Collects and Post Communions for Sundays, Principal Holy Days and Festivals

Notes

1 Collects and Post Communions for Lesser Festivals and Special Occasions, with Commons of the Saints, are published in the President’s edition of Common Worship.

2 Normally on any occasion only one Collect is used.

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

4 At Evening Prayer on Saturdays other than Easter Eve, Christmas 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.

5 Where a Collect ends ‘Through Jesus Christ … now and for ever’, the minister may use the shorter ending, ‘Through Jesus Christ our Lord’, to which the people respond ‘Amen’, and omit the longer Trinitarian ending. The longer ending is to be preferred at Holy Communion.

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**The First Sunday of Advent**

**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.

This Collect may be used as the Post Communion on any day from the Second Sunday of Advent until Christmas Eve instead of the Post Communion provided.

**Post Communion**

O Lord our God,  
make us watchful and keep us faithful  
as we await the coming of your Son our Lord;  
that, when he shall appear,  
he may not find us sleeping in sin  
but active in his service  
and joyful in his praise;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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**The Second Sunday of Advent**

**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.

**Post Communion**

Father in heaven,  
who sent your Son to redeem the world  
and will send him again to be our judge:  
give us grace so to imitate him  
in the humility and purity of his first coming  
that, when he comes again,  
we may be ready to greet him  
with joyful love and firm faith;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
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.

Post Communion

Eternal God, for whom we wait,
you have fed us with the bread of eternal life:
keep us ever watchful,
that we may be ready to stand before the Son of man,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Fourth Sunday of Advent  Purple

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.

Post Communion

Eternal God, for whom we wait,
you have fed us with the bread of eternal life:
keep us ever watchful,
that we may be ready to stand before the Son of man,
Jesus Christ our Lord.
Collect

Eternal God,
who made this most holy night
to shine with the brightness of your one true light:
bring us, who have known the revelation of that light on earth,
to see the radiance of your heavenly glory;
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.

Post Communion

God our Father,
in this night you have made known to us again
the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ:
confirm our faith and fix our eyes on him
until the day dawns
and Christ the Morning Star rises in our hearts.
To him be glory both now and for ever.
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 . . . 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.

Post Communion
Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son shared at Nazareth the life of an earthly home: help your Church to live as one family, united in love and obedience, and bring us all at last to our home in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Baptism of Christ
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.

Post Communion
All praise to you, almighty God and heavenly king, who sent your Son into the world to take our nature upon him and to be born of a pure virgin: grant that, as we are born again in him, so he may continually dwell in us and reign on earth as he reigns in heaven, now and for ever.

The Epiphany
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 your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion
Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son shared at Nazareth the life of an earthly home: help your Church to live as one family, united in love and obedience, and bring us all at last to our home in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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.

Post Communion
All praise to you, almighty God and heavenly king, who sent your Son into the world to take our nature upon him and to be born of a pure virgin: grant that, as we are born again in him, so he may continually dwell in us and reign on earth as he reigns in heaven, now and for ever.
**Post Communion**

Lord of all time and eternity,
you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father
in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son:
by the power of your Spirit
complete the heavenly work of our rebirth
through the waters of the new creation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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**The Second Sunday of Epiphany**

**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 your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

God of glory,
you nourish us with your Word
who is the bread of life:
fill us with your Holy Spirit
that through us the light of your glory
may shine in all the world.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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**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 your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

Lord of all time and eternity,you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father
in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son:
by the power of your Spirit
complete the heavenly work of our rebirth
through the waters of the new creation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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**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,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Ordinary Time

The Fifth Sunday before Lent

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 your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Generous Lord,
in word and eucharist we have proclaimed the mystery of your love:
help us so to live out our days that we may be signs of your wonders in the world;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

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, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna, who lived to welcome the Messiah: may we, who have received these gifts beyond words, prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes to bring us to eternal life; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

2 February

The Presentation of Christ in the Temple

Candlemas

Principal Feast

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, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna, who lived to welcome the Messiah: may we, who have received these gifts beyond words, prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes to bring us to eternal life; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.
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 your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Go before us, Lord, in all we do
with your most gracious favour,
and guide us with your continual help,
that in all our works
begun, continued and ended in you,
we may glorify your holy name,
and finally by your mercy receive everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Collect

Almighty God,
who alone can bring order
to the unruly wills and passions of sinful humanity:
give your people grace
do 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 your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Merciful Father,
who gave Jesus Christ to be for us the bread of life,
that those who come to him should never hunger:
draw us to the Lord in faith and love,
that we may eat and drink with him
at his table in the kingdom,
where he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.
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.

**Post Communion**

God our creator,  
by your gift  
the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise,  
and the bread of life at the heart of your Church:  
may we who have been nourished at your table on earth  
be transformed by the glory of the Saviour’s cross  
and enjoy the delights of eternity;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Sunday next before Lent  Green

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.

**Post Communion**

Holy God,  
we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ:  
may we who are partakers at his table  
reflect his life in word and deed,  
that all the world may know his power to change and save.  
This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.
**Ash Wednesday**
**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 your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

This Collect may be used as the Post Communion on any day from the
First Sunday of Lent until the Saturday after the Fourth Sunday of Lent
instead of the Post Communion provided.

**Post Communion**

Almighty God,
you have given your only Son to be for us
both a sacrifice for sin
and also an example of godly life:
give us grace
that we may always most thankfully receive
these his inestimable gifts,
and also daily endeavour
to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**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 your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

Lord God,
you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven;
by it you nourish our faith,
increase our hope,
and strengthen our love:
teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread,
and enable us to live by every word
that proceeds from out of your mouth;
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,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Almighty God,
you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves:
keep us both outwardly in our bodies,
and inwardly in our souls;
that we may be defended from all adversities
which may happen to the body,
and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Lord God,
whose blessed Son our Saviour
gave his back to the smiters
and did not hide his face from shame:
give us grace to endure the sufferings of this present time
with sure confidence in the glory that shall be revealed;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Mothering Sunday  Purple or Lent Array

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 your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Loving God, as a mother feeds her children at the breast you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal life: help us who have tasted your goodness to grow in grace within the household of faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Palm Sunday  Red

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 your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Lent

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you: give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever.

The Fifth Sunday of Lent  Purple or Lent Array

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 your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Lord Jesus Christ, you humbled yourself in taking the form of a servant, and in obedience died on the cross for our salvation: give us the mind to follow you and to proclaim you as Lord and King, to the glory of God the Father.
Maundy Thursday

Collect

God our Father,
you have invited us to share in the supper
which your Son gave to his Church
to proclaim his death until he comes:
may he nourish us by his presence,
and unite us in his love;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

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 fruit of your redemption,
for you are alive and reign, now and for ever.

Good Friday

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.

Easter Eve

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 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.
Easter

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.

Post Communion

Living God,
your Son made himself known to his disciples
in the breaking of bread:
open the eyes of our faith,
that we may see him in all his redeeming work;
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

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,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

God of Life,
who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son
to the death of the cross,
and by his glorious resurrection
have delivered us from the power of our enemy:
grant us so to die daily to sin,
that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Third Sunday of Easter

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 your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Lord God our Father,
through our Saviour Jesus Christ
you have assured your children of eternal life
and in baptism have made us one with him:
deliver us from the death of sin
and raise us to new life in your love,
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.
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.

Post Communion
Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, 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, who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion
Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Sixth Sunday of Easter  White

Collect
Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

This provision is not used on or after Ascension Day.

Post Communion
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 your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Collect
Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.
**Ascension Day**  
*Principal Feast*  
*Gold or 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.

**Post Communion**
God our Father,  
you have raised our humanity in Christ  
and have fed us with the bread of heaven:  
mercifully grant that, nourished with such spiritual blessings,  
we may set our hearts in the heavenly places;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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**The Seventh Sunday of Easter**  
*Sunday after Ascension Day*  
*White*

**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.

**Post Communion**
Faithful God,  
who fulfilled the promises of Easter  
by sending us your Holy Spirit  
and opening to every race and nation  
the way of life eternal:  
open our lips by your Spirit,  
that every tongue may tell of your glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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**Day of Pentecost**  
*Red*

**Principal Feast*  
*Whit Sunday*

**Collect**
Eternal God, giver of love and power,  
your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world  
to preach the gospel of his kingdom:  
confirm us in this mission,  
and help us to live the good news we proclaim;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

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**Ascension Day**  
*Principal Feast*  
*Gold or White*

**Collect**
Eternal God, giver of love and power,  
your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world  
to preach the gospel of his kingdom:  
confirm us in this mission,  
and help us to live the good news we proclaim;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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**Ascension Day**  
*Principal Feast*  
*Gold or White*

**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,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**
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,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.
Ordinary Time

The Weekdays after the Day of Pentecost

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,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Gracious God, lover of all,
in this sacrament
we are one family in Christ your Son,
one in the sharing of his body and blood
and one in the communion of his Spirit:
help us to grow in love for one another
and come to the full maturity of the Body of Christ.
We make our prayer through your Son our Saviour.

Trinity Sunday

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 your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

All praise to you, our God and Father,
for you have fed us with the bread of heaven
and quenched our thirst from the true vine:
hear our prayer that, being grafted into Christ,
we may grow together in unity
and feast with him in his kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion

Almighty and eternal God,
you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
and live and reign in the perfect unity of love:
hold us firm in this faith,
that we may know you in all your ways
and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory,
who are three Persons yet one God,
now and for ever.

The Thursday after Trinity Sunday may be observed as

The Day of Thanksgiving for the Institution of Holy Communion

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 you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

The Day of Thanksgiving for the Institution of Holy Communion

(Principal Feast White)

Gracious God, lover of all,
in this sacrament
we are one family in Christ your Son,
one in the sharing of his body and blood
and one in the communion of his Spirit:
help us to grow in love for one another
and come to the full maturity of the Body of Christ;
We make our prayer through your Son our Saviour.
The First Sunday after Trinity

Collect
O God, the strength of all those who put their trust in you, mercifully 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 your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion
Eternal Father, we thank you for nourishing us with these heavenly gifts: may our communion strengthen us in faith, build us up in hope, and make us grow in love; for the sake of 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, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

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 your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion
O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining and whose power we cannot comprehend: show us your glory as far as we can grasp it, and shield us from knowing more than we can bear until we may look upon you without fear; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.
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, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Eternal God, comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken, you have fed us at the table of life and hope: teach us the ways of gentleness and peace, that all the world may acknowledge the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Collect

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by your governance, that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion

Grant, O Lord, we beseech you, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by your governance, that your Church may joyfully serve you in all godly quietness; 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 your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life,
ever giving himself that the world may live:
may we so receive within ourselves
the power of his death and passion
that, in his saving cup,
we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love;
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

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,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Holy Father,
who gathered us here around the table of your Son
to share this meal with the whole household of God:
in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace,
gather people of every race and language
to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

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 name,
increase in us a love of your name, and a hunger for your word;
that in your Spirit we may be garments of praise;
and in the fullness of your life,
glory to you for ever.

Post Communion

Strengthen for service, Lord,
the hands that have taken holy things;
may the ears which have heard your word
be deaf to clamour and dispute;
may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit;
may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love
shine with the light of hope;
and may the bodies which have been fed with your body
be refreshed with the fullness of your life;glory to you for ever.
The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

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 your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

God of all mercy, in this eucharist you have set aside our sins and given us your healing: grant that we who are made whole in Christ may bring that healing to this broken world, in the name of 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 your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

God of all mercy, in this eucharist you have set aside our sins and given us your healing: grant that we who are made whole in Christ may bring that healing to this broken world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Collect

Lord of all mercy, we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace: by our communion keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel and preserve us from all sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion

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, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
**The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity**  
*Green*

**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.

**Post Communion**  
God our creator,  
you feed your children with the true manna,  
the living bread from heaven:  
let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage  
until we come to that place  
where hunger and thirst are no more;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity**  
*Green*

**Collect**  
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 your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**  
Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy;  
and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall,  
keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful,  
and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity**  
*Green*

**Collect**  
Lord God, the source of truth and love,  
keep us faithful to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship,  
united in prayer and the breaking of bread,  
and one in joy and simplicity of heart,  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Post Communion**  
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 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 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 your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

Almighty God, you have taught us through your Son that love is the fulfilling of the law: grant that we may love you with our whole heart and our neighbours as ourselves; 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 your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast: for here we receive you, here the memory of your passion is renewed, here our minds are filled with grace, and here a pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast at that table where you reign with all your saints for ever.

The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

**Collect**

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Post Communion**

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 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 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 your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

Father of light, in whom is no change or shadow of turning, you give us every good and perfect gift and have brought us to birth by your word of truth: may we be a living sign of that kingdom where your whole creation will be made perfect in 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 your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

Father of light, in whom is no change or shadow of turning, you give us every good and perfect gift and have brought us to birth by your word of truth: may we be a living sign of that kingdom where your whole creation will be made perfect in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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*If there are twenty-three Sundays after Trinity, the provision for the Third Sunday before Lent (page 389) is used on the Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity.*
**The Last Sunday after Trinity**  
**Green**

**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,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**
God of all grace,  
your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry  
with the bread of his life  
and the word of his kingdom:  
renew your people with your heavenly grace,  
and in all our weakness  
sustain us by your true and living bread;  
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

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**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 your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**
God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things:  
may we who have shared at this table  
as strangers and pilgrims here on earth  
be welcomed with all your saints  
to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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**I November**  
**All Saints' Day**  
**Gold or White**

**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 your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**
Lord of heaven,  
in this eucharist you have brought us near  
to an innumerable company of angels  
and to the spirits of the saints made perfect:  
as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage  
we have shared their fellowship,  
so may we come to share their joy in heaven;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
The Third Sunday before Advent  Red or Green

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.

