Low Mass

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English Hymnal Nº 369

Be thou my guardian and my guide

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Be thou my Guardian and my Guide, And hear me when I call; Let not my slippery footsteps slide, And hold me lest I fall.

The world, the flesh, and Satan dwell Around the path I tread;
O, save me from the snares of hell,
Thou Quickener of the dead.

And if I tempted am to sin, And outward things are strong, Do thou, O Lord, keep watch within, And save my soul from wrong.

Still let me ever watch and pray, And feel that I am frail; That if the tempter cross my way, Yet he may not prevail.

THE MASS OF THE CATECHUMENS

THE ENTRANCE RITES

CELEBRANT: Our Father,

Who art in heaven,

Hallowed be thy Name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive them that trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

Ry Amen.

The Summary of the Law

CELEBRANT: Our Lord Jesus Christ said:

Hear O Israel, The Lord our God is one Lord; and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength.

This is the first and great commandment

And the second is like unto it:

Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

On these two commandments

hang all the Law and the Prophets.

ALL: Lord, have mercy upon us, and write both these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.

Kyrie Eleison

Lord, have mercy upon us. *Christ, have mercy upon us.* Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Collect

- \mathring{V} The Lord be with you.
- Ry And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

GOD, who declarest thy almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Mercifully grant unto us such a measure of thy grace, that we, running the way of thy commandments, may obtain thy gracious promises, and be made partakers of thy heavenly treasure. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

Ry Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Epistle: 1 Corinthians 15:1

The Epistle is written in the fifteenth chapter of the First Epistle of Paul the Apostle to the Corinthians beginning at the first verse.

BRETHREN, I declare unto you the Gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand: by which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. For I delivered unto you first of all, that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins, according to the Scriptures; and that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day, according to the Scriptures; and that he was seen by Peter; then by the twelve: after that, he was seen by above five

hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present, but some are fallen asleep: after that, he was seen of James; then of all the Apostles: and last of all, he was seen of me also, as of one born out of due time. For I am the least of the Apostles, that am not meet to be called an Apostle, because I persecuted the Church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which was bestowed upon me was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all; yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me. Therefore whether it were I or they, so we preach, and so ye believed.

Here endeth the Epistle.

English Hymnal Nº 421

Jesus, these eyes

Nun Danket All

Jesus, these eyes have never seen That radiant form of thine; The veil of sense hangs dark between Thy blessèd face and mine.

I see thee not, I hear thee not, Yet art thou oft with me; And earth hath ne'er so dear a spot As where I met with thee.

Yet, though I have not seen, and still Must rest in faith alone, I love thee, dearest Lord, and will, Unseen, but not unknown.

When death these mortal eyes shall seal, And still this throbbing heart, The rending veil shall thee reveal All glorious as thou art.

The Holy Gospel: S. Luke 18:9

- Ry And with thy spirit.

The Holy Gospel is written in the eighteenth chapter of the Gospel according to S. Luke, beginning at the ninth verse.

Ry Glory be to thee, O Lord.

TESUS spake this parable unto certain which trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others: Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a Publican. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank thee that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this Publican: I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess. And the Publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner. I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other: for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.

Ry Praise be to thee, O Christ.

Creed

CELEBRANT: I believe in one God

ALL: the Father Almighty,

Maker of heaven and earth,

And of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of the Father before all worlds; God, of God; Light, of Light; Very God, of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; Through whom all things were made:

Who for us men and for our salvation

came down from heaven,

(ALL KNEEL) And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost
of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, (ALL RISE)
And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried,
And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,
And ascended into heaven,
And sitteth on the right hand of the Father.
And he shall come again with glory
to judge both the quick and the dead:
Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, The Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets.

And I believe One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the K Life of the world to come. Amen.

Sermon

THE MASS OF THE FAITHFUL (LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST)

OFFERTORY

Offertory Sentence (CELEBRANT)

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.

English Hymnal Nº 477

Rock of ages, cleft for me

Readhead No. 76

Rock of ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in thee; Let the Water and the Blood, From thy riven side which flowed, Be of sin the double cure, Cleanse me from its guilt and power.

Not the labours of my hands Can fulfil thy law's demands; Could my zeal no respite know, Could my tears for ever flow, All for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring, Simply to thy Cross I cling; Naked, come to thee for dress; Helpless, look to thee for grace; Foul, I to the Fountain fly; Wash me, Saviour, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath, When mine eyes are closed in death, When I soar through tracts unknown, See thee on thy judgement throne; Rock of ages, cleft for me, Let me hide myself in thee.

Prayer for the Catholic Church (CELEBRANT)

Let us pray for Christ's holy Catholic Church.

A LMIGHTY and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers and supplications, and to give thanks,

for all men: We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to accept our alms and oblations, and to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant that all they that do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

WE beseech thee also to lead all nations in the way of righteousness; and so to guide and direct their governors and rulers, that thy people may enjoy the blessings of freedom and peace: And grant unto thy servant CHARLES our King, and to all that are put in authority under him, that they may truly and impartially administer justice, to the maintenance of thy true religion and virtue.

