sing with joy.
Let your ways be known upon earth;
your saving health among all nations.
Give your people the blessing of peace;
and may all the earth be filled with your glory.
Create in us clean hearts, O God,
and renew a right spirit within us.
33
Teach us, O Lord, the way of your statutes;
and lead us in the path of your commandments.

Keep our nation under your care;
and guide us in justice and truth.

O Lord, deal graciously with your servants;
teach us discernment and knowledge.

Let not the needy be forgotten;
nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

Guide the meek in judgement;
and teach your ways to the gentle.

Lord, remember your people;
whom you have purchased and redeemed of old.

34
Lord, open a path for your Word
to declare the mystery of Christ.

Turn now, O God of hosts;
behold and tend the vine you have planted.

May your people rejoice and sing,
and your ministers be clothed with salvation.

May they stand and feed your flock
in the strength of your name.

Keep from trouble all those who trust in you
and forget not the poor for ever.

Have mercy, O Lord, upon us,
as we have put our hope in you.
35
Send forth your strength, O God,
establish what you have wrought in us.
Uphold all those who fall
and raise up those who are bowed down.
Open the eyes of the blind
and set the prisoners free.
Sustain the orphan and widow
and give food to those who hunger.
Grant them the joy of your help again
and sustain them with your Spirit.
O Lord, judge the peoples
and take all nations for your own.

36
O Lord, answer us in the day of trouble,
send us help from your holy place.
Show us the path of life,
for in your presence is joy.
Give justice to the orphan and oppressed
and break the power of wickedness and evil.
Look upon the hungry and sorrowful
and grant them the help for which they long.
Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad;
may your glory endure for ever.
Your kingship has dominion over all
and with you is our redemption.
The Litany

Sections I and VII must always be used, but a selection of appropriate suffrages may be made from Sections II, III, IV, V and VI.

I

Let us pray.

God the Father,
All have mercy upon us.

God the Son,
All have mercy upon us.

God the Holy Spirit,
All have mercy upon us.

Holy, blessed and glorious Trinity,
All have mercy upon us.

II

From all evil and mischief;
from pride, vanity and hypocrisy;
from envy, hatred and malice;
and from all evil intent,
All good Lord, deliver us.

From sloth, worldliness and love of money;
from hardness of heart
and contempt for your word and your laws,
All good Lord, deliver us.

From sins of body and mind;
from the deceits of the world, the flesh and the devil,
All good Lord, deliver us.

From famine and disaster;
from violence, murder and dying unprepared,
All good Lord, deliver us.

In all times of sorrow;
in all times of joy;
in the hour of death,
and at the day of judgement,
All good Lord, deliver us.
III
By the mystery of your holy incarnation;
by your birth, childhood and obedience;
by your baptism, fasting and temptation,
All good Lord, deliver us.
By your ministry in word and work;
by your mighty acts of power;
and by your preaching of the kingdom,
All good Lord, deliver us.
By your agony and trial;
by your cross and passion;
and by your precious death and burial,
All good Lord, deliver us.
By your mighty resurrection;
by your glorious ascension;
and by your sending of the Holy Spirit,
All good Lord, deliver us.

IV
Hear our prayers, O Lord our God.
All Hear us, good Lord.
Govern and direct your holy Church;
fill it with love and truth;
and grant it that unity which is your will.
All Hear us, good Lord.
Give us boldness to preach the gospel in all the world,
and to make disciples of all the nations.
All Hear us, good Lord.
Enlighten N our Bishop and all who minister
with knowledge and understanding,
that by their teaching and their lives they may proclaim your word.
All Hear us, good Lord.
Give your people grace to hear and receive your word,
and to bring forth the fruit of the Spirit.
All Hear us, good Lord.
Bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are deceived.

All **Hear us, good Lord.**

Strengthen those who stand; comfort and help the faint-hearted; raise up the fallen; and finally beat down Satan under our feet.

All **Hear us, good Lord.**

Guide the leaders of the nations into the ways of peace and justice.

All **Hear us, good Lord.**

Guard and strengthen your servant Elizabeth our Queen, that she may put her trust in you, and seek your honour and glory.

All **Hear us, good Lord.**

Endue the High Court of Parliament and all the Ministers of the Crown with wisdom and understanding.

All **Hear us, good Lord.**

Bless those who administer the law, that they may uphold justice, honesty and truth.

All **Hear us, good Lord.**

Give us the will to use the resources of the earth to your glory, and for the good of all creation.

All **Hear us, good Lord.**

Bless and keep all your people.

All **Hear us, good Lord.**

Bring your joy into all families; strengthen and deliver those in childbirth, watch over children and guide the young, bring reconciliation to those in discord and peace to those in stress.

All **Hear us, good Lord.**
VI

Help and comfort the lonely, the bereaved and the oppressed.

All  Lord, have mercy.

Keep in safety those who travel, and all who are in danger.

All  Lord, have mercy.

Heal the sick in body and mind, and provide for the homeless, the hungry and the destitute.

All  Lord, have mercy.

Show your pity on prisoners and refugees, and all who are in trouble.

All  Lord, have mercy.

Forgive our enemies, persecutors and slanderers, and turn their hearts.

All  Lord, have mercy.

Hear us as we remember those who have died in the peace of Christ, both those who have confessed the faith and those whose faith is known to you alone, and grant us with them a share in your eternal kingdom.

All  Lord, have mercy.

VII

Give us true repentance; forgive us our sins of negligence and ignorance and our deliberate sins; and grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to your holy word.

All  Holy God, holy and strong, holy and immortal, have mercy upon us.

When the Litany is said instead of the Prayers at Morning or Evening Prayer, the Collect of the Day, the Lord's Prayer and the Grace are added here.
Other Prayers

A Prayer before Bible Reading

O Lord, you have given us your word for a light to shine upon our path. Grant us so to meditate on that word, and to follow its teaching, that we may find in it the light that shines more and more until the perfect day; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen. after Jerome (420)

A Morning Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, we thank you that you have brought us safely to the beginning of this day. Keep us from falling into sin or running into danger, order us in all our doings and guide us to do always what is righteous in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen. adapted from The Book of Common Prayer

An Evening Collect

Lighten our darkness, Lord, we pray, and in your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night, for the love of your only Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

All Amen. adapted from The Book of Common Prayer
A General Thanksgiving

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you most humble and hearty thanks for all your goodness and loving kindness. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And give us, we pray, such a sense of all your mercies that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, for ever and ever.

All Amen. adapted from The Book of Common Prayer

A Collect for the New Year

God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, whose years never fail and whose mercies are new each returning day: let the radiance of your Spirit renew our lives, warming our hearts and giving light to our minds; that we may pass the coming year in joyful obedience and firm faith; through him who is the beginning and the end, your Son, Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

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**Christaraksha**

For individuals to say before sleep
May the cross of the Son of God,
which is mightier than all the hosts of Satan,
and more glorious than all the hosts of heaven,
abide with me in my going out and my coming in.
By day and by night, at morning and at evening,
at all times and in all places may it protect and defend me.
From the wrath of evildoers, from the assaults of evil spirits,
from foes visible and invisible, from the snares of the devil,
from all passions that beguile the soul and body:
may it guard, protect and deliver me.

All Amen. an Indian prayer

**Kaddish**

Magnified and sanctified be the great name of God
in the world which he created according to his will.
May he establish his kingdom in your life and in your days,
and in the lifetime of all his people:
quickly and speedily may it come; and let us say Amen.

All Blessed be God for ever.
Blessed, praised and glorified,
exalted, exalted and honoured,
magnified and lauded be the name of the Holy One;
blessed be God.
Though he be high above all the blessings and hymns,
praises and consolations,
which are uttered in the world; and let us say Amen.

All Blessed be God for ever.
May there be abundant peace from heaven
and life for us and for all people; let us say Amen.

All Blessed be God for ever. prayer of a Jewish mourner
Come, my Light, and illumine my darkness.
Come, my Life, and revive me from death.
Come, my Physician, and heal my wounds.
Come, Flame of divine love, and burn up the thorns of my sins,
kindling my heart with the flame of your love.
Come, my King, sit upon the throne of my heart and reign there,
for you alone are my King and my Lord.

All Amen.

Dimitri of Rostov (1709)

Heavenly Father,
in your Son Jesus Christ
you have given us a true faith and a sure hope.
Strengthen this faith and hope in us all our days,
that we may live as those who believe in
the communion of saints
the forgiveness of sins
and the resurrection to eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.
adapted from the 1928 Prayer Book

Keep us in peace, O Christ our God,
under the protection of your holy and venerable cross;
save us from our enemies, visible and invisible,
and count us worthy to glorify you with thanksgiving,
with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
now and for ever, world without end.

All Amen.
an Armenian Orthodox dismissal

Lord Jesus Christ, you are the way, the truth and the life:
let us not stray from you who are the way,
nor distrust your promises who are the truth,
nor rest in anything but you who are the life,
for beyond you there is nothing to be desired
neither in heaven nor in earth.

All Amen.
from a prayer of Erasmus (1536)
Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.  
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;  
where there is injury, pardon;  
where there is doubt, faith;  
where there is despair, hope;  
where there is darkness, light;  
where there is sadness, joy.  
O Divine Master,  
grant that I may not so much seek  
to be consoled as to console,  
to be understood as to understand,  
to be loved as to love.  
For it is in giving that we receive,  
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.  

All Amen.  
a Franciscan prayer

May the power of your love, O Lord,  
fiery and sweet as honey,  
so absorb our hearts  
as to withdraw them from all that is under heaven.  
Grant that we may be ready  
to die for love of your love  
as you died for love of our love.  

All Amen.  
Francis of Assisi (1226)

O God of unchangeable power and eternal light,  
look favourably on your whole Church,  
that wonderful and sacred mystery,  
and by the tranquil operation of your perpetual providence  
carry out the work of our salvation:  
and let the whole world feel and see  
that things which were cast down are being raised up  
and things which had grown old are being made new  
and that all things are returning to perfection  
through him from whom they took their origin,  
even Jesus Christ our Lord.  

All Amen.  
Gelasian Sacramentary (8th century)
O Holy Spirit, giver of light and life, 
impart to us thoughts better than our own thoughts, 
and prayers better than our own prayers, 
and powers better than our own powers, 
that we may spend and be spent 
in the ways of love and goodness, 
after the perfect image of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

All Amen.  

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O Lord Jesus Christ, 
Son of the living God, 
set your passion, cross and death 
between your judgement and our souls, 
now and in the hour of our death. 
Grant mercy and grace to the living, 
rest to the departed, 
to your Church peace and concord 
and to us sinners forgiveness, 
and everlasting life and glory; 
for, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, 
you are alive and reign, 
God, now and for ever.

All Amen.  

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Remember, Lord, what you have wrought in us 
and not what we deserve, 
and as you have called us to your service 
make us worthy of our calling 
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.  

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Support us, O Lord, 
all the day long of this troublous life, 
until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes, 
the busy world is hushed, 
the fever of life is over 
and our work is done. 
Then, Lord, in your mercy grant us a safe lodging, 
a holy rest, and peace at the last; 
through Christ our Lord.

All Amen.  

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Collects and 
Suggested Canticles and Refrains

Notes

1. Normally on any occasion only one Collect is used.

2. The Collect for each Sunday is used on the following weekdays, except where other provision is made.

3. At Evening Prayer on Saturdays other than Christmas Eve, Easter Eve or Principal Feasts or Festivals, the Collect appointed for the ensuing Sunday shall be used. When Evening Prayer on the day before a Festival makes use of the lessons relating to that Festival, the Collect of that Festival shall be used.

4. Where a Collect ends ‘through Jesus Christ our Lord’, the minister may use in its place the longer Trinitarian ending, ‘through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.’ The last three lines above may be added to the other Collects which have no Trinitarian ending.

5. On most Sundays and during the Seasons the Refrains are those given in the Orders for Morning and Evening Prayer. For certain Sundays, Principal Feasts, other Principal Holy Days and Festivals, proper Refrains are provided with the Collect in the following sections. For Lesser Festivals, reference is made to the optional use of common Refrains, which are to be found at the end of the Sanctorale (pages 446–526). Where ‘Alleluia’ is printed in square brackets, it is used during the Easter season but not otherwise.

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Advent

This prayer may be used on any day in Advent

Eternal God,
as Mary waited for the birth of your Son,
so we wait for his coming in glory;
bring us through the birth pangs of this present age
to see, with her, our great salvation
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

The First Sunday of Advent Purple

Collect

Almighty God,
give us grace to cast away the works of darkness
and to put on the armour of light,
now in the time of this mortal life,
in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility;
that on the last day,
when he shall come again in his glorious majesty
to judge the living and the dead,
we may rise to the life immortal;
through him who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
The Second Sunday of Advent  Purple

Collect
O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness we are grievously hindered in running the race that is set before us, your bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever.

