

of my cup : It is Thou that wilt restore my inheritance to me.

After all have received the Tonsure, having laid aside his mitre, the Bishop rises and standing towards them, says,

Let us pray.

Grant, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that these thy servants, the hair of whose heads we have, through divine love taken off, may remain always in Thy love, and that Thou mayest keep them without spot for ever. : Through Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

Then the Choir begins and continues the following Antiphon and Psalm. The Bishop sits down with his mitre on.

Ant. The Saints will receive a blessing from the Lord, and mercy from God their Saviour : for this is the generation of them who seek the Lord.

Psalm 23.

The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof ; the world, and all they that dwell therein.

For He hath founded it upon the seas ; and hath prepared it upon the rivers.

Who shall ascend into the mountain of the Lord ; or who shall stand in His holy place ?

The innocent in hands, and clean of heart, who hath not taken his soul in vain, nor sworn deceitfully to his neighbour. He shall receive a blessing from the Lord, and mercy from God his Saviour.

This is the generation of them that seek Him, of them that seek the face of the God of Jacob.

Lift up your gates, O ye princes, and be ye lifted up, O eternal gates : and the King of Glory shall come in.

Who is this King of Glory ? The Lord who is strong and mighty : the Lord mighty in battle.

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Who is this King of Glory ? 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 beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Ant. The Saints will receive, &c.

The Bishop rises without his mitre, and turning to the altar, says,

Let us pray.

The assistants say,

Let us bend the knee.

R. Arise.

Then the Bishop, turning to them who have received the tonsure and are on their knees, says,

Be present, O Lord, to our supplications, and deign to bless these Thy servants, on whom, in Thy holy name, we place the habit of holy religion ; that through Thy bounty they may devoutly persevere in Thy Church, and may deserve to attain to everlasting life : through Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

Then the Bishop sits down with his mitre on, and receiving a surplice in his hands, says to each of them,

May the Lord put on thee the new man, who, according to God, is created in justice and holiness of truth.

Then he puts it on each of them. He rises without his mitre, and turning to them, says,

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, forgive our sins, and cleanse these Thy servants from all the servitude of the secular habit, that while they lay aside the reproach of the worldly garb, they may enjoy Thy favour for ever and ever ; that as we make them bear on their heads the likeness of Thy crown, so by Thy power, they may deserve to attain in their hearts to an eternal inheritance : Who with the Father and Holy Ghost, livest and reignest, world without end. R. Amen.

Then the Bishop sits down with his mitre on, and addresses them in these words :

Dearly beloved Children, you ought to consider that from this day you become exempt from lay jurisdiction, and have obtained clerical privileges. Beware, therefore, lest, through your own faults, you should lose them ; and study, with a becoming habit, and with good manners and deeds, to please God. Which may He himself grant by His Holy Spirit. R. Amen.

Then, directed by the Archdeacon, those ordained return to their places.

#### OF THE ORDINATION OF OSTIARI OR DOOR-KEEPERS.

The Bishop, after the Clerics are ordained, rises, and returns with his mitre on, to his throne or the faldstool at the Epistle side : where having taken off his mitre, and turning towards the Altar, the book is presented to him, and he reads the first collect. Then he sits, puts on his mitre, and the first lesson is sung. In the meantime the chaplains come up with the book and candle before the Bishop, who, sitting with his mitre on, reads the lesson. Which ended, the Bishop rises, and with his mitre on, goes to the faldstool prepared for him, and sits on it with his back turned to the Altar. The Archdeacon calls those to be ordained, saying,

Let them who are to be ordained for the office of Door-keepers draw near.

Then the Notary calls them one by one by name, and each of them answers.

They all kneel in surplices, and with candles in their hands before the Bishop, who admonishes them, saying,

Dearly beloved children, ye who are about to receive the office of Door-keepers, see what ye have to do in the house of God. It is the duty of the Door-keepers to ring the altar, and the church bells ; to open the Church and the Sacristy, and to open the book for the preacher. Take care, therefore, lest through your negligence, any one of those things which are within the Church should be lost ; and at certain hours open the house of God to the faithful, and always shut them to the unbelieving. Endeavour, also, that as you open and shut the visible Church with material