

The Parish Churches of S Philip and S Augustine and S Matthew with S Mary the Virgin Newcastle

The Office For All Souls' Day for use at home

Notes

If you say evensong on the Saturday evening before Trinity Sunday, you should use this order.

When reciting the office privately, you should move your lips with the words to ensure that your eyes do not just mindlessly move along the text.

Usually, people sit (or kneel) to recite the office privately - in front of a Crucifix, if possible. Some people may choose to light a candle.

The sign of the Cross made at, "O Lord, open &c) is generally made on the lips with the thumb to seek a blessing on the words of our prayer.

The Responsory is provided in full, but if you are reciting it alone, you can omit the lines in blue.

The booklet is provided in two forms. Some will prefer to read it from their electronic toy; others may need to print it out. Hopefully the booklet format will let you do just that. Please save the file to your hard disk. Other booklets will be sent as and when the Liturgical season requires.

Intercessions will also be circulated so that we can pray for the same thing each day.

The **Te Deum** is said at one office on Sundays, preferably in the morning.

At Evensong:

O God, from Whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto Thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both our hearts may be set to obey Thy commandments, and also that by Thee, we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness: through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

Lighten our darkness, we beseech Thee, O Lord; and by Thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of Thy only Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Any intercessions follow and a period of silence

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord: and let light perpetual shine upon them.

+ May they rest in peace. Amen

At Mattins:

O God, Who art the Author of peace and Lover of concord, in knowledge of Whom standeth our eternal life, Whose service is perfect freedom: Defend us Thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in Thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O Lord our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, Who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day: Defend us in the same with Thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by Thy governance, to do always that is righteous in Thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Any intercessions follow and a period of silence

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Angelus

The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with Thee; Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen

Behold the handmaid of the Lord. Be it done unto me according to thy word.

Hail Mary...

And the Word was made flesh. And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary...

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts, that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ Thy Son was made known by the message of an angel, may by His + Cross and Passion be brought to the glory of His Resurrection. Through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen.

The Office

+ O Lord, open thou our lips.

And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

- + O God, make speed to save us.
- O Lord, make haste to help us.

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.

Praise ye the Lord.

The Lord's Name be praised.

At Mattins, there follows the **Venite** with its antiphon:

Antiphon: The King unto whom all live: O come, let us adore Him.

O come, let us sing unto the Lord: let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving: and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.

Antiphon

For the Lord is a great God: and a great King above all gods. In his hand are all the corners of the earth: and the strength of the hills is his also.

Antiphon

Our Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in 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.

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

And grant us thy salvation.

O Lord, save the Queen.

And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

And make thy chosen people joyful.

O Lord, save thy people.

And bless thine inheritance.

Give peace in our time, O Lord.

Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

O God, make clean our hearts within us.

And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

There follows the **Collect of the Day**:

O God, the Creator and Preserver of all, grant, we beseech Thee unto those whom we remember today and all who have died the sure benefits of Thy Son's saving Sacrifice, that in the last day when all things shall be gathered up in Him, they may know the fullness of His Love; the same Jesus Christ our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the same Holy Ghost, God, throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

The office continues:

I believe in God the Father Almighty,

Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,

Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,

Born of the Virgin Mary,

Suffered under Pontius Pilate,

Was crucified, dead, and buried:

He descended into hell;

The third day he rose again from the dead;

He ascended into heaven,

And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost;

The holy Catholick Church;

The Communion of Saints:

The Forgiveness of sins;

The Resurrection of the body,

+ And the Life everlasting. Amen.

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

The sea is his, and he made it:

and his hands prepared the dry land.

O come, let us worship and fall down:

and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is the Lord our God:

and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

Antiphon

To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts : as in the provocation,

and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness;

When your fathers tempted me:

proved me, and saw my works.

Antiphon

Forty years long was I grieved with this generation, and said: It is a people that do err in their hearts,

for they have not known my ways.

Unto whom I sware in my wrath:

that they should not enter into my rest.

Antiphon

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.

Antiphon

The **Office Hymn** *follows:*

O Thou the King of boundless might, O Christ the glory of our God, Who mad'st us worthy in His sight By shattering death's brutal rod.

When once the serpent vic'try won Thou cam'st upon our frailty; And in Thy Death, great battle done, Thou trampledst our mortality.

In strength arising from the grave, Thou, by the Paschal Mystery, To man caught in sin's deathly cave, Didst life restore eternally.

That when, Thou Bridegroom, dost return To grant to us the life of grace, May we with lamps that brightly burn, Be ready for a heav'nly place.

Accept them into light and rest, And, constant Judge, your faithful see, Who have the Trinity confest And sought to live in charity.

Plead for our brethren and for all, Who have this world's life laid aside, Eternally Thy praise to call As in the Father's realm they bide.

Antiphon:

All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me, I will in no wise cast out.

+ MY soul doth magnify the Lord : and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded: the lowliness of his hand-maiden.

For behold, from henceforth: all generations shall call me blessed.

For he that is mighty hath magnified me : and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him : throughout all generations.

He hath shewed strength with his arm: he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat : and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things: and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel: as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever.

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.

Antiphon

Antiphon: I am the Resurrection and the Life, saith the Lord; he that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die.

+ Blessed be the Lord God of Israel : for he hath visited and redeemed his people;

And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us: in the house of his servant David;

As he spake by the mouth of his holy Prophets: which have been since the world began;

That we should be saved from our enemies : and from the hand of all that hate us.

To perform the mercy promised to our forefathers : and to remember his holy Covenant;

To perform the oath which he sware to our forefather Abraham : that he would give us;

That we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies : might serve him without fear;

In holiness and righteousness before him : all the days of our life.

And thou, Child, shalt be called the Prophet of the Highest: for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways; To give knowledge of salvation unto his people: for the remission of their sins,

Through the tender mercy of our God: whereby the day-spring from on high hath visited us;

To give light to them that sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death: and to guide our feet into the way of peace. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Antiphon

There follow:

The Psalm:

- (23) THE Lord is my shepherd: therefore can I lack nothing. 2 He shall feed me in a green pasture: and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.
- 3 He shall convert my soul : and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake.
- 4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.
- 5 Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me: thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.
- 6 Surely thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

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.

- (27: 1 6, 15f) THE Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear: the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?
- 2 When the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh: they stumbled and fell.
- 3 Though an host of men were laid against me, yet shall not my heart be afraid: and though there rose up war against me, yet will I put my trust in him.
- 4 One thing have I desired of the Lord, which I will require: even that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the fair beauty of the Lord, and to visit his temple.

5 For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his tabernacle: yea, in the secret place of his dwelling shall he hide me, and set me up upon a rock of stone.

6 And now shall he lift up mine head: above mine enemies round about me.

I should utterly have fainted: but that I believe verily to see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

16 O tarry thou the Lord's leisure: be strong, and he shall comfort thine heart; and put thou thy trust in the Lord.

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.

The Reading

A Reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Church in Rome.

Hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been given to us. While we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Why, one will hardly die for a righteous man -- though perhaps for a good man one will dare even to die. But God shows his love for us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we are now justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. Not only so, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received our reconciliation.

The Responsory

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.
Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.
And let light perpetual shine upon them.
Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

At Mattins, there follows the Benecticus: