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**N.B.** If there be daily service in the church, the following verse may be said before the Doxology, in Hymns III. IX. XXII. XXXI. XXXII.:

And now we haste, with cheerful feet,  
Together in the church to meet ;  
And praise our GOD, the King of kings,  
Who only doeth wondrous things.

And the following, in Hymns V. XIII. XXIV. XXV. XXVIII. XXXIII.:

And now we haste, with thankful feet,  
To seek our SAVIOUR'S FACE ;  
And in the holy church to meet,  
His chosen dwelling-place.

## HYMNS FOR EVERY WEEK.

### Sunday, the First Day of the Week :

On which GOD created the light; on which our SAVIOUR rose from the dead; and on which the HOLY SPIRIT came down.—Genesis. i. 3; S. Matthew xxviii. 1; Acts ii. 1.

#### I. MORNING.

- 1 To-DAY the LORD's first work we praise;  
To-day is first and best of days;  
When darkness o'er the earth was spread,  
GOD made the light, and darkness fled.
- 2 He made the colours that we see  
In every plant, in every tree;  
The fields so green, the sky so blue,  
The beauty of the rainbow too.
- 3 That work was great beyond our thought;  
But greater things to-day He wrought,  
When CHRIST, the Very Light of men,  
Who died for sinners, rose again.
- 4 To-day He rose, that He might save  
His faithful people from the grave;  
To-day the HOLY GHOST He sent  
From that bright place to which He went.
- 5 So with His Church we seek His face,  
And worship in His Holy Place;  
And hear His Priest, and join in prayer  
With those that meet together there.

- 6 He bids us all His face to seek ;  
 He calls His lambs, though young and weak ;  
 And when He came on earth, He blest  
 The little children on His breast.
- 7 So every morn and evening, well  
 We love to hear the sweet church-bell ;  
 For He hath said, where two or three  
 Meet in His name, that there is He.
- 8 Praise GOD, from Whom all blessings flow  
 Praise Him, all creatures here below ;  
 Praise Him above, ye Heavenly Host ;  
 Praise FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST!

## II. EVENING.

S. John xx. 19.

- 1 THE Apostles were assembled,  
 Fearing all their hopes were vain ;  
 For their LORD they wept, and trembled  
 Lest He should not rise again ;  
 And the doors were shut around them,  
 And they hardly dared to speak :  
 So it was their SAVIOUR found them  
 On the first day of the week.
- 2 He is sometimes just as nigh us  
 When our hearts are far away ;  
 And ALMIGHTY GOD was by us  
 When we knelt in church to-day :  
 There to mark whose thoughts might wander ;  
 There who pray'd indeed to see ;  
 Watching us with love much fonder  
 Than our mother's love can be.
- 3 SAVIOUR, if Thou had'st despised us,  
 Thou wouldst not have made us Thine,  
 When Thy faithful Priest baptised us,  
 When he sign'd us with Thy sign :

- And when all was finish'd duly,  
 We received another birth,  
 And became the members truly  
 Of Thy holy Church on earth.
- 4 Yet the devil will deceive us,  
 If he have us at his will ;  
 We shall perish if Thou leave us ;  
 Having loved us, love us still :  
 FATHER, SON, and SPIRIT, take us  
 To Thy mercy and Thy love ;  
 Lead us onward, till Thou make us  
 Members of Thy Church above !
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### Monday, the Second Day :

On which God made the firmament.—Genesis i. 6. 7. 8.

#### III. MORNING.

- 1 I LOVE to look at yon blue sky,  
 And think Who spread it out on high :  
 The God Whom heaven and earth obey  
 Created it the second day.
- 2 But far beyond the sky I see,  
 A Dwelling is prepared for me ;  
 For me and all that watch and pray,  
 And walk in GOD ALMIGHTY'S way.
- 3 I have not seen that world so fair ;  
 I know not what bright things are there ;  
 But this I know, that better far  
 Than I can think, its pleasures are.
- 4 Though many troubles I must meet,  
 And many snares are round my feet,  
 And trusting in myself at all  
 To keep Thy laws, I soon must fall,

- 5 Yet, LORD, I am not left alone ;  
I am baptised, and made Thine own ;  
And Thou, Who wilt not have me die,  
Wilt help me, if I only try.
- 6 Oh, give me grace, that so I may  
Try every hour, and every day ;  
And having strength Thy law to do,  
May have the will to keep it too.
- see 6.2 } 7 Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow ;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below ;  
Praise Him above, ye Heavenly Host ;  
Praise FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST !

## IV. EVENING.

Romans vi. 3.