The Third Sunday of Advent  Purple

Collect
O Lord Jesus Christ, who at your first coming sent your messenger to prepare your way before you: grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready your way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in your sight; for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
The Fourth Sunday of Advent

This provision is not used on weekdays after 23 December.

Collect

God our redeemer,
who prepared the Blessed Virgin Mary
to be the mother of your Son:
grant that, as she looked for his coming as our saviour,
so we may be ready to greet him
when he comes again as our judge;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

24 December

Christmas Eve

The Christmas order (pages 220–225) is used at Evening Prayer
with this Collect.

Collect

Almighty God,
you make us glad with the yearly remembrance
of the birth of your Son Jesus Christ:
grant that, as we joyfully receive him as our redeemer,
so we may with sure confidence behold him
when he shall come to be our judge;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Christmas

This prayer may be used on any day in the Christmas season

Lord Jesus Christ,
your birth at Bethlehem
draws us to kneel in wonder at heaven touching earth:
accept our heartfelt praise
as we worship you,
our Saviour and our eternal God.

25 December  

Christmas Day  
Principal Feast  
Gold or White

Collect

Almighty God,
you have given us your only-begotten Son
to take our nature upon him
and as at this time to be born of a pure virgin:
grant that we, who have been born again
and made your children by adoption and grace,
may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
The First Sunday of Christmas  White

When the Festival of the Naming and Circumcision of Jesus, falling on a Sunday, is transferred to Monday 2 January, the Sunday is kept as the Second Sunday of Christmas but this provision is used.

This provision is not used after Morning Prayer on the Eve of the Epiphany.

Collect

Almighty God,
who wonderfully created us in your own image
and yet more wonderfully restored us
through your Son Jesus Christ:
grant that, as he came to share in our humanity,
so we may share the life of his divinity;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

The Second Sunday of Christmas  White

When the Festival of the Naming and Circumcision of Jesus, falling on a Sunday, is transferred to Monday 2 January, the Sunday is kept as the Second Sunday of Christmas but the provision for the First Sunday of Christmas is used.

This provision is not used after Morning Prayer on the Eve of the Epiphany.

Collect

Almighty God,
in the birth of your Son
you have poured on us the new light of your incarnate Word,
and shown us the fullness of your love:
help us to walk in his light and dwell in his love
that we may know the fullness of his joy;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Epiphany

This prayer may be used on any day in the Epiphany season

Eternal Lord,
our beginning and our end:
bring us with the whole creation
to your glory, hidden through past ages
and made known
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

6 January
The Epiphany
Principal Feast
Gold or White

Collect

O God,
who by the leading of a star
manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth:
mercifully grant that we,
who know you now by faith,
may at last behold your glory face to face;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
The Baptism of Christ
The First Sunday of Epiphany
Gold or
(The Second Sunday of Epiphany
White
when 6 January is a Sunday)

At Morning Prayer, canticle 40 (page 591) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 70 (page 628) or 80 (page 637) may be said.

Eve: Magnificat (if required)
This is my son, the Beloved,
with whom I am well pleased.

Benedictus
Jesus is baptized and the whole world is made holy;
Christ washes away our sins and purifies us with the Holy Spirit.

Magnificat
Draw water from the wells of salvation,
for Christ our Lord has made creation holy.

Collect
Eternal Father,
who at the baptism of Jesus
revealed him to be your Son,
anointing him with the Holy Spirit:
grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit,
that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Second Sunday of Epiphany
White

When 6 January is a Sunday this provision is replaced on 13 January
by that for the Baptism of Christ.

Collect
Almighty God,
in Christ you make all things new:
transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace,
and in the renewal of our lives
make known your heavenly glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
The Third Sunday of Epiphany

Collect

Almighty God,
whose Son revealed in signs and miracles
the wonder of your saving presence:
renew your people with your heavenly grace,
and in all our weakness
sustain us by your mighty power;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

Collect

God our creator,
who in the beginning
commanded the light to shine out of darkness:
we pray that the light of the glorious gospel of Christ
may dispel the darkness of ignorance and unbelief,
shine into the hearts of all your people,
and reveal the knowledge of your glory
in the face of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.
2 February

**The Presentation of Christ in the Temple**

**Gold or White**

**Candlemas**

**Principal Feast**

At Morning Prayer, canticle 31 (page 582) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 74 (page 632) may be said.

**Eve: Magnificat**
The Lord whom you seek
will suddenly come to his temple.

**Benedictus**
The parents of Jesus marvelled at what was said about him.
And Mary kept all these things and pondered them in her heart.

**Magnificat**
Simeon held the child in his arms, and beheld his salvation;
Anna gave thanks to God and proclaimed her redeemer.

**Collect**
Almighty and ever-living God,
clothed in majesty,
whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple,
in substance of our flesh:
grant that we may be presented to you
with pure and clean hearts,
by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.
Ordinary Time

The Fifth Sunday before Lent  Green

This provision is always used from the day after the Presentation of Christ in the Temple until the first of the Sundays before Lent.

Collect

Almighty God,
by whose grace alone we are accepted
and called to your service:
strengthen us by your Holy Spirit
and make us worthy of our calling;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Fourth Sunday before Lent  Green

Collect

O God,
you know us to be set
in the midst of so many and great dangers,
that by reason of the frailty of our nature
we cannot always stand upright:
grant to us such strength and protection
as may support us in all dangers
and carry us through all temptations;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
The Third Sunday before Lent  Green

Collect
Almighty God,  
who alone can bring order  
to the unruly wills and passions of sinful humanity:  
give your people grace  
so to love what you command  
and to desire what you promise,  
that, among the many changes of this world,  
our hearts may surely there be fixed  
where true joys are to be found;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Second Sunday before Lent  Green

Collect
Almighty God,  
you have created the heavens and the earth  
and made us in your own image:  
teach us to discern your hand in all your works  
and your likeness in all your children;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things,  
now and for ever.
The Sunday next before Lent

This provision is not used on or after Ash Wednesday.

Collect

Almighty Father,
whose Son was revealed in majesty
before he suffered death upon the cross:
give us grace to perceive his glory,
that we may be strengthened to suffer with him
and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

On Shrove Tuesday, ‘Alleluia, alleluia’ may be added to the final versicle and response at Evening Prayer.

After Night Prayer on Shrove Tuesday, ‘Alleluia’ is not said again until Easter Day.
Lent

This prayer may be used on any day in Lent

Almighty God,
by the prayer and discipline of Lent
may we enter into the mystery of Christ’s sufferings,
and by following in his Way
come to share in his glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Ash Wednesday  Purple or
Principal Holy Day  Lent Array

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,
you hate nothing that you have made
and forgive the sins of all those who are penitent:
create and make in us new and contrite hearts
that we, worthily lamenting our sins
and acknowledging our wretchedness,
may receive from you, the God of all mercy,
perfect remission and forgiveness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The First Sunday of Lent  Purple or
Lent Array

Collect

Almighty God,
whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness,
and was tempted as we are, yet without sin:
give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit;
and, as you know our weakness,
so may we know your power to save;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
The Second Sunday of Lent  Purple or Lent Array

Collect
Almighty God,
you show to those who are in error the light of your truth,
that they may return to the way of righteousness:
grant to all those who are admitted
into the fellowship of Christ's religion,
that they may reject those things
that are contrary to their profession,
and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same;
through our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Third Sunday of Lent  Purple or Lent Array

Collect
Almighty God,
whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain,
and entered not into glory before he was crucified:
mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross,
may find it none other than the way of life and peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Fourth Sunday of Lent  Purple or Lent Array

Mothering Sunday may be celebrated in preference to the provision
for the Fourth Sunday of Lent.

Collect
Merciful Lord,
absolve your people from their offences,
that through your bountiful goodness
we may all be delivered from the chains of those sins
which by our frailty we have committed;
grant this, heavenly Father,
for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour.
Mothering Sunday

Mothering Sunday may be celebrated in preference to the provision for the Fourth Sunday of Lent.

Collect

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Fifth Sunday of Lent

Collect

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Palm Sunday

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, who in your tender love towards the human race sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take upon him our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross: grant that we may follow the example of his patience and humility, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Maundy Thursday  Red:
Principal Holy Day White for Holy Communion

At Morning and Evening Prayer the Collect of Palm Sunday is used. (For the Collect at Holy Communion, see page 398 of Common Worship: Services and Prayers for the Church of England.)

At Evening Prayer, canticle 68 (page 626) may be said.

Benedictus
Christ loved those who were his, and showed them how deep was his love for them.

Magnificat
Christ humbled himself for us, and in obedience accepted death.

Good Friday  Hangings removed: red for the liturgy
Principal Holy Day

Benedictus
Over his head, they put the charge against him: this is Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews.

Magnificat
Christ humbled himself for us, and in obedience accepted death, even death on a cross.

Collect
Almighty Father, look with mercy on this your family for which our Lord Jesus Christ was content to be betrayed and given up into the hands of sinners and to suffer death upon the cross; who is alive and glorified with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Lent 427
Easter Eve

At Morning Prayer, canticle 42 (page 593) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 57 (page 614) may be said.

Benedictus
Destroy this temple and, in three days,
I will raise it up, says the Lord;
this he said of the temple that was his body.

Magnificat
Christ humbled himself for us and, in obedience, accepted death,
even death on a cross:
therefore God raised him to the heights and gave him the name
which is above all other names.

Collect
Grant, Lord,
that we who are baptized into the death
of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ
may continually put to death our evil desires
and be buried with him;
and that through the grave and gate of death
we may pass to our joyful resurrection;
through his merits,
who died and was buried and rose again for us,
your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.
This prayer may be used on any day in the Easter season

Risen Christ,
you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope:
strengthen us to proclaim your risen life
and fill us with your peace,
to the glory of God the Father.

**Easter Day**
Principal Feast Gold or White

**Collect**

Lord of all life and power,
who through the mighty resurrection of your Son
overcame the old order of sin and death
to make all things new in him:
grant that we, being dead to sin
and alive to you in Jesus Christ,
may reign with him in glory;
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit
be praise and honour, glory and might,
now and in all eternity.

**The Second Sunday of Easter** White

**Collect**

Almighty Father,
you have given your only Son to die for our sins
and to rise again for our justification:
grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness
that we may always serve you
in pureness of living and truth:
through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.
The Third Sunday of Easter  White

Collect
Almighty Father,
who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples
with the sight of the risen Lord:
give us such knowledge of his presence with us,
that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life
and serve you continually in righteousness and truth;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Fourth Sunday of Easter  White

Collect
Almighty God,
whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life:
raise us, who trust in him,
from the death of sin to the life of righteousness,
that we may seek those things which are above,
where he reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

The Fifth Sunday of Easter  White

Collect
Almighty God,
who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ
have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life:
grant that, as by your grace going before us
you put into our minds good desires,
so by your continual help
we may bring them to good effect;
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord.
The Sixth Sunday of Easter  White

This provision is not used on or after Ascension Day.

Collect

God our redeemer,
you have delivered us from the power of darkness
and brought us into the kingdom of your Son:
grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life,
so by his continual presence in us he may raise us
to eternal joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Ascension Day  Gold or
Principal Feast  White

Collect

Grant, we pray, almighty God,
that as we believe your only-begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ
to have ascended into the heavens,
so we in heart and mind may also ascend
and with him continually dwell;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
The Seventh Sunday of Easter  White
The Sunday after Ascension Day

Collect

O God the King of glory,
you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ
with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven:
we beseech you, leave us not comfortless,
but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us
and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Day of Pentecost  Red
Whit Sunday
Principal Feast

This provision is not used on the weekdays after the Day of Pentecost.

Collect

God, who as at this time
taught the hearts of your faithful people
by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit:
grant us by the same Spirit
to have a right judgement in all things
and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort;
through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour.
Ordinary Time

The Weekdays after the Day of Pentecost  Green

Collect
O Lord, from whom all good things come: 
grant to us your humble servants, 
that by your holy inspiration 
we may think those things that are good, 
and by your merciful guiding may perform the same; 
through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Trinity Sunday  Gold or
Principal Feast White

At Morning Prayer, canticle 45 (page 597) or 79 (page 636) may be said. 
At Evening Prayer, canticle 69 (page 627) or 79 (page 636) may be said.

Eve: Magnificat
Glory and honour be to God 
in the unity of the Trinity.

Benedictus
Holy, holy, holy, is the God of hosts; 
who was, and who is, and who is to come.

Magnificat
Blessed be the creator of all things; 
the holy and undivided Trinity.

Collect
Almighty and everlasting God, 
you have given us your servants grace, 
by the confession of a true faith, 
to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity 
and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: 
keep us steadfast in this faith, 
that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; 
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
The Thursday after Trinity Sunday may be observed as

The Day of Thanksgiving for the
Institution of Holy Communion
(White)

At Morning Prayer, canticle 33 (page 584) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 72 (page 630) may be said.

Eve: Magnificat (if required)
Your people eat the food of angels;
you give them bread from heaven.

Benedictus
I am the living bread which came down from heaven;
whoever eats of this bread will live for ever.

Magnificat
O sacred feast, in which Christ is received
and the memory of his passion is renewed:
our minds are filled with grace
and a pledge of future glory is given us.

Collect
Lord Jesus Christ,
we thank you that in this wonderful sacrament
you have given us the memorial of your passion:
grant us so to reverence the sacred mysteries
of your body and blood
that we may know within ourselves
and show forth in our lives
the fruits of your redemption;
for you are alive and reign with the Father
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
The First Sunday after Trinity  

Collect

O God,  
the strength of all those who put their trust in you,  
mercy accept our prayers  
and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature  
we can do no good thing without you,  
grant us the help of your grace,  
that in the keeping of your commandments  
we may please you both in will and deed;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Second Sunday after Trinity  

Collect

Lord, you have taught us  
that all our doings without love are nothing worth:  
send your Holy Spirit  
and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love,  
the true bond of peace and of all virtues,  
without which whoever lives is counted dead before you.  
Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ’s sake.
The Third Sunday after Trinity

Collect
Almighty God,
you have broken the tyranny of sin
and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts
whereby we call you Father:
give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service,
that we and all creation may be brought
to the glorious liberty of the children of God;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Collect
O God, the protector of all who trust in you,
without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy:
increase and multiply upon us your mercy;
that with you as our ruler and guide
we may so pass through things temporal
that we lose not our hold on things eternal;
grant this, heavenly Father,
for our Lord Jesus Christ’s sake.
The Fifth Sunday after Trinity  

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,
by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church
is governed and sanctified:
hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people,
that in their vocation and ministry
they may serve you in holiness and truth
to the glory of your name;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity  

Collect

Merciful God,
you have prepared for those who love you
such good things as pass our understanding:
pour into our hearts such love toward you
that we, loving you in all things and above all things,
may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can desire;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity  

Collect

Lord of all power and might,
the author and giver of all good things:
graft in our hearts the love of your name,
increase in us true religion,
nourish us with all goodness,
and of your great mercy keep us in the same;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
The Eighth Sunday after Trinity  Green

Collect
Almighty Lord and everlasting God,
we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern
both our hearts and bodies
in the ways of your laws
and the works of your commandments;
that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever,
we may be preserved in body and soul;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

The Ninth Sunday after Trinity  Green

Collect
Almighty God,
who sent your Holy Spirit
to be the life and light of your Church:
open our hearts to the riches of your grace,
that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit
in love and joy and peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Tenth Sunday after Trinity  Green

Collect
Let your merciful ears, O Lord,
be open to the prayers of your humble servants;
and that they may obtain their petitions
make them to ask such things as shall please you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity  

Collect
O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity  

Collect
Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity  

Collect
Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you: through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Collect
A. Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth: through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

Collect
God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service: through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Collect
O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them: through Jesus Christ our Lord.
The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Collect
Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you: pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Collect
Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Collect
O God, forasmuch as without you we are not able to please you; mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

Collect

God, the giver of life,
whose Holy Spirit wells up within your Church:
by the Spirit’s gifts equip us to live the gospel of Christ
and make us eager to do your will,
that we may share with the whole creation
the joys of eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity

Collect

Grant, we beseech you, merciful Lord,
to your faithful people pardon and peace,
that they may be cleansed from all their sins
and serve you with a quiet mind;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

If there are twenty-three Sundays after Trinity, the provision for the
Third Sunday before Lent (page 422) is used on the Twenty-second
Sunday after Trinity.

The Last Sunday after Trinity

Collect

Blessed Lord,
who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning:
help us so to hear them,
to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them
that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word,
we may embrace and for ever hold fast
the hope of everlasting life,
which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ.
1 November
All Saints' Day
Principal Feast
Gold or 
White

At Morning Prayer, canticle 36 (page 587) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 53 (page 606) may be said.

Eve: Magnificat
The saints cried out with a loud voice:
Salvation to our God who sits on the throne,
and to the Lamb.

Benedictus
The righteous will shine like the sun
in the highest heavens.

Magnificat
With one heart and voice, all the saints proclaim:
We praise you, blessed Trinity, one God.

Collect
Almighty God,
you have knit together your elect
in one communion and fellowship
in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord:
grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints
in all virtuous and godly living
that we may come to those inexpressible joys
that you have prepared for those who truly love you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Fourth Sunday before Advent
Red or 
Green

Collect
Almighty and eternal God,
you have kindled the flame of love
in the hearts of the saints:
grant to us the same faith and power of love,
that, as we rejoice in their triumphs,
we may be sustained by their example and fellowship;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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The Third Sunday before Advent  

Collect

Almighty Father,
whose will is to restore all things
in your beloved Son, the King of all:
govern the hearts and minds of those in authority,
and bring the families of the nations,
divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin,
to be subject to his just and gentle rule;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

In years when Remembrance Sunday is observed on the Second Sunday before Advent, the Collect for the Third Sunday before Advent may be used on Remembrance Sunday and the Collect for the Second Sunday before Advent may be used on the Third Sunday before Advent.

The Second Sunday before Advent  

Collect

Heavenly Father,
whose blessed Son was revealed
to destroy the works of the devil
and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life:
grant that we, having this hope,
may purify ourselves even as he is pure;
that when he shall appear in power and great glory
we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom;
where he is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Ordinary Time

Christ the King
The Sunday next before Advent

Red or White

At Morning Prayer, canticle 22 (page 573) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 69 (page 627) may be said.

Eve: Magnificat
Blessed is the king
who comes in the name of the Lord.

Benedictus
God raised Christ from the dead,
and enthroned him at his right hand in heaven.

Magnificat
God has given him dominion, glory and all sovereignty;
that all peoples and nations shall serve him.

Collect
Eternal Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven
that he might rule over all things as Lord and King:
keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit
and in the bond of peace,
and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

This prayer may be used as the Collect at Morning and Evening Prayer
during this week

Stir up, O Lord,
the wills of your faithful people;
that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works,
may by you be plenteously rewarded;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Festivals and Lesser Festivals (Sanctorale)

The Naming and Circumcision of Jesus

1 January Festival

The Christmas orders (pages 214–225) are used for Morning and Evening Prayer.

At Morning Prayer, canticle 31 (page 582) may be said.

At Evening Prayer, canticle 61 (page 619) may be said.

Eve: Magnificat (if required)

To us a child is born, to us a Son is given, and he shall be called the Prince of Peace.

Benedictus

You shall call his name Jesus for he will save his people from their sins.

Magnificat

You have done great things, O God, and holy is your name.

Collect

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was circumcised in obedience to the law for our sake and given the Name that is above every name: give us grace faithfully to bear his Name, to worship him in the freedom of the Spirit, and to proclaim him as the Saviour of the world; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
2 January

**Basil the Great**
and **Gregory of Nazianzus**

*Bishops, Teachers of the Faith, 379 and 389*  
*Lesser Festival*

Optional canticles and refrains: *Common of Teachers of the Faith* (page 529).

**Collect**

Lord God,  
whose servants Basil and Gregory  
proclaimed the mystery of your Word made flesh,  
to build up your Church in wisdom and strength:  
grant that we may rejoice in his presence among us,  
and so be brought with them to know the power  
of your unending love;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

6 January

**The Epiphany**

*Principal Feast*  
*Gold or White*

See page 417.
12 January  Aelred of Hexham  White
Abbot of Rievaulx, 1167
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Members of Religious Communities (page 531).

Collect
Almighty God,
who endowed Aelred the abbot
with the gift of Christian friendship
and the wisdom to lead others in the way of holiness:
grant to your people that same spirit of mutual affection,
so that, in loving one another,
we may know the love of Christ
and rejoice in the eternal possession
of your supreme goodness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

13 January  Hilary  White
Bishop of Poitiers, Teacher of the Faith, 367
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith (page 529).

Collect
Everlasting God,
whose servant Hilary
steadfastly confessed your Son Jesus Christ
to be both human and divine:
grant us his gentle courtesy
to bring to all the message of redemption
in the incarnate Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
17 January

**Antony of Egypt**  
White  
Hermit, Abbot, 356  
Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Members of Religious Communities (page 531).*

**Collect**

Most gracious God,  
who called your servant Antony to sell all that he had  
and to serve you in the solitude of the desert:  
by his example may we learn to deny ourselves  
and to love you before all things;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

19 January

**Wulfstan**  
White  
Bishop of Worcester, 1095  
Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors (page 530).*

**Collect**

Lord God,  
who raised up Wulfstan to be a bishop among your people  
and a leader of your Church:  
help us, after his example,  
to live simply,  
to work diligently  
and to make your kingdom known;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
21 January

Agnes Red
Child Martyr at Rome, 304
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).

Collect

Eternal God, shepherd of your sheep, whose child Agnes was strengthened to bear witness in her living and her dying to the true love of her redeemer: grant us the power to understand, with all your saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth and to know the love that surpasses knowledge, even Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

24 January

Francis de Sales White
Bishop of Geneva, Teacher of the Faith, 1622
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith (page 529).

Collect

Holy God, who called your bishop Francis de Sales to bring many to Christ through his devout life and to renew your Church with patience and understanding: grant that we may, by word and example, reflect your gentleness and love to all we meet; through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
25 January  The Conversion of Paul Festival

The All Saints to Advent orders (pages 291–302) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.

At Morning Prayer, canticle 35 (page 586) or 79 (page 636) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 63 (page 621) or 70 (page 628) may be said.

Eve: Magnificat (if required)
When all is made new, and the Christ is on his throne of glory, you will sit on the twelve thrones to judge the tribes of Israel.

Benedictus
You did not choose me but I chose you and I appointed you to go out and bear fruit, fruit that shall last.

Magnificat
On the foundation stones of the heavenly city are written the names of the apostles of the Lamb.

Collect
Almighty God, who caused the light of the gospel to shine throughout the world through the preaching of your servant Saint Paul: grant that we who celebrate his wonderful conversion may follow him in bearing witness to your truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
26 January

**Timothy and Titus**

Companions of Paul

Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Missionaries (page 532).

**Collect**

Heavenly Father,
who sent your apostle Paul to preach the gospel,
and gave him Timothy and Titus

to be his companions in faith:
grant that our fellowship in the Holy Spirit
may bear witness to the name of Jesus,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

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28 January

**Thomas Aquinas**

Priest, Philosopher, Teacher of the Faith, 1274

Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith (page 529).

**Collect**

Eternal God,
who enriched your Church with the learning and holiness
of your servant Thomas Aquinas:
give to all who seek you
a humble mind and a pure heart
that they may know your Son Jesus Christ
as the way, the truth and the life;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
30 January
Charles
King and Martyr, 1649
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).

Collect

King of kings and Lord of lords,
whose faithful servant Charles
prayed for those who persecuted him
and died in the living hope of your eternal kingdom:
grant us by your grace so to follow his example
that we may love and bless our enemies,
through the intercession of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

2 February
The Presentation of Christ
in the Temple
Candlemas
Principal Feast

Gold or
White

See page 420.
3 February  

**Anskar**  
Archbishop of Hamburg,  
Missionary in Denmark and Sweden, 865  
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Missionaries (page 532).

**Collect**

God of grace and might,  
who sent your servant Anskar  
to spread the gospel to the Nordic peoples:  
raise up, we pray, in our generation  
messengers of your good news  
and heralds of your kingdom  
that the world may come to know  
the immeasurable riches of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

14 February  

**Cyril and Methodius**  
Missionaries to the Slavs, 869 and 885  
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Missionaries (page 532).

**Collect**

Lord of all,  
who gave to your servants Cyril and Methodius  
the gift of tongues to proclaim the gospel to the Slavs:  
make your whole Church one as you are one  
that all Christians may honour one another,  
and east and west acknowledge  
one Lord, one faith, one baptism,  
and you, the God and Father of all;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
17 February

Janani Luwum
Archbishop of Uganda, Martyr, 1977
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).

Collect
God of truth,
whose servant Janani Luwum walked in the light,
and in his death defied the powers of darkness:
free us from fear of those who kill the body,
that we too may walk as children of light,
through him who overcame darkness by the power of the cross,
Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

23 February

Polycarp
Bishop of Smyrna, Martyr, c.155
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).

Collect
Almighty God,
who gave to your servant Polycarp
boldness to confess the name of our Saviour Jesus Christ
before the rulers of this world
and courage to die for his faith:
grant that we also may be ready
to give an answer for the faith that is in us
and to suffer gladly for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.
27 February  

George Herbert  

White  

Priest, Poet, 1633  

Lesser Festival  

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors (page 530).