Post Communion

God of peace,
whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom
and restored the broken to wholeness of life:
look with compassion on the anguish of the world,
and by your healing power
make whole both people and nations;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

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

The Second Sunday before Advent  Red or Green

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.

Post Communion

Gracious Lord,
in this holy sacrament
you give substance to our hope:
bring us at the last
to that fullness of life for which we long;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

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

**Post Communion**

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.

This Post Communion may be used as the Collect at Morning and Evening Prayer during this week.

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**The Conversion of Paul**

**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 your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Post Communion
of Apostles and Evangelists

Almighty God,
who on the day of Pentecost
sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles
with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame,
filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel:
by the power of the same Spirit
strengthen us to witness to your truth
and to draw everyone to the fire of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(or)

Lord God, the source of truth and love,
keep us faithful to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship,
united in prayer and the breaking of bread,
and one in joy and simplicity of heart,
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

19 March  

Joseph of Nazareth  
White

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 your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Heavenly Father,
whose Son grew in wisdom and stature
in the home of Joseph the carpenter of Nazareth
and on the wood of the cross
perfected the work of the world’s salvation:
help us, strengthened by this sacrament of his passion,
to count the wisdom of the world as foolishness,
and to walk with him in simplicity and trust;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

25 March  

The Annunciation of Our Lord  
Gold or White

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 your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

God most high,
whose handmaid bore the Word made flesh:
we thank you that in this sacrament of our redemption
you visit us with your Holy Spirit
and overshadow us by your power;
strengthen us to walk with Mary the joyful path of obedience
and so to bring forth the fruits of holiness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
**23 April**

**George**

Martyr, Patron of England, c.304

**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 your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

Eternal God,
who gave us this holy meal
in which we have celebrated the glory of the cross
and the victory of your martyr George:
by our communion with Christ
in his saving death and resurrection,
give us with all your saints the courage to conquer evil
and so to share the fruit of the tree of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(or)

God our redeemer,
whose Church was strengthened
through the blood of your martyr George:
so bind us, in life and death, to Christ's sacrifice
that our lives, broken and offered with his,
may carry his death and proclaim his resurrection in the world;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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**25 April**

**Mark**

Evangelist

**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 your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

One of the Post Communions of Apostles and Evangelists is used
(page 428).

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**1 May**

**Philip and James**

Apostles

**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 your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

One of the Post Communions of Apostles and Evangelists is used
(page 428).
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 your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion
One of the Post Communions of Apostles and Evangelists is used (page 428).

31 May

The Visit of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Elizabeth

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.

Post Communion
One of the Post Communions of Apostles and Evangelists is used (page 428).
24 June

**The Birth of John the Baptist**

**White**

**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 your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

Merciful Lord,  
whose prophet John the Baptist  
proclaimed your Son as the Lamb of God  
who takes away the sin of the world:  
grant that we who in this sacrament  
have known your forgiveness and your life-giving love  
may ever tell of your mercy and your peace;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

29 June

**Peter and Paul**

**Apostles**

**Red**

**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,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
or, where Peter is celebrated alone  
Almighty God,  
who inspired your apostle Saint Peter  
to confess Jesus as Christ and Son of the living God:  
built 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,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

One of the Post Communions of Apostles and Evangelists is used  
(page 428).
3 July

Thomas
Apostle

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.

Post Communion
One of the Post Communions of Apostles and Evangelists is used (page 428).

25 July

James
Apostle

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 your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion
One of the Post Communions of Apostles and Evangelists is used (page 428).

22 July

Mary Magdalene
White

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.

Post Communion
One of the Post Communions of Apostles and Evangelists is used (page 428).
6 August  The Transfiguration of Our Lord  Gold or White

**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.

**Post Communion**

God most high, whose handmaid bore the Word made flesh: we thank you that in this sacrament of our redemption you visit us with your Holy Spirit and overshadow us by your power; strengthen us to walk with Mary the joyful path of obedience and so to bring forth the fruits of holiness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

24 August  Bartholomew  Red Apostle

**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 your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.

15 August  The Blessed Virgin Mary  White

**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 your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

One of the Post Communions of Apostles and Evangelists is used (page 428).
**Collect**

**Holy Cross Day**  Red

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.

**Post Communion**

Faithful God, whose Son bore our sins in his body on the tree and gave us this sacrament to show forth his death until he comes: give us grace to glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, for he is our salvation, our life and our hope, who reigns as Lord, now and for ever.

**21 September  Matthew  Red**

**Apostle and Evangelist**

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.

Post Communion

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**29 September  Michael and All Angels  White**

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 your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Lord of heaven, in this eucharist you have brought us near to an innumerable company of angels and to the spirits of the saints made perfect: as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage we have shared their fellowship, so may we come to share their joy in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
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<td>Simon and Jude Red Apostles</td>
<td>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 your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.</td>
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Post Communion
Merciful Lord,
we thank you for the signs of your mercy
revealed in birth and death:
save us by the coming of your Son,
and give us joy in honouring Stephen,
first martyr of the new Israel;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion
Grant, O Lord, we pray,
that the Word made flesh
proclaimed by your apostle John
may, by the celebration of these holy mysteries,
ever abide and live within us;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

28 December

The Holy Innocents

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 your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion
Lord Jesus Christ,
in your humility you have stooped to share our human life
with the most defenceless of your children:
may we who have received these gifts of your passion
rejoice in celebrating the witness of the Holy Innocents
to the purity of your sacrifice
made once for all upon the cross;
for you are alive and reign, now and for ever.
**Special Occasion**

**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.

**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 your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

Father in heaven, whose Church on earth is a sign of your heavenly peace, an image of the new and eternal Jerusalem: grant to us in the days of our pilgrimage that, fed with the living bread of heaven, and united in the body of your Son, we may be the temple of your presence, the place of your glory on earth, and a sign of your peace in the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Advent

The First Sunday of Advent

Collect

Almighty God,
give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness
and put upon us the armour of light,
now in the time of this mortal life,
in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility;
that in the last day
when he shall come again in his glorious majesty
to judge both the quick and the dead,
we may rise to the life immortal;
through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit,
now and for ever.

This Collect may be used as the Post Communion on any day from
the Second Sunday of Advent until Christmas Eve instead of the
Post Communion provided.

Post Communion

O Lord our God,
as we wait for the coming of thy Son our Lord,
preserve us in watchfulness and faith,
that when he shall appear
he may not find us asleep in sin
but active to serve him
and joyful to praise him;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
The Second Sunday of Advent  Purple

Collect

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

Post Communion

Heavenly Father,
who didst send thy Son to redeem the world
and wilt send him again to be our judge:
give us grace so to imitate him
in the humility and purity of his first coming
that when he shall come again,
we may be found ready to greet him
with joyful love and steadfast faith;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Third Sunday of Advent  Purple

Collect

O Lord Jesus Christ,
who at thy first coming didst send thy messenger
to prepare thy way before thee:
grant that the ministers and stewards of thy mysteries
may likewise so prepare and make ready thy way
by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just,
that at thy second coming to judge the world
we may be found an acceptable people in thy sight;
who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

We give thee thanks, O Lord, for these thy heavenly gifts;
kindle in us the fire of thy Spirit
that when our Saviour Christ shall come again
we may shine as lights before his face;
who liveth and reigneth now and for ever.

