

The Order of Julian of Norwich

# THE COLLECTS

for  
LENT and EASTERTIDE  
and all  
HOLY DAYS



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## FOREWORD

The word Collect is merely an obsolete nominative form of the verb “to collect”. It follows the old linguistic pattern in which the *verb* form of a word is accented on the last syllable, and the identical *noun* form on the first. (e.g., “**perfúme**” is the verb, and “**pérfume**” is the noun.)

The Collect’s prominent place in the Ministry of the Word at the Eucharist springs from the fact that it was originally the major “pastoral prayer” in which the spontaneous and locally-topical concerns of the congregation were “collected” into one prayer. In traditional practice, after the (original diaconal) announcement “Let us pray,” a short period of silence was kept so that each participant in the Eucharist could silently remember his/her specific intentions before the formal Collect was prayed on behalf of all by the Celebrant.

This booklet contains the contemporary version of **Collects for Holy Days** from *The Book of Common Prayer*, **Collects for Lesser Feasts and Fasts** approved by the General Convention through 2003 A.D. for use in the Episcopal Church, and several additional commemorations from the Julian Ordo. Bracketed numerals following the dates indicate Prayer Book page references, and parenthetical italicized numerals following the dates refer to the 2003 edition of *Lesser Feasts and Fasts*. Some few Collects have been composed by the Order of Julian or have been adopted from other traditional sources; these are identified as such.

The Collects in this booklet have been pointed for chanting to a traditional solemn Collect tone. The caret appearing over a letter of a bold-face word or syllable (i.e., **fâce** or ever-**lâst**-ing) indicates the first note of the traditional three-note sequence, and other syllables appearing in bold-face indicate a flex. Our custom is to reverence the name of our Lord, the Blessed Virgin, and the saint being commemorated with a simple bow — hence, these names are underlined in the text.

# THE WEEKDAYS OF LENT

Thursday after Ash Wednesday (29)

Direct us, O Lord, in all our doings with your most gracious favor, and further us with your contin-**û**-al help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in **you**, we may glorify your holy Name, and finally, by your mercy, obtain everlasting **life**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Friday after Ash Wednesday (30)

Support us, O Lord, with your gracious favor through the fast we **hâve** be-gun; that as we observe it by bodily self-denial, so we may fulfill it with inner sincerity of **heart**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Saturday after Ash Wednesday (31)

Almighty and ever-**lâst**-ing God, mercifully look upon our infir-**mities**, and in all our dangers and necessities stretch forth your right hand to help and defend **us**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Monday in the First Week of Lent (32)

Almighty and ever-**lâst**-ing God, mercifully increase in us your gift of holy discipline, in almsgiving, prayer, and fas-**ting**; that our lives may be directed to the fulfilling of your most gracious **will**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Tuesday in the First Week of Lent (33)

Grant to your people, Lord, grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, **and** the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only true **God**; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Wednesday in the First Week of Lent (34)

Bless us, O God, in this holy season, in which our hearts seek your **hêlp** and healing; and so purify us by your discipline that we may grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus **Christ**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Thursday in the First Week of Lent (35)

Strengthen us, O Lord, **bŷ** your grace, that in your might we may overcome all spiritual enemies, and with pure hearts serve **you**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Friday in the First Week of Lent (36)

Lord Christ, our eter-**nâl** Re-deemer, grant us such fellowship in your suf-**ferings**, that, filled with your Holy Spirit, we may subdue the flesh to the spirit, and the spirit to you, and at the last attain to the glory of your resurrec-**tion**; who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Saturday in the First Week of Lent (37)

O God, by your Word you marvelously carry out the work of recon-**cîl**-i-ation: Grant that in our Lenten fast we may be devoted to you with all our hearts, and united with one another in prayer and holy **love**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Monday in the Second Week of Lent (38)

Let your Spirit, O Lord, come into the midst of us to wash us with the pure water **ôf** re-pentance, and prepare us to be always a living sacrifice to **you**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Tuesday in the Second Week of Lent (39)

