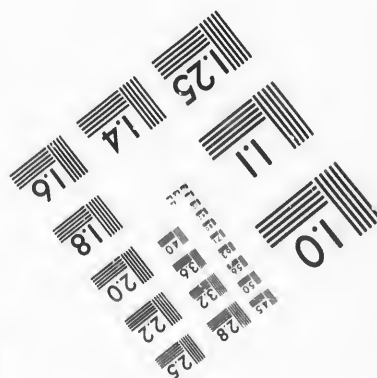
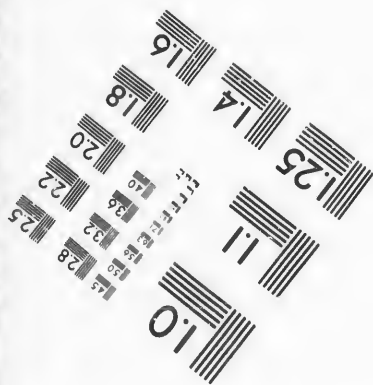
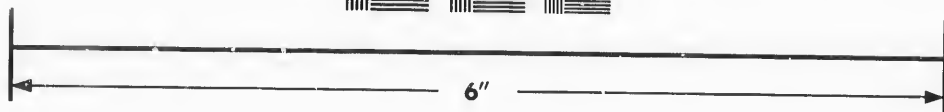
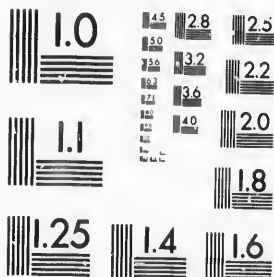


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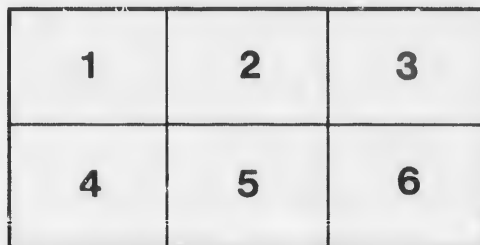
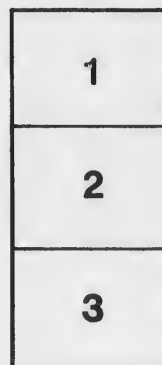
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In order to obtain Pardon of our Sins, and that we
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THE ORDER FOR MORNING PRAYER.

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

¶ *Let him that ministereth begin with these sentences.*

TO the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against Him : neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in his Laws which He set before us. *Dan. ix. 9, 10.*

O Lord, correct us, but with judgment : not in Thine anger, lest thou bring us to nothing. *Jer. x. 24. Psalm vi. 1.*

¶ *Instead of the Venite exultemus.*

O COME, let us worship and fall down : and kneel before the Lord our Maker. *Psalm xcvi. 6.*

For He hath torn, and He will heal : He hath smitten and He will bind us up. Hos. vi. 1.

He hath not dealt with us after our sins : nor rewarded us according to our wickednesses. *Psalm ciii. 10.*

For our transgressions are multiplied before Thee : and our sins testify against us. Isai. lix. 12.

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We have transgressed, and we have rebelled : 'Thou hast not pardoned. *Lam. iii. 42.*

Fear and a snare is come upon us : desolation and destruction. Ver. 47.

It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed : because His compassions fail not. *Ver. 22.*

For though He cause grief, yet will He have compassion : according to the multitude of His mercies. Ver. 32.

For He doth not afflict willingly : nor grieve the children of men. *Ver. 33.*

Yea, like as a father pitieth his own children : even so is the Lord merciful unto them that fear Him. Psalm ciii. 13.

Let us search and try our ways : and turn again to the Lord. *Lam. iii. 40.*

Let us lift up our heart with our hands : unto God in the heavens. Ver. 41.

The eyes of all wait upon Thee, O Lord : and 'Thou givest them their meat in due season. *Psalm cxlv. 15.*

Thou openest Thine hand : and fillest all things living with plenteousness. Ver. 16.