Collect  

King of glory, king of peace,  
who called your servant George Herbert  
from the pursuit of worldly honours  
to be a priest in the temple of his God and king;  
grant us also the grace to offer ourselves  
with singleness of heart in humble obedience to your service;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

1 March  

David  

White  

Bishop of Menevia, Patron of Wales, c.601  

Lesser Festival  

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors (page 530).

Collect  

Almighty God,  
who called your servant David  
to be a faithful and wise steward of your mysteries  
for the people of Wales:  
in your mercy, grant that,  
following his purity of life and zeal for the gospel of Christ,  
we may with him receive the crown of everlasting life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
2 March                             Chad     White
Bishop of Lichfield, Missionary, 672
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Missionaries (page 532).

Collect
Almighty God,
from the first fruits of the English nation who turned to Christ,
you called your servant Chad
to be an evangelist and bishop of his own people:
give us grace so to follow his peaceable nature,
   humble spirit and prayerful life,
that we may truly commend to others
the faith which we ourselves profess;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

7 March                             Perpetua, Felicity     Red
and their Companions
Martyrs at Carthage, 203
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).

Collect
Holy God,
who gave great courage to Perpetua, Felicity and their companions:
grant that we may be worthy to climb the ladder of sacrifice
and be received into the garden of peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
8 March
Edward King White
Bishop of Lincoln, 1910
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors (page 530).

Collect
God of peace, who gave such grace to your servant Edward King that whomever he met he drew to Christ: fill us, we pray, with tender sympathy and joyful faith, that we also may win others to know the love that passes knowledge; through him who is the shepherd and guardian of our souls, Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

17 March
Patrick White
Bishop, Missionary, Patron of Ireland, c.460
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Missionaries (page 532).

Collect
Almighty God, who in your providence chose your servant Patrick to be the apostle of the Irish people: keep alive in us the fire of the faith he kindled and strengthen us in our pilgrimage towards the light of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
19 March  
Joseph of Nazareth  
White

**Festival**

The Christmas orders (pages 214–225) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.

At Morning Prayer, canticle 25 (page 576) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 59 (page 616) may be said.

**Eve: Magnificat (if required)**
Joseph was the husband of Mary, who gave birth to Jesus, called Messiah.

**Benedictus**
Behold the faithful and wise servant whom the Master placed over his household.

**Magnificat**
Joseph of Nazareth went up to Bethlehem to be enrolled with Mary his betrothed, who was with child.

**Collect**
God our Father, who from the family of your servant David raised up Joseph the carpenter to be the guardian of your incarnate Son and husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary: give us grace to follow him in faithful obedience to your commands; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
20 March

**Cuthbert White**
Bishop of Lindisfarne, Missionary, 687
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Missionaries (page 532).

**Collect**

Almighty God,
who called your servant Cuthbert from following the flock
to follow your Son and to be a shepherd of your people:
in your mercy, grant that we, following his example,
may bring those who are lost home to your fold;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

21 March

**Thomas Cranmer Red**
Archbishop of Canterbury, Reformation Martyr, 1556
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).

**Collect**

Father of all mercies,
who through the work of your servant Thomas Cranmer
renewed the worship of your Church
and through his death revealed your strength in human weakness:
by your grace strengthen us to worship you
in spirit and in truth
and so to come to the joys of your everlasting kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Mediator and Advocate.
25 March  The Annunciation of Our Lord  Gold or White

The Christmas orders (pages 214–225) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.

At Morning Prayer, canticle 79 (page 636) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 61 (page 619) may be said.

If the Annunciation is transferred to the Monday after the Second Sunday of Easter, ‘Alleluia’ is added to the Refrains.

Eve: Magnificat
The Holy Spirit will come upon you, Mary,
and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. [Alleluia.]

Benedictus
The Word of God, begotten of the Father before time began,
humbled himself for us and was incarnate
from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary. [Alleluia.]

Magnificat
Mary received the word of the Lord
and conceived the Word of life. [Alleluia.]

Collect
We beseech you, O Lord,
pour your grace into our hearts,
that as we have known the incarnation of your Son Jesus Christ
by the message of an angel,
so by his cross and passion
we may be brought to the glory of his resurrection;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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10 April

**William Law**

Priest, Spiritual Writer, 1761

Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith (page 529).

**Collect**

Almighty God,
who called your servant William Law
to a devout and holy life:
grant that by your spirit of love
and through faithfulness in prayer
we may find the way to divine knowledge
and so come to see the hidden things of God;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

19 April

**Alphege**

Archbishop of Canterbury, Martyr, 1012

Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).

**Collect**

Merciful God,
who raised up your servant Alphege
to be a pastor of your people
and gave him grace to suffer for justice and true religion:
grant that we who celebrate his martyrdom
may know the power of the risen Christ in our hearts
and share his peace in lives offered to your service;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
21 April  

**Anselm**  White

Abbot of Le Bec, Archbishop of Canterbury,  
Teacher of the Faith, 1109  
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith  
(page 529).

**Collect**

Eternal God,  
who gave great gifts to your servant Anselm  
as a pastor and teacher:  
grant that we, like him, may desire you with our whole heart  
and, so desiring, may seek you  
and, seeking, may find you;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
23 April

George Red
Martyr, Patron of England, c.304
Festival

The All Saints to Advent orders (pages 291–302) may be used for
Morning and Evening Prayer.

At Morning Prayer, canticle 23 (page 574) or 46 (page 598) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 57 (page 614) or 70 (page 628) may be said.

Eve: Magnificat (if required)
Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness
but will have the light of life. Alleluia.

Benedictus
Blessed are those who are persecuted for the cause of right,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Alleluia.

Magnificat
Those who gave up their lives for Christ and followed in the Way
rejoice with God now and for ever. Alleluia.

Collect
God of hosts,
who so kindled the flame of love
in the heart of your servant George
that he bore witness to the risen Lord
by his life and by his death:
give us the same faith and power of love
that we who rejoice in his triumphs
may come to share with him the fullness of the resurrection;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
25 April

Mark
Evangelist
Red

Festival

The All Saints to Advent orders (pages 291–302) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.

At Morning Prayer, canticle 35 (page 586) or 79 (page 636) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 63 (page 621) or 70 (page 628) may be said.

Eve: Magnificat (if required)
Your word is a lantern to my feet and a light upon my path. Alleluia.

Benedictus
We bring you the good news that what God promised to the fathers he has fulfilled to us their children by raising Jesus. Alleluia.

Magnificat
The one who saw what Jesus did has borne witness, that you also may believe. Alleluia.

Collect
Almighty God, who enlightened your holy Church through the inspired witness of your evangelist Saint Mark: grant that we, being firmly grounded in the truth of the gospel, may be faithful to its teaching both in word and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
29 April  

**Catherine of Siena**  
*Teacher of the Faith, 1380*  
*Lesser Festival*

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith (page 529).

**Collect**

God of compassion,  
who gave your servant Catherine of Siena  
a wondrous love of the passion of Christ:  
grant that your people may be united to him in his majesty  
and rejoice for ever in the revelation of his glory:  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

1 May  

**Philip and James**  
*Apostles*  
*Festival*

The All Saints to Advent orders (pages 291–302) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.

At Morning Prayer, canticle 35 (page 586) or 79 (page 636) may be said.  
At Evening Prayer, canticle 63 (page 621) or 70 (page 628) may be said.

**Eve: Magnificat (if required)**

When all is made new, and the Christ is on his throne of glory,  
you will sit on the twelve thrones to judge the tribes of Israel.  
Alleluia.

**Benedictus**

You did not choose me but I chose you  
and I appointed you to go out and bear fruit, fruit that shall last.  
Alleluia.

**Magnificat**

On the foundation stones of the heavenly city  
are written the names of the apostles of the Lamb. Alleluia.
Collect

Almighty Father,
whom truly to know is eternal life:
teach us to know your Son Jesus Christ
as the way, the truth, and the life;
that we may follow the steps
of your holy apostles Philip and James,
and walk steadfastly in the way that leads to your glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

2 May

Athanasius White
Bishop of Alexandria, Teacher of the Faith, 373
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith
(page 529).

Collect

Ever-living God,
whose servant Athanasius testified
to the mystery of the Word made flesh for our salvation:
help us, with all your saints,
to contend for the truth
and to grow into the likeness of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.
4 May

**English Saints and Martyrs**

*of the Reformation Era*

**White**

**Lesser Festival**

**Optional canticles and refrains:** Common of Any Saint (pages 533–534).

**Collect**

Merciful God,
who, when your Church on earth was torn apart
by the ravages of sin,
raised up men and women in this land
who witnessed to their faith with courage and constancy:
give to your Church that peace which is your will,
and grant that those who have been divided on earth
may be reconciled in heaven
and share together in the vision of your glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

8 May

**Julian of Norwich**

*Spiritual Writer, c.1417*

**White**

**Lesser Festival**

**Optional canticles and refrains:** Common of Members of Religious Communities (page 531).

**Collect**

Most holy God, the ground of our beseeching,
who through your servant Julian
revealed the wonders of your love:
grant that as we are created in your nature
and restored by your grace,
our wills may be so made one with yours
that we may come to see you face to face
and gaze on you for ever;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
14 May  

**Matthias**  
Apostle  
Festival  

The All Saints to Advent orders (pages 291–302) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.

At Morning Prayer, canticle 35 (page 586) or 79 (page 636) may be said.  
At Evening Prayer, canticle 63 (page 621) or 70 (page 628) may be said.

_Eve: Magnificat (if required)_
When all is made new, and the Christ is on his throne of glory, you will sit on the twelve thrones to judge the tribes of Israel. [Alleluia.]

_Benedictus_  
You did not choose me but I chose you and I appointed you to go out and bear fruit, fruit that shall last. [Alleluia.]

_Magnificat_  
On the foundation stones of the heavenly city are written the names of the apostles of the Lamb. [Alleluia.]

_Collect_  
Almighty God, who in the place of the traitor Judas chose your faithful servant Matthias to be of the number of the Twelve: preserve your Church from false apostles and, by the ministry of faithful pastors and teachers, keep us steadfast in your truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
19 May

Dunstan

Archbishop of Canterbury, Restorer of Monastic Life, 988
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors
(page 530).

Collect

Almighty God,
who raised up Dunstan to be a true shepherd of the flock,
a restorer of monastic life
and a faithful counsellor to those in authority:
give to all pastors the same gifts of your Holy Spirit
that they may be true servants of Christ and of all his people;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

20 May

Alcuin of York

Deacon, Abbot of Tours, 804
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Members of Religious Communities (page 531).

Collect

God of wisdom, eternal light,
who shone in the heart of your servant Alcuin,
revealing to him your power and pity:
scatter the darkness of our ignorance
that, with all our heart and mind and strength,
we may seek your face
and be brought with all your saints
to your holy presence;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
24 May  

John and Charles Wesley  White
Evangelists, Hymn Writers, 1791 and 1788  
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors (page 530).

Collect
God of mercy, who inspired John and Charles Wesley with zeal for your gospel: grant to all people boldness to proclaim your word and a heart ever to rejoice in singing your praises; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

25 May  

The Venerable Bede  White
Monk at Jarrow, Scholar, Historian, 735  
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Members of Religious Communities (page 531).

Collect
God our maker, whose Son Jesus Christ gave to your servant Bede grace to drink in with joy the word that leads us to know you and to love you: in your goodness grant that we also may come at length to you, the source of all wisdom, and stand before your face; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
26 May

**Augustine of Canterbury** White

*First Archbishop of Canterbury, 605*

*Lesser Festival*

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors (page 530).

**Collect**

Almighty God,
whose servant Augustine was sent as the apostle
of the English people:
grant that as he laboured in the Spirit
to preach Christ’s gospel in this land,
so all who hear the good news
may strive to make your truth known in all the world;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

30 May

**Josephine Butler** White

*Social Reformer, 1906*

*Lesser Festival*

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Any Saint (pages 533–534).

**Collect**

God of compassion and love,
by whose grace your servant Josephine Butler
followed in the way of your Son
in caring for those in need:
help us like her to work with strength
for the restoration of all to the dignity
and freedom of those created in your image;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.
31 May

The Visit of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Elizabeth

**Festival**

The Christmas orders (pages 214–225) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.

At Morning Prayer, canticle 21 (page 572) or 47 (page 599) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 68 (page 626) or 73 (page 631) may be said.

**Eve: Magnificat (if required)**

Blessed are you, Mary, for you believed that what was said to you by the Lord would be fulfilled. [Alleluia.]

**Benedictus**

In the womb of Mary, you found a dwelling place on earth, O Christ; remain for ever in our hearts. [Alleluia.]

**Magnificat**

Mary gave birth to the Word of God; truly she is the ever-blessed mother of Christ our Lord. [Alleluia.]