O God, you willed to redeem us from all iniquity **bŷ** your Son: Deliver us when we are tempted to regard sin without abhor-**rence**, and let the virtue of his passion come between us and our mortal e-**nemy**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Wednesday in the Second Week of Lent (40)

O God, you so loved the world that you gave your only-begotten Son to reconcile **êarth** with heaven: Grant that we, loving you above all things, may love our friends in you, and our enemies for your **sake**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Thursday in the Second Week of Lent (41)

O Lord, strong and mighty, Lord of hosts and **Kîng** of glory: Cleanse our hearts from sin, keep our hands pure, and turn our minds from what is passing a-**way**; so that at the last we may stand in your holy place and receive your bles-**sing**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Friday in the Second Week of Lent (42)

Grant, O Lord, that as your Son Jesus Christ prayed for his enemies **ôn** the cross, so we may have grace to forgive those who wrongfully or scornfully use us, that we ourselves may be able to receive your forgive-**ness**: through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Saturday in the Second Week of Lent (43)

Grant, most merciful Lord, to your faithful people par-**dôn** and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve you with a quiet **mind**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Monday in the Third Week of Lent (44)

Look upon the heart-felt desires of your humble servants, Al-**mîgh**-ty God, and stretch forth the right hand of your majesty to be our defense against all our e-**nemies**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Tuesday in the Third Week of Lent (45)

O Lord, we beseech you merciful-**lî** to hear us; and grant that we, to whom you have given a fervent desire to pray, may, by your mighty aid, be defended and comforted in all dangers and adver-**sities**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Wednesday in the Third Week of Lent (46)

Give ear to our prayers, O Lord, and direct the way of your servants in safety under **yôur** protection, that, amid all the changes of our earthly pilgrimage, we may be guarded by your mighty **aid**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Thursday in the Third Week of Lent (47)

Keep watch over your Church, O Lord, with your un-**fâil**-ing love; and, since it is grounded in human weakness and cannot maintain itself without your **aid**, protect it from all danger, and keep it in the way of salva-**tion**; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Friday in the Third Week of Lent (48)

Grant us, O Lord our Strength, a true love of your **hô**-ly Name; so that, trusting in your grace, we may fear no earthly evil, nor fix our hearts on earthly **good**, but may rejoice in your full salva-**tion**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Saturday in the Third Week of Lent (49)

O God, you know us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always **stând** up-right: Grant us such strength and protection as may support us in all dangers, and carry us through all tempta-**tions**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Monday in the Fourth Week of Lent (50)

O Lord our God, in your holy Sacraments you have given us a foretaste of the good things **ôf** your kingdom: Direct us, we pray, in the way that leads to eternal **life**, that we may come to appear before you in that place of light where you dwell for ever with your **saints**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Tuesday in the Fourth Week of Lent (51)

O God, with you is the well of life, and in your light **wê** see light: Quench our thirst with living water, and flood our darkened minds with heavenly **light**; through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Wednesday in the Fourth Week of Lent (52)

O Lord our God, you sustained your ancient people in the wilderness with **brêad** from heaven: Feed now your pilgrim flock with the food that endures to everlasting **life**; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Thursday in the Fourth Week of Lent (53)

Almighty and most merciful God, drive from us all weakness of body, **mînd**, and spirit; that, being restored to wholeness, we may with free hearts become what you intend us to be and accomplish what you want us to **do**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Friday in the Fourth Week of Lent (54)

O God, you have given us the Good News of your abounding love in your Son Jê-sus Christ: So fill our hearts with thankfulness that we may rejoice to proclaim the good tidings we have re-**ceiv'd**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Saturday in the Fourth Week of Lent (55)

Mercifully hear our prayers, O Lord, and spare all those who confess their **sîns** to you; that those whose consciences are accused by sin may by your merciful pardon be ab-**solv'd**; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Monday in the Fifth Week of Lent (56)

Be gracious to your people, we entreat **yôu**, O Lord, that they, repenting day by day of the things that displease you, may be more and more filled with love of you and of your command-**ments**; and, being supported by your grace in this life, may come to the full enjoyment of eternal life in your everlasting king-**dom**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Tuesday in the Fifth Week of Lent (57)