GIVE grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, and specially to thy servant Andrew our Bishop, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and living Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments: Prosper, we pray thee, all those who proclaim the Gospel of thy kingdom among the nations: And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, † and specially to this congregation here present, that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially those for whom our prayers are desired. †

WE remember before thee, O Lord, all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear: † and we bless thy holy Name for all who in life and death have glorified thee; beseeching thee to give us grace that, rejoicing in their fellowship, we may follow their good examples, and with them be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

RANT this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end.

Ry Amen.

† HERE THE CELEBRANT REMEMBERS THOSE FOR WHOM HE IS SPECIALLY BOUND TO PRAY, WHO HAVE NOT BEEN MENTIONED IN THE BIDDING OF THE BEDES. YOU MAY REMEMBER THOSE FOR WHOM YOU ARE OFFERING HOLY MASS, OR ANY PERSONS OR CLAIMS FOR WHICH YOU WISH TO PRAY.

Confession and Absolution

YE that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead the new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

All: Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
Maker of all things, Judge of all men:
We acknowledge and confess
our manifold sins and wickedness,
Which we from time to time
most grievously have committed,
By thought, word, and deed,
Against thy Divine Majesty.
We do earnestly repent,
And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings.
Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
Forgive us all that is past;
And grant that we may ever hereafter

Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CELEBRANT: Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins
to all them that with hearty repentance
and true faith turn unto him:
Have mercy upon you;

★ pardon and deliver you from all your sins;
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness;
and bring you to everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

R Amen.

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all that truly turn to him.

OME unto me all that labour and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. S. Matthew 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life. *S. John 3:16*

Hear also what Saint Paul saith.

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

1 *Timothy* 1:15

Hear also what Saint John saith.

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins. 1 S. John 2:1,2

CONSECRATION AND OBLATION

Sursum Corda and Preface

- Ry And with thy spirit.
- V Lift up your hearts.
- We lift them up unto the Lord.
- Ry It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God, Creator and Preserver of all things.

THEREFORE with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee and saying:

Sanctus and Benedictus (ALL)

HOLY, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts, Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

BLESSED ★ is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.

CANON OF THE MASS

(CELEBRANT)

BLESSING and glory and thanksgiving be unto thee Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to

suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memorial of that his precious death, until his coming again.

HEAR us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood;

WHO, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it; and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat;

This is My Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all, of this;

FOR THIS IS MY BLOOD OF THE NEW COVENANT,
WHICH IS SHED FOR YOU AND FOR MANY
FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS:
Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it,
in remembrance of me."

WHEREFORE, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, we thy humble servants, with all thy holy Church, remembering the precious death of thy beloved Son, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again in glory, do make before thee, in this sacrament of the holy Bread of eternal life and the Cup of everlasting salvation, the memorial which he hath commanded;

A ND we entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, most

humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion; And we pray that by the power of thy Holy Spirit, all we who are partakers of this holy Communion may be fulfilled with thy grace and \maltese heavenly benediction. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

Ry Amen.

COMMUNION OF THE FAITHFUL

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- ☼ The peace of the Lord be always with you.
- Ry And with thy spirit.

The Prayer of Humble Access

CELEBRANT: We do not presume

ALL: to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord,

Trusting in our own righteousness,

But in thy manifold and great mercies.

We are not worthy

So much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table.

But thou art the same Lord,

Whose property is always to have mercy:

Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,

So to eat the Flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ,

And to drink his Blood,

That our sinful bodies may be made clean by his Body,

And our souls washed through his most precious Blood,

And that we may evermore dwell in him,

And he in us. Amen.

Agnus Dei

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, *have mercy upon us*.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, *have mercy upon us*.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, *grant us thy peace*.

HERE THE PEOPLE RECEIVE COMMUNION.
THE COMMUNION HYMN WILL BEGIN
WHEN THE CELEBRANT RETURNS TO THE ALTAR.

Communion Hymn

Not worthy, Lord

S. Agnes

Not worthy, Lord, to gather up the crumbs With trembling hand that from thy table fall, A weary, heavy-laden sinner comes To plead thy promise and obey thy call.

I am not worthy to be thought thy child, Nor sit the last and lowest at thy board; Too long a wanderer and too oft beguiled— I only ask one reconciling word.

I hear thy voice: Thou bidst me come and rest. I come, I kneel, I clasp thy piercèd feet; Thou bidst me take my place-a welcome guest Among thy saints, and of thy banquet eat.

My praise can only breathe itself in prayer, My prayer can only lose itself in thee; Dwell thou for ever in my heart, and there, Lord, let me sup with thee; sup thou with me.

THANKSGIVING

Pater Noster

CELEBRANT: Let us pray.

Our Father,

ALL: Who art in heaven,

Hallowed be thy Name,

Thy kingdom come,

Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

And forgive us our trespasses,

As we forgive them that trespass against us;

And lead us not into temptation,

But deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,

For ever and ever. Amen.

Post-Communion Thanksgiving

Let us pray.

A LMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee that thou dost graciously feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; assuring us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are living members of his mystical body, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee. And although we are unworthy, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end.

Ry Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis

CELEBRANT: Glory be to God on high,

ALL: and in earth peace, good will towards men.We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee,we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sin of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art ** most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Blessing (CELEBRANT)

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.

R' Amen.