The Lord is righteous in all His ways : and holy in all His works. *Ver. 17.*

He will fulfil the desire of them that fear Him : He also will hear their cry, and will help them. Ver. 19.

Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon them that fear Him : and upon them that put their trust in His mercy. *Psalm xxxiii. 17.*

To deliver their soul from death : and to feed them in the time of dearth. Ver. 18.

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Our soul hath patiently tarried for the Lord : for He is our help, and our shield. *Ver. 19.*

Let Thy merciful kindness, O Lord, be upon us : like as we do put our trust in Thee. Ver. 21.

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, XXXII. XXXIX. LXXXVI.*

¶ *First Lesson, 1 Kings VIII. ver. 22—41.*

¶ *Te Deum laudamus.*

¶ *Second Lesson, St. Matthew VI. to ver. 22.*

¶ *Benedictus.*

¶ *Instead of the First Collect at Morning Prayer, shall these two which follow be used.*

ALMIGHTY God and heavenly Father, who art terrible in Thy judgments upon impenitent sinners, and abundant in mercy to all that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto thee ; We, Thy afflicted people, desire to humble ourselves before Thee, in behalf of ourselves and of our brethren, who in many parts of the United Kingdom are suffering extreme famine and sickness. We confess with shame and contrition, that, in the pride and hardness of our hearts, we have shown ourselves unthankful for Thy mercies, and have followed our own imaginations instead of Thy holy laws. And
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we humbly desire Thy fatherly goodness to grant us such a measure of Thy grace, that worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, we may obtain comfort from Thee, and deliverance from this grievous calamity. Awaken in us, we beseech Thee, a deep sense of our many transgressions, and a godly sorrow for our sins, so sincere and lasting as may move Thee to withdraw Thy displeasure, that we be not utterly consumed by the means of Thy heavy hand ; and that we may bring forth the fruits of repentance through the whole course of our lives. And give us that right apprehension of our duty in all things, that if it be Thy will we should suffer, we may submit ourselves with entire resignation and patience ; and that if it be Thy good pleasure to spare us, we may show mercy, so far as we may be able, to all men, and more especially to those who are now brought down to the ground by hunger and sickness, and who have none to help them. Grant this, for the sake of Thy blessed Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

O FATHER of mercies and God of all comfort, our only help in time of need ; We beseech Thee, look down from heaven on the distress of Thy people ; behold, visit, and relieve them. Vouchsafe, O Lord, to bind up their wounds, to restore to them the blessings of plenty, and dispose them to moderation and thankfulness in the use of Thy gifts ; neither tempting Thy Divine Majesty by neglect of the means which Thou hast appointed, nor distrusting Thy goodness towards those who look to Thee for succor. Be merciful, O Lord, be merciful unto Thy people ; be Thou our refuge, until this calamity be overpast ; and so guide and govern our hearts by the inspiration of Thy Holy Spirit, that being sanctified in body and soul, we may put our whole trust

in Thy mercy ; and that humbly walking before Thee in faith, in hope, and in charity, we may finally obtain everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall follow the Collect for Ash-Wednesday, and the Second and third Collects at Morning Prayer, and the Litany.*

¶ *After the Collect We humbly beseech Thee, O Father; &c. shall be said one of the Prayers appointed to be used In the time of Dearth and Famine; which Prayers may be said continually at Morning and Evening Prayer, during the time of the present visitation.*

Then shall the Collects next following be read.

○ **L**ORD, we beseech Thee, mercifully hear our prayers, and spare all those who confess their sins unto Thee ; that they, whose consciences by sin are accused, by Thy merciful pardon may be absolved ; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

○ **M**OST mighty God, and merciful Father, who hast compassion upon all men, and hatest nothing that Thou hast made ; who wouldest not the death of a sinner, but that he should rather turn from his sin, and be saved ; Mercifully forgive us our trespasses ; receive and comfort us, who are grieved and wearied with the burden of our sins. Thy property is always to have mercy ; to Thee only it appertaineth to forgive sins. Spare us therefore, good Lord, spare Thy people, whom thou hast redeemed ; enter not into judgement with Thy servants, who are vile earth, and miserable sinners ; but so turn Thine anger from us, who meekly acknowledge our vileness, and truly repent us of our faults, and so make haste
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to help us in this world, that we may ever live with Thee in the world to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the people say this that followeth, after the Minister.*

TURN Thou us, O good Lord, and so shall we be turned. Be favourable, O Lord, Be favourable to Thy people, Who turn to Thee in weeping, fasting, and praying. For 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. Spare Thy people, good Lord, spare them, And let not Thine heritage be brought to confusion. Hear us, O Lord, for Thy mercy is great, And after the multitude of Thy mercies look upon us; Through the merits and mediation of Thy blessed Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Prayer for the High Court of Parliament, and the General Thanksgiving, &c. to the end of Morning Prayer as usual.*

THE COMMUNION SERVICE.

¶ *After the Prayer for the Queen, Almighty God, whose Kingdom is everlasting, &c., instead of the Collect for the Day, shall this which followeth be used.*

O GOD, at whose bidding the earth, which sustaineth the life of man, hath withholden in parts of these islands the wonted provision of food, and turned abundance into scarcity; Withdraw, we beseech Thee, the judgement with which Thou hast visited us, that the poor perish not by famine. We acknowledge, O Lord, that by our strifes and divisions, our misuse of Thy gifts, and forgetfulness of Thy manifold mercies, we have justly deserved punishment. We have sinned, we have grievously sinned against Thee: yet knowing that Thou art full of compassion, we beseech Thee to pardon the offences of thy people, to relieve the poor and the needy in their present necessities, and to give, and preserve to our use, the fruits of the earth in their seasons. But whatsoever may be Thy pleasure concerning us, give us grace to receive Thy dispensations, whether of judgement or mercy, with entire submission to Thy will, endeavouring to abate Thy displeasure by repentance, and showing forth our sense of Thy goodness by faithfully keeping Thy commandments. Of ourselves we are unable either to will or to do that which is acceptable in Thy sight. We therefore pray Thee so to open our hearts

hearts to the influences of Thy good Spirit, that showing compassion and mercy each man to his neighbour, and bearing the burdens one of another, we may obtain of Thy favour the supply of our wants, and, with hearts knit together in brotherly love, may partake of Thy bounties in peace and contentment, to the honour and praise of Thy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.—
Amen.

For the Epistle. Joel II. 12.

THEREFORE also now, saith the Lord, turn ye even to Me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning: and rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God: for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth Him of the evil. Who knoweth if He will return and repent, and leave a blessing behind Him; even a meat offering and a drink offering unto the Lord your God? Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly: gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children, and those that suck the breasts: let the bridegroom go forth of his chamber, and the bride out of her closet. Let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say, Spare Thy people, O Lord, and give not Thine heritage to reproach, that the heathen should rule over them: wherefore should they say among the people, Where is their God?

The Gospel. St. Luke XIII. 1.

THERE were present at that season some that told him of the Galileans, whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. And Jesus answering said

said unto them, Suppose ye that these Galileans were sinners above all the Galileans, because they suffered such things? I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish. Or those eighteen, upon whom the tower in Siloam fell, and slew them, think ye that they were sinners above all men that dwelt in Jerusalem? I tell you, Nay: but except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish. He spake also this parable: A certain man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came and sought fruit thereon, and found none.—Then said he unto the dresser of his vineyard, Behold, these three years I come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and find none: cut it down; why cumberith it the ground? And he answering said unto him, Lord, let it alone this year also, till I shall dig about it, and dung it: and if it bear fruit, well: and if not, then after that thou shalt cut it down.

¶ *Then shall follow the Nicene Creed, and after that the Sermon.*

¶ *In the Offertory shall these Sentences be read.*

Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. *St. Matth. vii. 21.*

Blessed be the man that provideth for the sick and needy: the Lord shall deliver him in the time of trouble. *Psal. xli. 1.*

¶ *After the Prayer For the whole state of Christ's Church, &c. the following shall be used.*

A Prayer for this Church and Kingdom.

