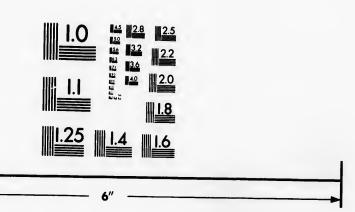
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SUNDAY MORNING.

ALMIGHTY GOD, who hast set apart one day in seven for the special good of our souls, enable us to keep this day holy. Thou hast bidden us to rest from our worldly labours and employments; do thou also shut the world out of our hearts, and take full possession of them thyself.

We confess, O Lord, that we have not rightly improved our past Sabbaths. Pardon us for our abuse of these holy seasons. Make this day, we beseech thee, more profitable to us than any that we have yet spent. Give us Sabbath feelings, and a Sabbath blessing.

Lord, enable us to look upon this as a day consecrated to thy service. Prepare us especially for thy house. Make us to feel that a day in thy courts is better than a thousand spent elsewhere; and that thy house is indeed the house of God, and the gate of Heaven. Give us, when there, the enjoyment of thy presence. Keep us from wandering and worldly thoughts; and grant that we may approach thee in a devout and holy frame.

Lord, we cannot pray to thee aright without the help of thy Holy Spirit. May He rest upon us abundantly this day, teaching us both what to ask, and how to ask it. And when thy gospel is preached, give us the hearing ear and the understanding heart; and enable us to receive with

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Bless, gracious God, the Church to which we belong; make it the instrument in thy hands of leading many to heaven. Be with thy servants the bishops and pastors of thy flock. Raise up faithful and earnest men for the work of the ministry. Do thou thyself teach them, that they may teach others. Especially be with the minister of this parish, who is set over us in the Lord. Strengthen him for his work. Enable him rightly to divide the word of truth, giving to each of us our portion as we need it. And wherever thy gospel is preached, whether at home or abroad, O grant that its influence may be felt, and that thousands may be turned from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God. Call many wanderers, Lord, into thy fold this day; soften many hard hearts; and grant that numbers may be added to thy Church of such as shall be saved.

O, Holy Spirit, let thy grace descend upon us in larger measure. Let thy power be felt among us, awakening those who are asleep, leading us all to greater earnestness, and making us more holy in our lives.

Grant, Lord, that a special blessing may rest upon our Sunday-schools, and all who are called to teach in them. Be with each one of our fellowworshippers. Help them, and us, and all who are dear to us, this day on our way to heaven.

Hear these our prayers, we beseech thee, and grant our requests, through the intercession of thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour. Amen.

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lord bless us, and keep us; the Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and give us peace, now and forevermore. Amen.

SUNDAY EVENING.

O HEAVENLY FATHER, we desire to close this holy day by once more drawing near to thee in prayer. We bring to thee all the sins and failings of another Sabbath; and we beseech thee of thy great mercy to pardon them. O Lord, when we look back on our best days, and our holiest employments, we see that sin has defiled them; and we have need to come to the Saviour's cross with the publican's cry on our lips, "God be merciful to me a sinner." Forgive, Lord, for Christ's sake, all our sins, and especially those which we have committed on our knees. What coldness has there been in our prayers! What wanderings of thought! What deadness and unbelief in our souls! O Saviour, do thou graciously cleanse us from all our secret faults.

But, O Lord, while we have reason to be humbled for our sins, we have also reason to be grateful for our many mercies. We praise thee that thy word has been set before us; that the way of life has been pointed out to us; that we have again heard of a Saviour's love. Blessed be thy name, if Christ has seemed in any degree more precious to us, and heaven more welcome. Blessed be thy name, if our faith has been this day strengthened, our hearts warmed, and our hopes confirmed.

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O God, we are living in the midst of a sinful world; help us to avoid its snares, and to live a heavenly life here on earth. Oh that we may know more of thee, and love thee with a more perfect love. Quicken us in thy way, and enable us to run with increased earnestness the race that is set before us. Our time is short; grant, Lord, that we may spend it as those who feel that they must one day give an account.

O heavenly Shepherd, we trust that many sheep have been called this day into thy fold. Draw them by thy love. Make them to hear thy voice, and to follow thee. Bless the lambs of thy flock (and especially the beloved ones of this family); feed them with the nourishment of thine own word, and take them under thy sheltering care.

Pardon those who have been wilfully absent from thy worship this day. Show them their exceeding sinfulness, and change their hearts by

the power of thy grace.

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Visit with compassion those who are sick and afflicted. Draw near to them in their hour of trial; give them the comfort of thy presence; and pour largely of thy Holy Spirit upon them.

Blessed Lord, we confess with shame that we have brought too much of the week with us into thy Sabbath; grant that we may carry much of the Sabbath into the coming week. And give us grace that we may so spend each day, as we shall wish to have it spent when our term of life is ended.

And now, O gracious God, we commend ourselves, and all who are near and dear to us, to thy special care and protection for the coming night. Watch over us, we beseech thee, during the hours of darkness; give thine angels charge concerning

us; and guard us from every evil, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day [or, day by day] our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst us, and remain with us always. *Amen*.

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MONDAY MORNING.

O ALMIGHTY FATHER, look down from heaven upon us thy unworthy children, and hear us while we draw near to thee this morning in the Saviour's name. Lord, teach us how to pray. Awaken in us a deep feeling of our many wants, and encourage us to come boldly to thy throne of grace. And do thou, O blessed Spirit, intercede for us, helping our infirmities, and giving us earnest and devout hearts.

We desire to thank thee, O God, for the blessings of the past night. Thou hast kept us safely during the hours of darkness; thou hast watched over us, when we could not watch over ourselves; and thou hast brought us in safety to the beginning of another day. As thou hast been about our bed during the night, be thou also about our path this day.

We thank thee for the measure of health which we enjoy, for our family comforts, and for our many spiritual mercies. We bless thee most of all for giving us a Saviour. Oh that he may be precious to our souls. May we know Him, and love Him, and serve Him. Make each one now before thee to be his true and faithful follower.

Lord, we acknowledge that this world has but little in it to make us really happy; but if thou givest us thy favour, we shall be happy indeed. O

then, lift up the light of thy countenance upon us, and speak peace to our souls. Give us some token of thy love, a blessed assurance that thou

numberest us among thy children.

And now, O Lord, as we are entering upon the business and employments of another week, be with us in our going out and coming in. Preserve us in body and in soul. Keep us not only from outward transgressions, but also from inward and secret sins. May we be watchful over our hearts, and keep the door of our lips. When forbidden thoughts come into our minds, enable us to drive them out. Give us grace to correct our evil tempers. Make us kind and gentle one towards another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, even as thou for Christ sake hast forgiven us.

Let thy blessing rest upon every member of this our family. Enable us all to do the work allotted to us, with cheerfulness and singleness of heart, desiring in all things to glorify thee. May each of us bear in mind that we have a Master in heaven, and that for every day as it passes by we

must render an account.

Bring to our remembrance, O God, all that we heard yesterday; and enable us to practice, during the week, the holy lessons which were taught us on thy sacred day. Keep us constantly mindful how short our time is, and that we are drawing day by day nearer to the close of life. Oh that each day may find us holier; sitting looser to this world, and more ready to leave it; growing in grace; more conformed to the image of Christ, and more meet for heaven. And grant that when our days on earth are ended, we may be received into thy presence, to dwell with thee for ever,

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The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen*.

MONDAY EVENING.

O ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who art ever ready to hearken to the cry of the humble, and hast promised to refuse none who come to thee in the name of thy dear Son, look upon us in mercy for his sake, and grant our requests. We are now gathered before thee, under a deep feeling of our own helplessness, and knowing that thou art able to supply our many wants.

We thank thee that we have a throne of grace to come to; that thine ear is ever open to the prayers of thy children; and that the arms of thy mercy are stretched out towards us. Lord, we come to thee as to a Father; give us, we pray thee, a Father's blessing. Thou knowest how we have, one and all, wandered from thee. Our sins are great; but great also is thy forbearance. O may thy goodness lead us to repentance. May the love of Christ be shed abroad in our hearts, and constrain us to live no longer to ourselves, but to thee.

Thou hast now brought us safely to the end of another day. We desire, before we close our eyes in sleep, to thank thee for all thy mercies to us. Lord, we deserve not one of thy blessings. Praised be thy name for preserving us from dangers both seen and unseen, for giving us health and strength, for spreading our table with plenty, and for all the

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But, O Lord, we praise thee especially for those gifts which concern the welfare of our sours; for thy holy word, for thy ministers, for thy house of prayer, for the means of grace which we now enjoy, and for the hope of future glory. O that we may

not receive thy grace in vain.

Have mercy on those who are deprived of the blessings which we enjoy. Visit with thy compassion the fatherless and the widow. Comfort all those that mourn. Pity the ignorant, and those that are out of the way. Thou Saviour of the lost, bring home the wanderers to thy fold. Send forth the light of thy gospel to those who are sitting in darkness. Enlighten the blinded Jews; and may they now at length acknowledge Jesus as their Redeemer. May thy command be obeyed, and thy gospel preached in all the Bless those who are gone forth to proclaim thy truth in distant lands. Cheer and encourage their hearts; strengthen their faith; give them boldness and wisdom, and love; preserve them from every peril; and crown their labours with success.

And grant, blessed Lord, that we who have the light may walk in the light. Enable us to shine brightly for thee in the midst of a dark world. May we not only own thee with our lips, but may we follow thee with all our hearts. And do thou make us now and ever thine, through Jesus Christ our Sayiour. Amen.

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God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Ghost, bless, preserve, and keep us. The Lord mercifully with his favour look upon us; and fill us with all spiritual benediction and grace, that we may so live together in this life, that in the world to come we may have life everlasting. Amen.

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TUESDAY MORNING.

O most holy and blessed God, before whom the very angels veil their faces, fill us with awe and reverence as we draw near to thee. We are unworthy to enter into thy presence; but thou invitest us to come. We therefore thankfully approach thee in the name of thy dear Son, and beseech thee to hear us and accept us for his sake.

Father, we have sinned against heaven and before thee, and are no more worthy to be called thy children. When we look back on the past, we feel that our transgressions are more in number than the hairs of our head. We have sinned against light and knowledge. We have sinned against the workings of thy Spirit in our hearts. We have sinned in thought, word, and deed. For all this give us a true and godly sorrow. Make us to feel our sins deeply. May the remembrance of them be grievous to us. O God, we come to thee for pardon. In thy great mercy forgive us for Christ's sake. Wash us in his blood. Blot out our transgressions as à thick cloud, and as a cloud our sins.

And not only pardon us, O Lord, for what is past, but cleanse and renew our hearts, and enable us to walk more closely with thee day by day. Give us thy Holy Spirit to dwell within us. Purify our souls, and enable us to put away everything

that defiles us. Direct and control our wayward wills. Warm our cold hearts, and fill us with thy love. Give us more life, and zeal, and earnestness in running our Christian race. Our souls cleave unto the dust; do thou quicken us by thy grace. Make us less anxious about the perishing things of this world, and more eager in our pursuit of those things which are eternal. May we live this day as it it were our last, as those who desire to spend an eternity with thee.