**Collect**

Mighty God, by whose grace Elizabeth rejoiced with Mary and greeted her as the mother of the Lord: look with favour on your lowly servants that, with Mary, we may magnify your holy name and rejoice to acclaim her Son our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
1 June

Justin

Martyr at Rome, c.165

Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).

Collect

God our redeemer,
who through the folly of the cross taught your martyr Justin
the surpassing knowledge of Jesus Christ:
remove from us every kind of error
that we, like him, may be firmly grounded in the faith,
and make your name known to all peoples;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

5 June

Boniface (Wynfrith) of Crediton

Bishop, Apostle of Germany, Martyr, 754

Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).

Collect

God our redeemer,
who called your servant Boniface
to preach the gospel among the German people
and to build up your Church in holiness:
grant that we may preserve in our hearts
that faith which he taught with his words
and sealed with his blood,
and profess it in lives dedicated to your Son
Jesus Christ our Lord.
8 June  
Thomas Ken  
Bishop of Bath and Wells, Nonjuror, Hymn Writer, 1711
Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors (page 530).

Collect
O God, from whom all blessings flow,  
by whose providence we are kept  
and by whose grace we are directed:  
help us, through the example of your servant Thomas Ken,  
faithfully to keep your word,  
humbly to accept adversity  
and steadfastly to worship you;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

9 June  
Columba  
Abbot of Iona, Missionary, 597
Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Missionaries (page 532).

Collect
Almighty God,  
who filled the heart of Columba  
with the joy of the Holy Spirit  
and with deep love for those in his care:  
may your pilgrim people follow him,  
strong in faith, sustained by hope,  
and one in the love that binds us to you;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
11 June

Barnabas  Red
Apostle
Festival

The All Saints to Advent orders (pages 291–302) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.

At Morning Prayer, canticle 35 (page 586) or 79 (page 636) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 63 (page 621) or 70 (page 628) may be said.

**Eve: Magnificat (if required)**
When all is made new, and the Christ is on his throne of glory, you will sit on the twelve thrones to judge the tribes of Israel.
[Alleluia.]

**Benedictus**
You did not choose me but I chose you and I appointed you to go out and bear fruit, fruit that shall last.
[Alleluia.]

**Magnificat**
On the foundation stones of the heavenly city are written the names of the apostles of the Lamb. [Alleluia.]

**Collect**
Bountiful God, giver of all gifts, who poured your Spirit upon your servant Barnabas and gave him grace to encourage others: help us, by his example, to be generous in our judgements and unselfish in our service; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
16 June  Richard  White
Bishop of Chichester, 1253
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors (page 530).

Collect
Most merciful redeemer,
who gave to your bishop Richard a love of learning,
a zeal for souls and a devotion to the poor:
grant that, encouraged by his example,
we may know you more clearly,
love you more dearly,
and follow you more nearly,
day by day,
who with the Father and the Holy Spirit are alive and reign,
one God, now and for ever.

22 June  Alban  Red
First Martyr of Britain, c.250
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).

Collect
Eternal Father,
when the gospel of Christ first came to our land
you gloriously confirmed the faith of Alban
by making him the first to win a martyr’s crown:
grant that, following his example,
in the fellowship of the saints
we may worship you, the living God,
and give true witness to Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.
23 June  Etheldreda White
Abbess of Ely, c.678
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Members of Religious Communities (page 531).

Collect

Eternal God, who bestowed such grace upon your servant Etheldreda that she gave herself wholly to the life of prayer and to the service of your true religion: grant that we, like her, may so live our lives on earth seeking your kingdom that by your guiding we may be joined to the glorious fellowship of your saints; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

24 June  The Birth of John the Baptist White
Festival

The Advent orders (pages 198-213) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.

At Morning Prayer, canticle 30 (page 581) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 75 (page 633) may be said.

Eve: Magnificat (if required)
The angel Gabriel appeared to Zechariah in the temple, standing by the altar of incense.

Benedictus
Elizabeth, the wife of Zechariah, brought forth a son; he grew and became strong in spirit.

Magnificat
The child born of Elizabeth is more than a prophet, for he will proclaim the way of the Lord.
Collect
Almighty God,
by whose providence your servant John the Baptist
was wonderfully born,
and sent to prepare the way of your Son our Saviour
by the preaching of repentance:
lead us to repent according to his preaching
and, after his example,
constantly to speak the truth, boldly to rebuke vice,
and patiently to suffer for the truth's sake;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

28 June  
Irenæus  White
Bishop of Lyons, Teacher of the Faith, c.200
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith (page 529).

Collect
God of peace,
who through the ministry of your servant Irenæus
strengthened the true faith
and brought harmony to your Church:
keep us steadfast in your true religion,
and renew us in faith and love,
that we may always walk in the way that leads to eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
29 June  

**Peter and Paul  
Apostles  
Festival**

The All Saints to Advent orders (pages 291–302) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.

At Morning Prayer, canticle 35 (page 586) or 79 (page 636) may be said. At Evening Prayer, canticle 63 (page 621) or 70 (page 628) may be said.

**Eve: Magnificat (if required)**  
When all is made new, and the Christ is on his throne of glory,  
you will sit on the twelve thrones to judge the tribes of Israel.

**Benedictus**  
You did not choose me but I chose you  
and I appointed you to go out and bear fruit, fruit that shall last.

**Magnificat**  
On the foundation stones of the heavenly city  
are written the names of the apostles of the Lamb.

**Collect**  
Almighty God,  
whose blessed apostles Peter and Paul  
glorified you in their death as in their life:  
grant that your Church,  
inspired by their teaching and example,  
and made one by your Spirit,  
may ever stand firm upon the one foundation,  
Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.

**Peter the Apostle may be celebrated alone, without Paul, on 29 June.**

**Where Peter is celebrated alone**  
Almighty God,  
who inspired your apostle Saint Peter  
to confess Jesus as Christ and Son of the living God:  
build up your Church upon this rock,  
that in unity and peace it may proclaim one truth  
and follow one Lord, your Son our Saviour Christ.
3 July  

**Thomas**  
Apostle  
Festival  

The All Saints to Advent orders (pages 291–302) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.

At Morning Prayer, canticle 35 (page 586) or 79 (page 636) may be said.  
At Evening Prayer, canticle 63 (page 621) or 70 (page 628) may be said.

**Eve: Magnificat (if required)**  
When all is made new, and the Christ is on his throne of glory, you will sit on the twelve thrones to judge the tribes of Israel.

**Benedictus**  
You did not choose me but I chose you and I appointed you to go out and bear fruit, fruit that shall last.

**Magnificat**  
On the foundation stones of the heavenly city are written the names of the apostles of the Lamb.

**Collect**  
Almighty and eternal God, who, for the firmer foundation of our faith, allowed your holy apostle Thomas to doubt the resurrection of your Son till word and sight convinced him: grant to us, who have not seen, that we also may believe and so confess Christ as our Lord and our God; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
11 July  Benedict of Nursia  White
Abbot of Monte Cassino,  
Father of Western Monasticism, c.550  
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Members of Religious Communities (page 531).

Collect
Eternal God,  
who made Benedict a wise master  
in the school of your service  
and a guide to many called into community  
to follow the rule of Christ:  
grant that we may put your love before all else  
and seek with joy the way of your commandments;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

14 July  John Keble  White
Priest, Tractarian, Poet, 1866  
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors (page 530).

Collect
Father of the eternal Word,  
in whose encompassing love  
all things in peace and order move:  
grant that, as your servant John Keble  
adored you in all creation,  
so we may have a humble heart of love  
for the mysteries of your Church  
and know your love to be new every morning,  
in Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.
15 July  

Swithun White
Bishop of Winchester, c.862
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors
(page 530).

Collect
Almighty God,
by whose grace we celebrate again
the feast of your servant Swithun:
grant that, as he governed with gentleness
the people committed to his care,
so we, rejoicing in our Christian inheritance,
may always seek to build up your Church in unity and love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

19 July  

Gregory and Macrina White
Gregory, Bishop of Nyssa, and his sister Macrina, Deaconess,
Teachers of the Faith, c.394 and c.379
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith
(page 529).

Collect
Lord of eternity, creator of all things,
in your Son Jesus Christ you open for us the way to resurrection
that we may enjoy your bountiful goodness:
may we who celebrate your servants Gregory and Macrina
press onwards in faith to your boundless love
and ever wonder at the miracle of your presence among us;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
22 July

Mary Magdalene

White

Festival

The Easter orders (pages 263–274) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.

At Morning Prayer, canticle 23 (page 574) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 68 (page 626) may be said.

Eve: Magnificat (if required)
In vigil by the cross of her Lord stood Mary of Magdala, his disciple.

Benedictus
After the Sabbath, towards the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb.

Magnificat
Mary came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord.

Collect
Almighty God, whose Son restored Mary Magdalene to health of mind and body and called her to be a witness to his resurrection: forgive our sins and heal us by your grace, that we may serve you in the power of his risen life; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
25 July

James Red
Apostle
Festival

The All Saints to Advent orders (pages 291–302) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.

At Morning Prayer, canticle 35 (page 586) or 79 (page 636) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 63 (page 621) or 70 (page 628) may be said.

Eve: Magnificat (if required)
When all is made new, and the Christ is on his throne of glory,
you will sit on the twelve thrones to judge the tribes of Israel.

Benedictus
You did not choose me but I chose you
and I appointed you to go out and bear fruit, fruit that shall last.

Magnificat
On the foundation stones of the heavenly city
are written the names of the apostles of the Lamb.

Collect
Merciful God,
whose holy apostle Saint James,
leaving his father and all that he had,
was obedient to the calling of your Son Jesus Christ
and followed him even to death;
help us, forsaking the false attractions of the world,
to be ready at all times to answer your call without delay;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
26 July

**Anne and Joachim**  
*Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary*  
*Lesser Festival*

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Any Saint (pages 533–534).

**Collect**

Lord God of Israel,  
who bestowed such grace on Anne and Joachim  
that their daughter Mary grew up obedient to your word  
and made ready to be the mother of your Son:  
help us to commit ourselves in all things to your keeping  
and grant us the salvation you promised to your people;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

29 July

**Mary, Martha and Lazarus**  
*Companions of Our Lord*  
*Lesser Festival*

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Any Saint (pages 533–534).

**Collect**

God our Father,  
whose Son enjoyed the love of his friends,  
Mary, Martha and Lazarus,  
in learning, argument and hospitality:  
may we so rejoice in your love  
that the world may come to know  
the depths of your wisdom, the wonder of your compassion,  
and your power to bring life out of death;  
through the merits of Jesus Christ,  
our friend and brother,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.
30 July  

**William Wilberforce**  
Social Reformer, 1833  
Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Any Saint (pages 533–534).*

**Collect**

God our deliverer,  
who sent your Son Jesus Christ  
to set your people free from the slavery of sin:  
grant that, as your servant William Wilberforce  
toled against the sin of slavery,  
so we may bring compassion to all  
and work for the freedom of all the children of God;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

5 August  

**Oswald**  
King of Northumbria, Martyr, 642  
Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).*

**Collect**

Lord God almighty,  
who so kindled the faith of King Oswald with your Spirit  
that he set up the sign of the cross in his kingdom  
and turned his people to the light of Christ:  
grant that we, being fired by the same Spirit,  
may always bear our cross before the world  
and be found faithful servants of the gospel;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
6 August  The Transfiguration of Our Lord  Gold or Festival White

The Epiphany orders (pages 226–237) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.

At Morning Prayer, canticle 22 (page 573) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 64 (page 622) may be said.

Eve: Magnificat (if required)
This is my Son, my Beloved;
listen to my Chosen One.

Benedictus
Christ, who is the very image of the Father,
was revealed in glory upon the holy mountain.

Magnificat
It is good that we are here
and to behold the glory that is Christ.

Collect
Father in heaven,
whose Son Jesus Christ was wonderfully transfigured
before chosen witnesses upon the holy mountain,
and spoke of the exodus he would accomplish at Jerusalem:
give us strength so to hear his voice and bear our cross
that in the world to come we may see him as he is;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
8 August

**Dominic White**

Priest, Founder of the Order of Preachers, 1221

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Members of Religious Communities (page 531).

**Collect**

Almighty God, whose servant Dominic grew in the knowledge of your truth and formed an order of preachers to proclaim the faith of Christ: by your grace give to all your people a love for your word and a longing to share the gospel, so that the whole world may come to know you and your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

9 August

**Mary Sumner White**

Founder of the Mothers’ Union, 1921

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Any Saint (pages 533–534).

**Collect**

Faithful and loving God, who called Mary Sumner to strive for the renewal of family life: give us the gift of your Holy Spirit, that through word, prayer and deed your family may be strengthened and your people served; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
10 August

Laurence
Deacon at Rome, Martyr, 258
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).

Collect

Almighty God,
who made Laurence a loving servant of your people
and a wise steward of the treasures of your Church:
fire us with his example to love as he loved
and to walk in the way that leads to eternal life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

11 August

Clare of Assisi
Founder of the Minoresses (Poor Clares), 1253
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Members of Religious Communities (page 531).

Collect

God of peace,
who in the poverty of the blessed Clare
gave us a clear light to shine in the darkness of this world:
give us grace so to follow in her footsteps
that we may, at the last, rejoice with her in your eternal glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
13 August  
Jeremy Taylor  
White
Bishop of Down and Connor, Teacher of the Faith, 1667
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith (page 529).

Collect
Holy and loving God,
you dwell in the human heart
and make us partakers of the divine nature
in Christ our great high priest:
help us who remember your servant Jeremy Taylor
to put our trust in your heavenly promises
and follow a holy life in virtue and true godliness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
15 August

The Blessed Virgin Mary
White
Festival

The Christmas orders (pages 214–225) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.

At Morning Prayer, canticle 21 (page 572) or 47 (page 599) may be said. At Evening Prayer, canticle 68 (page 626) or 73 (page 631) may be said.

Eve: Magnificat (if required)
Blessed are you, Mary, for you believed that what was said to you by the Lord would be fulfilled. [Alleluia.]

Benedictus
In the womb of Mary, you found a dwelling place on earth, O Christ; remain for ever in our hearts. [Alleluia.]

Magnificat
Mary gave birth to the Word of God; truly she is the ever-blessed mother of Christ our Lord. [Alleluia.]

Collect
Almighty God, who looked upon the lowliness of the Blessed Virgin Mary and chose her to be the mother of your only Son: grant that we who are redeemed by his blood may share with her in the glory of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
20 August
Bernard White
Abbot of Clairvaux, Teacher of the Faith, 1153
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith
(page 529).

Collect
Merciful redeemer,
who, by the life and preaching of your servant Bernard,
rekindled the radiant light of your Church:
grant us, in our generation,
to be inflamed with the same spirit of discipline and love
and ever to walk before you as children of light;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
24 August  

**Bartholomew**  
Red  
Apostle  
Festival

The All Saints to Advent orders (pages 291–302) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.

At Morning Prayer, canticle 35 (page 586) or 79 (page 636) may be said.  
At Evening Prayer, canticle 63 (page 621) or 70 (page 628) may be said.

**Eve: Magnificat (if required)**
When all is made new, and the Christ is on his throne of glory, you will sit on the twelve thrones to judge the tribes of Israel.

**Benedictus**
You did not choose me but I chose you  
and I appointed you to go out and bear fruit, fruit that shall last.

**Magnificat**
On the foundation stones of the heavenly city  
are written the names of the apostles of the Lamb.

**Collect**
Almighty and everlasting God,  
who gave to your apostle Bartholomew grace  
truly to believe and to preach your word:  
grant that your Church  
may love that word which he believed  
and may faithfully preach and receive the same;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
27 August

**Monica White**

Mother of Augustine of Hippo, 387

Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Any Saint (pages 533–534).

**Collect**

Faithful God, who strengthened Monica, the mother of Augustine, with wisdom, and through her patient endurance encouraged him to seek after you:
give us the will to persist in prayer
that those who stray from you may be brought to faith
in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

28 August

**Augustine of Hippo White**

Bishop of Hippo, Teacher of the Faith, 430

Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith (page 529).

**Collect**

Merciful Lord, who turned Augustine from his sins
to be a faithful bishop and teacher:
grant that we may follow him in penitence and discipline
till our restless hearts find their rest in you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
29 August

The Beheading of John the Baptist
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains for 24 June (page 478) may be used.

Collect

Almighty God, who called your servant John the Baptist to be the forerunner of your Son in birth and death: strengthen us by your grace that, as he suffered for the truth, so we may boldly resist corruption and vice and receive with him the unfading crown of glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

30 August

John Bunyan
Spiritual Writer, 1688
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith (page 529).

Collect

God of peace, who called your servant John Bunyan to be valiant for truth: grant that as strangers and pilgrims we may at the last rejoice with all Christian people in your heavenly city; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
31 August  
Aidan White  
Bishop of Lindisfarne, Missionary, 651  
Lesser Festival  

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Missionaries (page 532).  

Collect  
Everlasting God,  
you sent the gentle bishop Aidan  
to proclaim the gospel in this land:  
grant us to live as he taught  
in simplicity, humility and love for the poor;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

3 September  
Gregory the Great White  
Bishop of Rome, Teacher of the Faith, 604  
Lesser Festival  

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith (page 529).  

Collect  
Merciful Father,  
who chose your bishop Gregory  
to be a servant of the servants of God:  
grant that, like him, we may ever long to serve you  
by proclaiming your gospel to the nations,  
and may ever rejoice to sing your praises;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
8 September  

**The Birth of the**  
**Blessed Virgin Mary**  
White  
Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary (page 527).*

**Collect**

Almighty and everlasting God,  
who stooped to raise fallen humanity  
through the child-bearing of blessed Mary:  
grant that we, who have seen your glory  
revealed in our human nature  
and your love made perfect in our weakness,  
may daily be renewed in your image  
and conformed to the pattern of your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

13 September  

**John Chrysostom**  
White  
Bishop of Constantinople, Teacher of the Faith, 407  
Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith (page 529).*

**Collect**

God of truth and love,  
who gave to your servant John Chrysostom  
eloquence to declare your righteousness in the great congregation  
and courage to bear reproach for the honour of your name:  
mercyifully grant to those who minister your word  
such excellence in preaching,  
that all people may share with them  
in the glory that shall be revealed;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
14 September

Holy Cross Day

Red

Festival

The Passiontide orders (pages 250–262) may be used for Morning
and Evening Prayer.

At Morning Prayer, canticle 23 (page 574) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 66 (page 624) may be said.

Eve: Magnificat (if required)
Save us by your holy cross,
O Christ, our Redeemer.

Benedictus
Far be it from me to glory,
save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Magnificat
If you would come after me, you must deny yourself,
and take up your cross and follow me.

Collect
Almighty God,
who in the passion of your blessed Son
made an instrument of painful death
to be for us the means of life and peace:
grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ
that we may gladly suffer for his sake;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
15 September  

**Cyprian**  
*Red*  
*Bishop of Carthage, Martyr, 258*  
*Lesser Festival*

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).

**Collect**

Holy God,  
who brought Cyprian to faith in Christ,  
made him a bishop in the Church  
and crowned his witness with a martyr’s death:  
grant that, after his example,  
we may love the Church and her teachings,  
find your forgiveness within her fellowship  
and so come to share the heavenly banquet  
you have prepared for us;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

16 September  

**Ninian**  
*White*  
*Bishop of Galloway, Apostle of the Picts, c.432*  
*Lesser Festival*

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Missionaries (page 532).

**Collect**

Almighty and everlasting God,  
who called your servant Ninian to preach the gospel  
to the people of northern Britain:  
raise up in this and every land  
heralds and evangelists of your kingdom,  
that your Church may make known the immeasurable riches  
of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ.
17 September  

Hildegard White  
Abbess of Bingen, Visionary, 1179  
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Members of Religious Communities (page 531).

Collect

Most glorious and holy God,  
whose servant Hildegard, strong in the faith,  
was caught up in the vision of your heavenly courts:  
by the breath of your Spirit  
open our eyes to glimpse your glory  
and our lips to sing your praises with all the angels;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

20 September  

John Coleridge Patteson Red  
First Bishop of Melanesia,  
and his Companions, Martyrs, 1871  
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).

Collect

God of all tribes and peoples and tongues,  
who called your servant John Coleridge Patteson  
to witness in life and death to the gospel of Christ  
amongst the peoples of Melanesia:  
grant us to hear your call to service  
and to respond trustfully and joyfully  
to Jesus Christ our redeemer,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.
21 September

Matthew
Apostle and Evangelist
Festival

The All Saints to Advent orders (pages 291–302) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.

At Morning Prayer, canticle 35 (page 586) or 79 (page 636) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 63 (page 621) or 70 (page 628) may be said.

Eve: Magnificat (if required)
When all is made new, and the Christ is on his throne of glory, you will sit on the twelve thrones to judge the tribes of Israel.

Benedictus
You did not choose me but I chose you and I appointed you to go out and bear fruit, fruit that shall last.

Magnificat
On the foundation stones of the heavenly city are written the names of the apostles of the Lamb.

Collect
O Almighty God, whose blessed Son called Matthew the tax collector to be an apostle and evangelist: give us grace to forsake the selfish pursuit of gain and the possessive love of riches that we may follow in the way of your Son Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
25 September  

Lancelot Andrewes  
White  
Bishop of Winchester, Spiritual Writer, 1626  
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors (page 530).

Collect

Lord God,  
who gave to Lancelot Andrewes many gifts of your Holy Spirit,  
making him a man of prayer and a pastor of your people:  
perfect in us that which is lacking in your gifts,  
of faith, to increase it,  
of hope, to establish it,  
of love, to kindle it,  
that we may live in the light of your grace and glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

27 September  

Vincent de Paul  
White  
Founder of the Congregation of the Mission (Lazarists), 1660  
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Members of Religious Communities (page 531).

Collect

Merciful God,  
whose servant Vincent de Paul,  
by his ministry of preaching and pastoral care,  
brought your love to the sick and the poor:  
give to all your people a heart of compassion  
that by word and action they may serve you  
in serving others in their need;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
29 September  Michael and All Angels  White

Festival

The All Saints to Advent orders (pages 291–302) may be used for
Morning and Evening Prayer.

At Morning Prayer, canticle 33 (page 584) may be said.

At Evening Prayer, canticle 64 (page 622) may be said.

Eve: Magnificat (if required)
The Lord commanded his angels
to keep you in all your ways.

Benedictus
There was silence in heaven while the dragon waged war;
and Michael and his angels fought against him, and won the victory.

Magnificat
Then I saw an angel, soaring in the heavens,
with an eternal gospel to proclaim to all who live on the earth.

Collect
Everlasting God,
you have ordained and constituted
the ministries of angels and mortals in a wonderful order:
grant that as your holy angels always serve you in heaven,
so, at your command,
they may help and defend us on earth;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
4 October  **Francis of Assisi** White
**Friar, Deacon, Founder of the Friars Minor, 1226**
**Lesser Festival**

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Members of Religious Communities (page 531).*

**Collect**

O God, you ever delight to reveal yourself to the childlike and lowly of heart: grant that, following the example of the blessed Francis, we may count the wisdom of this world as foolishness and know only Jesus Christ and him crucified, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

6 October  **William Tyndale** Red
**Translator of the Scriptures, Reformation Martyr, 1536**
**Lesser Festival**

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).*

**Collect**

Lord, give to your people grace to hear and keep your word that, after the example of your servant William Tyndale, we may not only profess your gospel but also be ready to suffer and die for it, to the honour of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
10 October  

**Paulinus White**  
Bishop of York, Missionary, 644  
Lesser Festival  

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Missionaries (page 532).

**Collect**

God our Saviour,  
who sent Paulinus to preach and to baptize,  
and so to build up your Church in this land:  
grant that, inspired by his example,  
we may tell all the world of your truth,  
that with him we may receive the reward  
you prepare for all your faithful servants;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

12 October  

**Wilfrid of Ripon White**  
Bishop, Missionary, 709  
Lesser Festival  

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Missionaries (page 532).

**Collect**

Almighty God,  
who called our forebears to the light of the gospel  
by the preaching of your servant Wilfrid:  
help us, who keep his life and labour in remembrance,  
to glorify your name by following the example  
of his zeal and perseverance;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
13 October  
Edward the Confessor  
White  
King of England, 1066  
Lesser Festival  

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Any Saint (pages 533–534).

Collect  
Sovereign God,  
who set your servant Edward  
upon the throne of an earthly kingdom  
and inspired him with zeal for the kingdom of heaven:  
grant that we may so confess the faith of Christ  
by word and deed,  
that we may, with all your saints, inherit your eternal glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

15 October  
Teresa of Avila  
White  
Teacher of the Faith, 1582  
Lesser Festival  

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith  
(page 529).

Collect  
Merciful God,  
who by your Spirit raised up your servant Teresa of Avila  
to reveal to your Church the way of perfection:  
grant that her teaching  
may awaken in us a longing for holiness,  
until we attain to the perfect union of love  
in Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.
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18 October

Luke Red
Evangelist
Festival

The All Saints to Advent orders (pages 291–302) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.

At Morning Prayer, canticle 35 (page 586) or 79 (page 636) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 63 (page 621) or 70 (page 628) may be said.

Eve: Magnificat (if required)
Your word is a lantern to my feet
and a light upon my path.

Benedictus
We bring you the good news that what God promised to the fathers
he has fulfilled to us their children by raising Jesus.

Magnificat
The one who saw what Jesus did has borne witness,
that you also may believe.

