

Proper of Seasons

First Sunday in Advent

Violet

Collect

Stir up, we beseech You, O Lord, Your power, and come: that we may be counted worthy to be rescued by Your protection from the threatening dangers of our sins, to be set free by Your deliverance. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle

Rom 8:11-14

Brethren, knowing the time, ... But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel

Mt 21:1-9

When they drew nigh to Jerusalem, ... Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest.

Second Sunday in Advent

Violet

Collect

Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to prepare the way of Your Only-Begotten: that, by His coming, we may be counted worthy to serve You with purified hearts; Who lives and reigns with the same Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Epistle Rom 15:4-13

Brethren, whatsoever things ... power of the Holy Ghost.

Gospel Lk 21:25-33

At that time Jesus said to His Disciples, "There shall be signs in the sun, ... My words shall not pass away.

Third Sunday in Advent Violet

Collect

Lord, we beseech You: Give ear to our prayers and, by Your glorious visitation, lighten the darkness of our hearts; Who lives and reigns with Your Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen*.

Epistle I Cor 4:1-5

Brethren, let a man ... have praise of God.

Gospel Mt 11:2-10

At that time, when John ... Thy way before Thee.

Fourth Sunday in Advent

Violet

Collect

O Lord, raise up Your power, we pray You, and come among us, and with great might succor us: that, although we are hindered in running the race that is set before us through our sins and wickedness, Your bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through the satisfaction of Your Son our Lord, to Whom, with You and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

Epistle

Phil 4:4-7

Brethren, Rejoice in the Lord ... through Christ Jesus our Lord.

Gospel

Jn 1:19-28

At that time, the Jews sent ... where John was baptizing.

Christmas Eve

White

Collect

O God, Who makes us glad with the yearly expectation of our Redemption: Grant that, as we joyfully receive Your Only-Begotten Son for our Redeemer, so we may with sure confidence behold the same Lord Jesus Christ Your Son with He comes to be Judge; Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Lesson

Isa 62:1-4

Thus saith the Lord God, For Zion's sake ... thy land shall be married.

Epistle

Rom 1:1-6

Brethren, Paul, a servant ... the called of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gospel

Mt 1:18-21

At that time, when as His mother, Mary, ... for He shall save His people from their sins.

Christmas Eve at Midnight

White

Collect

O God, Who has caused this most holy night to shine with the illumination of the True Light: Grant, we beseech You, that we who have known the mysteries of this Light on earth, may likewise obtain the full enjoyment of It in Heaven, where It lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Lesson

Isa 9:2,6,7

Thus saith the Lord God, The people that walked ... from henceforth even for ever.

Epistle Titus 2:11-15

Dearly beloved, the grace of God ... these things speak and exhort, *in Christ Jesus our Lord*.

Gospel Lk 2:1-14

And it came to pass ... good-will towards men.

Christmas Day White

Collect

Almighty God, we beseech You: Grant to us on whom the light of Your Incarnate Word is shed that, as by faith It enlightened our minds, so It may shine forth in Our deeds. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Lesson Isa 61:1-3; 62:11-12

Thus saith the Lord God, The Spirit ... redeemed of the Lord.

Epistle Titus 3:4-7

Beloved, the kindness ... eternal life *in Christ Jesus our Lord*.

Gospel Lk 2:15-20

At that time, the shepherds said ... told unto them.

Preface

Because, by the mystery of the Incarnate Word, the new light of Your Brightness shone upon the eyes of our mind; that, while we acknowledge Him to be God visibly, by Him we may be caught up into the love of invisible things.

First Sunday after Christmas Day White

Collect

Direct our actions according to Your good pleasure, O Almighty and everlasting God: that we may be deemed worthy to abound in good works in the Name of Your dearly beloved Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit ever, one God, world without end.
Amen.

Epistle

Gal 4:1-7

Brethren, the heir, ... an heir of God through Christ.

Gospel

Lk 2:33-40

At that time, Joseph and His mother ... and the grace of God was upon Him.

Circumcision of Christ

White

Collect

Almighty God, Whose blessed Son was circumcised, and obedient to the law for man: Grant us the true circumcision of the Spirit: that our hearts, and all our members, being disciplined from all worldly and carnal lusts, we may in all things obey Your blessed will; through time same Your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle

Rom 4:8-14

Blessed is the man ... promise made of none effect.

Gospel

Lk 2:21

At that time, when eight days were accomplished ... conceived in the womb.

Preface

Because, by the mystery of the Incarnate Word, the new light of Your Brightness shone upon the eyes of our mind; that, while we acknowledge Him to be God visibly, by Him we may be caught up into the love of invisible things.

Second Sunday after Christmas Day White

Collect

Almighty God, Who has poured upon us the new Light of Your Incarnate Word: Grant that the same Light enkindled in our hearts may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Lesson Isa 61:1-3

The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me ... that He might be glorified.

Gospel Mt 2:19-23

When Herod was dead, ... He shall be called a Nazarene.

Epiphany White

Collect

O God, Who by the leading of a star manifested Your Only-Begotten Son to the Gentiles: Mercifully grant that we, who know You now by faith, may after this life have the fruition of Your glorious Godhead. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Lesson Isa 60:1-6

Arise, shine, *Jerusalem* ... praises of the Lord.

Gospel Mt 2:1-12

When Jesus was born ... their own country another way.

Preface

Because, when Your Only-Begotten appeared in substance of our flesh, He restored us to the new light of His Immortality.

First Sunday after Epiphany White

Collect

We beseech You mercifully to receive the prayers of Your people who call upon You, O Lord: Grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also that they may have grace and power faithfully to fulfill the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle Rom. 12:1-5

I beseech you therefore, ... members one of another *in Jesus Christ our Lord.*

Gospel Lk 2:42-52

It came to pass, when Jesus was twelve years old, ... with God and man.

Second Sunday after Epiphany Green

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, Who governs all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of Your people, and grant us Your peace all the days of our life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle Rom. 12:6-16

Brethren, having gifts ... men of low estate.

Gospel Jn 2:1-11

At that time, there was a marriage ... believed on Him.

Third Sunday after Epiphany Green

Collect

Mercifully look upon our infirmities, Almighty and everlasting God: In all our dangers and necessities, stretch forth Your right hand to help and defend us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Epistle Rom. 12:16-21

Brethren, be not wise ... overcome evil with good.

Gospel Mt 8:1-13

At that time, when He was come down ... was healed in the selfsame hour.

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany Green

Collect

O God, Who knows us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that because of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: Grant to us such strength and protection, as may support us in all dangers, and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle Rom. 13:8-10

Brethren, owe no man ... love is the fulfilling of the law.

Gospel Mt 8:23-27

At that time, when Jesus was entered ... sea obey Him!

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany Green

Collect

O Lord, we beseech You to keep Your household in continual godliness: that they who lean upon the hope of Your heavenly grace may evermore be defended by Your power; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle Col 3:12-17

Brethren, put on, as the elect of God, ... and the Father by *Jesus Christ our Lord.*

Gospel

Mt 13:24-30

At that time, Jesus spoke to His Disciples this parable:
The kingdom of heaven ... the wheat into My barn.