Almighty God, through the incarnate Word you have caused us to be born anew of an imperishable and e-**têr**-nal seed: Look with compassion upon those who are being prepared for Holy Baptism, and grant that they may be built as living stones into a spiritual temple acceptable to **you**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Wednesday in the Fifth Week of Lent (58)

Almighty God our heavenly Father, renew in us the gifts **ôf** your mercy; increase our faith, strengthen our hope, enlighten our understanding, widen our charity, and make us ready to serve **you**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Thursday in the Fifth Week of Lent (59)

O God, you have called us to be your children, and have promised that those who suffer with Christ will be heirs with him **ôf** your glory: Arm us with such trust in him that we may ask no rest from his demands and have no fear in his ser-**vice**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

Friday in the Fifth Week of Lent (60)

O Lord, you relieve our necessity out of the abundance of **yôur** great riches: Grant that we may accept with joy the salvation you bestow, and manifest it to all the world by the quality of our **lives**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

Saturday in the Fifth Week of Lent (61)

O Lord, in your goodness you bestow abundant graces on **yôur** e-lect: Look with favor, we entreat you, upon those who in these Lenten days are being prepared for Holy Baptism, and grant them the help of your protec-**tion**; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

# THE WEEKDAYS OF EASTER SEASON

*From Monday after 2 Easter until 4 Easter*

1 (65)

O God, you have united diverse peoples in the confession **ôf** your Name: Grant that all who have been born again in the font of Baptism may also be united in faith and **love**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

2 (66)

O God, by the waters of Baptism you have renewed those **whô** be-lieve in you: Come to the help of those who have been reborn in Christ, that they may overcome the wiles of the devil, and continue faithful to the gifts of grace they have received from **you**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

3 (66)

Grant, O Lord, that we may so live in the **Pâs**-chal mystery, that the joy of these fifty days may continually strengthen us, and assure us of our salva-**tion**; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

4 (67)

O Lord, you have saved us through the Paschal myste-**rŷ** of Christ: Continue to support your people with heavenly gifts, that we may attain true liberty, and enjoy the happiness of heaven which we have begun to taste on **earth**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

5 (67)

O Lord, the life of the faithful, the glory of the saints, and the delight of **thôse** who trust in you: Hear our supplications, and quench, we pray, the thirst of those who long for your pro-**mises**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

6 (68)

O God, by the abundance of your grace you unfailingly increase the number **ôf** your children: Look with favor upon those whom you have chosen to be members of your Church, that, having been born again in Baptism, they may be granted a glorious resurrec-**tion**; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

7 (68)

Let your people, O Lord, rejoice for ever that they have been re-**nêw'd** in spirit; and let the joy of our adoption as your sons and daughters strengthen the hope of our glorious resurrection in Jesus Christ our **Lord**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

8 (69)

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given your Church the great joy of the resurrection of Jê-sus Christ: Give us also the greater joy of the kingdom of your elect, when the flock of your Son will share in the final victory of its Shepherd, Jesus Christ our **Lord**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

9 (69)

Almighty God, you show the light of your truth to those who are in error, to the intent that they may return to the **wây** of righteousness: Grant to those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion that they may avoid those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to **it**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

10 (70)

God of infinite mercy, you renew the faith of your people by the yearly celebration of these **fif**-ty days: Stir up in us the gifts of your grace, that we may know more deeply that Baptism has cleansed us, the Spirit has quickened us, and the Blood of Christ has redeemed **us**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

11 (70)

Lord God Almighty, for no merit on our part you have brought us out of death into life, out of sorrow **în**-to joy: Put no end to your gifts, fulfill your marvelous acts in us, and grant to us who have been justified by faith the strength to persevere in that **faith**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

12 (71)

O God, you continually increase your Church by the birth of new sons and daugh-**têrs** in Baptism: Grant that they may be obedient all the days of their life to the rule of faith which they received in that Sac-**rament**; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

13 (71)

Grant, Al-**mîgh**-ty God, that the commemoration of our Lord's death and resurrection may continually transform our lives and be manifested in our **deeds**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

14 (72)

