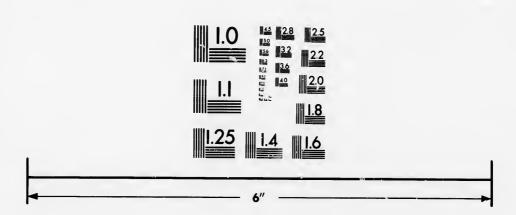


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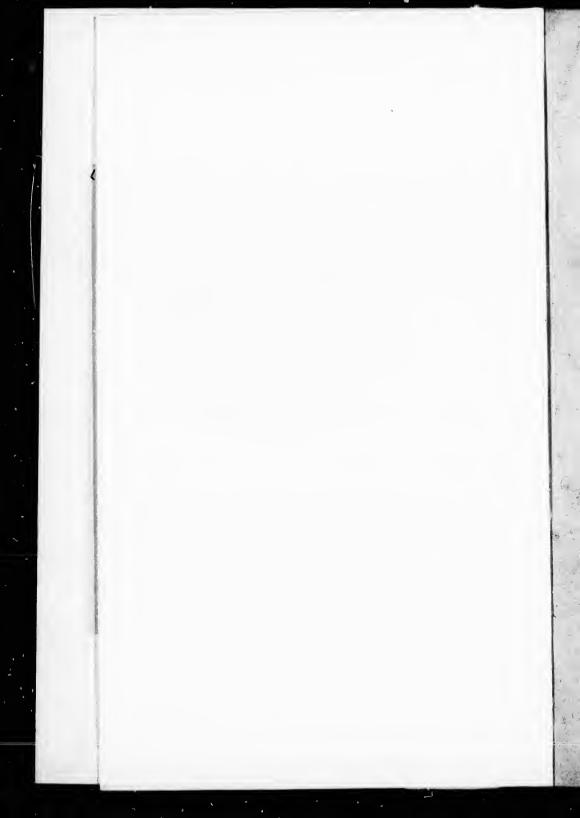
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# FORM OF PRAYER



ON WEDNESDAY, THE 18TH APRIL, 1855,

Being the day appointed by Proclamation for a solemn Fast, Humiliation, and Prayer before Almighty God, in order to obtain pardon of our sins, and in the most devout and solemn manner send up our prayers and supplications to the Divine Majesty, imploring His blessing and assistance on our arms, for the restoration of peace to Her Majesty and her dominions.

Copies of this Form of Prayer can be obtained on application either at Mr. Lovell's Printing Office, or at the Vestry of Christ Church Cathedral Montreal.

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#### THE ORDER OF MORNING PRAYER.

The Service shall be the same with the usual Office for Holidays, except where it is in this Office otherwise appointed.

Let these sentences of Scripture be read before the Exhortation.

O Lord, correct me, but with judgment; not in Thine anger, lest Thou bring me to nothing.

I will arise and go to my Father; and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against Heaven, and before Thee, and am no more worthy to be called Thy son.

## ¶ Instead of the Venite exultemus.

God is our refuge and strength: a very present help in trouble.

Therefore will we not fear, though the earth be moved: and though the hills be carried into the midst of the sea.

Though the waters thereof rage and swell: and the mountains shake at the tempest of the same.

The Lord of Hosts is with us: the God of Jacob is our refuge.

For I will not trust in my bow: it is not my sword that shall help me.

I will say unto the Lord: Thou art my hope, and my stronghold; my God, in Him will I trust.

For it is Thou that savest us from our enemies: and puttest them to confusion that hate us.

The Lord shall give strength unto His people: the Lord shall give His people the blessing of peace.

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.

¶ Proper Psalms, LI. and LXXVII.

First Lesson, Daniel IX. Verse 1—19.

Second Lesson, St. Matt. III. Verse 1—12.

¶ Instead of the First Collect for Morning Prayer.

Almighty and merciful God, who in our days and in the days of our forefathers, hast visited this Kingdom with many and great blessings: save and deliver us, we humbly beseech Thee, from the hands of our enemies; that being armed with Thy defence we may be preserved from all perils, to glorify Thee who art the only Giver of all victory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ After the Prayer in the Litany (We humbly beseech Thee) read the two following, instead of the Prayers in the Time of War and Tumults, and for the High Court of Parliament.