Lord, be thou our protector and shield every moment. Defend us against all accidents. Preserve us in health. Keep us in all our ways. Enable us to serve thee with a cheerful and hearty obedience. Show us what thou wouldst have us to do, and grant us grace to do it. May it be our aim to do some good in the world. May we try to make others happy. And above all may we seek to please thee.

Bless, O heavenly Father, all our friends, especially those who are far away from us. Give them outward prosperity, so far as thou seest it good for them; but especially prosper them in their souls. O number them amongst thy own beloved children; and may none of them be wanting in that day when thou makest up thy jewels. Be with the sick and dying around us. Grant them patience and submission under every trial; and that inward peace which thou alone canst bestow. Relieve the distressed. Be the Father of the fatherless, and the God of the widow. Be with us in our going out and coming in. And lead us through this world to the land of everlasting rest, for the sake of Him who hath

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Our Father, which art in heaven, &c. Amen.

Now unto Him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood, to Him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

TUESDAY EVENING.

O most blessed and gracious God, enable us to draw near to thee this evening with humble and believing hearts. Thou art the fountain of happiness, and hast no need of our services. But without thee we are miscrable. We are poor, and weak, and helpless; and have need, day by day, and night by night, of thy almighty protection. Shelter us this night beneath the covert of thy wings. Take us into thy keeping, and we shall be safe.

We bless thee for having preserved us from numberless accidents, for having sheltered us from dangers both seen and unseen, and for having stood by us in the time of trial. And further, we would thank thee for having not only watched over our bodies, but over our souls also. If we have resisted temptation this day, or have been kept from sin, to thy grace we owe it all. O leave us not for one instant to ourselves, or we shall surely fall. Guide us step by step, and uphold our goings in thy paths.

We thank thee, gracious God, that thou hast given us a Saviour. Make us to feel our need of Him. Convince us of our sinfulness by the teaching of thy Holy Spirit; and may that precious blood which was shed upon the cross cleanse us from all our guilt. Wash us, and we shall be whiter than snow.

O our Father, we beseech thee not only to pardon our sins, but also to deliver us from the power of them. Teach us to hate sin, even as thou hatest it. May we be careful not to offend thee, and anxious to please thee in all things. May we feel that it is our greatest happiness to know thee, and our highest privilege to serve thee. May it be our meat and drink to do thy will. Make prayer to be our delight. And whatever may befall us, may we always fly to thee, and cast all our care upon thee; for thou, Lord, carest for us.

Give us a more fervent love for thy holy word. Grant that the study of it may be our continual comfort, and the daily nourishment of our souls. Do thou enlighten us by thy Holy Spirit, that its truths may be made clear to us, and may come home with power to our hearts. What we see not teach thou us; so that we may daily grow in grace and in the knowledge and love of Christ.

We desire, O Lord, to pray for others. Do thou bless our Country. Make us to be a Christian people, fearing thee, and working righteousness. Let thy favour rest upon our Sovereign. May she rule in the fear of God, and be a blessing to our land. Give wisdom to our Counsellors, and grant that in all they

do they may seek thy honor and glory, and the welfare of this nation.

Hear us, O heavenly Father, we humbly beseech thee, in these our unworthy prayers; and bless us, for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen*.

Our Father, which art in heaven, &c. Amen. The Lord bless us and keep us: the Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and give us peace; the Lord be with us, in our going out and in our coming in, in our rising up and in our lying down, from this time forth, and for evermore. Amen.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

WE kneel before thee, O our Father, to thank thee for having spared us to see the light of another morning, and to meet together as a Christian family. We praise thee for the measure of health, and peace, and comfort, which we of this household have been permitted to enjoy. Continue these blessings to us, little as we deserve them.

Thou hast graciously watched over us during the hours of darkness; and we now entreat thee to be with us during this day. We know not what a single day, or a single hour, may bring forth; and therefore we commit ourselves, and all that belongs to us, into thy hands. Since we are living in a world of danger, may we ever be in a watchful spirit. Thou knowest, Lord, all our infirmities;

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and protect us.

Cleanse, O Lord, our hearts from sin, and keep our spirits free from guile. Grant us grace to exercise ourselves to have a conscience void of offence both towards thee and towards men. Make us more like our blessed Master. May we be holy, harmless, and undefiled, as He was.

Be pleased to guide us in all our doings, and especially in all our difficulties. In the time of trial, good Lord, deliver us. Lead us in the narrow path; and may we never for one moment wander from it. Surrounded as we are by temptations on all sides, be thou our refuge; and underneath us place thine everlasting arms.

And what we ask for ourselves, we would ask also for others. May thy blessing rest upon the land in which thou hast cast our lot. Guide our Rulers. Teach them to act wisely, and to seek thy glory in all they do. And may we be a holy

and happy people, loving and fearing thee.

We commit also to thy care and keeping all our friends and relatives, our neighbours and acquaintance. May all who are dear to us be dear to thee. Bless the Church to which we belong. Be with the Bishop of this Diocese, and the clergy who minister before thee. Make them wise to win souls, and help them in their great and blessed work. Look in mercy upon the poor and afflicted. Relieve the destitute. Be the Father of the fatherless; and make the widow's heart to sing for joy.

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Our Father, which art in heaven, &c. Amen.

May the Lord direct our hearts this day and for ever in the love of God, and in the patient waiting for Christ. The Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

O ALMIGHTY GOD, look down upon us from thy throne in heaven, whilst we draw near to thee with the voice of prayer and praise. Thou art full of kindness to us, thy unworthy servants. We desire to thank thee for all thy mercies to us during the past day. Thanks be unto thee for having preserved us in our going out and our coming in. When evil was near, thou didst shield us with thine arm. Let us never forget that in thee we live, and move, and have our being; and that to thee we are indebted for all we have, and for all we are.