- 1 How can I, who have once been baptised, ever say,  
“ I will do my own will, or will go my own way ! ”  
My heart, when it thinks so, gives evil advice ;  
For I am not my own—I am bought with a price.
- 2 I have promised already, (or, what is the same,  
My godfathers promised it once in my name)  
I have promised already that I will obey  
The SAVIOUR'S commandments, and walk in His  
way.
- 3 I have promised already, that I will receive  
The faith which His Holy Church bids me believe,  
And fight under CHRIST, to the end of my days,  
With the world and the devil, their works and  
their ways.
- 4 My godfathers promis'd, till I should be grown ;  
Their vow was accepted instead of my own :  
I shall say for myself all the words that they said,  
When the hands of the Bishop are laid on my head.

- 5 Since none can be holy except by GOD's grace,  
 And since the unholy shall ne'er see His face ;  
 I must go to my SAVIOUR, and earnestly pray  
 For the grace of His SPIRIT to guide me alway.

### Tuesday, the Third Day :

On which God made the trees and flowers.—Genesis l. 11, 13;  
 1 Corinthians xv. 42.

#### V. MORNING.

- 1 THE grass so green, the trees so tall,  
 And every little flower,  
 Were made the third day, one and all,  
 By GOD's Almighty power.
- 2 And when their tender leaves begin  
 To wither and decay,  
 He makes the little seed within  
 As beautiful as they.
- 3 In spring the sower gladly goes  
 To cast abroad his grain ;  
 For though it seems to die, he knows  
 That it shall live again.
- 4 And so our bodies, when we die,  
 Are buried in the ground ;  
 And in the churchyard they must lie  
 Until the trumpet sound.
- 5 But He Who rose and left the tomb  
 Shall raise us also then,  
 When in His glory He shall come  
 To judge the sons of men.
- 6 O SAVIOUR, teach me so to spend  
 The time while I am here,  
 That I may meet Thee at the end  
 With joy, and not with fear !

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- 7 To GOD the FATHER, GOD the SON,  
And GOD the HOLY GHOST,  
By men on earth be honour done,  
And by the Heavenly Host.

## VI. EVENING.

Psalm cxlvi. 2; 8. Matthew vii. 19.

- 1 ALL Thy works, O heavenly FATHER,  
What Thou biddest them, fulfil:  
Shall not I, Thy child, much rather  
Sing Thy praise, and do Thy will?  
Hitherto Thy Hand hath led me,  
And hath brought me on my way;  
Thou hast clothed me, Thou hast fed me,  
Thou hast blest me every day.
- 2 LORD, it is Thy loving-kindness  
That Thy Gospel I have known;  
Else I might have sat in blindness,  
Bowing down to wood and stone.  
To Thy Font my parents brought me  
Ere Thy tender love I knew;  
And Thy Priest has warn'd and taught me  
What to flee, and what to do.
- 3 Since my time is like an arrow,  
Hast'ning on without delay;  
And Thy gate is strait, and narrow,  
Very narrow is Thy way;  
Thou, Who gav'st Thy SON to save me,  
Send Thy HOLY SPIRIT down;  
Make me do as Thou wouldst have me,  
Make me more and more Thine own!

**Wednesday, the Fourth Day:**

On which GOD made the sun, moon, and stars; and on which our SAVIOUR was betrayed.—Genesis i. 16; Psalm xix. 1, 2; S. Matthew xxvi. 47.

## VII. MORNING.

- 1 ALMIGHTY GOD, Thy wisdom made  
The earth, and its foundations laid;  
And on the fourth day form'd great lights,  
The sun for days, the moon for nights.
- 2 No voice Thou gav'st them; yet they sing  
The power and glory of their KING;  
For night by night, and day by day,  
Who tells Thy praise so well as they?
- 3 The sun comes out, rejoicing still  
To run his course, and do Thy will;  
The moon and stars their seasons keep,  
And shine above us while we sleep.
- 4 Like theirs, my FATHER, day and night  
Thy will shall be my chief delight;  
And I will always keep in thought  
Not what I *like*, but what I *ought*.
- [5 My blessed SAVIOUR left His throne  
To work our good, and not His own;  
By wicked men to death betray'd,  
The men whom He Himself had made.
- 6 We therefore haste, with thankful feet,  
Together in the church to meet;  
And thank Him for the love which gave  
His precious BLOOD our souls to save.]
- 7 Praise GOD, from Whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye Heavenly Host;  
Praise FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST!



*Or, if there be no service, instead of verses 5 and 6,  
the following:—*

- 5 That when my time draws near to go,  
And I must leave this world below,  
My home may be the land afar,  
That hath no need of moon or star:
- 6 For daylight there is never o'er;  
For there the sun goes down no more;  
And every heart and face is bright,  
And shines with everlasting light.