Hear our **prâÿ**'rs, O Lord, and, as we confess that Christ, the Savior of the world, lives with you in glo-**ry**, grant that, as he himself has promised, we may perceive him present among us also, to the end of the a-**ges**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

15 (72)

O Lord, you have given us the grace to know the resurrection **ôf** your Son: Grant that the Holy Spirit, by his love, may raise us to newness of **life**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

16 (73)

O Lord, you open the portals of your kingdom to those who have been re-born by water **ând** the Spirit: Increase the grace you have given to your chil-**dren**, that those whom you have cleansed from sin may attain to all your pro-**mises**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

*From Friday after Ascension Day until Pentecost*

17 (73)

O God, by the resurrection of your Son you have given us a new birth into e-**têr**-nal life: Lift our hearts to our Savior, who is seated at your right hand, so that, when he comes again, we who have been reborn in Baptism may be clothed in a glorious immorta-**lity**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

18 (74)

O God, by the glorification of Jesus Christ and the coming of the Holy Spirit you have opened for us the gates **ôf** your kingdom: Grant that we, who have received such great gifts, may dedicate ourselves more diligently to your service, and live more fully the riches of our **faith**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

19 (74)

O Lord, when your Son ascended into heaven he sent down upon the Apostles the Holy Spirit, as he had promised, that they might comprehend the mysteries **ôf** the kingdom: Distribute among us also, we pray, the gifts of the selfsame Spi-**rit**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

20 (75)

O **lôv**-ing Father, grant that your Church, being gathered by your Holy Spirit, may be dedicated more fully to your service, and live united in love, according to your **will**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

THE COMMEMORATION OF SAINTS AND HOLY DAYS

November 30 [237]

St. Andrew the Apostle

Almighty God, who gave such grace to your apostle Andrew that he readily obeyed the call of your Son Jesus Christ, and brought his **brô**-ther with him: Give us, who are called by your Holy Word, grace to follow him without de-**lay**, and to bring those near to us into his gracious pre-**sence**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

December 1 (89)

Bl. Nicholas Ferrar

Lord God, make us worthy of your **pêr**-fect love; that, with your deacon Nicholas Ferrar and his household, we may rule ourselves according to your **Word**, and serve you with our whole **heart**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

December 2 (91)

Bl. Channing Moore Williams

Almighty and everlasting God, we thank you for your servant Channing Moore Williams, whom you called to preach the Gospel to the people of China **ând** Ja-pan. Raise up in this and every land evangelists and heralds of your king-**dom**, that your Church may proclaim the unsearchable riches of our Savior Jesus **Christ**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

December 3 [247]

St. Francis Xavier

Almighty and everlasting God, we thank you for your servant Francis Xavier, whom you called to preach the Gospel to the people **ôf** the Orient. Raise up in this and every land evangelists and heralds of your king-**dom**, that your Church may proclaim the unsearchable riches of our Savior Jesus **Christ**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen. (Common of a Missionary #1)

December 4 (93)

St. John of Damascus

Confirm our minds, O Lord, in the mysteries of the true faith, set forth with power by your servant John **ôf** Da-mascus; that we, with him, confessing Jesus to be true God and true Man, and singing the praises of the risen **Lord**, may, by the power of the resurrection, attain to eternal **joy**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

December 5 (95)

St. Clement of Alexandria

O God of unsearchable mystery, you led Clement of Alexandria to find in ancient philosophy a path to knowledge **ôf** your Word: Grant that your Church may recognize true wisdom, wherever it is **found**, knowing that wisdom comes from you and leads **to you**; through our Teacher Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

December 6 (97)

St. Nicholas of Myra

Almighty God, in your love you gave your servant Nicholas of Myra a perpetual name for deeds of kindness both on **lând** and sea: Grant, we pray, that your Church may never cease to work for the happiness of children, the safety of sailors, the relief of the poor, and the help of those tossed by tempests of doubt or **grief**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

December 7 (99)

St. Ambrose of Milan

O God, you gave your servant Ambrose grace eloquently to proclaim your righteousness in the great congregation and fearlessly to bear reproach for the honor **ôf** your Name: Mercifully grant to all bishops and pastors such excellence in preaching and faithfulness in ministering your **Word**, that your people may be partakers with them of the glory that shall be re-**veal'd**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

