

## THE LITTLE OFFICE OF THE HOLY ANGELS.

## AT MATINS.

*Ant.* God hath given his Angels charge of thee, that they may keep thee in all thy ways. Amen.

O Lord, open thou my lips.

And my tongue shall declare thy praise.

O God, incline unto mine aid,

O Lord make haste to help me.

Glory be to the Father, &c. Alleluia.

## HYMN.

O Lord, permit us here to raise our voice,  
And wait before thy throne our feeble praise:  
And thank thee for those Angels whom thy  
choice,

Hath lent our weakness to direct our ways,  
And free us from the envious foes that lurk  
To spoil the beauty of thy cherished work.

*Ant.* O Holy angels! our Guardians defend us in the combat, that we perish not in the dreadful judgment.

*V.* In the sight of the angels I will sing to thee my God.

*R.* I will adore at thy holy temple, and confess to thy name.

## PRAYER.

O God, who with unspeakable providence hast vouchsafed to appoint thy Holy angels to be our Guardians, grant to thy humble suppliants, to be always defended by their protection, and to enjoy their everlasting society, through Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns, &c. Amen.

## AT PRIME.

*Ant.* God hath given his angels charge of thee, that they keep thee in all thy ways. amen.

O God incline unto, &c.

O Lord make haste, &c.

Glory be to the Father, &c. alleluia.

## HYMN.

For Satan driven from the happy land,  
Where once he shone in splendour, ill can brook  
The kindly justice of the Almighty hand,  
That gives to man the throne that he forsook,  
And seeks to drag into his own disgrace,  
Poor mortals thus designed to fill his place.

*Ant.* O Holy angels! our Guardians, &c., as before.

*V.* In the sight of thy angels I will sing unto thee, my God.

*R.* I will adore at thy holy temple, and confess to thy name.

## PRAYER.

O God, who with unspeakable providence, &c., as before.

## AT TIERCE.

*Ant.* God hath given his angels, &c. as before.

O God, incline unto me, &c.

O Lord make haste, &c.

Glory be to the Father, &c. alleluia.

## HYMN.

Bright Spirit! whom a God supremely wise  
Hath given to be the Guardian of this land,  
Come arm'd with all thy power from the skies  
And bear its children harmless in thy hand.  
Safe from all evil that defiles the soul,  
Safe from disunion's with'ring control.

*Ant.* O holy angels, &c. as before.

*V.* In the sight of thy angels, &c.

*R.* I will adore at the holy temple.

## PRAYER.

O God, who with unspeakable providence, &c.

## AT SEXT.

*Ant.* God hath given his angels, &c.

O God incline unto my aid.

O Lord make haste to help me.

Glory be to the Father, &c. alleluia.