### VIII. EVENING.

*Genesis iii. 1; Acts v. 9, 10.*

- 1 **WHENE'ER** I read of that sad night  
The **SAVIOUR** was betray'd for me,  
I think, in **GOD ALMIGHTY'S** sight  
How grievous every sin must be!
- 2 I will not say, nor hear, nor touch  
Whate'er may hurt my soul within;  
Nor think it cannot matter much,  
Because it is a little sin.
- 3 A hasty thought, a little deed,  
A word we would not speak again,  
To greatest sin and grief may lead,  
And make repentance all in vain.
- 4 Sapphira thought the sin but small  
To say the words her husband said:  
They told the truth, but told not all;  
And yet for that **GOD** struck them dead.
- 5 As little strokes will fell a tree,  
So little sins destroy a soul;  
O blessed **LORD**, I come to Thee  
From little sins to make me whole!

- 6 To GOD the FATHER, GOD the SON,  
 And GOD the SPIRIT, One in THREE,  
 By men below be honour done,  
 And Saints from sin and pain set free.
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### Thursday, the Fifth Day :

On which GOD made the birds and fishes ; on which our SAVIOUR first appointed the Holy Communion ; and on which He ascended into heaven.—Genesis i. 20 ; S. Matthew vi. 26, 28 ; Psalm c.v. 27-29 ; S. Luke xxii. 19, 20.

### IX. MORNING.

- 1 O GOD, Who mad'st the earth and sea,  
 The fifth day's work is full of Thee ;  
 To fish that swim and fowl that fly  
 Thou saidst, Increase and multiply :
- 2 The living creatures, great and small,  
 In wisdom hast Thou made them all :  
 Thy hands at first their being give ;  
 In Thee they move, by Thee they live.
- 3 They look to Thee, and they are fed ;  
 Thou sendest them their daily bread ;  
 Thine ear is open when they cry ;  
 And when Thou tak'st their breath, they die.
- 4 Thou makest stormy winds to blow ;  
 Thou sendest in the winter snow ;  
 Thine is the sun, and Thine the showers,  
 That clothe our fields with summer flowers.
- 5 If, SAVIOUR, thus Thy hands array  
 The flow'rs which only live a day,  
 And feed all creatures from Thy store,  
 Wilt Thou not care for us much more ?

- 6 Thy people Thou wilt clothe and feed,  
 And send them all things that they need ;  
 And give their souls that heavenly food,  
 Thy precious FLESH, Thy precious BLOOD.
- 7 Praise GOD, from Whom all blessings flow ;  
 Praise Him, all creatures here below ;  
 Praise Him above, ye Heavenly Host ;  
 Praise FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST !

## X. EVENING.

Acts i. 9 ; S. Matthew vii. 7 ; Psalm xxiii. 6

- 1 THOU art gone up, O LORD, on high,  
 And reignest on Thy throne ;  
 And yet Thy help is just as nigh  
 To those that are Thine own.
- 2 For though we cannot see Thy power,  
 As when Thou wert on earth,  
 Thy love hath kept us every hour,  
 Up from our very birth.
- 3 And still Thy righteous eyes behold  
 Each action, good or ill ;  
 And us, the weak ones of Thy Fold,  
 Thou gently leadest still.
- 4 And still Thy gracious word is true,  
 Which we will bear in mind,—  
 “ Ask, and it shall be given you ;”  
 And “ seek, and ye shall find.”
- 5 Surely Thy mercy and Thy love  
 Will lead us all our days ;  
 And in Thy glorious house above  
 We hope to sing Thy praise.
- 6 To GOD the FATHER, GOD the SON,  
 And GOD the HOLY GHOST,  
 By men on earth be honour done,  
 And by the Heavenly Host.

**Friday, the Sixth Day:**

On which GOD made man; and on which the SAVIOUR was crucified.  
—Genesis i. 27; Philippians ii. 5-9; Isaiah liii. 3.

**XI. MORNING.**

- 1 THE earth and all its works stood fast,  
And GOD had made each soul;  
His sixth day's work was man, the last  
And greatest of the whole.
- 2 He knew not sin, he knew not death,  
When first on earth he stood:  
GOD'S SPIRIT gave him living breath,  
And he was "very good."
- 3 To-day the wonders we will shew,  
O SAVIOUR, of the love  
Which brought Thee down to die below.  
That we might live above!
- 4 The love, for which the sons of men  
At JESU'S Name shall bow;  
"Despised and rejected" then,  
But crown'd with glory now.
- [5 The love, for which to-day we go  
To bow before Thy throne;  
And all Thy Holy Church below  
Proclaims Thee GOD alone.]\*
- 6 Oh, when my heart would think it sweet  
To seek the evil way;  
Or ill advice would lead my feet  
From Thy commands to stray;
- 7 Teach me to take in peace whate'er  
Ungodly men may do;  
And all their angry words to bear,  
By keeping Thee in view.