The Fourth Sunday of Advent  Purple

This provision is not used on weekdays after 23 December.

Collect

O God our redeemer,
who didst prepare the Blessed Virgin Mary
to be the mother of thy Son:
grant that, as she looked for his coming as our saviour,
so we may be ready to greet him
when he shall come again to be our judge;
who liveth and reigneth with thee
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Heavenly Father,
who didst choose the Blessed Virgin Mary
to be the mother of the promised saviour:
fill us thy servants with thy grace,
that in all things we may embrace thy holy will
and with her rejoice in thy salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
24 December  Christmas Eve  Purple

**Collect**

Almighty God, who makest us glad with the yearly remembrance of the birth of thy only 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 liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

Eternal God, for whom we wait, who hast fed us with the bread of eternal life: we pray that thou wilt keep us ever watchful so that we may be ready to stand before the Son of man, Jesus Christ our Lord.

25 December  Christmas Night  Gold or White

**Collect**

Eternal God, who made this most holy night to shine with the brightness of thy true light: bring us, who have known the revelation of that light on earth, to see the radiance of thy heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

God our Father, who in this night hast made known to us again the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ: confirm our faith and fix our eyes on him until the dawning of the day when Christ the Morning Star shall rise in our hearts; to whom be glory both now and for ever.
Collect
Almighty God, who hast given us thy only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him and as at this time to be born of a pure virgin: grant that we, being regenerate and made thy children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by thy Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit, now and for ever.

Post Communion
O God our Father, whose Word hath come among us in the Holy Child of Bethlehem: grant that the light of faith may illumine our hearts and shine in all our words and deeds; through him who is Christ the Lord.

The First Sunday of Christmas
Collect
Almighty God, who hast wonderfully created us in thine own image and hast yet more wonderfully restored us through thy Son Jesus Christ: grant that, as he came to share in our humanity, so we may share the life of his divinity; who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion
All praise to thee, almighty God and heavenly king, who hast sent thy Son into the world to take our nature upon him and to be born of a pure virgin: grant that, as we are born again in him, so he may continually dwell in us and reign on earth as he reigneth in heaven, now and for ever.

The Second Sunday of Christmas
Collect
Almighty God, who in the birth of thy Son hast poured upon us the new light of thine incarnate Word and revealed to us the fullness of thy love: help us so to walk in his light and dwell in his love that we may know the fullness of his joy; who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion
Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son shared at Nazareth the life of an earthly home: grant to thy Church grace to live as one family, united in love and obedience, and at the last bring us all to our home in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Collect
Almighty God, whose Word hath come among us in the Holy Child of Bethlehem: grant that the light of faith may illumine our hearts and shines in all our words and deeds; through him who is Christ the Lord.

Post Communion
All praise to thee, almighty God and heavenly king, who hast sent thy Son into the world to take our nature upon him and to be born of a pure virgin: grant that, as we are born again in him, so he may continually dwell in us and reign on earth as he reigneth in heaven, now and for ever.
**Epiphany**

6 January

**The Epiphany**  
Principal Feast  
Gold or White

**Collect**

O God,  
who by the leading of a star  
didst manifest thy only-begotten Son to the Gentiles:  
mercifully grant that we,  
who know thee now by faith,  
may after this life have the fruition of thy glorious Godhead;  
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,  
who liveth and reigneth with thee,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

O Lord our God,  
the bright splendour whom the nations seek:  
grant that we, who with the wise men  
have been drawn by thy light,  
may discern the glory of thy presence in thy Son,  
the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**The Baptism of Christ**  
The First Sunday of Epiphany  
Gold or White

**Collect**

Eternal Father,  
who at the baptism of Jesus  
didst reveal him to be thy Son,  
anointing him with the Holy Spirit:  
grant that we, being born again by water and the Spirit,  
that through us the light of thy glory  
may shine in all the world;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Post Communion**

O Lord of all time and eternity,  
who in the baptism of Jesus thy beloved Son  
didst open the heavens  
and didst reveal thyself as Father:  
by the power of thy Spirit  
make perfect the heavenly work of our rebirth  
through the waters of the new creation;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**The Second Sunday of Epiphany**  
White

**Collect**

Almighty God,  
who in Christ makest all things new:  
transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of thy grace,  
and in the renewal of our lives  
make known thy heavenly glory;  
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,  
who liveth and reigneth with thee,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

God of glory,  
as thou dost nourish us with thy Word  
who is the bread of life:  
fill us with thy Holy Spirit  
that through us the light of thy glory  
may shine in all the world;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
The Third Sunday of Epiphany

**Collect**

Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of thy saving presence: renew thy people with thy heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by thy mighty power; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

Gracious Lord, by whose mercy we have proclaimed in word and sacrament the mystery of thy love: help us so to live our lives that we may show forth thy wonders in the world; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

2 February  

The Presentation of Christ in the Temple

**Collect**

Almighty and ever-living God, we humbly beseech thy majesty, that, as thy only-begotten Son was this day presented in the Temple, in substance of our flesh, so we may be presented unto thee with pure and clean hearts, by thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

O Lord, who didst fulfil the hope of Simeon and Anna that they might live to greet the coming of the Messiah: grant that we, who have received these inexpressible gifts, may be prepared to meet Christ Jesus when he shall come to bring us to eternal life; for he liveth and reigneth, now and for ever.

The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

**Collect**

Almighty God, creator of all things, who in the beginning didst command the light to shine out of darkness: grant that the light of the glorious gospel of Christ may dispel the darkness of ignorance and unbelief, shine into the hearts of all thy people, and reveal the knowledge of thy glory in the face of Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

Almighty God, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world: grant that thy people, illumined by thy word and sacraments, may shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped and obeyed to the ends of the earth, who liveth and reigneth, now and for ever.
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 thy service:
strengthen us by thy Holy Spirit
and make us worthy of our calling;
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

O God of truth,
by whose grace we have seen with our eyes and touched with our hands the bread of life:
strengthen our faith
that we may grow in love for thee and for one another;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Fourth Sunday before Lent  Green

Collect

O God,
who knowest 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 thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Go before us, O Lord, in all our doings with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help, that in all our works begun, continued and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy name, and finally by thy mercy obtain everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
The Third Sunday before Lent  Green

Collect

O almighty God,
who alone canst order the unruly wills
and affections of the sinful:
grant unto thy people
that they may love the thing which thou commandest
and desire that which thou dost promise,
that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world,
our hearts may surely there be fixed
where true joys are to be found;
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

O holy God, we behold thy glory in the face of Jesus Christ:
grant that we who are partakers at his table
may reflect his life in word and deed,
that all the world may know his power to change and save;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Second Sunday before Lent  Green

Collect

Almighty God,
who hast created the heavens and the earth
and hast made us in thine own image:
teach us to discern thy hand in all thy works
and thy likeness in all thy children;
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