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

Green

Collect

O God, Whose blessed Son manifested to destroy the works of the devil, and make us sons of God, and heirs of eternal life: Grant, we beseech You, that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves, even as He is pure; that, when He shall return again with power and great glory, we may be made like Him in His eternal and glorious kingdom, where He lives and reigns for ever with You, O Father, and You, O Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Epistle

I Jn 3:1-8

Brethren, behold, what manner of love ... that He might destroy the works of the devil.

Gospel

Mt 24:23-31

If any man shall say unto you, ... from one end of heaven to the other.

Septuagesima Sunday

Violet

Collect

O Lord, we beseech You favorably to hear the prayers of Your people: that we, who are justly punished for our offenses, may be mercifully delivered by Your goodness, for the glory of Your Name; through Jesus Christ our Saviour, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit ever, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Epistle

I Cor 9:24–10:4

Brethren, know ye not ... and that Rock was Christ.

Gospel

Mt 20:1-16

At that time, Jesus spoke to His Disciples this parable:
The kingdom of heaven ... but few chosen.

Sexagesima Sunday

Violet

Collect

O God, who sees that we do not put our trust in anything that we do: Mercifully grant that, by the protection of the Teacher of the Gentiles, we may be defended against all adversity; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle

II Cor 11:19–12:9

Brethren, ye suffer fools gladly, may rest upon me.

Gospel

Lk 8:4-15

At that time, when much people ... fruit with patience.

Quinquagesima Sunday

Violet

Collect

O Lord, Who taught us that what we do without charity is worthless: Send Your Holy Spirit down upon us and pour into our hearts the most excellent gift of charity, the very bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before You. Grant this for Your only Son Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.*

Epistle

I Cor 13

Brethren, though I speak ... but the greatest of these is charity.

Gospel

Lk 18:31-43

At that time, Jesus took ... gave praise unto God.

Ash-Wednesday

Violet

After Sext, the prostrate themselves before the Altar and say the seven Penitential Psalms with the Anthem *Remember not, Lord, our offenses, not the offenses of our forefathers, neither take Thou vengeance of our sins and Glory be. As it was.* The Priest then says:

Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Our Father.

Turning to the east, on the Gospel side:
And lead us not into temptation:
But deliver us from evil.

O Lord, save Your servants and handmaids:
Who put their trust in You.

Send to them help, O Lord, from above:
And out of Zion defend them.

Turn again, O Lord, at the last:
And be gracious to Your servants.

Help us, O God, our Savior:
*And for the glory of Your Name, O Lord, deliver us,
and be merciful to our sins for Your Name's sake.*

O Lord, hear my prayer:
And let my cry come unto You.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray.

O Lord, we beseech You, hear our prayers, and spare
all those who confess their sins to You: that they whose
consciences are accused by sin, by Your merciful
pardon may be absolved. Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Let us pray.

We beseech You, O Lord: Inspire Your servants with
saving grace, that their hearts, being melted by

plenteousness of tears, may be so softened and subdued that the working of Your anger may be turned away by a fitting satisfaction. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

Grant, we beseech You, O Lord our God, to these Your servants: that, by repentance they may be continually mindful of their purification; and that, to enable them more effectually to fulfill the same, the grace of Your presence may precede and follow them. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

Let Your compassion precede these Your servants, O Lord, we beseech You: that all their iniquities may be blotted out by Your speedy forgiveness. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

Be present, O Lord, at our supplications, and do not let the pitifulness of Your mercy be far from Your servants: Heal their wounds, and forgive their sins; that they, being separated from You by no iniquities, may ever hold fast to You, their Lord. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

O Lord, Who are not overcome by our transgression, but graciously accepts satisfaction: Look, we beseech You, upon Your servants who confess that they have grievously sinned against You; for You absolve offenses

and give pardon to sinners—You have said You would rather the repentance than the death of sinners. Grant, therefore, O Lord, to these Your servants: that they may keep unto You the vigil of penitence and, amending their ways, may give thanks for eternal joys bestowed on them by You. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

O God, of Whose pardon all men stand in need: Remember Your servants and Your handmaidens; and, although they are despoiled of virtue and have done amiss in many things through the deceitfulness and frailty of their mortal bodies, we beseech You, give pardon to those who confess, spare them who entreat; that they who by their own deserts are accused, by Your mercy, may be saved. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Priest turns to the People, stretches out his hand, and says over them:

We absolve you in the place of the Apostles, to whom the Lord has given the power of binding and loosing; and, so far as self-accusation pertains to you and remission to us, may Almighty God be to you life and health, and the gracious pardoner of all your sins; Who lives and reigns with His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

The Priest goes to the Altar, turns to the east on the Epistle side, and blesses the ashes previously prepared:

Almighty and everlasting God, Who has compassion upon all men, and hates nothing which You have made, passing over the sins of men for their penitence; Who also succors them who are in necessity: Vouchsafe to

X bless and **X** sanctify these ashes, which for humility and holy religion's sake You appointed us, after the manner of the Ninevites, to bear on our heads, for the doing away of our offenses; and grant that by the invocation of Your holy Name, all those who have so borne them for the entreating of Your mercy may be found worthy to receive from You pardon of all their sins, and this day so to begin their holy fast. that on the day of the Resurrection they may be admitted to the holy Paschal Feast with purified minds, and at length receive eternal glory. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Priest sprinkles Holy Water on the ashes, then prays:
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, Who desires not the death but penitence of sinners: Graciously look upon the frailty of our condition, and vouchsafe of Your loving-kindness to **X** bless and **X** sanctify these ashes, which in token of humility and for the obtaining of pardon, we have placed on our heads; that we whom You have advertised that we are ashes, and who know that we shall return to dust by reason of our depravity, may mercifully be counted worthy to obtain the pardon of all our sins, and the rewards promised anew on our repentance. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Priest places ashes on the heads of the Clergy and People, making the sign of the Cross and saying to each:
Remember, O man, that you are ashes, and to ashes shall you return. In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

When the ashes have been distributed to all, the Priest says at the choir step:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, Who are justly angry, and mercifully forgives: Consider the tears of Your afflicted people, and graciously turn away Your wrathful indignation which they have righteously deserved. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

Grant to us, O Lord, we beseech You, so to enter upon Christian warfare with holy fast: that we who are about to fight against spiritual wickedness may be fortified by the aid of continence. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil; see lest he take of the tree of life, and eat and live for ever.

Cherubim and a flaming sword, which turned every way to keep the way of the tree of life.

In the sweat of your brow shall you eat bread, said the Lord to Adam; when you shall till the ground, it shall not give its fruit; thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to you.

Because you listened to your wife more than to Me, cursed is the ground in your work. It shall not.

Let us who have sinned in ignorance amend our lives, lest we be suddenly overtaken by the day of Death, and seek

space of repentance and find it not. Hear us, O Lord, and have mercy upon us, for we have sinned against You. *We have sinned with our fathers, and done wickedly; we have wrought iniquity. Hear us.*

Collect

Grant, we beseech You, O Lord, to Your faithful people: that they may both enter upon the holy solemnities of the fast with befitting reverence, and pass through them with peaceful devotion. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Lesson Joel 2:12-19

Thus says the Lord, Turn ye even to Me, ... a reproach among the heathen, says the Lord Almighty.

Gospel Mt 6:16-21

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples, When ye fast, ... there will your heart be also.

