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PRAYER,

TO BE USED

In all Churches and Chapels throughout England, Wales, and the Town of Berwick-upon Tweed, upon Wednesday the 8th of March next being the Day appointed by Proclamation for General Fast and Humiliation before Almight God, to be observed in the most Devout an Solemn Manner, by sending up our Prayers ar Supplications to the Divine Majesty:

For obtaining Pardon of our Sins, and for averting the heavy Judgments which our manifold Provocations has most justly deserved; and imploring His Blessing a Assistance on the Arms of His Majesty by Sea and La, and for restoring and perpetuating Peace, Safety, a Prosperity to Himself, and to His Kingdoms.



By His Majesty's Special Command.

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The Order for Morning Prayer.

- The Service shall be the same with the usual Office for Holy-days, except where it is in this Office otherwise appointed.
- Let him that ministereth read with a loud Voice these Sentences of Scripture; and after them the Exhortation, Dearly beloved Brethren, &c.

O the Lord our God belong mercies and forgiveneffes, 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.

In my trouble I will call upon the Lord, and complain unto my God. So shall he hear my voice out of his holy

temple; my complaint shall come before him.

I Instead of the Venite, this Hymn shall be used.

INTO Thee, O Lord, will I lift up my foul; my God, I have put my trust in Thee: O let me not be confounded, neither let mine Enemies triumph over me.

Wherefore should the Heathen say, where is now their God?

The Lord is King, be the Earth never so unquiet; the Lord is great in Sion, and high above all people.

I shall find trouble and heaviness, and I will call upon the

name of the Lord.

Unto Thee lift I up mine eyes, O Thou that dwellest in the Heavens.

The waves of the Sea are mighty, and rage horribly; but the Lord, who dwelleth on high, is mightier.

In the multitude of forrows that I had in my heart, thy

comforts have refreshed my soul.

The Lord is my refuge, and my God is the strength of my confidence.

Thou, O Lord God, art full of compassion and mercy,

long suffering, plenteous in goodness and truth.

Teach me thy way, O Lord, and I will walk in thy truth.

O knit my heart unto Thee, that I may fear thy name.

Behold, O God our Defender, and look upon the face of thine anointed.

Blessed is the man, whose strength is in Thee, in whose hear are thy ways.

hate Thee have lift up their heads.

Make their faces ashamed, O Lord, that they may seek thy

name.

The Lord shall give strength unto his people, the Lord shall give his people the blessing of Peace.

Helpus, O God of our salvation, for the glory of thy name;
O deliver us, and be merciful unto our sins for thy name's sake.

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.

T Proper Psalms, LI. and XC.

First Lesson, II. Chronicles XX. to the End of Ver. 15.

¶ After the First Lesson, shall follow Te Deum laudamus, in English.

Second Lesson, St. Matthew III. to v. 11.

I Then Benedictus, the Creed, &c. to the End of the Lord's Prayer.

I Then the Priest, standing up, shall say,

Priest. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us,

Answ. And grant us thy salvation.

Priest. O Lord, save the King!

Answ. Who putteth his trust in Thee.

Priest. Send him help from thy holy place,

Answ. And evermore mightily defend him.

Priest. Let his enemies have no advantage against him.

Answ. Let not the wicked approach to hurt him.

Priest. O Lord, save thy people,

Answ. And bless thine inheritance.

Priest. Give peace in our time, O Lord,

Answ. And make thy chosen people joyful.

This Collect to be used instead of the First Collect for Morning Prayer.

Description of the Wicked, and working deliterance for thy Servants; we prostrate ourselves before Thee, in earnest Prayer and Supplication, in behalf of ourfelves and other Christian Nations, exposed at this time to the cruelty, or groaning under the oppression, of Apostates from thy Truth, and Despisers of Thy Holy Name; who have spread desolation wherever they have erected their standard.

We implore Thy bleffing, O Lord, upon thy faithful Servant, our gracious Sovereign. Guard him, as hitherto thou hast done, against secret Conspiracy and open Violence, and unite our hearts, as the heart of one man, in loyal attachment to his Person, and in dutiful submission to his Authority, and to the Laws. Prosper, we beseech Thee, his cares for the welfare of his people. Assist him in all his Counsels for the preservation of these Kingdoms, and crown them with Thy Blessing; and grant unto him that Peace which the world cannot give, the comfort of sure trust and considence in Thee.

Thou hast been our merciful God from generation to generation. We have trusted in Thee, and we have been holpen; but we are sensible, that all our efforts will still be inessedual without Thy Aid, from whom alone cometh help in time of need. Our Counsels, our Hands, and our Hearts, are under Thy sovereign controul. Without Thee the wisdom of the Wise is vain, and the multitude of an Host is weak. Vouchsafe to us, O Lord, in such manner, thy guidance and support, that the Enemies of our Peace may see, that Thine Arm, stretched out to save, can crush the mightiest force, and bring to nought the most subtle designs of human Policy; and that the man of the Earth, who listeth up his Banners against Thee, shall ever be humbled under Thy Almighty hand.

Hear us, O merciful God, for the fake and through the merits of our only Saviour, Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our

Lord, Amen.

I Then shall follow the Second and Third Collects at Morning Prayer, and the Litany, and then the following Prayer.

ORD, our Heavenly Father, we acknowledge, with penitent hearts, that we have been bleffed, beyond other nations, in the knowledge and undisturbed Profession of Thy Truth, and in the long Possession of abundant temporal Prosperity: and we confess, that, like the Israelites of old, we have too often turned our backs on Thee, and sought our Peace and Security in our own Inventions. Restore us, O Lord, to a dutiful Sense of Thee in this time.

hate The Visitation. Grant us Grace to put away all Ungodliness and sinful Lusts, and so to hold fast the Profession of our Faith in purity of heart and mind, that Thy Judgments may be withdrawn from us, and we may become distinguished Objects of Thy Mercy, through the Merits of Jesus Christ, our Mediator and Advocate, Amen.

> Then the People shall say this that followeth, after the Minister.

URN Thou us, O good Lord, and so shall we be L 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 I 2 of Thy mercies look upon us, through the merits and mediation of Thy blessed Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

In the Time of War and Tumults.

Almighty God, King of all kings, and Governor of all things, whose power no creature is able to resist, to whom it belongeth justly to punish sinners, and to be merciful to them that truly repent; Save and deliver us, we humbly beseech Thee, from the hands of our enemies; abate their pride, assuage their malice, and confound their devices; that we, being armed with Thy defence, may be preserved evermore from all perils, to glorify Thee, who are the only Giver of all victory, through the merits of Thy cary Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Prayer for the Safety of our Fleets.

The raging Seas and the stormy Winds obey; who hast respected the Ocean with its bounds, faying, "Hitherto b how come, but no further, and nere many be be flayed;" O God, who, in Thy mercy, guidest, Thee, into Thy Gracious and Almighty Pro-Thèe, i dets of Thy Servant our Sovereign, the Vef-. and the Ferions of all those who

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ferve in them. Preserve them from the Pernsor me season from the Efforts of the Enemy, and from the Danger of Disease in distant Climates; that they may return in safety, and crowned, if it be Thy good Pleasure, with Success in their Enterprizes, either of just and necessary War, or of lawful Commerce, to enjoy the Blessings of their native Land; and, with thankful Remembrance of all Thy Mercies, to unite in rendering Praise and Glory to Thy Holy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WE humbly befeech Thee, most merciful God, that, by Thy Grace, Thou wouldst keep alive in us, who have this day presumed to implore such great Blessings as Thy hands, a constant sense of Thy presence, and of our dependence upon Thee. Suffer us not to return to our former sinfulness and disobedience, nor again to yield to those evil passions and desires which have brought down Thy just judgments upon us: But save us, O God; save us, not only from wordly, but also from our spiritual enemies; and most especially save us from ourselves, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Then the Prayer for the High Court of Parliament;—the General Thanksgiving;—then as follows:

For the Providential Dispersion of the Enemy's Fleet in their late Attempt upon the Kingdom of Ireland.

A LMIGHTY and ever Gracious God, before whose eternal Throne the Successions of Nations and Em pires pass away, and impress our Minds with those grea Truths, that Stability is no where to be found but in Th Power and Goodness, and that the hest Efforts of Man Wisdom are vain and delusive; strengthen, we beseech Thee, our feeble Faculties, and be not offended, if, while we are imploring a continuance of Thy Protection, w presume to return thanks for what appears to us a Prov dential Interference—when the Winds and Storms, fulfill ling Thy Word, dissipated that mighty Armament, which threatened the Peace of our Sister Kingdom, and Thom wast pleased, at the same time, to exemplify their Nation Character, inspiring those high Exertions of Fortitude, which a true Sense of Religious and Moral Duty is be expressed. In a Cause therefore, which we must ever ded common, we join our voices to their's in the utterance

raise and Thanksgiving, and humbly beseech Thee before he Seat of Mercy and Grace, that the Union and Proserity which we now enjoy, may never suffer any Interrupton. Grant this, we pray Thee, O merciful Father, through esus Christ, our Mediator and Redeemer. Amen.

I Then read to the End of Morning Prayer, as usual.

The Communion Service.