\* This verse must be omitted, if there is no Friday-service.

- 8 **LORD**, Thou didst once despise Thy lot  
Of shame and scorn for me ;  
*And GOD forbid that I should not  
Despise the shame for Thee !\**
- 9 To **GOD** the **FATHER**, **GOD** the **SON**,  
And **GOD** the **HOLY GHOST**,  
By men on earth be honour done,  
And by the Heavenly Host.

## XII. EVENING.

8. Matthew x. 18.

- 1 **THOU** didst not, **SAVIOUR**, rise again  
Till Thou hadst meekly borne  
The cruelty of wicked men,  
And bitter pain and scorn.
- 2 Thy Saints were called in former days  
To suffer for Thy Name ;  
And we, in thousand thousand ways,  
Must learn to do the same.
- 3 To put our angry feelings down,  
When they are rising high ;  
The truth, and all the truth, to own,  
Though we are hurt thereby ;
- 4 To yield our will to others' will,  
Our way to others' way ;—  
'Tis hard, but we must do it still,  
Both now and every day.
- 5 Thy servants, blessed **SAVIOUR**, teach  
Their wishes to deny ;  
Or we can never hope to reach  
Thy throne beyond the sky.

\* These words were spoken by a Blessed Servant of **JESUS CH RIST** just before his Martyrdom.

- 6 To GOD the FATHER, GOD the SON,  
And GOD the HOLY GHOST,  
By men on earth be honour done,  
And by the Heavenly Host.
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### Saturday, the Seventh Day :

On which GOD rested from all His works ; and on which the SAVIOUR rested in the grave.—Genesis ii. 2 ; S. Luke xxiii. 56 ; Romans vii. 4.

#### XIII. MORNING.

- 1 ALMIGHTY GOD, Thy glorious name  
For ever shall be blest,  
Who in six days the world didst frame,  
And on the seventh rest :
- 2 But yet, O LORD, we praise Thee more  
Because, when Adam fell,  
Thou didst not give his children o'er,  
As they deserved, to hell ;
- 3 But foundest out a Way whereby  
Our sins may be forgiven ;  
And though our bodies still must die,  
Our souls may live in heaven.
- 4 The infants whom Thy Priests baptise  
Lose Adam's guilty stain :  
Their hearts Thy SPIRIT purifies,  
And they are born again.
- 5 But though Thou giv'st Thy servants might  
Thy holy will to do,  
Yet with the devil we must fight,  
If we would conquer too.
- 6 If now we watch, and now we pray,  
And mourn for what is past,  
And walk in Thy most holy way,  
'Twill lead to heaven at last ;

- 7 But if in these our early years  
 In wickedness we fall,  
 There will be need of bitter tears,  
 If we are saved at all.
- 8 To GOD the FATHER, GOD the SON,  
 And GOD the HOLY GHOST,  
 By men on earth be honour done,  
 And by the Heavenly Host.

## XIV. EVENING.

1 Thess. iv. 13; Rev. xxi. 4.

- 1 GOD hath two families of love,  
 In earth below, and heaven above :  
 One is in battle, sharp and sore ;  
 And one is happy evermore.
- 2 The holy Church on earth must fight  
 Against the devil and his might ;  
 The Church in heaven with war hath done ;  
 And yet the two are only one.
- 3 For they who loved their SAVIOUR here,  
 And died in GOD'S true faith and fear,  
 Have join'd the glorious Church on high,  
 And reign with it beyond the sky.
- 4 We thank Thee, SAVIOUR, for the grace  
 By which they reach'd that blessed place ;  
 By which they dwell in endless day,  
 And sin and sorrow flee away :
- 5 In Thee, with all Thy Saints, they rest,  
 And never more can be distress ;  
 Oh, teach us so to live, that we  
 May follow them, as they did Thee ;
- 6 To think on all their faith and love,  
 Until Thou callest us above,  
 To see Thee as Thou art, and bow  
 Before Thy throne, as they do now.

- 7 Praise GOD, from Whom all blessings flow ;  
 Praise Him, all creatures here below ;  
 Praise Him above, ye Heavenly Host ;  
 Praise FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST !

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## HYMNS FOR EVERY DAY.

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### *Nine o'clock in the Morning,*

CALLED IN SCRIPTURE THE THIRD HOUR.

The hour that the HOLY GHOST came down ; and at which our  
 SAVIOUR was condemned.—Acts ii. 1-15.

#### XV.

- 1 O GOD of Love and Power,  
 Behold us drawing near,  
 And choosing Thine appointed hour  
 To worship in Thy fear.
- 2 The very hour of old  
 Wherein Thy SPIRIT came  
 Upon the Apostles of Thy Fold,  
 Like cloven tongues of flame.
- 3 O gracious LORD, do Thou  
 That HOLY SPIRIT send,  
 To dwell with us and guide us now,  
 And teach us to the end.
- 4 From men below the skies,  
 And all the Heavenly Host,  
 To GOD the FATHER praise arise,  
 The SON and HOLY GHOST.



**Twelve o'clock,****CALLED IN SCRIPTURE THE SIXTH HOUR**

The time that our SAVIOUR was crucified.—S. John xix. 14 ;  
S. Matthew xxvii. 45.

**XVI.**

- 1 WE seek Thee, SAVIOUR, now,  
By many foes assail'd,  
The very hour that Thou  
Upon the Cross wast nail'd.
- 2 Thy Holy Death was made  
A sacrifice for all ;  
And so the debt was paid,  
We owed through Adam's Fall.
- 3 Such Love, O LORD, and Grace  
Are far beyond our thought ;  
And we must see Thy face,  
To praise Thee as we ought.
- 4 From men below the skies,  
And all the Heavenly Host,  
Praise to the FATHER rise,  
The SON and HOLY GHOST.

**Three o'clock,****CALLED IN SCRIPTURE THE NINTH HOUR.**

The time at which our SAVIOUR died.—S. Matthew xxvii. 46 ;  
xviii. 32 ; 1 S. John iv. 11.

**XVII.**

- 1 THE SAVIOUR, when a debt we owed  
That we could never pay,  
Shed freely forth His precious Blood,  
To put it quite away.

- 2 Our LORD forgave us all our debt  
Because His love was great ;  
Shall sinners all that love forget,  
And fellow-sinners hate ?
- 3 " Forgive us," in our SAVIOUR'S prayer,  
" As we forgive," we pray :  
If we forgive not, can we dare  
To say so every day ?
- 4 Our souls His loving-kindness bought  
When death was all our due :  
If GOD so loved us, then we ought  
To love each other too.
- 5 To GOD the FATHER, GOD the SON,  
And GOD the HOLY GHOST,  
By men on earth be honour done,  
And by the Heavenly Host.

✓ Six o'clock.

The hour at which our SAVIOUR was taken down from the Cross  
S. Luke xxiv. 29 ; Isaiah lx. 20

## XVIII.

- 1 THE day, O LORD, is spent ;  
Abide with us, and rest ;  
Our hearts' desires are fully bent  
On making Thee our guest.
- 2 We have not reach'd that land,  
That happy land, as yet,  
Where holy Angels round Thee stand,  
Whose sun can never set.
- 3 Our sun is sinking now,  
Our day is almost o'er ;  
O Sun of Righteousness, do Thou  
Shine on us evermore !

- 4 From men below the skies,  
And all the Heavenly Host,  
To GOD the FATHER praise arise,  
The SON and HOLY GHOST.

✓  
**Bedtime.**

The hour at which our SAVIOUR was buried.—Psalm lv. 8:  
8. Luke ix. 58.

XIX.

- 1 ALMIGHTY GOD, to-night  
To Thee for help we pray ;  
To Whom the darkness is as light,  
And midnight like the day.
- 2 Thy tender love and care  
Prepares our peaceful bed :  
But Thou, O SAVIOUR, hadst not where  
To lay Thy blessed head.
- 3 Oh, keep us now from harm,  
As Thou hast done before ;  
And let Thine everlasting arm  
Be round us evermore.
- 4 Let holy Angels stand  
About us every night,  
Until they bear us to the land  
Of everlasting light.
- 5 From men below the skies,  
And all the Heavenly Host,  
To GOD the FATHER praise arise,  
The SON and HOLY GHOST.

## HYMNS FOR SEASONS OF THE YEAR.

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### Advent.

#### XX.

S. John i. 11; Acts i. 11; S. Matthew xxv. 21.

- 1 AND NOW, O LORD, we call to mind  
The Love that came to save mankind,  
And put Thy Majesty away,  
And took a form, like ours, of clay :
- 2 Born in a manger, born to know  
Hunger and thirst, and pain and woe ;  
To dwell with sinners, suffer strife,  
And yield at last for man its life.
- 3 Thou dwellest now in worlds of light,  
Above the sky, beyond our sight ;  
Remaining yet awhile away,  
But coming at the judgment-day.
- 4 We know that Thou shalt come once more,  
But not in weakness, as before ;  
The earth shall quake, the trumpet sound,  
And Saints and Angels stand around.
- 5 We promised at the Font to be  
True servants, blessed LORD, to Thee ;  
The judgment-day alone can shew  
If we have kept our word or no.
- 6 If we have kept it, we shall dwell  
With Thee in heav'n ; if not, in hell :  
For when we stand before Thy face,  
'Twill be too late to ask for grace.

- 7 We therefore pray Thee, help us now  
 To watch and pray, and keep our vow ;  
 That then Thy words may be, " Well done ;  
 Come to My joy, thou faithful one !"
- 8 Praise GOD, from Whom all blessings flow ;  
 Praise Him, all creatures here below ;  
 Praise Him above, ye Heavenly Host ;  
 Praise FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST !
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## Christmas-Day.

### XXI.

S. Luke ii. 8-15 ; Philippians ii. 7.

- 1 No more sadness now, nor fasting :  
 Now we put our grief away :  
 GOD came down, the Everlasting,  
 Taking human flesh, to-day.  
 GOD came down on earth a Stranger,  
 Working out His mighty plan ;  
 GOD was cradled in a manger,  
 Very GOD, and very Man.
- 2 There were shepherds once abiding  
 In the field to watch by night,  
 And they saw the clouds dividing,  
 And the sky above was bright ;  
 And a glory shone around them  
 On the grass as they were laid ;  
 And a holy Angel found them,  
 And their hearts were sore afraid.
- 3 " Fear ye not," he said, " for cheerful  
 Are the tidings that I bring.  
 Unto you, so weak and fearful,  
 CHRIST is born, the LORD and KING."

As the Angel told the story  
 Of the SAVIOUR'S lowly birth,  
 Multitudes were singing "Glory  
 Be to GOD, and peace on earth!"

- 4 Since Thy love for our salvation,  
 SAVIOUR, cover'd Thee with shame;  
 Let Thy Church, in every nation,  
 Sing the glory of Thy Name;  
 Let Thy HOLY SPIRIT make us  
 Full of humbleness and love,  
 Like Thyself, until Thou take us  
 To our FATHER'S house above.

**The Circumcision, or New-Year's Day.**

XXII.

S. Luke 1. 59; 2 Timothy ii. 12.

- 1 WITH Thee, O Lord, begins the year,  
 With Thee, and with Thy sufferings here,  
 Thine own Example makes it plain,  
 We too must suffer, e'er we reign.
- 2 By giving up our will and way,  
 By self-denial every day,  
 Oh, help us thus to spend this year,  
 And all the time Thou giv'st us here!
- 3 Thy way at first seems hard and rough,  
 Its end is joy and peace enough:  
 The Land where days and years are o'er,  
 And change and grief come nevermore.
- 4 Praise GOD, from Whom all blessings flow;  
 Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
 Praise Him above, ye Heavenly Host;  
 Praise FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST!

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**The Epiphany, or Twelfth-night.**✓ **XXIII.**

S. Matthew ii. 9, 10; v. 8.

- 1 O THOU, Who by a star didst guide  
The wise men on their way,  
Until it came and stood beside  
The place where JESUS lay :
- 2 Although by stars Thou dost not lead  
Thy servants now below ;  
Thy HOLY SPIRIT, when they need,  
Will shew them how to go.
- 3 As yet we know Thee but in part,  
But still we trust Thy word,  
That blessed are the pure in heart,  
For they shall see the LORD.
- 4 O SAVIOUR, give us then Thy grace  
To make us pure in heart ;  
That we may see Thee face to face,  
Hereafter, as Thou art.
- 5 To GOD the FATHER, GOD the SON,  
And GOD the HOLY GHOST,  
By men on earth be honour done,  
And by the Heavenly Host.

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**Lent.****XXIV.**

S. Matthew iv. 1; Psalm xli. 1; S. Matthew xxv. 4; S. John iii. 17.

- 1 THE SAVIOUR'S Love to man we bless,  
His Holy Name we praise,  
For dwelling in the wilderness  
Through forty nights and days.

- 2 He all that time for us, His sheep,  
In prayer and fasting spent ;  
Therefore His Church would have us keep  
The holy fast of Lent.
- 3 Now we must put some things away  
In which we take delight,  
Although at other times they may  
Be innocent and right.
- 4 CHRIST did not please Himself when He  
Became for our sake Man :  
He gave us all we have, and we  
Will give Him what we can.
- 5 He loves the offering of the poor,  
Who give with cheerful heart ;  
And freely of our little store  
The poorer shall have part.
- 6 We'll give it in our SAVIOUR'S name ;  
And then His words shall be,—  
“ Because ye did it unto them,  
Ye did it unto Me.”
- 7 To GOD the FATHER, GOD the SON,  
And GOD the HOLY GHOST,  
By men on earth be honour done,  
And by the Heavenly Host.

