



# Morning Prayer

*from The Book of Common Prayer  
adapted for online services*

St Michael and All Angels : Brinkworth  
St James the Great : Dauntsey  
All Saints : Garsdon  
St Peter and St Paul : Great Somerford  
St Giles : Lea  
St John the Baptist : Little Somerford

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I acknowledge my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

*Psalm 51. 3.*

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit : a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.

*Psalm 51. 17.*

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us : but if we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*1 S. John 1. 8,9.*

*The minister introduces the service*

Dearly beloved [brethren], the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness;

[and that we should not dissemble nor cloak them before the face of almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same by his infinite goodness and mercy.

And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul.]

Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart, and humble voice, unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying [after me]:

(or) Beloved, we are come together in the presence of almighty God and of the whole company of heaven to offer unto him through our Lord Jesus Christ our worship and praise and thanksgiving; to make confession of our sins; to pray, as well for others as for ourselves, that we may know more truly the greatness of God's love and shew forth in our lives the fruits of his grace; and to ask on behalf of all men such things as their well-being doth require.

Wherefore let us kneel in silence, and remember God's presence with us now.

**Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us.**

**But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults. Restore thou them that are penitent; according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy name. Amen.**

*A priest says*

May the Almighty and merciful Lord grant unto you pardon and remission of all your sins, time for amendment of life, and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

*Or:* Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness and live; and hath given power, and commandment, to his ministers to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the absolution and remission of their sins: he pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent and unfeignedly believe his holy gospel. Wherefore let us beseech him to grant us true repentance, and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him which we do at this present; and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Other ministers may say*

Grant, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**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. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

*These responses are used*

○ Lord, open thou our lips  
**and our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.**

○ God, make speed to save us.  
**○ 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.**

## ***The Venite (“Venite, exultemus Domino”)***

1. **O come, let us sing unto the Lord : let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.**
2. **Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving : and shew ourselves glad in him with psalms.**
3. **For the Lord is a great God : and a great King above all gods.**
4. **In his hand are all the corners of the earth : and the strength of the hills is his also.**
5. **The sea is his, and he made it : and his hands prepared the dry land.**
6. **O come, let us worship, and fall down : and kneel before the Lord our Maker.**
7. **For he is the Lord our God : and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.**
8. **Today if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts : as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness;**
9. **When your fathers tempted me : proved me, and saw my works.**
10. **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.**
11. **Unto whom I swear in my wrath : that they should not enter into my rest.**

*Psalm 95*

**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.**

***A reading from the Old Testament*** may be read

***The Psalm for the day.*** At the end of the Psalm, we say

**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.**

***A reading from the Epistles (the New Testament Letters)*** may be read

***A reading from the Gospels*** may be read

***Reflection on the Bible passages***

***The Jubilate (“Jubilate Deo”)***

- 1. O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands : serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.**
- 2. Be ye sure that the Lord he is God : it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.**
- 3. O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise : be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.**
- 4. For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting : and his truth endureth from generation to generation.**

*Psalm 100*

**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 Apostles' Creed*** – a statement of Christian faith

**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 catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## ***Prayers***

The Lord be with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

**Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Lord, have mercy upon us.

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.**

○ Lord, save thy people.  
**And bless thine inheritance.**

Give peace in our time, ○ Lord.  
**Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, ○ God.**

○ God, make clean our hearts within us.  
**And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.**

## ***The Collect of the Day***

### ***The Collect for Peace***

○ 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.**

### ***The Collect for Grace***

**○ 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. Amen.**

## ***Intercessions***

### ***The Grace***

**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.**



## ***Blessing***

The peace of God,  
which passes 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 Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

**Amen.**