If thou art pleased to give us worldly blessings, we thank thee for them; but if thou shouldest see fit to withhold them from us, make us content.

Thou knowest, Lord, what is really best for us. We would leave all then in thy hands, only begging of thee that whatever thou givest thy blessing may be given with it, and that whatever thou withholdest thou wilt not take thy Holy Spirit from us. Be thou, O Lord, our never-failing portion, and may we find all our joy in thee; for thou art the fountain of life and happiness to thy creatures.

O heavenly Father, lead us in the path, the straight and narrow path of eternal life; and let us never turn to the right hand, or to the left. Show us thy way, and give us grace to walk in it. Enable us to live very close to thee, to enjoy much of thy presence, and to feel

that thou art ever with us.

Make us, O God, entirely thine. May we take thy word as our guide, thy people as our companions, and thine arm as our support, in our journey through this wilderness. Let no difficulties alarm us, and no temptations lead us aside. Make us willing to bear the cross, and to fight the good fight of faith. And then, Lord, do thou at length receive us into those heavenly mansions, where Christ has gone to prepare a place for us. O that not one of this family may be wanting in that day when thou gatherest thy people into thy kingdom.

And whilst we are here, make us useful. Point out to each of us the work thou hast allotted to us. Show us what thou wouldst have us to do, and give us willing hearts to do it. May it be our desire to serve thee, and our pleasure to do thy blessed will. Lord, we have hitherto lived too much to ourselves; help us henceforth to live

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We are now about to lie down and take our rest. Give us, we beseech thee, refreshing sleep. Watch over us, and our habitation, this night. Let no evil come near us; but raise us up again, if it be thy will, in health and safety. Make us always mindful that we shall soon sleep the sleep of death. Whenever that solemn hour arrives, may we be ready to put off our earthly clothing, and to depart and be with Christ for ever.

O Lord, give us all that we have asked, and all that we want, not for our own worthiness, but for the sake of thy dear Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour. Amen.

Our Father, which art in heaven, &c. Amen.

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst us, and remain with us always. Amen.

THURSDAY MORNING.

O THOU gracious God, who hearest and answerest prayer, make us to feel it our delight to draw near to thee.

Lord, we have much to ask, and thou hast much to give. We pray to thee for such worldly blessings as thou in thy wisdom seest to be good for us. Give us health, and comfort, and prosperity, if it be thy good pleasure to bestow them. But most of all, we ask thee to grant us spiritual blessings. Vouchsafe unto us those richer gifts which concern our souls. Thous hast so loved a guilty world as to send thy own Son to be our Redeemer. Make us to prize his great salvation. Show us our need of Him; and lead us to his cross as our only hope. Make us to know Christ, and to love Him with all our hearts. And enable us day by day to serve Him, not grudgingly or of necessity, but heartily and cheerfully.

Thou knowest, Lord, that we are weak; do thou strengthen us by thy grace. We are ignorant; may thy Spirit teach us. We are poor and needy;

fill us out of thy fulness.

We desire, O heavenly Father, to put ourselves under thy care and keeping this day. Do with us as it seemeth good in thy sight. If thou givest us what we desire, make us thankful. Or if not, may we bow with humble submission, and say, Father, not my will, but thine be done. O Lord, enlighten our eyes more and more, soften our hearts, and draw us closer to thyself.

We heartily thank thee for all thy past dealings with us. Surely goodness and mercy have followed us all the days of our lives. Fill our hearts with gratitude and our tongues with praise. Bless the Lord, O our souls, and all that is within

us, bless his holy name.

We thank thee especially for the mercies of the past night. Whilst many have had no roof to shelter them, we thank thee that we have laid ourselves down in comfort and safety. Whilst many have passed a night of pain and suffering, we have been refreshed with sleep. And whilst

many are now starving with hunger, we have bread enough and to spare.

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Oh that we may be truly thankful for these and all our other mercies! May we show our thankfulness by living to thee day by day, and serving thee with all our hearts.

Lord, bless us as a Christian family. Make us to love thee, and to walk in thy ways. Give us grace faithfully to follow Christ, and to be willing to deny ourselves for his sake. May we ever be doing acts of kindness towards one another. Make us unselfish, forbearing, and forgiving. Keep us from angry tempers and hasty words. May each of us in our several stations seek to glorify thee. And may we be thine, not only in name, but in heart and life.

Hear us, we beseech thee, and accept us, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our blessed and only Redeemer. *Amen*.

Our Father, which art in heaven, &c. Amen. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. Amen.

THURSDAY EVENING.

O ETERNAL GOD, who dwellest in the highest heavens, and yet humblest thyself to listen to the prayers of thy children here on earth, hearken to us who now desire to present our evening supplication unto thee. May we not only bow the knee, but also humble our souls, in

thy presence. May we not only lift up our voice to thee, but may we also raise our hearts heavenwards.

Pardon, for Christ's sake, all our cold and unworthy prayers; and give us at this time an earnest spirit of devotion. O our Father, hear us; O Saviour, plead for us; O Holy Spirit, solemnize our reinds, and teach us how to pray.

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Lord, forgive us all that we have done amiss this day. And not only pardon our sinful actions, but also all our sinful words and imaginations. Make us watchful over ourselves, and cleanse thou the secret thoughts of our hearts. We desire to be holy, even as thou art holy.

O Lord Jesus Christ, we bear thy name; make us Christians in heart and in life. May we daily be more and more conformed to thy likeness. May we, like thee, be meek, and gentle, and holy, and heavenly-minded. May we give ourselves to thee, and not be ashamed to follow thee in the midst of a wicked world.