**December 8**

**Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

O God, who in the foreknowledge of your Son's most precious death, consecrated for Him a dwelling place by the sinlessness of the Blessed **Vîr**-gin Mary: Mercifully grant that she who was preserved from defilement may evermore pray for us, until we attain unto you in purity of **heart**, through the same Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

(Adapted from Roman Catholic use)

December 10 [249]

Bl. Thomas Merton

O God, by whose grace your servant Blessed Thomas Merton, kindled with the flame of your love, became a burning and a shining light **în** your Church: Grant that we also may be aflame with the spirit of love and discipline, and walk before you as children of **light**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

(Common of a Monastic #2)

December 13

St. Lucy of Sicily

Almighty and everlasting God, who kindled the flame of love in the heart of your holy **mâr-tyr** Lucy: Grant to us your humble servants, a like faith and power of **love**, that we who rejoice in her triumph may profit by her exam-**ple**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

(L. F. & F., 1988)

**December 14 [250]**

**St. John of the Cross**

O God, you have brought us near to an innumerable company of angels, to Blessed Saint John of the Cross, and to the spirits of the **jûst** made perfect: Grant us during our earthly pilgrimage to abide in their fel-**lowship**, and in your heavenly country to become partakers of their **joy**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

(Common of Saints #2)

**December 21 [237]**

**St. Thomas the Apostle**

Everliving God, who strengthened your apostle Thomas with firm and certain faith in your Son's **rê-sur-rect**ion: Grant us so perfectly and without doubt to believe in Jesus Christ, our Lord and our **God**, that our faith may never be found wanting in your **sight**; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

**December 26 [237]**

**St. Stephen, Deacon and Martyr**

We give you thanks, O Lord of glory, for the example of the first **mâr-tyr** Stephen, who looked up to heaven and prayed for his persecutors to your Son Jesus Christ, who stands at your right **hand**; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory **êv-er-lasting**. Amen.

**December 27 [238]**

**St. John the Evangelist**

Shed upon your Church, O Lord, the brightness **ôf** your light, that we, being illumined by the teaching of your apostle and evangelist John, may so walk in the light of your **truth**, that at length we may attain to the fullness of eternal **life**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

**December 28 [238]**

**The Holy Innocents**

We remember today, O God, the slaughter of the holy innocents of Bethlehem **bÿ** King Herod. Receive, we pray, into the arms of your mercy all innocent vic-**tims**; and by your great might frustrate the designs of evil tyrants and establish your rule of justice, love, and **peace**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for **êv**-er and ever. Amen.

December 29 (113)

St. Thomas of Canterbury

O God, our strength and our salvation, you called your servant Thomas Becket to be a shepherd of your people and a defender **ôf** your Church: Keep your household from all e-**vil** and raise up among us faithful pas-tors and leaders who are wise in the ways of the Gos-**pel**; through Jesus Christ the Shepherd of our souls, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for **êv**-er and ever. Amen.

**December 30**

**OJN Founding Day**

Almighty God, all times are in your hand, and all occasions **sêrve** your will: Accept our prayers of thanksgiving and hope which we offer here today and in all days to **come**, that our community may ever continue in your mercy and grace and never falter in our gratitude to **you**; through Jesus Christ, our only Media-**tôr** and Advocate. Amen. (OJN Original)

December 31 [248]

St. Sylvester of Rome

O God, our heavenly Father, who raised up your faithful servant Sylvester, to be a bishop and pastor in your Church and to **feêd** your flock: Give abundantly to all pastors the gifts of your Holy Spi-**rit**, that they may minister in your household as true servants of Christ and stewards of your divine mys-**teries**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen. (Common of a Pastor #2)

**January 1 [213]**

**The Holy Name of Jesus**

Eternal Father, you gave to your incarnate Son the holy name of Jesus to be the sign of **ôur** sal-**vation**: Plant in every heart, we pray, the love of him who is the Savior of the world, our Lord Jesus **Christ**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory **êv**-er-lasting. Amen.