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thurs-  
day in Passion-week.**

XXV.

8. John i. 29.

- 1 O THOU, Who through this Holy Week  
Didst suffer for us all :  
The sick to cure, the lost to seek,  
To raise up them that fall :



- 2 We cannot understand the woe  
 Thy love was pleas'd to bear:  
 O LAMB of GOD! we only know  
 That all our hopes are there!
- 3 Thy feet the path of suffering trod;  
 Thy hand the victory won:  
 What shall we render to our GOD  
 For all that He hath done?
- 4 To GOD the FATHER, GOD the SON,  
 And GOD the HOLY GHOST,  
 By men on earth be honour done,  
 And by the Heavenly Host.

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## Good Friday.

### XXVI.

Isaiah liii. 3-7.

- 1 A TIME to watch, a time to pray,  
 A day of wonders is to-day:  
 The saddest, yet the sweetest too,  
 That ever man or Angel knew.
- 2 The saddest; for our SAVIOUR bore  
 His Death, that man might die no more:  
 The Agony, the Scourge, the Fear,  
 The Crown of Thorns, the Cross, the Spear.
- 3 And yet the sweetest; for to-day  
 Our load of sin was borne away:  
 And hopes of joy that never dies  
 Hang on our SAVIOUR'S sacrifice.
- 4 Like straying sheep we wander'd wide,  
 Thy Laws we broke, Thy Name defied;  
 On Thee the guilt of all was laid;  
 By Thee the debt of all was paid.

- 5 O SAVIOUR, blessed be Thy Name!  
Thine is the glory, ours the shame;  
By all the pains Thy love endured,  
Let all our many sins be cured!
- 6 Praise GOD, from Whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye Heavenly Host;  
Praise FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST!

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**Easter-Day.**

XXVII.

Romans vi. 4; 8. Matthew xxvii. 64; xxviii. 2.

- 1 OUR SAVIOUR CHRIST is risen indeed;  
And nevermore can die:  
And Satan's captives have been freed  
From sin and misery:  
Our chains are burst, and we released,  
And we have cause to keep the feast.
- 2 The rulers tried to guard His grave  
They roll'd a mighty stone,  
And put a watch beside the cave,  
And set a seal thereon:  
They fear'd that He, Whom they had slain,  
Would on the third day rise again.
- 3 An Angel came, in garments bright,  
Their wicked care to mock:  
And early, while it yet was night,  
He roll'd away the rock:  
How could the PRINCE of LIFE remain  
Bound with a feeble creature's chain?
- 4 Now help Thy servants here below  
O LORD, to put away

The sins which Thou dost hate, and so  
 To keep their Easter-day ;  
 That rising in our thoughts with Thee,  
 Thy faithful followers we may be.

- 5 To GOD the FATHER, GOD the SON,  
 And GOD the HOLY GHOST,  
 By men on earth be honour done,  
 And by the Heavenly Host ;  
 As now it is, hath been before,  
 And shall be so for evermore.

### Ascension-Day.

#### XXVIII.

Psalm xlvii. 5 ; 8. Matthew xxviii. 20.

- 1 Now to our SAVIOUR let us raise  
 The noblest hymn we may ;  
 For with the voice of joy and praise  
 GOD is gone up to-day.
- 2 CHRIST is gone up: yet ere He pass'd  
 From earth in heav'n to reign,  
 He form'd one holy Church to last  
 Till He should come again.
- 3 His Twelve Apostles first He made  
 His Ministers of grace ;  
 And they their hands on others laid,  
 To fill in turn their place.
- 4 So age by age, and year by year,  
 His grace was handed on ;  
 And still the Holy Church is here,  
 Although Her LORD is gone.

- 5 Whate'er we do, whate'er we say,  
By it we must be led ;  
For though our LORD is far away,  
His Church is in His stead.
- 6 Let those find pardon, LORD, from Thee,  
Whose love to it is cold ;  
And bring them in, and let there be  
One SHEPHERD and one fold.
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And GOD the HOLY GHOST,  
By men on earth be honour done,  
And by the Heavenly Host.

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Whitsunday.

## XXIX.

Psalm lxxviii. 18 ; Acts ii. 2.

- 1 THOU, Who camest from above,  
Bringing light, and shedding love,  
Teaching of Thy perfect way,  
Giving gifts to men to-day ;
- 2 Thou, Who once didst change our state,  
Making us regenerate,  
Help us evermore to be  
Faithful subjects unto Thee.
- 3 Where Thou art not, none can do  
What is holy, just, and true ;  
Those whose hearts Thy wisdom leads,  
Think good thoughts, and do good deeds.
- 4 We have often grieved Thee sore ;  
Never let us grieve Thee more :  
Thou the feeble canst protect,  
Thou the wan'dring canst direct..