○ GRACIOUS God, who art kind to the unthankful and the evil; We humbly acknowledge that we have

have not manifested a due sense of the numberless blessings, both spiritual and temporal, which we and our fathers have received at Thy hands, and of the mighty deliverances which Thy power hath wrought for our Church and Nation. Through our neglect of Thine ordinances, and misuse of Thy bounties, offences have been multiplied in the land ; and Thy holy Name hath been profaned among the heathen by our transgressions. Yet forsake us not utterly, O Lord, our Redeemer, but continue Thy loving kindness to Thy servants as in the days of old. Send Thy heavenly blessing on our Sovereign Lady the Queen, and on all that are in authority under her, and direct all their proceedings to the advancement of true religion and piety, and to the peace and prosperity of the Realm. Pour forth the gifts of Thy Spirit on all Pastors and Teachers of Thy Flock, that they may be clothed with righteousness, and that Thy Word spoken by their mouth may never be spoken in vain. And to all orders and degrees of men amongst us vouchsafe such a measure of Thy grace, that righteousness may flourish in our land, with abundance of peace ; and that being reconciled to Thee through Thy Son Jesus Christ, and united with each other in charity, we may be an acceptable people in Thy sight, and make known to the ends of the earth the riches of Thy mercy in Christ ; to whom, with Thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory for ever. *Amen.*

A Prayer for Unity.

O GOD the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our only Saviour, the Prince of Peace ; Give us grace seriously to lay to heart the great dangers we are in by our unhappy divisions. Take away all hatred and prejudice, and whatsoever else may hinder us from godly Union and Concord : that, as there is but one Body, and one Spirit,
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and one Hope of our Calling, one Lord, one Faith, one Baptism, one God and Father of us all, so we may henceforth be all of one heart, and of one soul, united in one holy bond of Truth and Peace, of Faith and Charity, and may with one mind and one mouth glorify Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

GRANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee, that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by Thy governance, that Thy Church may joyfully serve Thee in all godly quietness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that the words, which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may through Thy grace be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honour and praise of Thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALmighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, who knowest our necessities before we ask, and our ignorance in asking; We beseech Thee to have compassion upon our infirmities; and those things, which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask, vouchsafe to give us for the worthiness of Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of His Son Jesus Christ our Lord; And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

THE ORDER FOR EVENING PRAYER.

¶ *Let him that ministereth begin with these Sentences.*

TO the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against Him: neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in His laws which He set before us. *Dan. ix. 9, 10.*

O Lord, correct us, but with judgement; not in Thine anger, lest Thou bring us to nothing. *Jer. x. 24. Psalm vi. 1.*

¶ *The Hymn appointed to be used at Morning Prayer, instead of Venite exultemus, shall here also be used before the proper Psalms.*

O come, let us worship, &c.

¶ *Proper Psalms, LXXXVIII. XC. CXXX.*

¶ *First Lesson, Jonah III.*

Magnificat.

¶ *Second Lesson, 2 Cor. IX.*

Deus misereatur.

¶ *Instead of the First Collect at Evening Prayer, the two Collects used at Morning Prayer shall be read.*

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¶ *Immediately after the Collect Lighten our darkness, &c., shall these three next following be used.*

O Lord, we beseech Thee, &c.

O most mighty God, &c.

Turn thou us, &c.

As before at Morning Prayer.

¶ *After the Prayer for the Clergy and People shall follow one of the Prayers In the time of Dearth and Famine.*

¶ *Then the Prayer for the High Court of Parliament, the Prayer for all Conditions of Men, and the General Thanksgiving.*

¶ *Immediately before the Prayer of Saint Chrysostom, shall be said the Prayer for this Church and Kingdom, O gracious God, who art kind, &c. ; the Prayer for Unity ; and the Prayer, Grant, O Lord, we beseech Thee, &c. as in the Communion Service.*

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