

Thou art the King of Glory : O Christ.
 Thou art the everlasting Son : of the Father.
 When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man : thou didst not
 abhor the Virgin's womb.
 When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death : thou didst
 open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.
 Thou sittest at the right hand of God : in the glory of the
 Father.
 We believe that thou shalt come : to be our Judge.
 We therefore pray thee, help thy servants : whom thou hast
 redeemed with thy precious blood.
 Make them to be numbered with thy Saints : in glory
 everlasting.
 O Lord, save thy people : and bless thine heritage.
 Govern them : and lift them up for ever.
 Day by day : we magnify thee;
 And we worship thy Name : ever world without end.
 Vouchsafe, O Lord : to keep us this day without sin.
 O Lord, have mercy upon us : have mercy upon us.
 O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us : as our trust is in thee.
 O Lord, in thee have I trusted : let me never be confounded.

Any intercessions follow and a period of silence

+ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and
 the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore.
 Amen.



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

The Office for feast of Michaelmas 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.

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The Te Deum is said on Sundays and red letter feasts.

WE praise thee, O God : we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.
All the earth doth worship thee : the Father everlasting.
To thee all Angels cry aloud : the heavens, and all the powers therein.
To thee Cherubin and Seraphin : continually do cry,
Holy, Holy, Holy : Lord God of Sabaoth;
Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty : of thy glory.
The glorious company of the Apostles : praise thee.
The goodly fellowship of the Prophets : praise thee.
The noble army of Martyrs : praise thee.
The holy Church throughout all the world : doth acknowledge thee;
The Father : of an infinite Majesty;
Thine honourable, true : and only Son;
Also the Holy Ghost : the Comforter.

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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

+ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. Amen.

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: In the presence of the angels: O come, let us adore the
Lord.*

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 everlasting God, Who hast ordained and constituted the
services of Angels and men in a wonderful order: Mercifully
grant that, as Thy holy Angels alway do Thee service in Heaven,
so by Thy appointment they may succour and defend us on
earth; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son our Lord, Who liveth and
reigneth with Thee in the unity of the 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:

Christ, the fair glory of the holy angels,
Thou Who hast made us, Thou Who o'er us rulest,
Grant us Thy mercy unto us Thy servants
Steps up to Heaven.

Sent Thy archangel, Michael, to our succour;
Peacemaker blessed, may he banish from us
Striving and hatred, so that for the peaceful
All things may prosper.

Sent Thy archangel, Gabriel, the mighty;
Herald of Heaven, may he from us mortals
Spurn the old serpent, watching o'er the temples
Where Thou art worshipped.

Send Thy archangel, Raphael, the restorer
Of the misguided ways of men who wander,
Who at Thy bidding strengthens soul and body
With Thine anointing.

May the blest Mother of our God and Saviour,
May the assembly of the saints in glory,
May the celestial companies of angels
Ever assist us.

Father almighty, Son and Holy Spirit,
God ever blessed, be Thou our Preserver;
Thine is the glory which the angels worship,
Veiling their faces.

At Evensong, there follows the Magnificat:

Antiphon:

*Michael, Gabriel, Cherubim and Seraphim are they who cease
not to cry continually: worthy art Thou, O Lord, to receive glory
and honour.*

+ 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: There was silence in Heaven whilst the dragon waged war; and Michael contended with him and won the victory.

+ 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:

(138) I WILL give thanks unto thee, O Lord, with my whole heart : even before the gods will I sing praise unto thee.
2 I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy Name, because of thy loving-kindness and truth : for thou hast magnified thy Name and thy word above all things.
3 When I called upon thee, thou heardest me : and enduedst my soul with much strength.
4 All the kings of the earth shall praise thee, O Lord : for they have heard the words of thy mouth.
5 Yea, they shall sing in the ways of the Lord : that great is the glory of the Lord.
6 For though the Lord be high, yet hath he respect unto the lowly : as for the proud, he beholdeth them afar off.
7 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, yet shalt thou refresh me : thou shalt stretch forth thy hand upon the furiousness of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me.
8 The Lord shall make good his loving-kindness toward me : yea, thy mercy, O Lord, endureth for ever; despise not then the works of thine own hands.
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.

(148) O PRAISE the Lord of heaven : praise him in the height.
2 Praise him, all ye angels of his : praise him, all his host.
3 Praise him, sun and moon : praise him, all ye stars and light.
4 Praise him, all ye heavens : and ye waters that are above the heavens.

5 Let them praise the Name of the Lord : for he spake the word, and they were made; he commanded, and they were created.

6 He hath made them fast for ever and ever : he hath given them a law which shall not be broken.

7 Praise the Lord upon earth : ye dragons, and all deeps;

8 Fire and hail, snow and vapours : wind and storm, fulfilling his word;

9 Mountains and all hills : fruitful trees and all cedars;

10 Beasts and all cattle : worms and feathered fowls;

11 Kings of the earth and all people : princes and all judges of the world;

12 Young men and maidens, old men and children, praise the Name of the Lord : for his Name only is excellent, and his praise above heaven and earth.

13 He shall exalt the horn of his people; all his saints shall praise him : even the children of Israel, even the people that serveth him.

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 Book of the Prophet Daniel.

As I looked, thrones were placed and one that was ancient of days took his seat; his raiment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, its wheels were burning fire. A stream of fire issued and came forth from before him; a thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him; the court sat in judgment, and the books were opened. I saw in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one like a son of man, and he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him. And to him was given dominion and glory and kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed.

The Responsory

There the angel stood: by the altar of incense.

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In his hand he held a golden censer.

There the angel stood: by the altar of incense.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost.

There the angel stood: by the altar of incense.

*At Mattins, there follows the **Benecticus**:*