Collect
Almighty God,
you called Luke the physician,
whose praise is in the gospel,
to be an evangelist and physician of the soul:
by the grace of the Spirit
and through the wholesome medicine of the gospel,
give your Church the same love and power to heal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
19 October  

**Henry Martyn  White**

*Translator of the Scriptures,  
Missionary in India and Persia, 1812  
Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Missionaries (page 532).*

**Collect**

Almighty God,  
who by your Holy Spirit gave Henry Martyn  
a longing to tell the good news of Christ  
and skill to translate the Scriptures:  
by the same Spirit give us grace to offer you our gifts,  
wherever you may lead, at whatever the cost;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

26 October  

**Alfred the Great  White**

*King of the West Saxons, Scholar, 899  
Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Any Saint (pages 533–534).*

**Collect**

God, our maker and redeemer,  
we pray you of your great mercy  
and by the power of your holy cross  
to guide us by your will and to shield us from our foes:  
that, after the example of your servant Alfred,  
we may inwardly love you above all things;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
28 October

**Simon and Jude**
Apostles

**Festival**

The All Saints to Advent orders (pages 291–302) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.

At Morning Prayer, canticle 35 (page 586) or 79 (page 636) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 63 (page 621) or 70 (page 628) may be said.

**Eve: Magnificat (if required)**
When all is made new, and the Christ is on his throne of glory, you will sit on the twelve thrones to judge the tribes of Israel.

**Benedictus**
You did not choose me but I chose you and I appointed you to go out and bear fruit, fruit that shall last.

**Magnificat**
On the foundation stones of the heavenly city are written the names of the apostles of the Lamb.

**Collect**
Almighty God, who built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Jesus Christ himself as the chief cornerstone: so join us together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
James Hannington Red
Bishop of Eastern Equatorial Africa,
Martyr in Uganda, 1885
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).

Collect
Most merciful God,
who strengthened your Church by the steadfast courage
of your martyr James Hannington:
grant that we also,
thankfully remembering his victory of faith,
may overcome what is evil
and glorify your holy name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
1 November  

All Saints’ Day  

Principal Feast  

Gold or White  

See page 443.

2 November  

Commemoration of the Faithful Departed (All Souls’ Day)  

Lesser Festival  

At Morning Prayer, canticle 42 (page 593) may be said.  
At Evening Prayer, canticle 57 (page 614) may be said.

Benedictus  

I am the resurrection and the life;  
whoever believes in me, though they die, yet shall they live.

Magnificat  

All that the Father gives to me will come to me;  
and the one who comes to me, I will not cast out.

Collect  

Eternal God, our maker and redeemer,  
grant us, with all the faithful departed,  
the sure benefits of your Son’s saving passion  
and glorious resurrection  
that, in the last day,  
when you gather up all things in Christ,  
we may with them enjoy the fullness of your promises;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
3 November  Richard Hooker  White
Priest, Anglican Apologist, Teacher of the Faith, 1600
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith (page 529).

Collect

God of peace, the bond of all love,
who in your Son Jesus Christ have made the human race
your inseparable dwelling place:
after the example of your servant Richard Hooker,
give grace to us your servants ever to rejoice
in the true inheritance of your adopted children
and to show forth your praises now and ever;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

7 November  Willibrord of York  White
Bishop, Apostle of Frisia, 739
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Missionaries (page 532).

Collect

God, the Saviour of all,
you sent your bishop Willibrord from this land
to proclaim the good news to many peoples
and confirm them in their faith:
help us also to witness to your steadfast love
by word and deed
so that your Church may increase
and grow strong in holiness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
8 November  

**The Saints and Martyrs of England**  
White  

Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Any Saint (pages 533–534).*

**Collect**

God, whom the glorious company of the redeemed adore,  
assembled from all times and places of your dominion:  
we praise you for the saints of our own land  
and for the many lamps their holiness has lit;  
and we pray that we also may be numbered at last  
with those who have done your will  
and declared your righteousness;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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10 November  

**Leo the Great**  
White  

Bishop of Rome, Teacher of the Faith, 461  
Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith (page 529).*

**Collect**

God our Father,  
who made your servant Leo strong in the defence of the faith:  
fill your Church with the spirit of truth  
that, guided by humility and governed by love,  
she may prevail against the powers of evil;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
### 11 November

**Martin of Tours**  
Bishop of Tours, c.397  
Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors (page 530).*

**Collect**

God all powerful,  
who called Martin from the armies of this world  
to be a faithful soldier of Christ:  
give us grace to follow him  
in his love and compassion for the needy,  
and enable your Church to claim for all people  
their inheritance as children of God;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### 13 November

**Charles Simeon**  
Priest, Evangelical Divine, 1836  
Lesser Festival

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors (page 530).*

**Collect**

Eternal God,  
who raised up Charles Simeon  
to preach the good news of Jesus Christ  
and inspire your people in service and mission:  
grant that we with all your Church may worship the Saviour,  
turn in sorrow from our sins and walk in the way of holiness;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
16 November  Margaret of Scotland  White
Queen of Scotland, Philanthropist,  
Reformer of the Church, 1093  
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Any Saint (pages 533–534).

Collect
God, the ruler of all,  
who called your servant Margaret to an earthly throne  
and gave her zeal for your Church and love for your people  
that she might advance your heavenly kingdom:  
mercifully grant that we who commemorate her example  
may be fruitful in good works  
and attain to the glorious crown of your saints;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

17 November  Hugh  White
Bishop of Lincoln, 1200  
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors  
(page 530).

Collect
O God,  
who endowed your servant Hugh  
with a wise and cheerful boldness  
and taught him to commend to earthly rulers  
the discipline of a holy life:  
give us grace like him to be bold in the service of the gospel,  
putting our confidence in Christ alone,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.
18 November  
**Elizabeth of Hungary**  
*White*  
*Princess of Thuringia, Philanthropist, 1231*  
*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Any Saint (pages 533–534).*

**Collect**

Lord God,  
who taught Elizabeth of Hungary  
   to recognize and reverence Christ in the poor of this world:  
by her example  
strengthen us to love and serve the afflicted and the needy  
and so to honour your Son, the servant king,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

19 November  
**Hilda**  
*White*  
*Abbess of Whitby, 680*  
*Lesser Festival*

*Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Members of Religious Communities (page 531).*

**Collect**

Eternal God,  
who made the abbess Hilda to shine like a jewel in our land  
and through her holiness and leadership  
blessed your Church with new life and unity:  
help us, like her, to yearn for the gospel of Christ  
and to reconcile those who are divided;  
through him who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.
20 November

Edmund Red
King of the East Angles, Martyr, 870
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).

Collect

Eternal God, whose servant Edmund kept faith to the end, both with you and with his people, and glorified you by his death: grant us such steadfastness of faith that, with the noble army of martyrs, we may come to enjoy the fullness of the resurrection life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

23 November

Clement Red
Bishop of Rome, Martyr, c.100
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).

Collect

Creator and Father of eternity, whose martyr Clement bore witness with his blood to the love he proclaimed and the gospel that he preached: give us thankful hearts as we celebrate your faithfulness, revealed to us in the lives of your saints, and strengthen us in our pilgrimage as we follow your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
30 November

Andrew
Apostle
Festival

The All Saints to Advent orders (pages 291–302) may be used for Morning and Evening Prayer.

At Morning Prayer, canticle 35 (page 586) or 79 (page 636) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 63 (page 621) or 70 (page 628) may be said.

Eve: Magnificat (if required)
When all is made new, and the Christ is on his throne of glory, you will sit on the twelve thrones to judge the tribes of Israel.

Benedictus
You did not choose me but I chose you and I appointed you to go out and bear fruit, fruit that shall last.

Magnificat
On the foundation stones of the heavenly city are written the names of the apostles of the Lamb.

Collect
Almighty God, who gave such grace to your apostle Saint Andrew that he readily obeyed the call of your Son Jesus Christ and brought his brother with him: call us by your holy word, and give us grace to follow you without delay and to tell the good news of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
6 December
Nicholas White
Bishop of Myra, c.326
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Bishops and other Pastors (page 530).

Collect
Almighty Father, lover of souls,
who chose your servant Nicholas
to be a bishop in the Church,
that he might give freely out of the treasures of your grace:
make us mindful of the needs of others
and, as we have received, so teach us also to give;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

7 December
Ambrose White
Bishop of Milan, Teacher of the Faith, 397
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith (page 529).

Collect
God of hosts,
who called Ambrose from the governor’s throne
to be a bishop in your Church
and an intrepid champion of your faithful people:
mercifully grant that, as he did not fear to rebuke rulers,
so we, with like courage,
may contend for the faith we have received;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
8 December  The Conception of the 
Blessed Virgin Mary  White
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary
(page 527).

Collect
Almighty and everlasting God,
who stooped to raise fallen humanity
through the child-bearing of blessed Mary:
grant that we, who have seen your glory
revealed in our human nature
and your love made perfect in our weakness,
may daily be renewed in your image
and conformed to the pattern of your Son
Jesus Christ our Lord.

13 December  Lucy  Red
Martyr at Syracuse, 304
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Martyrs (page 528).

Collect
God our redeemer,
who gave light to the world that was in darkness
by the healing power of the Saviour’s cross:
shed that light on us, we pray,
that with your martyr Lucy
we may, by the purity of our lives,
reflect the light of Christ
and, by the merits of his passion,
come to the light of everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

522 Collects and Refrains
14 December  John of the Cross  White
Poet, Teacher of the Faith, 1591
Lesser Festival

Optional canticles and refrains: Common of Teachers of the Faith (page 529).

Collect

O God, the judge of all,
who gave your servant John of the Cross
a warmth of nature, a strength of purpose
and a mystical faith
that sustained him even in the darkness:
shed your light on all who love you
and grant them union of body and soul
in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

24 December  Christmas Eve  Purple

See page 414.

25 December  Christmas Day  Gold or White
Principal Feast

See page 415.
26 December  
**Stephen**  
Deacon, First Martyr  
*Festival*

The Christmas orders (pages 214–225) are used for Morning and Evening Prayer.

The canticles and refrains for Christmas are used.

**Collect**

Gracious Father,  
who gave the first martyr Stephen  
grace to pray for those who took up stones against him:  
grant that in all our sufferings for the truth  
we may learn to love even our enemies  
and to seek forgiveness for those who desire our hurt,  
looking up to heaven to him who was crucified for us,  
Jesus Christ, our mediator and advocate.

27 December  
**John**  
Apostle and Evangelist  
*Festival*

The Christmas orders (pages 214–225) are used for Morning and Evening Prayer.

The canticles and refrains for Christmas are used.

**Collect**

Merciful Lord,  
cast your bright beams of light upon the Church:  
that, being enlightened by the teaching  
of your blessed apostle and evangelist Saint John,  
we may so walk in the light of your truth  
that we may at last attain to the light of everlasting life;  
through Jesus Christ your incarnate Son our Lord.
28 December  The Holy Innocents  Red
Festival

The Christmas orders (pages 214–225) are used for Morning and Evening Prayer.
The canticles and refrains for Christmas are used.

Collect
Heavenly Father, whose children suffered at the hands of Herod, though they had done no wrong;
by the suffering of your Son and by the innocence of our lives frustrate all evil designs and establish your reign of justice and peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

29 December  Thomas Becket  Red
Archbishop of Canterbury, Martyr, 1170
Lesser Festival

The canticles and refrains for Christmas are used.

Collect
Lord God, who gave grace to your servant Thomas Becket to put aside all earthly fear and be faithful even to death:
grant that we, disregarding worldly esteem, may fight all wrong, uphold your rule, and serve you to our life’s end;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
At Morning Prayer, canticle 34 (page 585) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 73 (page 631) may be said.

Eve: Magnificat (if required)
How awesome is this place!
This is none other than the house of God.

Benedictus
My house shall be called a house of prayer;
a refuge for all peoples.

Magnificat
This is the place where we call on the holy name of God;
of which it is written, My name shall be there.

Collect
Almighty God,
to whose glory we celebrate the dedication
of this house of prayer:
we praise you for the many blessings
you have given to those who worship you here:
and we pray that all who seek you in this place may find you,
and, being filled with the Holy Spirit,
may become a living temple acceptable to you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Common of the Saints

The Blessed Virgin Mary  White

At Morning Prayer, canticle 21 (page 572) or 47 (page 599) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 68 (page 626) or 73 (page 631) may be said.

Eve: Magnificat (if required)
Blessed are you, Mary,
for you believed that what was said to you by the Lord
would be fulfilled. [Alleluia.]

Benedictus
In the womb of Mary, you found a dwelling place on earth,
O Christ;
remain for ever in our hearts. [Alleluia.]

Magnificat
Mary gave birth to the Word of God;
truly she is the ever-blessed mother of Christ our Lord. [Alleluia.]