O holy God,
we behold thy glory in the face of Jesus Christ:
grant that we who are partakers at his table
may reflect his life in word and deed,
that all the world may know his power to change and save;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Sunday next before Lent  Green

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 liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

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 liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

O God our creator,
by whose gift
the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise,
and the bread of life at the heart of thy Church:
may we who have been nourished at thy table on earth
be transformed by the glory of the Saviour’s cross
and enjoy the delights of eternity;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Lent

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**Ash Wednesday**
Principal Holy Day
Purple or Lent Array

**Collect**

Almighty and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made and dost forgive the sins of all them that are penitent: create and make in us new and contrite hearts that we, worthy lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

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**Post Communion**

Almighty God, who hast given thine only Son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin and also an example of godly life: give us grace that we may always most thankfully receive that his inestimable benefit, and also daily endeavour ourselves to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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**The First Sunday of Lent**
Purple or Lent Array

**Collect**

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ did fast forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to thy Spirit; and, as thou knowest our weakness, so may we know thy power to save; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

O Lord our God, who hast renewed us with the living bread from heaven, and dost thereby nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: incline our hearts always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and give us grace to live by every word that proceedeth out of thy mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
The Second Sunday of Lent  Purple or Lent Array

Collect
Almighty God,
who showest to them that be in error the light of thy truth,
to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness:
grant unto all them that are admitted
into the fellowship of Christ's religion,
that they may eschew those things
that are contrary to their profession,
and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same;
through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion
Almighty God,
who seest that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves:
keep us both outwardly in our bodies,
and inwardly in our souls;
that we may be defended from all adversities
which may happen to the body,
and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 thy Son our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion
Lord, we beseech thee,
grant thy people grace to withstand the temptations
of the world, the flesh and the devil,
and with pure hearts and minds to follow thee, the only God;
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
O Lord, we beseech thee,
absolve thy people from their offences,
that through thy bountiful goodness
we may all be delivered from the bands of those sins
which by our frailty we have committed;
grant this, O heavenly Father,
for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion
Lord God,
whose blessed Son our Saviour
gave his back to the smiters
and hid not his face from shame:
give us grace to endure the sufferings of this present time
with sure confidence in the glory that shall be revealed;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Mothering Sunday

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

Collect

Merciful God, 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 lives that in joy and sorrow we may know the power of thy presence to bind together and to heal; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

God of love, who in this sacrament dost feed us with the food and drink of eternal life, even as a mother feedeth her children at the breast: mercifully grant that we who have tasted thy goodness may grow in grace within the household of faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Fifth Sunday of Lent

Passiontide begins

Collect

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ hast 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 thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Lord Jesus Christ, who hast taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for thee: give us the will to be the servant of others as thou wast the servant of all, who gavest up thy life and didst die for us, yet livest and reignest, now and for ever.
Palm Sunday  Red

Collect
Almighty and everlasting God,
who of thy tender love towards the world
hast sent thy 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 thy Son our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion
Lord Jesus Christ,
we thank thee that in this wonderful sacrament
thou hast given us a memorial of thy passion:
grant us so to reverence the sacred mysteries
of thy body and blood
that we may know within ourselves
and show forth in our lives
the fruits of thy redemption;
for thou livest and reignest, now and for ever.

Good Friday  Hangings removed: red for the liturgy

Collect
Almighty God,
we beseech thee graciously to behold this thy family
for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed
and given up into the hands of sinners
and to suffer death upon the cross;
who now liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Easter Eve  Hangings removed

Collect
Grant, O Lord,
that as we are baptized into the death of thy blessed Son
our Saviour Jesus Christ,
so by continually mortifying our corrupt affections
we may be buried with him;
and that through the grave and gate of death
we may pass to our joyful resurrection;
for his merits, who died and was buried and rose again for us,
thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Maundy Thursday  White

At Morning and Evening Prayer the Collect of Palm Sunday is used.
At Holy Communion this Collect is used.

Collect
God our Father,
who hast invited us to share in the supper
which thy Son hath given to his Church
that it may proclaim his death until he comes:
may he nourish us by his presence,
and unite us in his love;
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Collect

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

Post Communion

O living God,
whose Son made himself known to his disciples
in the breaking of the bread:
open the eyes of our faith,
that we may see him in all his redeeming work;
who liveth and reigneth, now and for ever.
The Fourth Sunday of Easter  

Collect

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

Post Communion

O merciful Father,
who gavest thy Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd,
and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again:
keep us ever under his protection,
and give us grace to follow in his steps;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Fifth Sunday of Easter  

Collect

Almighty God,
who through thine only-begotten Son Jesus Christ
hast overcome death and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life:
we humbly beseech thee that,
as by thy grace preceding us
thou dost put into our minds good desires,
so by thy continual help
we may bring the same to good effect;
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

O God our Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ doth give the water of eternal life:
may we ever thirst for thee,
the spring of life and fountain of goodness,
through him who liveth and reigneth, now and for ever.

The Sixth Sunday of Easter  

Collect

Eternal God,
whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth and the life:
grant us grace to walk in his way,
to rejoice in his truth,
and to share his risen life;
who liveth and reigneth, now and for ever.

Post Communion

This provision is not used on or after Ascension Day.

Collect

God our redeemer,
who hast delivered us from the power of darkness
and brought us into the kingdom of thy Son:
grant, that as by his death he hath recalled us to life,
so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy;
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Ascension Day**  
*Principal Feast*  
*Gold or White*

**Collect**

Grant, we beseech thee, almighty God,  
that like as we do believe thy only-begotten Son  
our Lord Jesus Christ  
to have ascended into the heavens;  
so we may also in heart and mind thither ascend  
and with him continually dwell,  
who liveth and reigneth with thee,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

O God our Father,  
who in Christ hast raised up our humanity  
and fed us with the bread of heaven:  
mercyfullly grant that, nourished with such spiritual blessings,  
we may set our hearts in the heavenly places;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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**The Seventh Sunday of Easter**  
*Sunday after Ascension Day*  
*White*

**Collect**

O God the King of glory,  
who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ  
with great triumph unto thy kingdom in heaven:  
we beseech thee, leave us not comfortless,  
but send to us thine Holy Spirit to comfort us  
and exalt us unto the same place  
whither our Saviour Christ is gone before;  
who liveth and reigneth with thee,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

O faithful God,  
who didst fulfil the promise of Easter  
by sending to us thy Holy Spirit  
and opening to every race and nation the way of eternal life:  
open our lips by the same Spirit,  
that every tongue may tell of thy glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
**Ordinary Time**

**The Weekdays after the Day of Pentecost**

*Green*

**Collect**

O Lord, from whom all good things do come:  
grant to us thy humble servants,  
that by thy holy inspiration  
we may think those things that be good  
and, by thy merciful guiding may perform the same;  
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,  
who liveth and reigneth with thee,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

Almighty and everlasting God,  
who hast given unto us thy 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:  
we beseech thee that thou wouldest keep us steadfast  
in this faith  
and evermore defend us from all adversities;  
who livest and reignest, one God, now and for ever.