- 5 We are dark—be Thou our light;  
 We are blind—be Thou our sight:  
 Be our comfort in distress;  
 Guide us through the wilderness.
- 6 To the blessed THREE in ONE,  
 To the FATHER, and the SON,  
 And the HOLY GHOST, arise  
 Praise from all below the skies!

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### Trinity-Sunday.

XXX.

1 S. John v. 7.

- 1 O GOD the FATHER, Whose command  
 Form'd earth and heav'n, the sea and land,  
 Thou mad'st us,—guide us by Thy hand.
- 2 O GOD the SON, for sinners slain,  
 To save us from eternal pain,  
 Thou bought'st us—Thine would we remain.
- 3 O GOD the HOLY GHOST, by Thee  
 Our souls were once from sin set free,  
 Thine are we—Thine would ever be.
- 4 All power, and praise, and might to Thee,  
 The Three in One, and One in Three,  
 The Everlasting TRINITY.

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### Michaelmas-Day.

XXXI.

Hebrews i. 14; Genesis xix. 1-16; S. John xx. 12; Acts xii. 7-11.

- 1 AROUND the throne of GOD, a band  
 Of glorious Angels always stand;  
 Bright things they see, sweet harps they hold,  
 And on their heads are crowns of gold.

2. Some wait around Him, ready still  
 To sing His praise and do His will ;  
 And some, when He commands them, go  
 To guard His servants here below.
- 3 When God rain'd fire and brimstone down  
 On Sodom, that ungodly town,  
 His servant was not there forgot,  
 For Angels came to bring out Lot.
- 4 When in the grave the SAVIOUR lay,  
 Two Angels roll'd the stone away :  
 Their garments were exceeding white,  
 Their faces shining as the light.
- 5 The women came with doubt and fear ;  
 "The LORD is risen, — He is not here :  
 Why seek ye then," they gently said,  
 "The Living thus among the dead?"
- 6 Herod the king had fix'd a day  
 To take Saint Peter's life away :  
 The very night before, he slept  
 Bound with two chains, and safely kept :
- 7 An Angel came from heaven by night,  
 And all at once the prison was light :  
 He burst the gates, he broke the chain,  
 And wicked Herod's care was vain.
- 8 LORD, give Thy Angels every day  
 Command to guide us on our way ;  
 And bid them every evening keep  
 Their watch around us while we sleep ;
- 9 So shall no wicked thing draw near  
 To do us harm, or cause us fear ;  
 And we shall dwell, when life is past,  
 With Angels round Thy Throne at last.

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- 10 Praise GOD, from Whom all blessings flow ;  
 Praise Him, all creatures here below ;  
 Praise Him above, ye heavenly Host ;  
 Praise FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST !

### All Saints.

(WHICH MAY ALSO BE SAID ON THE FESTIVAL OF ANY SAINT.)

### XXXII.

Revelation vii. 14-17.

- 1 A BRIGHT and glorious host are they  
 Whom we must keep in mind to-day,—  
 The noble army of the sky,  
 The Martyrs' goodly company.
- 2 In thirst and hunger, fire and sword,  
 They bare true witness to their LORD ;  
 By cruel beasts and torments tried,  
 In CHRIST they lived, for CHRIST they died.
- 3 At every time, in every place,  
 GOD'S Holy Martyrs ran their race ;  
 And some were children, young as I,  
 Who for their SAVIOUR dared to die.
- 4 Others, with crowns almost as bright,  
 Dwell with them now in Heavenly light ;  
 Who pain and cruel mockings bore,  
 Rather than give their SAVIOUR o'er.
- 5 Therefore they stand before the Throne,  
 And GOD hath comforted His own :  
 His was the Hand that brought them through,  
 And His the Hand that crowns them too.
- 6 O GOD of Saints ! we humbly pray,  
 We may be holy, just as they ;  
 And in temptations we will flee,  
 O GOD of Martyrs, unto Thee !

- 7 Praise GOD, from Whom all blessings flow ;  
 Praise Him, all creatures here below ;  
 Praise Him above, ye Heavenly Host ;  
 Praise FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST!

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**The Holy Innocents.**

XXXIII.

S. Matthew ii. 16; Revelation xiv. 4.

- 1 LET children, LORD, Thy Presence seek,  
 To Whom the Infants bled ;  
 When, since Thy Praise they could not speak,  
 They gave their lives instead.
- 2 A few short days they knew at most  
 A mother's tender love ;  
 But they are now a glorious host  
 Around Thy throne above.
- 3 Help us to keep Thy law, if e'er  
 'Tis painful to obey ;  
 And all Thy holy will to bear  
 As cheerfully as they.
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