

A PRAYER FOR THE ORGANIST OR LEADER OF THE CHOIR
BEFORE DIVINE SERVICE.

O MOST merciful God, Who hast encouraged Thy servants to draw near to Thee, I beseech Thee to grant me Thy Grace at all times, but more especially now that I am about to take an active part in the services of Thy Holy Temple. Thou hast been graciously pleased to allow me the privilege of leading the choir of this Church, publicly to sing Thy praise. Grant me ability, O God, to perform the duties of my situation in a becoming manner: but let not my aim be to receive or be satisfied with the applause or approbation of men. Grant this for Thy blessed Son Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

A PRAYER FOR THE CHORISTERS BEFORE DIVINE SERVICE.

O LORD, let Thy blessing rest on those who are here appointed to lead the congregation in singing Thy praises; assist our humble endeavours, and keep far from them all vain and worldly thoughts, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

O Heavenly Father, hear all our prayers this day; and graciously incline Thine ear to our songs of praise: make us to be thankful for these joyful opportunities of addressing our Psalms and Hymns to Thee: enable us to "sing with the spirit and with the understanding also;" and prepare us for the chants and services of Thy heavenly courts. Grant this, O merciful Father, through Thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.