**The Thursday after Trinity Sunday may be observed as**

*White*

**The Day of Thanksgiving for the Institution of Holy Communion**

(Corpus Christi)

**Collect**

O God of love,  
who in this sacrament  
dost make us one family in thy Son Jesus Christ,  
one in the sharing of his body and blood  
and one in the communion of his Spirit:  
help us so to grow in love for one another  
that we may come to the full maturity of the Body of Christ;  
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

**Post Communion**

All praise be to thee, our God and Father,  
for that thou hast fed us with the bread of heaven  
and hast quenched our thirst ...  
being grafted into Christ,  
may grow together in unity  
and be partakers of his heavenly feast;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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**Trinity Sunday**

*Gold or Principal Feast*  
*White*

**Collect**

Almighty and everlasting God,  
who hast given unto us thy 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:  
we beseech thee that thou wouldest keep us steadfast  
in this faith  
and evermore defend us from all adversities;  
who livest and reignest, one God, now and for ever.
The First Sunday after Trinity  Green

Collect

O God, the strength of all them that put their trust in thee, mercifully accept our prayers and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without thee, grant us the help of thy grace that, in keeping of thy commandments, we may please thee, both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

O loving Father, we thank thee for feeding us at the supper of thy Son: sustain us with thy Spirit that we, serving thee here on earth, may come at last to the fullness of thy joy in heaven and be partakers of thine eternal banquet with Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Second Sunday after Trinity  Green

Collect

O Lord, who hast taught us that all our doings without charity are nothing worth: send thy Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of charity, the very bond of peace and of all virtues without which whosoever liveth is counted dead before thee; grant this for thine only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining and whose power we cannot comprehend: show us thy glory as far as we can grasp it, and shield us from knowing more than we can bear until we may look upon thee without fear; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.
The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Collect

O God, who hast prepared for them that love thee such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love... Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Everlasting God, comforter to the afflicted and healer to the broken, who hast nourished us at the table of life and hope: teach us the ways of gentleness and peace that all the world may acknowledge the kingdom of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 thy faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve thee in holiness and truth, to the glory of thy name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

O God of our pilgrimage, who hast led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Collect

O God, who hast prepared for them that love thee such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love... Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Grant, O Lord, we beseech thee, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by thy governance that thy Church may joyfully serve thee in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion

O God, who hast prepared for them that love thee such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward thee... through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
The Seventh Sunday after Trinity  Green

Collect

Lord of all power and might,  
who art the author and giver of all good things:  
graft in our hearts the love of thy name,  
increase in us true religion,  
nourish us with all goodness,  
and of thy great mercy keep us in the same;  
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,  
who liveth and reigneth with thee,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Strengthen for service, Lord,  
the hands that have taken holy things;  
may the ears which have heard thy word  
be deaf to clamour and dispute;  
may the tongues which have sung thy praise be free from deceit;  
may the eyes which have seen the tokens of thy love  
shine with the light of hope;  
and may the bodies which have been fed with thy body  
be refreshed with the fullness of thy life;  
glory be to thee for ever.

The Eighth Sunday after Trinity  Green

Collect

O almighty Lord and everlasting God,  
vouchsafe, we beseech thee,  
to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies  
in the ways of thy laws and in the works of thy commandments,  
that through thy most mighty protection,  
both here and ever,  
we may be preserved in body and soul;  
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,  
who liveth and reigneth with thee,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Strengthen for service, Lord,  
the hands that have taken holy things;  
may the ears which have heard thy word  
be deaf to clamour and dispute;  
may the tongues which have sung thy praise be free from deceit;  
may the eyes which have seen the tokens of thy love  
shine with the light of hope;  
and may the bodies which have been fed with thy body  
be refreshed with the fullness of thy life;  
glory be to thee for ever.

The Ninth Sunday after Trinity  Green

Collect

Almighty God,  
who didst send thy Holy Spirit  
to be the life and light of thy Church:  
open our hearts to the riches of thy grace,  
that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit  
in love and joy and peace;  
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,  
who liveth and reigneth with thee,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Holy Father,  
who didst gather us around the table of thy Son  
that we, with all thy household,  
might partake of this holy food:  
in that new world wherein the fullness of thy peace is revealed,  
gather people of every race and tongue  
to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord.
The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Collect

Let thy merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of thy humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please thee; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Merciful Lord, whose faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice which taketh away our sins and bringeth pardon and peace: by our communion establish us on the foundation of the gospel and preserve us from all sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, who art always more ready to hear than we to pray, and art wont to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of thy mercy, forgiving us those things whereof 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 thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

God of our pilgrimage, who hast willed that the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in thee: look upon us with thy favour that we, following in the path of thy will, may never wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Collect

O God, who declarest thy almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant unto us such a measure of thy grace that we, running the way of thy commandments, may obtain thy gracious promises and be made partakers of thy heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Merciful God, who in this holy sacrament hast put away our sins and given us thy healing; grant that as we are made whole in Christ, so we may bring thy healing to this broken world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
**The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity**

*Collect*

Almighty God,
who hast called thy Church to witness
that thou wast in Christ reconciling the world to thyself:
help us so to proclaim the good news of thy love
that all who hear it may be drawn unto thee;
through him who was lifted up on the cross,
and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

*Post Communion*

O God our creator,
who dost feed thy children with the true manna
which is the living bread from heaven:
grant that, by this holy food,
we may be sustained through our earthly pilgrimage
until we come to that place
where hunger and thirst shall be no more;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity**

*Collect*

Almighty God,
whose only Son hath opened for us
a new and living way into thy presence:
grant that, with pure hearts and constant wills,
we may worship thee in spirit and in truth;
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

*Post Communion*

Keep, we beseech thee, O Lord,
thy Church with thy perpetual mercy;
and, because our human frailty without thee cannot but fall,
keep us ever by thy help from all things hurtful
and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity**

*Collect*

O Lord God,
who art the source of all truth and love,
keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship,
united in prayer and in the breaking of bread,
and one in joy and simplicity of heart,
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Post Communion*

God, who of thy generous mercy didst send the Holy Spirit
upon thy Church in the burning fire of thy love:
grant that thy people may be fervent
in the fellowship of the gospel
that, ever abiding in thee,
they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service;
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

**Collect**

O Lord,
we beseech thee mercifully to receive the prayers
of thy people which call upon thee;
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 the same;
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

Almighty God,
who hast taught us through thy Son
that love is the fulfilling of the law:
grant that we may love thee with our whole heart
and our neighbours as ourselves;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

**Collect**

Almighty God,
thou hast made us for thyself
and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in thee:
pour thy love into our hearts and draw us to thyself,
and so bring us at the last to thy heavenly city
where we shall see thee face to face;
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

We give thee praise and thanks, Lord Jesus Christ,
for this sacred feast:
for here we receive thee,
here the memory of thy passion is renewed,
here our minds are filled with grace,
and here we are given a pledge of the glory to come,
when we shall feast at that table where thou reignest
with all thy saints for ever.