O Almighty God, Maker of the Universe, and Sovereign Disposer of the affairs of men: we Thine unworthy servants most humbly implore Thy aid in this time of peril and perplexity, when, in defence of the rights and independence of nations, we are exposed to the dangers and calamities of war. We confess, O Lord; that in many things we deserve Thine anger, and might justly fear Thy chastenings. But Thou art a merciful God, full of compassion, long suffering, and of great pity. Thou sparest when we deserve punishment, and in Thy wrath thinkest upon mercy. Enter not into judgment with Thy servants, who now humble themselves before Thee, and let not Thine heritage be brought to confusion. Direct, we beseech Thee, the counsels of our gracious Sovereign, and prosper all her measures to the preservation of tranquility at home, and the restoraPrayer.

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tion of peace throughout the world. Bless her counsellors with wisdom, and especially the great Council of the nation now assembled in Parliament, that all things may be so ordered and settled by their endeavours, that peace and happiness, truth and justice, religion and piety, may be established amongst us for all generations. Endue her commanders, and all her forces, both by sea and land, with valour and patience; and teach them, amidst all their perils and hardships, to show forth in their lives and actions the duties of Christian soldiers. O prosper them in all their doings with Thy gracious favour and protection.

And whilst we pray Thee, O merciful Father, to defend us from them that rise up against us, inspire our hearts, and the hearts of our enemies, with the love of peace. Let nothing be done through strife, or pride, or vain glory; but teach us to be meek and merciful, tender hearted and full of compassion. And in Thy good time vouchsafe us, we pray Thee, such a secure and prosperous peace, as may tend to the glory of Thy name, to the honour of our Sovereign and her dominions, and to the common welfare of mankind.

Grant this, O merciful Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

O God, our refuge and strength in every time of trouble, in whose hands are the issues of life and death; mercifully receive these our prayers and intercessions for our countrymen, and for those allied with them, now suffering the hardships of warfare in a foreign land. Be with them, we beseech Thee, in all their trials and privations. Let them enter into battle with hearts full of repentance towards Thee, and of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ; and let their courage in their country's cause be crowned with success, and tempered with

mercifulness. Stay, we beseech Thee, the violence of disease. Relieve the sick and wounded with the consolations of Thy Blessed Spirit, and support the fatherless and widows in their affliction. Grant that all the sorrows and trials which are endured may work together for the everlasting welfare of those who suffer them. Hear us, O Heavenly Father, for the sake of Thy dear Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Then the General Thanksgiving, to the end of the Morning Prayer, as usual.

# THE COMMUNION SERVICE

¶ After the Prayer for the Queen, or instead of the Prayer for the whole state of Christ's Church, let the following be used:—

O Almighty God, we beseech Thee of Thy great goodness mercifully to receive these our prayers which we offer unto Thy Divine Majesty this day in behalf of our kingdom and nation. We confess, O Lord, that during the long period of prosperity and peace with which Thou hadst blessed our nation, we did not make that return for Thy mercies, which Thou mightest justly have required at our hands. Mercifully forgive the sins whereby we have provoked Thy chastisement, and grant that we may learn righteousness from Thy judgments which are abroad. Take away from amongst us all pride and hardness of heart, and contempt of Thy Word; endue us with a spirit of piety and devotion, of justice and temperance, of humility and charity, as becomes our Christian profession; that the blessings which we have long enjoyed, both spiritual and temporal, may, through Thy providence, be continued to us and our posterity. Above all, in every dispensation of Thy hand, whether it be of prosperity or adversity, teach us to lift up our hearts above this lower world to Thy heavenly Kingdom, where pain and sorrow, war and hatred, shall be no more. And as Thou hast commanded us to love our enemies, and to pray for them that despitefully use us, have mercy, we beseech Thee, on our adversaries in the present war. Deliver them from the guilt of ambition and blood, and dispose their hearts to elemency and justice. Overrule this strife to the renewal of kindly brotherhood amongst nations, the enlargement of the Redeemer's kingdom, and the union of the world in Christian faith and love, that all may unite together in striving to exalt and magnify Thy glorious name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ Collect for the day, as before. "Almighty and merciful

¶ For the Epistle. Jeremiah VII. Verse 1-7.

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¶ The Gospel. St. Luke XVIII. Verse 9—14.

### THE ORDER FOR EVENING PRAYER.

Is the same as that for the morning, except that the preceding Collect in the Communion Service is added to the other two, instead of the Prayers for the High Court of Parliament, &c., &c. The following are the Psalms and Lessons:

¶ The hymn appointed to be used at morning prayer, instead of the Venite, &c., shall also be used before the proper Psalms.

¶ Proper Psalms, LXXXVI. and XCI.

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