Preface

Who, by the Fasting of the Body, restrains vice, lifts up the understanding and bestows the recompense of virtue; Through Christ our Lord, by Whom:

First Sunday in Lent Violet

Collect

O God, Who purifies Your Church by yearly observance of Lent: Grant to Your family that what they endeavor to obtain of You by fasting, they may follow up by good works. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle II Cor 6:1-10

Brethren, we beseech you ... possessing all things.

Gospel Mt 4:1-11

At that time, was Jesus ... and ministered unto Him.

Second Sunday in Lent Violet

Collect

Almighty God, Who sees that we have no power of ourselves: Keep us both inwardly and outwardly; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and may be cleansed from all evil thoughts in the soul; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle I Thess 4:1-7

We beseech you, ... but unto holiness in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Gospel Mt 15:21-28

At that time, Jesus went thence, ... that very hour.

Third Sunday in Lent Violet

Collect

We beseech You, Almighty God: Look upon the hearty desires of Your humble servants, and stretch forth the right hand of Your Majesty, to be our defense; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle Eph 5:1-9

Brethren, be ye therefore followers ... and righteousness and truth.

Gospel Lk 11:14-28

At that time, Jesus was casting out a devil, ... the Word of God, and keep it.

Fourth Sunday in Lent Violet

Collect

Grant, we beseech You, Almighty God: that we, who for our evil deeds worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of Your grace, may be relieved. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Epistle Gal 4:22-31

Brethren, it is written, but of the free; *with which liberty Christ has made us free*.

Gospel Jn 6:1-14

At that time, Jesus went over the sea of Galilee, ... that should come into the world.

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Violet

Collect

We beseech You, Almighty God, mercifully to look upon this Your family: that by Your great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore, both in body and soul; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle

Heb 9:11-15

Brethren, Christ being come ... of eternal inheritance, in Christ our Lord.

Gospel

Jn 8:46-59

At that time, Jesus said unto the multitude of the Jews and the chief priests, Which of you convinceth Me ... and went out of the temple.

Palm Sunday

Violet

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, Who of Your tender love towards mankind, sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the Cross, that all mankind should follow the example of His great humility: Mercifully grant that we may both follow the example of His patience, and also be made partakers of His Resurrection; through the same Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Lesson Ex 15:27–16:10

In those days, the children of Israel came to Elim ...
appeared in the cloud.

Epistle Phil 2:5-11

Brethren, let this mind ... the glory of God the Father.

Gospel Mt 26–27

At that time, Jesus said unto His Disciples, ... sealing
the stone, and setting a watch.

Monday in Holy Week Violet

Collect

Grant, we beseech You, O Almighty God: that we who,
by reason of our weakness, faint under so many
adversities, may recover by the pleading Passion of
Your Only-Begotten Son, Who lives and reigns with
You and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.
Amen.

Lesson Isa 50:5-10

In those days, said Isaiah, The Lord God hath opened
mine ear, ... and stay upon *the Lord* his God.

Gospel Jn 12:1-36

Then Jesus, six days before the Passover, ... and did
hide Himself from them.

Prayer over the People

Help us, O God, our salvation: Grant that we may come with joy to the commemoration of these benefits, by which You have been pleased to redeem us. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Tuesday in Holy Week

Violet

Collect

O Almighty and everlasting God: Grant that we may so celebrate the mysteries of our Lord's Passion; that we may be found worthy to obtain pardon. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Lesson

Jer 11:18-20

In those days, said Jeremiah, O Lord, Thou hast given me knowledge ... for unto Thee have I revealed my cause, O Lord my God.

Gospel

Mk 14:1–15:46

At that time, after two days was the feast of the Passover, ... and rolled a stone unto the door of the sepulcher.

Prayer over the People

May Your mercy, O God, purify us from the corruption of the old man, and enable us to put on the new. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Wednesday in Holy Week

Violet

Collect

Grant, we beseech You, Almighty God: that we who are punished continually for our evil deeds, may be delivered by the Passion of Your Only-Begotten Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Lesson

Isa 62:11–63:7

Thus says the Lord God, Say ye to the daughter of Sion ... according to all that the Lord our God hath bestowed on us.

Collect

O God, Who willed Your Son to suffer on the Cross, that You might drive away the power of the enemy: Grant that we Your servants, may obtain the grace of His Resurrection. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Lesson

Isa 53:1-10, 12

In those days said Isaiah, Who hath believed our report? ... the Lord shall prosper in His hand. Therefore will I divide Him a portion with the great, ... intercession for the transgressors, that they should not perish, says the Lord God Almighty.

Gospel

Lk 22:1 – 23:53

At that time, the feast of unleavened bread drew nigh, ... wherein never man before was laid.

Prayer over the People

O Lord, we beseech You: Behold this Your family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed into the hands of wicked men, and to suffer death upon the Cross; Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Maundy Thursday

Violet

All kneeling, the seven Penitential Psalms are said with *Glory*, and then the Priest says:

Let us pray.

Be present, O Lord, at our supplications, and graciously listen to me, who specially stand in need of Your pity; and grant to me, whom not by election of merit, but by the gift of Your grace You have appointed to this ministry, confidence in fulfilling the duty You have laid upon me, and of Your loving kindness work in our ministration. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

O God, most gracious Creator and most compassionate Restorer of mankind, Who by the Blood of Your only Son has redeemed man, by the envy of the devil cast down from immortality, quicken these Your servants whom You desire in no way to die to You; and, as You do not leave them to stray, receive them when chastised. Let the sorrowful sighings of these Your servants, O Lord, we beseech You, move Your loving kindness. Heal their wounds, stretch out Your saving hand to them as they lie

before You. Let not Your Church be robbed of any part of her body; Let not Your flock suffer loss; Let not the enemy rejoice over the losses of Your family; Let not a second death have possession of those who were regenerated by the saving laver. Unto You, therefore, O Lord, we humbly offer our prayers; before You we pour forth the sorrows of our heart. Spare them that confess; by Your aid let them so weep over their sins in this mortal life: that, in the day of terrible judgment, they may escape the sentence of eternal damnation. Most holy Father, spare them the knowledge of the terrors of darkness, of wailing in flames; let them, returning from the error of their ways unto the path of righteousness, suffer no more mortal wounds, but let that which Your grace has bestowed on them, and the reformation which Your pity has worked in them, be made whole and entire, and abide in them for ever. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, everlasting God, Who has deigned to heal our wounds: We, Your humble priests, entirely desire that You of Your goodness incline Your ears to our prayers, and be moved by our confession and repentance. Forgive all our offenses, have mercy on the sins of the whole world: Grant to these Your servants, O Lord, pardon for punishment, joy for mourning, life for death; that they who at the mighty prospect of the heights of Heaven have sunk down from their confidence in Your compassion, may be counted worthy to attain to the blessings of the reward of Your peace, and to the gifts of Heaven. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

The Priest turns to the People, stretches out his hand, and says over them:

We absolve you in the place of the Apostles, to whom the Lord has given the power of binding and loosing; and, so far as self-accusation pertains to you and remission to us, may Almighty God be to you life and health, and the gracious pardoner of all your sins; Who lives and reigns with His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Collect

O God, from Whom both the traitor Judas received the punishment of his crime, and the thief the reward of his confession, grant us the full effect of Your propitiation: that, as our Lord Jesus Christ at the time of His Passion rendered to each according to what they deserved, so having destroyed the old man in us, He may bestow upon us the grace of His Resurrection, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Epistle

I Cor 11:20-32

Brethren, when ye come together ... that we should not be condemned with the world.