We thank thee, O our God, that thou hast not left us alone in this dark wilderness; but hast promised to be with us; and hast given us thy word as a lamp to our feet and a light unto our path. Let that word be dearer to us than thousands of gold and silver. Enable us to understand it. Give us thy Spirit to teach us; and as we read it, do thou bring home thy own truth to our souls. Make us doers of thy word, and not readers and hearers only. Ever keep us from that which is evil, and enable us to act in all things according to thy will.

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give us new hearts, and to put a new spirit within us; graciously fulfil to us that promise. Root out of us everything that offends, and

plant within us every Christian grace.

Be with our friends and neighbours. Bless those who are rich in this world. Give them hearts to feel for others, and may they be ever doing good. Look upon the poor and friendless. Make the widow's heart to sing for joy; and in thee may the fatherless find mercy.

Grant that, as members of the same household, we may live together in peace, bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, as thou for Christ sake hast forgiven us. And do thou, the God of peace, dwell among us, and cheer us with thy presence. Thou knowest all our hearts. If any of us are far from thee, bring us home to thy fold; if any are in sorrow, comfort us; if any are tempted, mercifully strengthen us. And grant, O God, that we who now live together on earth may dwell together in thy presence above.

Hearken, O Lord, to this our evening prayer,

for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day [or, day by day] our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil: for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honor and glory, for ever

and ever. Amen.

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FRIDAY MORNING.

O THOU Giver of every good and perfect gift, from whom cometh every blessing that we enjoy, we desire to spread our wants before thee this morning. O thou who hast an ear to hear, give us hearts to pray. We ask thee to take us under thy special care this day. Thou sparest us from hour to hour. It is of thy mercies that we are not consumed. Make us to feel the value of each day as it comes; and may we endeavour to spend it in thy service, and to thy glory.

Help us, O Lord, to do our duty in the various stations in which we are placed. As we perform each work which is allotted to us, may we remember that thine eye is upon us; and may we do it cheerfully for thy sake. Make us strictly honest in all our dealings, and truthful in all we Give us a kind and forbearing spirit toward all around us. Keep us from all harshness of speech, and from every unchristian temper. Enable us to act in all things as becomes thy people, and as the followers of a meek and lowly Saviour. Make us contented with the portion which thy love allots to us. And grant that we may feel that peace, which belongs to those whose unrighteousness is forgiven, and whose sin is covered.

When we are engaged in our worldly employments, may we often hold communion with thee. May we serve thee in our various callings, remembering that to thee we must one day give an account. Keep us from the fear of man. And oh that we may never be ashamed of Christ,

and of his gospel; but be willing cheerfully to bear all that may be laid upon us, for our Saviour's sake.

Look, gracious God, upon the world we are living in, and have mercy upon all men. Check the progress of sin, and may true religion flourish and abound among us. Hasten the time when all shall know thee from the least to the greatest. Be with thy ministers, especially those who are labouring under circumstances of trial and suffering; make them faithful, and crown their labours with success. Grant, Lord, that thy light may break forth in every land, and thy truth be proclaimed from the rising of the sun to the going down of the same.

Have mercy upon this country. We acknowledge that our blessings are great, far greater than we deserve: oh that we may accept them with thankfulness. We have the gospel sounding in our ears; give us grace to receive it not in word only, but in power. May we love its precepts, believe its promises, and lay hold of that salvation which it sets before us. Let us not be Christians in name only; but may we shine as lights in a dark world. Heal our divisions. Pour out upon us a spirit of forbearance and brotherly love. Make us to be a people bringing forth the fruits of righteousness.

Hear these our prayers, O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

Our Father, which art in heaven, &c. Amen. Now unto Him who is able to keep us from falling, and to present us faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy; to the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen.

FRIDAY EVENING.

O LORD, who art the Father of mercies, and the God of all grace, we are gathered together in thy name; be thou in the midst of us. Do thon hear our prayers, and answer them, for Jesus Christ's sake.

Teach us daily to feel our entire dependence on thee. Thou, O God, didst bring us into being; thou hast preserved as from our earliest days unto this present hour. Thou knowest the wants of each one now before thee; and to thee the very secrets of our hearts are all open. Give us largely out of thy fulness, and supply all our need. Give, Lord, not according to our deservings; but give according to our need, and according to thy grace and goodness in Jesus Christ.

We thank thee, heavenly Father, for all thy mercies, for those which concern our bodies, as well as those which concern our souls. Thou hast graciously supplied us with food to nourish us, clothing to cover us, and friends to care for us. Thou hast granted us plenty, whilst many have been suffering from want; and health, whilst many have been worn by sickness. But above all, thou hast given us a Saviour to die for us; and

thou hast prepared a home for us in heaven. For these and all thy mercies, O give us thankful hearts. Put a new song in our mouths, even

thanksgiving unto our God.

We confess, O Lord, with shame that the trifles of this world too much engross our thoughts. Enable us to crucify the flesh with its affections and lusts. May we live as strangers and pilgrims here, looking for our dwelling-place above. Give us a taste for spiritual enjoyments. Make us new creatures in Christ Jesus. Shed abroad thy love in our hearts. Give us faith to rest our souls on Christ. May His sacrifice on the cross be our only hope, and his bright example our daily pattern. May we be holy, harmless, and undefiled, as He was; and, like Him, may we ever be doing good.