The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

**Collect**

Lord, we pray thee that thy grace
may always precede and follow us,
and make us continually to be given to all good works;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Post Communion**

Almighty and everlasting God,
increase in us thy gift of faith
that, forsaking that which is behind
and reaching out to that which is before,
we may run the way of thy commandments
and win the crown of everlasting joy;
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

Collect

O God, forasmuch as without thee we are not able to please thee; mercifully grant, that thy Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Holy and blessed God, who dost vouchsafe to feed us with the body and blood of thy Son and hast filled us with thy Holy Spirit: grant that we may honour thee not only with our lips but in lives dedicated to the service of Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

Collect

O God, giver of life, whose Holy Spirit welleth up within thy Church: fill us with the gifts of that same Spirit to live the gospel of Christ, and make us ready to do thy will, that we may share with all thy whole creation the joys of eternal life; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Father of light, in whom is no change or shadow of turning, who dost give us every good and perfect gift and hast brought us to birth by thy word of truth: grant that we may be a living sign of that kingdom where thy whole creation will be made perfect in Jesus Christ our Lord.

If there are twenty-three Sundays after Trinity, the provision for the Third Sunday before Lent (page 462) is used on the Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity.
The Last Sunday after Trinity  Green

**Collect**

Blessed Lord,
who hast caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning:
grant that we may in such wise hear them,
read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them,
that by patience and comfort of thy holy word,
we may embrace and ever hold fast
the blessed hope of everlasting life,
which thou hast given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

Most gracious God,
whose Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry
with the bread of his life
and the word of his kingdom:
renew thy people with thy heavenly grace
and in all our weakness
sustain us by thy true and living bread;
who liveth and reigneth, now and for ever.

I November  

**All Saints’ Day**  Gold or White

**Collect**

O almighty God,
who hast knit together thine elect
in one communion and fellowship
in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord:
grant us grace so to follow thy blessed saints
in all virtuous and godly living
that we may come to those inexpressible joys
which thou hast prepared for them that unfeignedly love thee;
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

O Lord of heaven,
who in this sacrament hast brought us near
to an innumerable company of angels
and to the spirits of the saints made perfect:
grant that, as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage
we have shared their fellowship,
so we may come to share their heavenly joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
The Third Sunday before Advent  Red or Green

Collect

Almighty Father,
whose will is to restore all things
in thy 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 livest and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

O God of peace,
whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom
and restored the broken to wholeness of life:
look with compassion upon the anguish of the world
and, by thy healing power,
make whole both people and nations;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

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

The Second Sunday before Advent  Red or Green

Collect

O God,
whose blessed Son was manifested
that he might destroy the works of the devil
and make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life:
grant us, we beseech thee, that, having this hope,
we may purify ourselves, even as he is pure,
that when he shall appear again with power and great glory
we may be made like unto him in his eternal and glorious kingdom;
where with thee, O Father, and thee, O Holy Spirit,
he livest and reigneth, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Gracious Lord,
who in this holy sacrament
dost give substance to our hope:
bring us at the last
to that fullness of life for which we long;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

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

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 liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Stir up, we beseech thee, O Lord,
the wills of thy faithful people;
that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works,
may of thee be plenteously rewarded;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

This Post Communion may be used as the Collect at Morning and Evening Prayer during this week.

The Naming and Circumcision of Jesus
1 January

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 liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Almighty and everlasting God,
whose incarnate Son was given the Name of Saviour:
grant that we who have shared
in this sacrament of our salvation
may live out our lives in this world
in the power of the Name that is above every name,
Jesus Christ our Lord.
25 January  
**The Conversion of Paul**  
White

**Collect**

O God, who through the preaching of the blessed apostle Saint Paul, hast caused the light of the gospel to shine throughout the world: grant, we beseech thee, that we, having his wonderful conversion in remembrance, may show forth our thankfulness unto thee for the same, by following the holy doctrine which he taught; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**  
**of Apostles and Evangelists**

Almighty God, who on the day of Pentecost didst send thy Holy Spirit to the apostles with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame, filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel: by the power of the same Spirit strengthen us to bear witness to thy truth and to draw everyone to the fire of thy love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(or)

O Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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19 March  
**Joseph of Nazareth**  
White

**Collect**

O God our Father, who from the house of thy servant David didst raise up Joseph the carpenter to be the guardian of thine incarnate Son and husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary: give us grace to follow him in faithful obedience to thy commands; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

Heavenly Father, whose Son grew in wisdom and stature in the home of Joseph the carpenter in Nazareth and on the wood of the cross perfected the work of the world’s salvation: grant us, strengthened by this sacrament of his passion, to count the wisdom of this world as foolishness, and to walk with him in simplicity and faith; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord.
25 March  The Annunciation of Our Lord  Gold or White  

**Collect**

We beseech thee, O Lord,  
pour thy grace into our hearts;  
that, as we have known the incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ  
by the message of an angel,  
so by his cross and passion  
we may be brought unto the glory of his resurrection;  
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,  
who liveth and reigneth with thee,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

O God most high,  
whose handmaid bore the Word made flesh:  
we give thee thanks that in this sacrament of our redemption  
thou dost visit us with thy Holy Spirit  
and dost overshadow us by thy power;  
strengthen us to walk with Mary the joyful path of obedience  
and so to bring forth the fruits of holiness;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

23 April  George  Red  
Martyr; Patron of England, c.304

**Collect**

O God of hosts,  
who didst so kindle the flame of love  
in the heart of thy servant George  
that he bore witness to the risen Lord  
by his life and by his death:  
grant 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 thy Son our Lord,  
who liveth and reigneth with thee,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

O eternal God,  
who hast given us this holy meal  
in which we have celebrated the glory of the cross  
and the victory of thy martyr George:  
by our communion with Christ  
in his saving death and resurrection,  
grant us with all thy saints the courage to overcome evil  
and so to partake of the fruit of the tree of life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(or)

O God our redeemer,  
whose Church was strengthened  
by the blood of thy martyr George:  
so bind us, in life and in death,  
to the sacrifice of Christ  
that, our lives being broken and offered with his,  
we may carry his death  
and proclaim his resurrection in the world;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Collect

Almighty God, who into the place of the traitor Judas didst choose thy faithful servant Matthias to be of the number of the twelve apostles: grant that thy Church, being alway preserved from false apostles, may be ordered and guided by faithful and true pastors; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

One of the Post Communions of Apostles and Evangelists is used (page 500).
Post Communion

O gracious God, who gavest to Elizabeth and Mary joy in recognizing the signs of redemption at work within them: grant us, who have shared in the joy of this communion, knowledge of the Lord deep within us, and of his love shining forth in our lives, that the world may rejoice in thy salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

11 June Barnabas Red Apostle

Collect

O God, the giver of all good gifts, who didst pour out thy Spirit upon thy servant Barnabas and gavest him grace to strengthen others: grant us, by his example, to be generous in our judgements and faithful in our service; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

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24 June The Birth of John the Baptist White