Gospel

Jn 13:1-15

Now before the feast of the Passover, ... that ye should do as I have done to you.

Ablution of the Altars

After the Mass is ended, the Clergy assemble to wash the Altars and perform the Maundy. The water is blessed in the usual way, privately, outside the choir. Wine and water are then poured on the Altars, beginning at the High Altar.

After the ablution of the Altars, all assemble in the parish hall, where the Gospel for the Day is read, followed by a sermon.

The Maundy

At the end of the sermon, the two Priests of highest rank wash the feet of all, one on each side, and then wash each other's feet. In the meantime, Anthems and Psalms are sung.

After the washing of the feet, the Priest says:
We wait for Your loving kindness, O God:
In the midst of Your temple.

You have charged:
That we should diligently keep Your commandments.

Behold, how good and joyful a thing it is:
Brethren, to dwell together in unity.

O Lord, hear my prayer:
And let my cry come unto You.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray.

Be present, O Lord, we beseech You, at the performance of our bounden duty; and, because You deigned to wash Your Disciples' feet, despise not the work of Your hands,

Lesson

Exod 12:1-11

And the Lord spake unto Moses and Aaron ... it is the Lord's Passover.

Gospel

Jn 18–19

Jesus went forth with His Disciples ... for the sepulcher was nigh at hand.

Collects

Let us pray, most dearly beloved unto us, first of all, for the Holy Church of God: that our God and Lord will vouchsafe to preserve it in peace throughout the whole world; subjecting to it principalities and powers; and grant to us that we, leading a quiet and peaceable life, may glorify God the Father Almighty.

Let us pray.

O Almighty and eternal God, Who, in Christ, has revealed Your glory to all nations: Preserve, we beseech You, the works of Your own mercy; that Your Church, which is spread over the whole world, may persevere by steadfast faith in the confession of Your Name. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, by Whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers, which we offer for all estates of men in Your holy Church; that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry,

may truly and godly serve You; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

O merciful God, Who has made all men, and hates nothing You have made, nor desires the death of a sinner, but rather that he should be converted and live: Have mercy upon all who do not know You as You are revealed in the Gospel of Your Son; and take from them all ignorance, hardness of heart, and contempt of Your Word; and so fetch them home, blessed Lord, to Your flock; that they may be saved among the remnant of the true Israelites, and be made one fold under one shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

O My people, what have I done to you, and where have I wearied you? testify against Me. *Because I brought you up out of the land of Egypt, you have prepared a Cross for your Savior.*

Agios o Theos.
Sanctus Deus.
Agios ischyros.
Sanctus fortis.
Agios athanatos.
Sanctus immortalis
Eleison imas.
Miserere nobis.

Because I led you through the wilderness forty years,
and fed you with manna, and brought you into a land
exceedingly good, you have prepared a Cross for
your Savior.

Agios o Theos.
Sanctus Deus.
Agios ischyros.
Sanctus fortis.
Agios athanatos.
Sanctus immortalis
Eleison imas.
Miserere nobis.

What could I have done more to you that I have bit
done? I indeed planted you, O my vineyard, with fair
fruit, and you have become very bitter to Me; for you
gave Me to drink in My thirst vinegar mingled with
gall, and pierced your Savior's side with a lance.

Agios o Theos.
Sanctus Deus.
Agios ischyros.
Sanctus fortis.
Agios athanatos.
Sanctus immortalis
Eleison imas.
Miserere nobis.

Priest and People:
Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal: Have mercy on
us. (3X)

After None, the Clergy enter the dark sanctuary in procession, led by one of them carrying a branch formed by three extinguished wax tapers. *Dominus illuminatio* (Ps 27) may be said without tone.

Blessing of the Fire

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O Lord our God, Father Almighty, Unfailing Light, Maker of all lights: Hear us Your servants, and **X** bless this fire which is consecrated by Your sanctifying benediction. You Who lights every man that comes into this world: Enlighten the conscience of our hearts with the fire of Your love; that we, being inflamed by Your fire and, illuminated by Your light, the darkness of sin being expelled from our hearts, may by Your guidance be deemed fit to come to life eternal; and, as You made fire to shine for Your servant Moses by the pillar of fire going before him in the Red Sea, so enkindle our light, and let the candle which shall be lit ever remain blessed in honor of Your majesty; and let whoever shall bear light from it be illuminated by the light of spiritual grace. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

After Holy Water is sprinkled on the fire, the Priest says:

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O Lord, Holy Father, almighty, ever-living God: **X** bless and **X** sanctify this fire; which we, unworthy as we are, through the invocation of Your Only-Begotten Son our

Lord Jesus Christ, presume to **X** bless. Sanctify it with Your **X** blessing, most merciful Father, and grant that it may prevail for the profit of mankind. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

Go before us, we beseech You, O Lord, always, here and everywhere, with celestial light: that we may both discern with clear vision and worthily and effectually receive the mystery of which You have willed us to be partakers. Through Christ our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Blessing of the Incense

I exorcise you, most unclean spirit, and every illusion of the enemy, in the Name of God the Father Almighty, and in the Name of Jesus Christ His Son, and in the power of the Holy Spirit: that You should depart and withdraw from this creature of frankincense or incense, together with all your fraud and malice; that this creature may be **X** sanctified in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ; that all who taste, touch, or smell it may receive the virtue and aid of the Holy Spirit; st that wherever this incense or frankincense shall be, there you shall in no way dare to come near, nor presume to raise opposition; but, O unclean spirit, whoever you are, fly far from here and depart with all your subtlety, being adjured by the Name and power of God the Father Almighty, and His Son our Lord Jesus Christ, Who shall come in the Holy Spirit to judge the living and the dead, and you, the father of lies, and the world by fire. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

We beseech Your everlasting and most righteous loving-kindness, O Lord, Holy Father, almighty, ever-living God: that You will be pleased to **X** bless and **X** sanctify this species of frankincense or incense; that it may be an incense acceptable to Your majesty for a sweet savor. Let this species be **X** blessed by You, **X** sanctified by the invocation of Your Holy Name: that wherever its smoke shall reach, every kind of evil spirit may be cast out and put to flight, even as the incense of the fish's liver which the Archangel Raphael showed Your servant Tobias when he went to set Sarai free. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

Let Your benediction. O Lord, descend upon this spirit of incense or frankincense, like that of which Your prophet David sang, saying, "Let my prayer be set forth in Your sight as incense": that every illusion of the enemy of mind and body may be put to flight by this smoke; that we may be, as the Apostle Paul says, a sweet savor to God. From the face of this incense or frankincense, let every assault of the devil flee away, as dust before the wind and smoke before the fire; and bestow this incense of sweet savor, most Holy Father, to abide forever for the work of Your Church; that, by mystic significance, the fragrant odor may show forth to us the sweetness of spiritual virtue. Therefore, Almighty God, we beseech You, by the powerful right hand of Your majesty, deign to **X** bless this creature compounded of a mixture of divers things; that, by virtue of Your Holy Name, wherever the smoke of its sweet scent shall be given forth, it

may miraculously prevail to put to flight all vain assaults of unclean spirits, and to drive away all diseases and restore health, and in most fragrant odor to come up into Your nostrils with perpetual sweetness. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A censer is filled from the coals with incense and the new fire is censed. The taper on the wand alone is lighted from the same new fire, the other lights of the church being put out first.