Enable us, O God, to pass the time of our sojourning here in fear. May our greatest dread be to offend thee, and our greatest delight to serve thee. Enable us to live this short life as those whose treasure is above. And do thou fit us for our great change. If any among us are asleep as regards our souls, do thou in mercy awaken us. If any of us are almost Christians, incline us to give our hearts altogether to Christ. Breathe, O Lord, into our souls, that we may live before thee. Give us, O give us, heavenly hopes and heavenly desires. Quicken us by thy holy

Be with us, gracious Father, this night. Shelter us under thy wing, and keep us in safety. Grant that all who are now before thee may be numbered among thy people. Let there not be one wanting when thou makest up thy jewels; but may we, who

now dwell together on earth, meet together at thy right hand, and sit down together in thy heavenly kingdom. Grant this, O Lord, for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen*.

Our Father, which art in heaven, &c. Amen.
Unto thy gracious mercy and protection, O
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give us peace, both now and evermore. Amen.

SATURDAY MORNING.

O Almighty and Eternal God, we come before thee this morning under a deep sense of our own unworthiness, and of thy greatness and love. Day after day we have to confess fresh sins. How many things have we left altogether undone, and how much have we done amiss! Our own hearts condemn us.

Lord, we thank thee that thou hast opened a fountain for sin and for uncleanness. Thou hast provided a Saviour for us. We flee to Him; and under the shelter of his cross we desire to hide ourselves. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, take away our sins. By thine agony and bloody sweat, by thy cross and passion do thou deliver us. O Lord, we wish to be thine. We wish to find our happiness in thee. Be thou our truest joy, the glory of our brightest day, the comfort of our gloomiest night.

Make sin hateful to us, and create in us a desire after holiness. Take away, O God, the heart of stone, and give us softened hearts to believe in thee, and to love thee. Make each one of us to feel that we must give an account of our stewardship, and that for all our talents, our time, and our opportunities, we must answer before thee.

Help us to look into our own hearts, and try our own ways. Whatever is wrong in us, enable us to see it, and give us grace to correct it. O let us never deceive ourselves, crying peace when there is no peace.

Keep us this day from sin. Control our passions. Subdue our self-will. Root out everything within us that is displeasing to thee. O Lord, we would walk in that blessed path where thou hast led the way. Give us grace to follow thee; and let not any enticement of the world tempt us to turn to the right hand or to the left.

Arm us against our great spiritual enemy. Strengthen us in the hour of temptation. May we never be ashamed of Christ or of his gospel. May we never be turned aside by the fear of man. Lord, we wish to be thy soldiers and servants. Grant that we may be found faithful. And do thou at length enable us to gain the victory, and win the heavenly crown.

Look in mercy upon our dear friends, both those who are with us, and those who are far away from us. We ask the same blessings for them that we desire for ourselves. Prosper them in all their ways. Lift up the light of thy countenance upon them. Grant them that inward peace, which the world cannot give. Lead them to Christ now,

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Be with every member of this family. May all who belong to us belong to thee, and meet hereafter in that world where sorrow and separation shall be no more.

And now, Lord, receive our prayers, and accept our praises. Pardon us for all that we have asked amiss; and those good things which through our ignorance we have omitted to ask for, do thou in mercy grant, for thy dear Son's sake, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Our Father, which art in heaven, &c. Amen. The Lord bless us, and keep us: the Lord make his face to shine upon us, and give us peace now and evermore. Amen.

SATURDAY EVENING.

O Lord, we desire to close this day and this week with prayer to thee. Pardon, we beseech thee, for Christ's sake, the sins which we have committed. They are many and great. Hour after hour our thoughts have dwelt on the things of this world; but how seldom have they been turned towards heaven. We have not been thankful for thy blessings. We have not been watchful over our own hearts. We have allowed many hidden and secret sins to dwell within us. We have loved this present world too dearly, and we have loved thee, O God, too little. We have lived too much as if this was our resting-place and our home.

For these things, and for all that thou seest amiss in us, Father, forgive us. Let not our sins separate us from thee. Accept us in Christ, and for his sake look mercifully upon us. We thank thee that there is in Him a fullness to meet all our need, a fulness of mercy to pardon us, a fulness of grace to help us, a fulness of love to bear with us. O supply all our need out of that fulness.

Lord, make us holy; for without holiness we can neither be happy here, por happy hereafter. Show us our besetting sins, and give us strength to overcome them. Enable us to put them away, however dear to us they may be.

Grant that each day, and each week, as it comes round, may find us making progress in our heavenly course. Forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, may we be ever pressing towards the mark for the prize of our high calling in Christ Jesus. Teach us, O God, to remember that our race will soon be run. Oh that we may then receive the crown of life, and be admitted into the joy of our Lord.

And now, heavenly Father, we ask thee to prepare us for the holy day before us. If we are spared to see it, may we awake with solemn thoughts, and thankful feelings. May we love thy day, and feel it to be the best of all the seven. Grant that it may be a day of blessing to us, a day laden with mercies to our souls. Enable us tomorrow, not only to cease from all needless employments, but to shut the world out of our hearts, and may it be a day given to thee.

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Thanks be unto thee, O God, for all thine unnumbered mercies. Give us grateful hearts, now, and may we hereafter praise thee in thy courts above, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Father, which art in heaven, &c. Amen.

God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Ghost, bless, preserve, and keep us. The Lord mercifully with his favour look upon us; and fill us with all spiritual benediction and grace, that we may so live together in this life, that in the world to come we may have life everlasting. Amen.

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OCCASIONAL PRAYERS.

(To be introduced into the ordinary Prayers for the day.)

1. For New Year's Day.

O LORD, we desire to own thy exceeding love and mercy in having spared us to the beginning of a new year. When we look back on the past, there is much indeed to fill us with shame and trembling. How poorly have we served thee! How often have we dishonoured thee! We come to thee, O Saviour, with all our sins. To thy cross we look as our only refuge. O grant that thy blood which was shed there may wash away all our guilt.