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After the Prayer for the King [Almighty God whose Kingdom is Everlasting] shall be read the Collect of the Day, as in the Morning Prayer, [O Lord God of our Salvation,] and then shall follow

The Epistle. 2 Peter Chap. II. to Ver. 12.

even as there shall be false teachers among you; who a vivily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the ord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift dentition. And many shall follow their pernicious ways: reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of. And through covetousness shall they, with seigned words, ake merchandize of you: whose judgment now of a long ane lingerest not, and their damnation slumberest not. If God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them we not hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to reserved unto judgment; and spared not the old world, a traved Noah the eighth person, a preacher of righteoussis, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly; it turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrha into ashes, ademned them with an overthrow, making them an enple unto those that should after live ungodly; and desired just Lot, vexed with the silthy conversation of the seked: (for that righteous man dwelling among them, in sping and hearing vexed his righteous soul from day to the with their unlawful deeds;) the Lord knoweth how to

deliver the godly out of temptations, and to referve the just unto the day of judgment to be punished: but chit them that walk after the sless in the lust of uncleanness, despise government. Presumptuous are they, self-will they are not afraid to speak evil of dignities. Whereas gels, which are greater in power and might, bring not ring accusation against them before the Lord.

The Gospel. St. Luke Chap. XIII. Ver. 1, to 6.

HERE were present at that season some that told of the Galileans, whose blood Pilate had min with their facrifices. And Jesus answering, said unto the Suppose ye that these Galileans were sinners above all Galileans, because they suffered these things? I tell Nay: but except ye repent, ye shall all likewise per Or those eighteen, upon whom the tower in Siloam sell, slew them, think ye that they were sinners above all that dwelt in Jerusalem? I tell you, Nay; but except repent, ye shall all likewise perish.

I Then shall follow the Nicene Creed: and after that Sermon.

After the Prayer sfor the whole State of Christ's Chu the following shall be used.

A Prayer for our Enemies, and for Support under Persecu

A LMIGHTY God, who hast disposed the heart of Sovereign to unite us in prayer and supplication day for the Pardon of our Sins, and for deliverance the Evils of War; suffer us we beseech Thee, in the of Christian Charity, to offer our humble Intercession the Repentance and Conversion of Men, who have ca their Faith in Thee the Living God; and following vain imaginations of reprobate Minds, have plunged t selves into Crimes and Impieties, which assonish the Q tian World. Open their Eyes, O Lord, that they ma and consider with detestation and horror, the Ravage their Cruelty. Strike them, in Thy Mercy, with Rel and Compunction, before they fill up the measure of Iniquities: And grant, O God, unto us, Thy Serv Grace, whilst we behold with compassion the miseries have inflicted upon the objects of their fury, to recolle many calamities, from which, We, by Thy merciful

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L'AMIGHTY God, who has promised to hear the petitions of them that ask in Thy Son's Name; we bethe Thee mercifully to incline Thine ears to us that have now our prayers and supplications unto Thee; and It, that those Things which we have faithfully asked, L'rding to Thy will, may effectually be obtained, to the It of our necessity, and to the setting forth of Thy glory, Light Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Aren the Priest (or Bishop, if he be present) shall let them depart with this Blessing.

AHE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: and lessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always.

The Order for Evening Prayer

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In my trouble I will call upon the Lord, and cunto my God. So shall he hear my voice out of temple; my complaint shall come before him.

The Hymn appointed to be used at Morning Prayer of the Venite, &c. shall here also be used before the Psalms.

¶ Proper Psalms, LXXXVI. and CXXX

¶ First Lesson, Jonah III.

My soul doth magnify the Lord, &c. St. Luke

I Second Lesson, St. James IV. to Ver. 11.

God be merciful unto us, &c. Psalm LXV

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The Second Collect at Evening Prayer.

(i)D from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, all just works do proceed; give unto Thy Servants that peace which the world cannot give; that our hearts may be set to obey Thy commandments also that by Thee we being defended from the sear in Enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness, this the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

I The Third Collett, for Aid against all Perils.

I IGHTEN our darkness, we beseech Thee, O and by Thy great mercy defend us from all peridangers of this night, for the love of Thy only So Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

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A Prayer of St. Chrysostom.

i i by LMIGHTY God, who hast given us Grace at this time, na with one accord, to make our common supplications ¿Cto Thee; and dost promise, that when two or three are athered together in Thy Name, thou wilt grant their retests: Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of try Servants, as may be most expedient for them; grant-Lzus, in this world, knowledge of Thy truth, and in the Firld to come life everlasting. Amen.

2 Cor. XIII. 14.

HE Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the Love of God, and the Fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with all evermore. Amen.

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