Blessing of the Paschal Candle

Now let the angelic host of Heaven rejoice, let the Divine Mysteries be joyfully celebrated and, for the victory of so great a King, let the trumpet of salvation be sounded. Let the earth, brightened with such effulgence, delight herself; and, being illumined by the splendor of the eternal King, perceive the darkness of the universe to be done away. Let our Mother Church also be joyful, adorned with the radiance of so great light, and let this house resound with the mighty voices of the peoples.

Therefore, as you stand by, most dearly beloved brethren, as the so marvelous clearness of this holy light, I pray you, together with me, invoke the tender mercy of Almighty God: that He Who has deigned to enroll me not for my own deserts in the number of Levites, pouring out upon me the grace of His light, may enable me to declare the praise of this taper. Through our Lord Jesus Christ His Son, Who with Him lives and reigns in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is fitting and right to give Him thanks and praise.

Because it is very fitting and right to proclaim with full desire of heart and mind and voice the invisible God Almighty, the Father, and His Only-Begotten Son, with the Holy Spirit; Who for us paid the debt of Adam to the eternal Father, and blotted out the bond of the old sin in His holy Blood.

For this is the Paschal Feast, in which that true Lamb is slain and, by His Blood, the door-posts are hallowed. This is the night on which You made our fathers, the children of Israel, who You brought out of Egypt, pass through the Red Sea dry-shod. This, therefore, is the night in which the shades of sin were cleared away by the illumination of the pillar. This is the night in which Christ burst the bonds of death and ascended, conquering the grave. For it was of no advantage for us to be born without being redeemed.

O marvelous condescension of Your loving-kindness concerning us! O Unspeakable tenderness of Love! to redeem the servant You gave up the Son! O truly needful sin of Adam and of ourselves, which was blotted out by the Death of Christ! O happy guilt, the desert of which was to gain such and so great a Redeemer! O truly blessed night, which alone was permitted to know the time and the hour on which Christ rose from the grave!

This is the night of which it is written, "The night is as clear as the day"; and, "My night shall be turned to day." Therefore, the hallowing of this night put to flight wickedness, washes away guilt, restores innocency to the fallen, and joy to the sorrowing: banishes hatred, brings about concord, and bows down sovereignties.

Therefore, in favor of this night: Receive, Holy Father,

Grains of incense are put into the the candle in the form of a Cross, and into the branch.

the evening sacrifice of this incense, which the Holy Church offers to You in this solemn oblation of wax, the work of bees, at the hands of the ministers.

But now we have heard the praise of this pillar which, in honor of God, the glowing fire kindles.

The candle is lit from the new fire and not put out until Compline the next day, and the other candles throughout the church are lit from it.

Which, although it is divided into parts of borrowed light, has suffered no loss. It is fed by the liquid wax which the Queen Bee produced for the composition of this precious taper.

O blessed night, which spoiled the Egyptians, enriched the Hebrews: night in which heavenly things are united with earthly.

We pray You, O Lord, that this candle, consecrated to the honor of Your Name, may last unfailling for the dispelling of the darkness of this night. Being acceptable for its sweet odor, let it be mingled with the lights above.

Let the Morning Star find it burning; that Morning Star
Who knows no setting; He Who returned from the grave,
and shone serene upon mankind.

We therefore pray, O Lord, that You will grant us
quietness of times, and be pleased to preserve in
these paschal joys us Your servants, all the clergy
and most devout people, together with our Patriarch,
N, and our Bishop, *N*.

Who lives and reigns, rules, and are gloried, God
alone, alone most high, Jesus Christ, with the Holy
Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. *Amen*.

Blessing of the Font

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

Almighty, everlasting God, be present at the
mysteries of Your exceeding goodness, be present at
the Sacraments, and for the regenerating of the new
people which the font of Baptism brings forth for You:
Send out the Spirit of Adoption, that whatever is here
done by our humble ministry may be fulfilled by the
effectual working of Your virtue. Through our Lord
Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with
You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world
without end. *Amen*.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is fitting and right to give Him thanks and praise.

It is very fitting, right, and our bounden duty to at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, everlasting God, Who most wonderfully and effectually work in the invisible power of Your sacraments. And although we are unworthy to discharge so great mysteries, yet You do not leave us destitute of Your gifts of grace, and incline Your merciful ears to our prayers.

O God, Whose Spirit moved upon the face of the waters amidst the very first elements of the world, that even then nature might take into herself the sanctification of the waters; O God, Who by washing away the crimes of the guilty world in water foreshadowed the figure of regeneration in the very outpouring of the Deluge, that the mystery of one and the same element might be both the end of vice and the source of virtue: Look down, we beseech You, O Lord, on the face of Your Church, and increase and multiply in her Your regenerated people, You Who by the mighty power of Your abundant grace gladdens Your city and opens the font of Baptism for the calling in of the Gentiles throughout the whole world; that at the command of Your Majesty it may receive the grace of Your Only-Begotten of the Holy Spirit.

The Priest divides the water with his hand in the form of a Cross, saying:
May He fertilize this water prepared for the regeneration of man by the hidden intermixture of His light: that, by a holy conception, a heavenly offspring may rise up out of the spotless womb of the divine font into a new-born

creature. And grant all who differ in sex or age be brought forth by parent grace to the same infancy. Therefore, at Your command, O Lord: Let every unclean spirit depart far from here; Let the whole malice and fraud of the devil stand far away. Let no power of the enemy intrude and find place here, nor haunt or lie in wait around, nor creep in surreptitiously, nor infect with poison.

Let this creature be holy and innocent, free from all assault of the adversary and purified by the abolishing of all wickedness. Let it be a living **X** font, a regenerating **X** water, a purifying **X** stream: that all those who are to be washed in this laver of salvation, through the operation in them of the Holy Spirit, may obtain the favor of perfect purification.

Therefore, I bless you, O creature of water, by the living **X** God, by the true **X** God, by the holy **X** God, by **X** God Who in the beginning divided you by His word from the dry land, Whose Spirit moved upon you, Who caused you to flow out of Paradise, and commanded you to water the earth in four rivers.

The Priest throws water out of the font with his hand in the form of the Cross into the four quarters.

Who, when you were bitter in the desert, poured sweetness into you and made you fit to drink; and brought you forth out of the rock for the people who were thirsty.

I **X** bless you by Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord, Who in Cana of Galilee turned you into wine by His powerful sign and miracle; Who walked upon you with His feet and was baptized in you by John in Jordan;

Who brought you forth out of His side together with blood, and commanded His Disciples to baptize believers in you, saying, "Go teach all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

O God, almighty and merciful: be present with us who keep these commandments; graciously breathe upon us.

The Priest breathes three times on the font in the form of the Cross:
X Bless these pure waters with Your mouth: that, over and above the natural cleansing power they may exercise over bodies washed in them, they may be effectual to the purifying of souls.