Collect

Almighty God, by whose providence thy servant John Baptist was wonderfully born, and sent to prepare the way of thy Son our Saviour, by preaching of repentance: make us so to follow his doctrine and holy life, that we may truly repent according to his preaching and, after his example, constantly speak the truth, boldly rebuke vice and patiently suffer for the truth’s sake; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

O merciful Lord, whose prophet John the Baptist proclaimed thy Son to be the Lamb of God who taketh away the sin of the world: grant that we, who in this sacrament have known thy pardon and thy life-giving love, may ever tell of thy mercy and thy peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
29 June

**Peter and Paul**

**Red**

**Apostles**

**Collect**

Almighty God, whose blessed apostles Peter and Paul glorified thee in their death as in their life: grant that thy Church, inspired by their teaching and example, and made one by thy Spirit, may ever stand firm on the one foundation which is thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*or, where Peter is celebrated alone*

Almighty God, who didst inspire thy apostle Saint Peter to confess Jesus as Christ and Son of the living God: build up thy Church upon this rock, that in unity and peace it may proclaim one truth and follow one Lord, thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

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3 July

**Thomas**

**Red**

**Apostle**

**Collect**

Almighty and eternal God, who, for the greater confirmation of the faith, didst allow thy holy apostle Thomas to doubt the resurrection of thy 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 liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

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22 July

**Mary Magdalene**

**White**

**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 us our sins, we beseech thee, and heal us by thy grace, that we may serve thee in the power of his risen life; who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Collects and Post Communions (Traditional)

6 August  The Transfiguration of Our Lord  Gold or White

Collect

Heavenly Father, whose Son Jesus Christ was wonderfully transfigured before chosen witnesses upon the holy mountain, and spoke of the exodus he would accomplish at Jerusalem: grant us strength so to hear his voice and bear our cross that in the world to come we may behold him as he is; who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Almighty God, from whom all life and love proceed, whose risen Son called Mary Magdalene by her name, sending her to tell his apostles of his resurrection: we pray thee in thy mercy to assist us, who have been united with him in this holy communion, to proclaim the good news that he liveth and reigneth, now and for ever.

25 July  James  Red

Apostle

Collect

Grant, O merciful God, that as thine holy apostle Saint James, leaving his father and all that he had, without delay was obedient unto the calling of thy Son Jesus Christ, and followed him: so we, forsaking all worldly and carnal affections, may be evermore ready to follow thy holy commandments; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

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15 August  The Blessed Virgin Mary  White

Collect

O holy God, we behold thy glory in the face of Jesus Christ: grant that we who are partakers at his table may reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
**Post Communion**

O God most high, 
whose handmaid bore the Word made flesh: 
we give thee thanks that in this sacrament of our redemption 
thou dost visit us with thy Holy Spirit 
and dost overshadow us with thy power; 
strengthen us to walk with Mary in the joyful path of obedience, 
that we may bring forth the fruits of holiness; 
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Bartholomew**

**Collect**

O almighty and everlasting God, 
who didst give to thine apostle Bartholomew grace 
truly to believe and to preach thy word: 
grant, we beseech thee, unto thy Church, 
to love that word which he believed, 
and both to preach and receive the same; 
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, 
who liveth and reigneth with thee, 
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, 
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

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**21 September**

**Matthew**

**Collect**

O almighty God, 
who by thy blessed Son 
didst call Matthew from the receipt of custom 
to be an apostle and evangelist: 
grant us grace to forsake all covetous desires 
and inordinate love of riches, 
and to follow the same thy Son Jesus Christ, 
who liveth and reigneth with thee, 
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, 
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

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18 October  Luke Evangelist

Collect

Almighty God, who calledst Luke the physician, whose praise is in the gospel, to be an evangelist and physician of the soul: may it please thee that, by the wholesome medicines of the doctrine delivered by him, all the diseases of our souls may be healed; through the merits of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

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28 October  Simon and Jude Apostles

Collect

O almighty God, who hast built thy Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the head cornerstone: grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made an holy temple acceptable unto thee; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

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30 November

**Andrew**

Apostle

**Collect**

Almighty God,
who didst give such grace unto thy apostle Saint Andrew
that he readily obeyed the calling of thy Son Jesus Christ
and followed him without delay:
grant unto us all that we, being called by thy holy word,
may forthwith give up ourselves obediently
to fulfil thy holy commandments;
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

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26 December

**Stephen**

Deacon, First Martyr

**Collect**

Gracious Father,
who gavest to 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,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

Merciful Lord,
we give thee thanks for the signs of thy mercy
revealed in birth and death:
save us, we beseech thee, by the coming of thy Son,
and grant us joy in honouring Stephen,
first martyr of the new Israel;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
27 December  
John White  
Apostle and Evangelist

**Collect**

Merciful Lord,  
we beseech thee to cast thy bright beams of light upon thy Church,  
that it being enlightened by the doctrine  
of thy blessed apostle and evangelist Saint John  
may so walk in the light of thy truth,  
that it may at length attain to the light of everlasting life;  
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,  
who liveth and reigneth with thee,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

Grant, O Lord God, we beseech thee,  
that the Word made flesh  
proclaimed by thine apostle John  
may, by the celebration of these holy mysteries,  
ever abide and live within us;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

28 December  
The Holy Innocents Red

**Collect**

Heavenly Father,  
whose children suffered at the hands of Herod,  
though they had done no wrong:  
by the suffering of thy Son  
and by the innocence of our lives  
frustrate, we beseech thee, all evil designs  
and establish thy reign of justice and peace;  
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,  
who liveth and reigneth with thee,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Post Communion**

Lord Jesus Christ,  
who in thy humility stooped to share our human life  
even with the most defenceless of thy children:  
grant that we who have received these gifts of thy passion  
may rejoice in celebrating the witness of the Holy Innocents  
to the purity of thy sacrifice  
made once for all upon the cross;  
for thou livest and reignest, now and for ever.
Dedication Festival

Gold or White

Collect

Almighty God,
to whose glory we celebrate the dedication
of this house of prayer:
we praise thee for the many blessings
thou hast given to those who worship thee here:
and we pray that all who seek thee in this place
may find thee,
and, being filled with the Holy Spirit,
may become a living temple acceptable to thee;
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Father in heaven,
whose Church on earth is a sign of thy heavenly peace,
an image of the new and eternal Jerusalem:
grant to us in the days of our pilgrimage
that, fed with the living bread of heaven,
and united in the body of thy Son,
we may be the temple of thy presence,
the place of thy glory on earth,
and a sign of thy peace in the world;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Harvest Thanksgiving

Green

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.

Collect

O eternal God,
who crownest the year with thy goodness
and dost give us the fruits of the earth in their season:
give us grace that we may use them to thy glory,
for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being;
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

Lord of the harvest,
as with joy we have offered our thanksgiving
for thy love shown in creation
and have shared in the bread and the wine of the kingdom:
so by thy grace plant within us
a reverence for all that thou hast given us
and make us generous and wise stewards
of those good things which we enjoy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
A Table of Collects and Post Communions taken from The Book of Common Prayer

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