

Heavenly love in love below,
Jesus claims as tribute due
All good Christians now from you.

When Epiphany is spent
Sundays three, like heralds sent,
Cry aloud the Fast of Lent.
Septuagesima first, and second
Sexagesima is reckoned;
Quinquagesima, the last;
Then comes in the solemn Fast
With Ash Wednesday's litanies
That from hearts repentant rise.
Forty days at Jesus' feet
Hide we now in blest retreat.
At their close through Holy Week
We His Way of Sorrow seek.
Entering first Jerusalem,
While the throngs His progress
hem,

And with shouts of welcome press
Zion's lowly King to bless,
Scattering palms along His way
On that one triumphant Day.
Though they shout He weeps aloud
O'er the self-deceiving crowd,
Through that week we see Him
bear

Anguish none can know or share;
On Good Friday follow Him,
Scourged and bruised in every limb,
And with thorns in insult crowned.
While the foes that Him surround
Jibes and sneers incessant toss
On the Altar of the Cross
We behold Him meekly die
For the world's iniquity.
Every Friday for His sake
Let us here our station take,
At His feet confession making,
Self and sin abhorred forsaking.

Easter-Even: Hour of rest;
Faith's sweet vigil calm and blest,
In the tomb His Body lies,
And His Soul in Paradise
Waits the morn when He shall rise.
Here we watch, and watching ponder

On the never-lessened wonder.
How from Baptism we emerge
On the new life's trembling verge,
In His death the "old man" dead
And the "new man" raised instead.
Henceforth now be crucified
All our anger, lust, and pride;
Every evil passion die,
Mortified continually!

Easter-day: The "day of days:"
Radiance immortal plays
Round the sepulchre whose door
Open now can close no more!
Stricken guard and broken seal
To our longing eyes reveal
What the glorious Angel saith
Who unbarred that gate of death:
"He is risen; do not fear;
Jesus is no longer there;
But in lowly Galilee
Ye again your Lord shall see."
Swift, with Alleluias sweet,
Follow we His holy feet,
Singing all the joyful way:
"Christ the Lord has risen to-day!"

Precious Easter-Tide: Again
Jesus walks the ways of men,
In a body glorified,
Yet the very same that died,
Pierced in hands, and feet, and side;
And we know in His own time
We shall have that change sublime.
Forty days, most wondrous days!
He, in word and act, displays
Sign and miracle, the keys
Of His Kingdom's mysteries.

On the great Ascension Day,
When those Forty Days are ended,

With His holy hands extended,
Leading forth His chosen, pressing
To receive His final blessing,
We behold Him pass away;
In a cloud of glory rise,
Vanishing from mortal eyes.
Once again the Angels fair
Tidings wonderful declare:
He shall come again, they say,
As ye saw Him go away.

While our hearts within us burn,
With His chosen now we turn,
And, obedient with them,
We go to Jerusalem,
There, in expectation sweet,
To wait the promised Paraclete,
The Holy Ghost, whose tongues of
fire
Shall illumine and inspire.

Lo! He comes on Whitsun-Day,
The Holy Ghost for whom we pray;
And on rushing mighty wings,
Gift of seven-fold gifts He brings,
And His coming marks the birth
Of the Holy Church on earth.

Now our Jesus, mission ended,
Be our triune praises blended
To the Father and the Son
And the Holy Ghost in One.
Holy! Holy! Holy! cry
On the Feast of Trinity;
And till Advent comes again
Alleluia be our strain!

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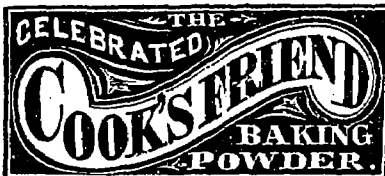
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