The Priest lets drops of wax fall from the candle into the font in the form of a Cross and then says:
Let the power of the Holy Spirit descend into this font and make the whole body of this water fruitful in regenerating power:

The Priest dips the candle into the middle of the font, making a Cross, and then continues:

Here let the stains of all sin be done away; Here let nature, formed after Your image, and reformed for the honor of its Author, be cleansed from all the filthiness of the old man.

The Priest takes the candle out of the font, saying:
That every man who approaches this sacrament of regeneration may be born again into the new infancy of true innocency. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Collect

O God, Who enlightens this most holy night with the glory of the Lord's Resurrection: Keep in the children of Your new family the spirit of adoption which You have given; that they, being renewed in body and mind, may offer to You a pure service. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle

Col 3:1-4

Brethren, If ye be risen with Christ, ... then shall ye also appear with him in glory.

Gospel

Mt 28:1-7

In the end of the sabbath, ... there shall ye see him: lo, I have told you.

Preface

And You indeed at all seasons, but chiefly on this day, we ought to more gloriously praise, since Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. For He is the very Lamb which has taken away the sins of the world, Who by His death has destroyed Death, and by His rising to life again has restored Life to us.

The Lord has risen from the grave.

Let us pray.

O God, Who willed Your Son to suffer death upon the Cross for us, that You might cast the power of the enemy out of us: Grant to us, Your servants, that we may ever live rejoicing in His Resurrection. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Anthem

I saw waters issuing out of the temple on the right hand. Alleluia!

And all those to whom that water comes shall live.

And they shall say, Alleluia! Alleluia!

Ps. O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is gracious, for His mercy endures forever.

I saw water... Glory... I saw water...

Collect

Almighty God, Who through Your Only-Begotten Son Jesus Christ has overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: We humbly beseech You that as, by Your special grace that goes before us, You put good desires into our minds, so by Your continual help we may bring the same to good effect; through the same Christ our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Epistle I Cor 5:7-8

Brethren, Purge out ... sincerity and truth.

Gospel Mk 16:1-7

At that time, Mary Magdalene, ... as He said unto you.

Preface

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Communion I Cor 5:7

Christ our Passover is sacrificed, *Alleluia!* therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. *Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

Post-Communion

Pour into us, O Lord, the spirit of Your love: that those whom You have satisfied with the Paschal Sacrament may, of Your goodness, be made of one mind. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Easter Monday

White

Collect

O God, Who in the Paschal Feast has bestowed restoration upon the world: We beseech You, continue to Your people Your heavenly gift; that they may both attain to perfect freedom and advance to life eternal. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Epistle Acts 10:37-43

Peter, standing in the midst of the people, said, brethren, that word, ... receive remission of sins.

Gospel Lk 24:13-35

At that time, two of the disciples of Jesus went ... known of them in breaking of bread.

Easter Tuesday

White

Collect

O God, Who continually multiplies Your Church with new offspring: Grant to Your servants that they may hold fast in their lives the Sacrament which they have received by faith. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Epistle Acts 13:16, 26-33

In those days, Paul stood up, and beckoning with his hand that they should hold their peace, said, Men and brethren, children of the stock of Abraham, ... raised up again Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gospel

Luke 24:36-47

At that time, Jesus Himself stood in the midst ... in His Name among all nations.

First Sunday after Easter

White

Collect

Grant, we beseech You, Almighty God: that we who have fulfilled the Paschal Feast, may by Your bounty hold it fast in our lives and conversation. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle

I Jn 5:4-10

Dearly beloved, whatsoever is born of God ... hath the witness in himself.

Gospel

Jn 20:19-31

At that time, the same day at evening, ... ye might have life through His Name.

Second Sunday after Easter

White

Collect

O God, Who in Your Son's humiliation lifted up the world which lay prostrate: Grant to Your faithful people perpetual joyfulness, and cause them whom You have rescued from the calamity of everlasting death to have the fruition of joys eternal. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle I Pet 2:21-25

Brethren, Christ also suffered for us, ... and Bishop of your souls.

Gospel Jn 10:11-16

At that time, Jesus said, I am the good Shepherd and one Shepherd.

Third Sunday after Easter White

Collect

God, Who shows those who are in error the light of Your truth, with the intent that they may return to the way of righteousness: Grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may avoid those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things that are agreeable to the same. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Epistle I Pet 2:11-19

Dearly beloved, I beseech you ... For this is thankworthy, *in Jesus Christ our Lord*.

Gospel Jn 16:16-22

At that time, Jesus said to his Disciples, ... no man taketh from you.

Fourth Sunday after Easter

White

Collect

O Almighty God, Who makes the faithful of one mind:
Grant to Your people that they may love what You
command, and desire that which You promise; that,
among the manifold changes of the world, our hearts
may be fixed where true joys are to be found. Through
Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle

Jas 1:17-21

Dearly beloved, every good gift ... able to save your
souls.

Gospel

Jn 16:5-15

At that time, Jesus said unto His disciples, ... shall
shew it unto you.

Fifth Sunday after Easter

White

Collect

O Lord, from Whom all good things come: Grant to us,
Your humble servants that, by Your holy inspiration, we
may think those things that are good and, by Your
merciful guidance, may perform the same; through
Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle

Jas 1:22-27

Dearly beloved, be ye doers of the Word, ... unspotted
from the world.

Gospel

Jn 16:23-30

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples, Verily, verily, I say unto you, ... Thou camest forth from God.

Ascension Vigil

White

Collect

Grant, we beseech You, Almighty Father: that our minds may be ever intent upon that blessed place where Your Only-Begotten Son our Lord, the glorious Author of the approaching festival, has gone before; that they may in conversation attain to that towards which by faith they reach forth. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Epistle

Acts 4:32-35

In those days, the multitudes of them that believed ... according as he had need.

Gospel

Jn 17:1-11

At that time, Jesus lifted up His eyes to heaven ... I come to You.

Ascension Day

White

Collect

Grant, we beseech You, Almighty God: that, as we believe Your Only-Begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ has ascended into the heavens; so we may also in heart and mind thither ascend and continually continually dwell with Him. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Epistle Acts 1:1-11

The former treatise have I made, ... seen Him go into heaven.

Gospel Mk 16:14-20

At that time, Jesus appeared unto the eleven *disciples* ... confirming the Word with signs following.

Preface

Through Christ our Lord, Who after His Resurrection manifestly appeared to all His Disciples, and in their sight was taken up into Heaven, that He might make us partakers of His Divine Nature.

Sunday after Ascension White

Collect

Almighty and eternal God, inspire Your servants with willing devotion to You: that we may serve Your Majesty with sincere hearts. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Epistle I Pet 4:7-11

Dearly beloved, be ye sober, through Jesus Christ, *our Lord*.

Gospel Jn 15:26–16:4

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples, When the Comforter is come, ... remember that I told you of them.

Pentecost Vigil

Red

Lesson

Gen 22:1-19

God did tempt Abraham, ... Beersheba; and Abraham dwelt *there*.

Collect

O God, Who by the deed of Your servant has given to mankind an example of obedience: Grant us both to vanquish our corrupt wills and to fulfill Your righteous commands in all things. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Lesson

Baruch 3:9-37

Hear, Israel, the commandments of life ... and conversed with men.

