

FORM OF CONSECRATION

*Who is the King of glory : eeen the Lord
of hosts, he is the King of glory.*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son :
and to the Holy Ghost :

*As it was in the beginniag, is now, and eeev
shall be : world without ead. Amen.*

¶ *¶ If the Bishop is seated, he shall have the instrument or
instruments of donation and endowment presented to him, by the
person duly appointed, which he shall lay on the Holy Table : and
then, standing and turning to the Congregation, he shall say to them
as follows, or otherwise, at his discretion.*

DEARLY beloved in the Lord, forasmuch
as devout and holy men, as well under
the law as under the gospel, moved either by
the secret inspiration of the blessed Spirit, or
by express command of God, or by their own
reason and sense of order and decency, have
erected houses for the public worship of God,
and have separated them from all profane and
common uses, in order to fill men's minds with
greater reverence for his glorious majesty,
and affect their hearts with more devotion
and humility in his service : which pious
works our heavenly Father hath vouchsafed
to approve and accept : Let us not doubt but
he will also graciously approve this our godly
purpose of setting apart this place in solemn
manner to religious worship ; and let us faith-
fully and devoutly beg his blessing on this our
undertaking, and say,

¶ *¶ Then, all kneeling down, the Bishop shall say the Prayer
following.*

O ETERNAL God, mighty in power, of
majesty incomprehensible, whom the
heaven of heavens cannot contain, much less
the walls of temples made with hands ; and
who yet hast been graciously pleased to