May we this day be reminded how quickly time is passing by, never to return. Oh that, while life is spared to us, we may feel the preciousness of every moment, and spend it earnestly in thy service.

O heavenly Father, enable us to be more entirely thine during this new year, on which we are this day entering. We desire solemnly to surrender ourselves to thee. If we have hitherto lived to the world, may we now live to it no longer. If we have loved sin, may we now love it no more. Be thou our only portion; and may this year be begun, continued, and ended in thee. Grant this for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

2. For Christmas Day.

O LORD JESUS CHRIST, who wast as on this day born at Bethlehem, we thank thee that thou hast come into the world to save us. We praise thee for that exceeding love which led thee to leave the glories of heaven, and to come and dwell among us. Though thou wast rich, yet for our sakes thou didst become poor, that we through thy poverty might be rich. Oh that a feeling of joy and

gratitude may fill our hearts.

What shall we render unto thee, O Saviour, for all that thou hast done for us? Enable us to love thee; and give us grace to become thy true and faithful followers. Warm our cold hearts, and tune them for thy happy service. Blessed Jesus, be thou our portion. Draw our hearts to thyself. Make us to enjoy that peace which belongs to thy people. May we daily endeavour to follow the bright example of thy spotless life; and may we look to thy cross as the only refuge of our souls. Grant this for thine own name's sake. Amen.

3. FOR GOOD FRIDAY.

O Most holy and blessed Saviour, who didst as on this day bleed upon the cross for our sins, teach us to mourn over our guilt with true sorrow, and to flee to thee as our only sacrifice. By thy cross and passion, by thy precious death and burial, good Lord, deliver us.

O Lord, our iniquities are many and great. We have crucified thee afresh by our grievous sins. We have opened thy wounds anew by our transgressions. Pardon us, most loving Saviour, for thine own sake. Purge us, and we shall be clean: wash us, and we shall be whiter than snow. And do thou enable us to live no longer to ourselves, but to thee who hast

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bought us with such an amazing price. Teach us to draw near to thee, from day to day, for the pardon of our daily sins. Speak peace, Lord, to our souls; and let thy blood purge away all our guilt.

Hear us, blessed Lord; and to thee, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, be honour and glory, now and for ever. *Amen*.

4. FOR EASTER DAY.

O SAVIOUR of the world, who didst as on this day burst the bonds of death, and rise triumphant from the grave, we thank thee that thou hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gate of everlasting

O thou who art the resurrection and the life, raise us, we pray thee, from the death of sin to a life of righteousness. May we ever be looking upward to that heaven where thou dwellest; and may our hearts and affections be drawn away from the world, and set on things above. May we live upon thee day by day, and be united to thee more and more closely.

O thou risen and exalted Redeemer, look upon thy suffering people here on earth. Give us grace patiently to endure unto the end: and as thou hast prepared a place for us in thy Father's house, O prepare us day by day for that glorious inheritance. And grant that when thou, who art our life, shalt appear, we may appear with thee in glory.

Hear us, we beseech thee, for thine own name's

sake. Amen.

5. FOR WHITSUNDAY.

O God, thou didst as on this day send down thy Holy Spirit upon thy Church, grant that He may

rest upon each one of us, to quicken us, to teach us, to guide us, to comfort us, and to make Christ known to us. May His blessed influence be felt in all our hearts; and may He take up His abode within us.

O thou blessed Spirit, open our eyes to understand the Scriptures, and open our hearts to feel the truths of thy word. Help us in our prayers; teach us how to pray. Subdue every sinful inclination within us; and make us holy, as thou art holy. Create in us a clean heart, and renew a right spirit within us.

O God, we beseech thee to pour out abundantly of thy Holy Spirit upon the world at large. May thy gospel be spread far and wide. May thy power be felt in awakening and saving souls. And may there be added to thy Church daily such as shall be saved. O Lord, revive thy work; and let thy life-giving power be felt among us. Grant this, gracious Lord, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

6. For a Sick Member of the Family.

O Lord, we desire to commend to thy special care thy servant who is sick in this house. Be with him (or her) in his sickness. Grant that it may be made a time of blessing to his soul. Lead him to the Saviour: and may he find comfort in the midst of trial, and that peace which the world cannot give. We beseech thee to raise him up again, if it be thy good pleasure. Nevertheless, let thy dealings with him be according to thy blessed will, and as thou seest best for his soul. Hear us, O Lord, for thy dear Son's sake. Amen.

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7. FOR ONE GOING ON A JOURNEY.

LORD, be with us this day. And especially be with thy servant who is about to leave this roof. Prosper him on his journey. Protect him from all dangers. And be with him in his going out and in his coming in. Make us all to remember that this is not our rest. May we be pressing onward with all earnestness, and at length reach our heavenly home, for the sake and through the merits of Jesus Christ, our Saviour. Amen.

8. Praise for a Blessing Received.

Most gracious and loving Father, we thank thee for all thy mercies, and more particularly for that great mercy, with which thou hast at this time visited us. Help us to show our gratitude, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by living more entirely to thee, and by loving thee with a more perfect love. Lord, tune our hearts for thy service, and accept this our offering of prayer and praise, for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.*

9. Before Receiving the Holy Communion.

O LORD, thou hast invited us this day to thy holy table. Thou hast prepared a Feast for us, even that precious feast of thine own body and blood. Give us grace to draw near to thee with lowly and contrite hearts; and enable us to come to thee as the Bread of life, and the Saviour of souls. Whilst

we eat the bread and drink the wine, help us to feed on thy precious Body and Blood. May we remember thy exceeding love in giving thyself for us; and may we hate the sins which nailed thee to the cross. Make thyself known to us this day in the breaking of bread; and send us away from thy table strengthened and refreshed. Grant this, we beseech thee, for thine own name's sake. Amen.