Let us pray.

O God, Who by the mouth of Your prophets has commanded us to forsake the things of this world, and to press towards those that are eternal: Grant to Your servants that what we have surely known to be commanded by You, by Your heavenly inspiration, we may be enabled to fulfill. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Let us pray.

Grant, we beseech You, Almighty God: that we who celebrate the feast of the gift of the Holy Spirit, being inflamed with celestial desires, may ever thirst for the fountain of Life, Jesus Christ Your Son.

Almighty and everlasting God, Who has willed Your Paschal Sacraments to be comprehended in the mystery of fifty days: Grant, we beseech You, that the people which were scattered abroad by the confusion of tongues may be Your heavenly gift be gathered together again into one confession of Your Name. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Collect

Grant, we beseech You, Almighty God: that the rays of Your brightness may shine upon us; and that the light of Your light may, by the illumination of the Holy Spirit, strengthen the hearts of those who have been born again by Your grace. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Epistle Acts 19:1-8

In those days, it came to pass, that, while Apollos ... things concerning the Kingdom of God.

Gospel Jn 14:15-21

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples, If ye love Me, keep My commandments ... will manifest Myself to him.

Pentecost Day

Red

Collect

O God, Who at this time taught the hearts of Your faithful people by sending them the light of Your Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in His comfort. Through Christ Jesus our Lord, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

For the Epistle

Acts 2:1-11

In those days, when the day of Pentecost ... the wonderful works of God.

Gospel

Jn 14:23-31

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples, If a man love Me, he will keep My words ... even so I do.

Preface

Through Christ our Lord, Who ascended above all Heavens and, sitting at Your right hand, shed forth the promised Holy Spirit as on this day upon the children of adoption, for which cause the whole universe rejoices with exceeding joy, and both the Powers above and the angelical Hosts, magnify Your glorious Name, evermore saying:

Pentecost Monday

Red

Collect

O God, Who gave the Holy Spirit to Your Apostles:
Grant to Your people an effectual answer to their
petition; that they to whom You have vouchsafed faith,
may enjoy abundance of peace. Through Christ our
Lord. *Amen.*

For the Epistle Acts 10:42-48

*In those days, Peter opened his mouth and said, Men,
brethren and fathers, the Lord commanded us to
preach unto the people, ... baptized in the Name of
our Lord Jesus Christ.*

Gospel Jn 3:16-21

*At that time, Jesus said to a certain ruler of the
Pharisees, God so loved the world, ... wrought in God.*

Pentecost Tuesday

Red

Collect

We beseech You, O Lord: Let the power of the Holy
Spirit come upon us, that it may both cleanse our
hearts and defend us from all adversity. Through
Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For the Epistle Acts 8:14-17

*In those days, when the Apostles ... they received the
Holy Ghost.*

Gospel

Jn 10:1-10

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples, Verily, verily, I say unto you, ... have it more abundantly.

Trinity Sunday

White

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, Who has given us Your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of the Divine Majesty to worship the Unity: We beseech You to keep us steadfast in this faith, and evermore defend us from all adversities, Who lives and reigns, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

For the Epistle

Rev 4:1-10

In those days, I saw a door opened in heaven ... worship him that liveth for ever and ever.

Gospel

Jn 3:1-15

In those days, there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, ... but have eternal life.

Preface

Who with Your Only-Begotten Son and the Holy Spirit are one God, are one Lord, not only one Person but Three Persons in one substance. For that which we believe of Your Glory which You have revealed, the same we believe of Your Son, and of the Holy Spirit, without difference of inequality: that in the confession of

a true and everlasting Godhead both Distinction in the Persons, and Unity in Being, and Equality in Majesty, be worshiped; which Angels praise, Cherubim also and Seraphim, Who cease not to cry with one voice, saying:

Corpus Christi

White

Collect

O God, Who under this wondrous Sacrament has left us a memorial of Your Passion: Grant us, we beseech You, so to reverence the holy mysteries of Your Body and Blood; that in ourselves we may ever sensibly have fruition of the redemption which You have wrought, Who lives and reigns with Your Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Epistle

I Cor 11:23-29

Brethren, I have received of the Lord ... not discerning the Lord's Body.

Gospel

Jn 6:55-58

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples and to the multitude of the Jews, My flesh is meat indeed, ... shall live for ever.

Preface

Because, by the mystery of the Incarnate Word, the new light of Your Brightness shone upon the eyes of our mind; that, while we acknowledge Him to be God visibly, by Him we may be caught up into the love of invisible things.

First Sunday after Trinity

Green

Collect

O God, the strength of all those who put their trust in You: Mercifully accept our prayers and, because the weakness of our mortal nature can do nothing without You: Grant us the help of Your grace, that in keeping Your commandments we may please You, both in will and deed. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle

I Jn 4:8-21

Beloved, love is of God... love his brother also.

Gospel

Lk 16:19-31

At that time, Jesus spoke this parable to His Disciples:
There was a certain rich man, ... though one rose from the dead.

Second Sunday after Trinity

Green

Collect

O Lord, who never fails govern those whom You bring up in Your steadfast love: Make us have a perpetual fear and love of Your holy Name. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle I Jn 3:13-18

Dearly beloved, marvel not if the world hate you ... in deed and in truth.

Gospel Lk 14:16-24

At that time, Jesus spoke this parable to His Disciples:
A certain man made a great supper, ... shall taste of my supper.

Third Sunday after Trinity Green

Collect

O Lord, we beseech You mercifully to hear our supplications: and grant that we, to whom You have given a hearty desire to pray, may by Your aid be defended. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle I Pet 5:6-11

Dearly beloved, humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, dominion for ever and ever.

Gospel Lk 15:1-10

At that time drew near unto *Jesus* all the publicans ... sinner that repenteth.

Fourth Sunday after Trinity Green

Collect

O God, the protector of all who trust in You, without Whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Multiply upon us Your mercy: that, You being our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal; that we not lose the eternal things. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle Rom 8:18-23

Brethren, I reckon that the sufferings ... the redemption of our body, *in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

Gospel Lk 6:36-42

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples, Be ye therefore merciful, ... mote that is in thy brother's eye.

Fifth Sunday after Trinity Green

Collect

Grant, O Lord, we beseech You: that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered by Your governance that Your Church may joyfully serve You in all quietness. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle I Pet 3:8-15

Dearly beloved, be ye all of one mind *in prayer*, having compassion ... the Lord God in your hearts.

Gospel

Lk 5:1-11

At that time, as the people pressed upon Jesus to hear ... forsook all, and followed Him.

Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Green

Collect

O God, Who has prepared for those who love You good things yet unseen: Pour into our hearts such love toward You; that we, loving You in and above all things, may obtain Your promises, which exceed all that we can desire. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle

Rom 6:3-11

Brethren, so many of us as were baptized ... alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gospel

Mt 5:20-24

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples, Except your righteousness ... then come and offer thy gift.

Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Green

Collect

God of all power, Who are the Author of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of Your Name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of Your great mercy keep us in the same. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle Rom 6:19-23

Brethren, I speak after the manner of men ... eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gospel Mk 8:1-9

In those days the multitude *with Jesus* being very great, ... He sent them away.

Eighth Sunday after Trinity Green

Collect

O God, Whose providence orders all things: We humbly beseech You to put away from us all hurtful things, and to give us those things which are profitable for us. through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle Rom 8:12-17

Brethren, we are debtors, ... and joint-heirs with Christ.

Gospel Mt 7:15-21

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples, Beware of false prophets, ... but he that doeth the will of My Father Which is in heaven, he shall enter into the Kingdom of Heaven.

Ninth Sunday after Trinity Green

Collect

Grant to us, Lord, we beseech You, the spirit to always think and do such things as are right: that we, who cannot exist without You, may be enabled to live according to Your will. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle I Cor 10:6-13

Brethren, we should not lust after evil things, ... able to bear it.

Gospel Lk 16:1-9

At that time, Jesus spoke this parable to His Disciples: There was a certain rich man, which had a steward ... receive you into everlasting habitations.

Tenth Sunday after Trinity Green

Collect

Let Your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of Your humble servants; and, that they may obtain their petitions, make them to ask such things as shall please You. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle I Cor 12:2-11

Brethren, ye know that ye were Gentiles, ... every man severally as He will.

Gospel

Lk 19:41-47

At that time, when Jesus was come near, ... And He taught daily in the temple.

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Green

Collect

O God, Who declares Your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Mercifully grant to us Your grace; that we, running the way of Your promises, may be made partakers of Your heavenly treasure. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle

I Cor 15:1-10

Brethren, I declare unto you the Gospel ... was not in vain.

Gospel

Lk 18:9-14

At that time, Jesus spake this parable ... he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.

Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Green

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, Who in the abundance of Your mercy, are always more ready to give more than we desire or deserve: Pour down upon us Your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, and giving us those things which we are not worthy to ask. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle II Cor 3:4-9

Brethren, such trust have we through Christ ... exceed in glory.

Gospel Mk 7:31-37

At that time, Jesus, departing from the coasts of Tyre ... dumb to speak.

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity Green

Collect

Almighty and merciful God, of Whose gift it comes that Your faithful people do true and laudable service to You: Grant, we beseech You, that we may so faithfully serve You in this life; that we may run the way of Your promises without stumbling. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Epistle Gal. 3:16-22

Brethren, to Abraham and his seed ... might be given to them that believe.

Gospel Lk 10:23-37

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples: Blessed are the eyes which see ... Go, and do thou likewise.

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity Green

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God: Give us the increase of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain that which You promise, make us love that which You command. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle Gal. 5:16-24

Brethren, walk in the Spirit, ... the affections and lusts.

Gospel Lk 17:11-19

At that time, as Jesus went to Jerusalem, ... thy faith hath made thee whole.

Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity Green

Collect

Keep, we beseech You, O Lord, Your Church with Your perpetual mercy; and, because the frailty of man without You cannot but fall, keep us ever by Your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle Gal. 5:25–6:10

Brethren, If we live in the Spirit, ... them who are of the household of faith.

Gospel

Mt 6:24-37

At that time, Jesus said to His Disciples, No man can serve two masters ... all these things shall be added unto you.

Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity Green

Collect

O Lord, we beseech You: Let Your continual pity cleanse and defend Your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without Your succor, govern it evermore by Your help and goodness. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle

Eph 3:13-21

Brethren, I desire that ye faint not ... world without end. Amen.

Gospel

Lk 7:11-16

At that time, Jesus went into a city called Nain ... God hath visited His people.

Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity Green

Collect

Lord, we pray You: May Your grace always go before and after us; and may we continually be given to all good works. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle

Eph 4:1-6

Brethren, I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, ... through all, and in you all, *Who is blessed for ever and ever. Amen.*

Gospel

Lk 14:1-11

At that time, as Jesus went into the house ... he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.

Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity Green

Collect

Lord, we beseech You: Grant Your people grace to withstand the temptations of the devil and follow You, the only God, with pure minds. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle

I Cor 1:4-8

Brethren, I thank my God always ... blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel

Mt 22:35-46

At that time, the Pharisees came to Jesus; and one of them, who was a lawyer, ... ask him any more questions.

Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity Green

Collect

O Lord, since without You we are not able to please You, we beseech You: Let Your pity direct our hearts. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle Eph 4:23-28

Brethren, be renewed in the spirit of your mind ... have to give to him that needeth.

Gospel Mt 9:1-8

At that time, Jesus entered into a ship, ... had given such power unto men.

Twentieth Sunday after Trinity Green

Collect

O almighty and most merciful God: of Your bountiful goodness keep us, we beseech You, from all things that may hurt us; that we, being ready both in body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish those things that You would have us do. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle Eph 5:15-21

Brethren, see then that ye walk circumspectly, one to another in the fear of *Christ*.

Gospel

Mt 22:1-14

At that time, Jesus spoke with His Disciples in parables, saying: The Kingdom of Heaven is like unto a certain king, ... but few are chosen.

Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity Green

Collect

Grant pardon and peace to Your faithful people, we beseech You, merciful Lord: that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve You with a quiet mind. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle

Eph 6:10-17

My brethren, be strong in the Lord, ... which is the Word of God.

Gospel

Jn 4:46-53

At that time there was a certain nobleman, ... himself believed, and his whole house.

Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity White

Collect

Lord, we beseech You to keep Your household the Church in continual godliness: that through Your protection it may be free from all adversities, and devoutly given to serve You in good works, to the glory of Your Name. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle

Phil 1:6-11

Brethren, we are confident in the Lord Jesus, that He which hath begun a good work ... unto the glory and praise of God.

Gospel

Mt 28:23-35

At that time Jesus spoke to His Disciples this parable: The Kingdom of Heaven is like unto a certain king, ... forgive not every one his brother their trespasses.

Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity Green

Collect

O God, our refuge and strength, Who are the author of all godliness: Be ready, we beseech You, to hear the devout prayers of Your Church; and grant that those things which we ask faithfully we may obtain effectually. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle

Phil 3:17-21

Brethren, be followers together with me, ... to subdue all things unto Himself, *in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

Gospel

Mt 22:15-21

At that time, went the Pharisees, ... unto God the things that are God's.

Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity Green

Collect

Absolve Your people from their offenses, O Lord, we beseech You: that, through Your bountiful goodness, we may all be delivered from the bands of those sins which, by our frailty, we have committed. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Epistle

Col 1:9-11

Brethren, we do not cease to pray for you, ... longsuffering with joyfulness, in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Gospel

Mt 9:18-22

At that time, while Jesus spake to the multitudes, behold, there came a certain ruler, ... And the woman was made whole from that hour.

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**Sunday Next before Advent:
Christ the King**

Green
White

Collect

Stir up the wills of Your faithful people, we beseech You, O Lord: that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may of Your loving-kindness be more plenteously rewarded. Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Lesson

Jer 23:5-8

Behold, the days come, ... they shall dwell in their own land, *says the Lord Almighty.*

Gospel

Jn 6:5-14

At that time, when Jesus lifted up His eyes, ... Prophet that should come into the world.

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, Who has exalted Your beloved Son to be King over all worlds, and has willed to make all things new in Him: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth who are wounded and dispersed by sin may be knit together speedily under His gracious sovereignty; Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

Epistle

Col 1:12-20

Brethren, giving thanks unto the Father, ... or things in heaven.