Collect
Almighty and everlasting God,
who stooped to raise fallen humanity
through the child-bearing of blessed Mary;
grant that we, who have seen your glory
revealed in our human nature
and your love made perfect in our weakness,
may daily be renewed in your image
and conformed to the pattern of your Son
Jesus Christ our Lord.
Martyrs

At Morning Prayer, canticle 23 (page 574) or 46 (page 598) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 57 (page 614) or 70 (page 628) may be said.

Eve: Magnificat (if required)
Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness but will have the light of life. [Alleluia.]

Benedictus
Blessed are those who are persecuted for the cause of right, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. [Alleluia.]

Magnificat
Those who gave up their lives for Christ and followed in the Way rejoice with God now and for ever. [Alleluia.]

Collect
Almighty God, by whose grace and power your holy martyr N triumphed over suffering and was faithful unto death: strengthen us with your grace, that we may endure reproach and persecution and faithfully bear witness to the name of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.
Teachers of the Faith

At Morning Prayer, canticle 33 (page 584) or 47 (page 599) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 53 (page 606) or 67 (page 625) may be said.

*Eve: Magnificat (if required)*
Wisdom is treasure without end, those who attain it are God’s friends. [Alleluia.]

*Benedictus*
Those who are wise will shine as brightly as the heavens, and those who have instructed many in virtue will shine like stars for all eternity. [Alleluia.]

*Magnificat*
Those who keep and teach the commandments will be considered great in heaven. [Alleluia.]

*Collect*
Almighty God, who enlightened your Church by the teaching of your servant N: enrich it evermore with your heavenly grace and raise up faithful witnesses who, by their life and teaching, may proclaim the truth of your salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Bishops and other Pastors  White

At Morning Prayer, canticle 26 (page 577) or 32 (page 583) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 61 (page 619) or 68 (page 626) may be said.

Eve: Magnificat (if required)
The word of God is alive and active,
and speaks to us of salvation. [Alleluia.]

Benedictus
I will give you shepherds after my own heart
who will feed you with knowledge and understanding. [Alleluia.]

Magnificat
Well done, good and faithful servant:
you have been faithful over a little, I will make you ruler over much. [Alleluia.]

Collect
Eternal God,
you called N to proclaim your glory
in a life of prayer and pastoral zeal:
keep the leaders of your Church faithful
and bless your people through their ministry,
that the Church may grow into the full stature
of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

or (for a bishop)
Almighty God,
the light of the faithful and shepherd of souls,
who set your servant N to be a bishop in the Church,
to feed your sheep by the word of Christ
and to guide them by good example:
give us grace to keep the faith of the Church
and to follow in the footsteps
of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.
Members of Religious Communities

White

At Morning Prayer, canticle 45 (page 597) or 48 (page 600) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 59 (page 616) or 68 (page 626) may be said.

Eve: Magnificat (if required)
Like everlasting foundations on a rock
are the commandments of God in the hearts of the blessed.
[Alleluia.]

Benedictus
They who wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength;
they shall mount up with wings as an eagle. [Alleluia.]

Magnificat
You have left all things and followed me:
you will be rewarded a hundred times over and gain eternal life.
[Alleluia.]

Collect
Almighty God,
by whose grace N, kindled with the fire of your love,
became a burning and a shining light in the Church:
inflame us with the same spirit of discipline and love,
that we may ever walk before you as children of light;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Missionaries White

At Morning Prayer, canticle 29 (page 580) or 40 (page 591) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 60 (page 618) or 63 (page 621) may be said.

Eve: Magnificat (if required)
May our whole nature be transformed that we may come to discern the will of God. [Alleluia.]

Benedictus
Christ gave them as a light to the nations that his salvation might reach to the ends of the earth. [Alleluia.]

Magnificat
How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news and proclaim the gospel of peace. [Alleluia.]

Collect
Everlasting God, whose servant N carried the good news of your Son to the people of …:
grant that we who commemorate his/her service may know the hope of the gospel in our hearts and manifest its light in all our ways; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
At Morning Prayer, canticle 28 (page 579), 44 (page 596) or 49 (page 601) may be said.

At Evening Prayer, canticle 63 (page 621) or 64 (page 622) may be said.

Eve: Magnificat (if required)
The Lord guides the humble in the right path and teaches his way to the poor. [Alleluia.]

Benedictus
They were faithful until death and God has given them the crown of life. [Alleluia.]

Magnificat
In the heavenly kingdom, the blessed have their dwelling place and their rest for ever and ever. [Alleluia.]

Collect (general)
Almighty Father, you have built up your Church through the love and devotion of your saints: inspire us to follow the example of N, whom we commemorate today, that we in our generation may rejoice with him/her in the vision of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

or (for Christian rulers)
Sovereign God, who called N to be a ruler among his/her people and gave him/her grace to be their servant: help us, following our Saviour Christ in the path of humble service, to see his kingdom set forward on earth and to enjoy its fullness in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
or (for those working with the poor and underprivileged)

Merciful God,
you have compassion on all that you have made
and your whole creation is enfolded in your love:
help us to stand firm for your truth,
to struggle against poverty,
and to share your love with our neighbour,
that with your servant N
we may be instruments of your peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

or (for men and women of learning)

God our Father,
who gave wisdom and insight to your servant N
to fathom the depths of your love
and to understand your design for the world you have made:
grant us the help of your Holy Spirit
that we also may come to a full knowledge of your purposes
revealed in your Son Jesus Christ, our wisdom and our life;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

or (for those whose holiness was revealed in marriage and family life)

Eternal God,
whose love is revealed in the mystery of the Trinity:
help us, like your servant N,
to find in our human loving a mirror of your divine love
and to see in all your children our brothers and sisters in Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Special Occasions

The Guidance of the Holy Spirit

At Morning Prayer, canticle 40 (page 591) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 58 (page 615) may be said.

Benedictus
I will pour out my Spirit on the earth
and everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.
[Alleluia.]

Magnificat
The Lord is the Spirit,
and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. [Alleluia.]

Collect
God, who from of old
taught the hearts of your faithful people
by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit:
grant us by the same Spirit
to have a right judgement in all things
and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort;
through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour.

(or)
Almighty God,
you have given your Holy Spirit to the Church
to lead us into all truth:
bless with the Spirit's grace and presence
the members of this (synod/PCC etc.);
keep us/them steadfast in faith and united in love,
that we/they may manifest your glory
and prepare the way of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Harvest Thanksgiving

Harvest Thanksgiving may be celebrated on a Sunday and may replace the provision for that day, provided it does not supersede any Principal Feast or Festival.

At Morning Prayer, canticle 22 (page 573) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 69 (page 627) may be said.

Benedictus
Consider the lilies of the field,
yet even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these.

Magnificat
He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor;
his righteousness endures for ever.

Collect
Eternal God,
you crown the year with your goodness
and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season:
grant that we may use them to your glory,
for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Rogation Days  White

At Morning Prayer, canticle 22 (page 573) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 69 (page 627) may be said.

Benedictus
Have faith in God,
and whatever you ask for in prayer will be yours. Alleluia.

Magnificat
Everyone who asks receives,
and everyone who searches finds. Alleluia.

Collect
Almighty God,
whose will it is that the earth and the sea
should bear fruit in due season;
bless the labours of those who work on land and sea,
grant us a good harvest
and the grace always to rejoice in your fatherly care;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(or)
Almighty God and Father,
you have so ordered our life
that we are dependent on one another:
prosper those engaged in commerce and industry
and direct their minds and hands
that they may rightly use your gifts in the service of others;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(or)
God our Father,
you never cease the work you have begun
and prosper with your blessing all human labour:
make us wise and faithful stewards of your gifts
that we may serve the common good,
maintain the fabric of our world
and seek that justice where all may share
the good things you pour upon us;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Mission and Evangelism  Colour of the Season

At Morning Prayer, canticle 29 (page 580) may be said.  
At Evening Prayer, canticle 63 (page 621) may be said.

Benedictus
You are the light of the world.  
A city built on a hill cannot be hid. [Alleluia.]

Magnificat
Go and make disciples of all nations,  
baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son  
and of the Holy Spirit. [Alleluia.]

Collect
Almighty God,  
who called your Church to witness  
that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself:  
help us to proclaim the good news of your love,  
that all who hear it may be drawn to you;  
through him who was lifted up on the cross,  
and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.
The Unity of the Church  Colour of  

the Season

At Morning Prayer, canticle 32 (page 583) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 60 (page 618) may be said.

Benedictus
This is the message that we have heard from the beginning,  
that we should love one another. [Alleluia.]

Magnificat
Christ is our peace, who has made us one  
and has broken down the barriers which divided us. [Alleluia.]

Collect
Heavenly Father,  
you have called us in the Body of your Son Jesus Christ  
to continue his work of reconciliation  
and reveal you to the world:  
forge us the sins which tear us apart;  
give us the courage to overcome our fears  
and to seek that unity which is your gift and your will;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(or)

Lord Jesus Christ,  
who said to your apostles,  
‘Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you’:  
look not on our sins but on the faith of your Church  
and grant it the peace and unity of your kingdom;  
where you are alive and reign with the Father  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.
The Peace of the World  Colour of the Season

At Morning Prayer, canticle 24 (page 575) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 57 (page 614) may be said.

Benedictus
Peace I leave with you, my own peace I give you;
do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. [Alleluia.]

Magnificat
Live with one another in peace,
and the God of peace will be with you. [Alleluia.]

Collect
Almighty God,
from whom all thoughts of truth and peace proceed:
kindle, we pray, in the hearts of all, the true love of peace
and guide with your pure and peaceable wisdom
those who take counsel for the nations of the earth
that in tranquillity your kingdom may go forward,
till the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Social Justice and Responsibility  

At Morning Prayer, canticle 33 (page 584) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 53 (page 606) may be said.

Benedictus
Blessed are the merciful,  
for they will receive mercy. [Alleluia.]

Magnificat
Blessed are the meek,  
for they will inherit the earth. [Alleluia.]

Collect
Eternal God,  
in whose perfect realm  
no sword is drawn but the sword of righteousness,  
and no strength known but the strength of love:  
so guide and inspire the work of those who seek your kingdom  
that all your people may find their security  
in that love which casts out fear  
and in the fellowship revealed to us  
in Jesus Christ our Saviour.

(or)
Almighty and eternal God,  
to whom we must all give account:  
guide with your Spirit the … of this (city, society, etc.).  
that we/they may be faithful to the mind of Christ  
and seek in all our/their purposes to enrich our common life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Ministry (including Ember Days) Red or colour of the Season

At Morning Prayer, canticle 31 (page 582) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 67 (page 625) may be said.

Benedictus
Whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant,
and whoever wishes to be first among you must be the servant of all. [Alleluia.]

Magnificat
Jesus said, Do you love me?
Then feed my sheep. [Alleluia.]

Collect
(for the ministry of all Christian people)
Almighty and everlasting God,
by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified:
hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people,
that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.
or (for those to be ordained)

Almighty God, the giver of all good gifts,
by your Holy Spirit you have appointed
various orders of ministry in the Church:
look with mercy on your servants
now called to be deacons and priests;
maintain them in truth and renew them in holiness,
that by word and good example they may faithfully serve you
to the glory of your name and the benefit of your Church;
through the merits of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

or (for vocations)

Almighty God,
you have entrusted to your Church
a share in the ministry of your Son our great high priest:
inspire by your Holy Spirit the hearts of many
to offer themselves for the ministry of your Church,
that strengthened by his power,
they may work for the increase of your kingdom
and set forward the eternal praise of your name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

or (for the inauguration of a new ministry)

God our Father, Lord of all the world,
through your Son you have called us into the fellowship
of your universal Church:
hear our prayer for your faithful people
that in their vocation and ministry
each may be an instrument of your love,
and give to your servant N now to be (installed, inducted, etc.)
the needful gifts of grace;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.
In Time of Trouble  Colour of
the Season

At Morning Prayer, canticle 42 (page 593) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 73 (page 631) may be said.

Benedictus
Jesus said, Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?
And they were filled with great awe and wonder.

Magnificat
Jesus said, In the world you face persecution.
But take courage; I have overcome the world!

Collect
Sovereign God,
the defence of those who trust in you
and the strength of those who suffer:
look with mercy on our affliction
and deliver us through our mighty Saviour Jesus Christ.
For the Sovereign Colour of the Season

At Morning Prayer, canticle 22 (page 573) may be said.
At Evening Prayer, canticle 72 (page 630) may be said.

Benedictus
Give to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s,
and to God the things that are God’s. [Alleluia.]

Magnificat
The greatest among you must become like the youngest,
and the leader like one who serves. [Alleluia.]

Collect
Almighty God, the fountain of all goodness,
bless our Sovereign Lady, Queen Elizabeth,
and all who are in authority under her;
that they may order all things
in wisdom and equity, righteousness and peace,
to the honour and glory of your name
and the good of your Church and people;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.