10. AFTER RECEIVING THE HOLY COMMUNION.

We thank thee, O Lord, that we have been permitted this day to approach thee, in thine own most blessed ordinance. We have eaten bread and drunk wine in remembrance of thee. O that our souls may have been nourished and refreshed at this heavenly Feast! Forgive all that was amiss in us. Pardon our want of faith, the coldness of our hearts, and the wanderings of our thoughts. Make us more earnest, more decided, and more heavenly-minded. May we ever remember whose we are, and seek to glorify thee by a holy and devoted life. Grant this for thine own sake, O blessed Saviour, to whom, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, now and for ever.

11. To be used in any Time of Trouble.

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affliction. Now that they chastening hand is upon us, we desire to bow before thee, and to look up to thee with humble self-abasement. Lord, we are in thy hands. Thou art the Potter, and we the clay. O do with us as thou seest best. Not our will, but thine, be done.

May this affliction, hard as it is to bear, do us good. May it wean us from this world, and lead us to the Saviour's cross. We have too often gone to earthly cisterns which hold no water. We now come to thee, the Fountain of life; and pray thee to fill us out of thy fulness, and to refresh our weary souls.

O Lord, hear us; O Lord, pity us; and bestow on us an abundance of thy grace and mercy, for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.*

12. For the Last Day in the Year.

O LORD, we thank thee that thou hast brought us to the closing day of another year. Thou hast been very gracious in thus lengthening out our lives. We bless thee for delivering us from numberless accidents and dangers. Lord, it is of thy mercies that we are not consumed.

When we think of the numberless sins and short-comings which this year has witnessed, we have much need to be humbled in the dust. Blessed be thy name, there is forgiveness with thee. Grant it to us, for Christ's sake.

Lord, we desire with a new year to give ourselves afresh to thee. May we, each day that we live, find more peace and happiness in thy service, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

A LITANY SERVICE.

MORNING.

"O come, let us worship and fall down, and kneel before the Lord our Maker. Psalm xcv. 6.

Let us pray.

O God the Father, our Creator and Preserver, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

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O Thou who hast power to renew the heart, and convert the soul, and who art able to give life to those who are spiritually dead,

Have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

O Thou who lovest us with an everlasting love, and hast shed thy blood to save us,

Have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

That it may please thee to give us pardon for all that we have done amiss, and grace to go and

We besech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to enable us truly to believe in Christ our Saviour, and to love him with all our hearts;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to enable us all to take up our cross daily; and to bear it after thee;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us true humility and meekness under all provocations, and patience under every affliction;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

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That it may please thee to give us cheerful and hearty submission to thy blessed will, so that we may praise thee for all that thou seest fit either to give or to take away;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and preserve all Christian kings, princes, and governors, and especially thy servant VICTORIA, our Queen, and all who bear authority under her;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless the bishop of this diocese, and all the ministers of thy holy Word and Sacraments, making them wise to win souls;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless this parish, to prosper thine own work in it, and to increase the number of thy faithful and true people;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless thy Church throughout the world, and to prosper the labours of all who are preaching the gospel either to Jews or Gentiles;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

O Christ, hear us.

O Christ, hear us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

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Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father, which art in heaven, &c. Amen

Let us praise the name of the Lord;

And offer unto God thanksgiving.

Unto thee we give thanks, O Lord;

Yea, unto thee, Lord, do we give thanks.

O HEAVENLY FATHER, we bless and praise thee for thy mercies during the past night, and for thy fatherly care and reservation of us from day to day. But most of an we thank thee for that thou hast so loved the world as to give thy dear Son to die for us. For this and all thy benefits, give us thankful hearts. Put a new song even now into our mouths, and help us to praise thee for ever in thy courts above, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. Amen.

EVENING.

"All things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive." Matt. xxi. 22.

Let us pray.

O ALMIGHTY GOD, who art the Creator, the Redeemer, and the Sanctifier of thy people, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

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From all the sins of our evil nature, from all unbelief, from impenitence, from pride, from spiritual sloth and carelessness.

Good Lord, deliver us.

From those sins which do most easily beset and ensnare us,

Good Lord, deliver us.

In all time of grief and gladness; in all time of weakness and strength; in the days of our life, and in the hour of death,

Lord, be thou our Helper.

We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God: and that it may please thee to give us true repentence and godly sorrow for all our transgressions in thought, word, and deed;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to pardon our many sins, and to give us grace henceforth to lead a holy life;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to look in mercy on the poor and needy, to give them a contented spirit, and to support them under every trial;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to look upon all who are in ignorance, error, and sin; to turn their hearts, and so bring them home, blessed Saviour, to thy flock, that their souls may be saved in the great day of thy coming;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless the sick and afflicted (especially ———), giving them the com-

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We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us grace according to our ability, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep ourselves unspotted from the world;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to hear and answer our unworthy prayers, and to give us more and more the true spirit of prayer and praise;

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord. Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us. Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world;

Grant us thy peace.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world;

Have mercy upon us.

Our Father, which art in heaven, &c.

O HEAVENLY FATHER, we thank thee for all the mercies of the past day; and we desire to commend ourselves to they care and keeping for the coming night. Preserve our bodies in health and safety, and our minds in peace. Let thy fatherly hand ever be over us. Let thy Holy Spirit ever be with us. And bring us, we beseech thee, at last to thy heavenly kingdom, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Lord bless us, and keep us: the Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and give us peace, now and for evermore. *Amen*.