**January 6 [214]**

**The Epiphany**

O God, by the leading of a star you manifested your only Son to the peoples **ôf** the earth: Lead us, who know you now by faith, to your pre-**sence**, where we may see your glory face to **face**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

January 9 (119)

Bl. Julia Chester Emory

God of all creation, you call us in Christ to make disciples of all nations and to proclaim your mer-**cý** and love: Grant that we, after the example of your servant Julia Chester Emory, may have vision and courage in proclaiming the Gospel to the ends of the **earth**; through Jesus Christ our light and our salvation, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

January 10 (121)

Bl. William Laud

Keep us, O Lord, constant in faith and zeal-**ôus** in witness, that, like your servant William **Laud**, we may live in your fear, die in your favor, and rest in your **peace**; for the sake of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

January 12 (123)

St. Aelred of Rievaulx

Pour into our hearts, O God, the Holy Spirit's **gift** of love, that we, clasping each other's hand, may share the joy of friendship, human and di-**vine**, and with your servant Aelred draw many to your community of **love**; through Jesus Christ the Righteous, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** forever. Amen.

January 13 (125)

St. Hilary of Poitiers

O Lord our God, you raised up your servant Hilary to be a champion of the ca-**thô**-lic faith: Keep us steadfast in that true faith which we professed at our bap-**tism**, that we may rejoice in having you for our Father, and may abide in your Son, in the fellowship of the Holy Spi-**rit**; who live and reign for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

January 15 (213) (or April 4)

Bl. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Almighty God, by the hand of Moses your servant you led your people out of slavery, and made them **frêe** at last: Grant that your Church, following the example of your prophet Martin Luther King, may resist oppression in the name of your love, and may secure for all your children the blessed liberty of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

January 17 (127)

St. Antony of the Desert

O God, by your Holy Spirit you enabled your servant Antony to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh **ând** the devil: Give us grace, with pure hearts and minds, to follow you, the only **God**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-êr and ever. Amen.

**January 18 [238]**

**The Confession of St. Peter**

Almighty Father, who inspired Simon Peter, first among the apostles, to confess Jesus as Messiah and Son of the **liv-ing** God: Keep your Church steadfast upon the rock of this **faith**, so that in unity and peace we may proclaim the one truth and follow the one Lord, our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

January 19 (131)

St. Wulfstan of Worcester

Almighty God, your only-begotten Son led captivity captive and gave gifts **tô** your people: Multiply among us faithful pastors, who, like your holy bishop Wulfstan, will give courage to those who are oppressed and held in bon-**dage**; and bring us all, we pray, into the true freedom of your king-**dom**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-êr and ever. Amen.

January 20 (133)

St. Fabian of Rome

O God, in your providence you singled out the holy martyr Fabian as worthy to be chief pastor of your people, and guided him so to strengthen your Church that it stood fast in the day of **pêr-se-cution**: Grant that those whom you call to any ministry in the Church may be obedient to your call in all humi-**lity**, and be enabled to carry out their tasks with diligence and faith-**fulness**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

January 21 (135)

St. Agnes of Rome

Almighty and everlasting God, you choose those whom the world deems powerless to put the power-**fûl** to shame: Grant us so to cherish the memory of your youthful martyr Ag-nes, that we may share her pure and steadfast faith in **you**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

January 22 (137)

St. Vincent of Saragossa

Almighty God, your deacon Vincent, upheld by you, was not terrified by threats nor over-**côme** by torments: Strengthen us to endure all adversity with invincible and steadfast **faith**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

January 23 (139)

Bl. Phillips Brooks

O everlasting God, you revealed truth to your servant Phillips Brooks, and so formed and molded his mind and heart that he was able to mediate that truth with **grâce** and power: Grant, we pray, that all whom you call to preach the Gospel may steep themselves in your Word, and conform their lives to your **will**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

January 24 (141)

Ordination of Florence Li Tim-Oi

Gracious God, we thank you for calling Florence Li Tim-Oi, much beloved daughter, to be the first woman to exercise the office of priest in **oûr** Com-munion; by the grace of your Spirit inspire us to follow her example, serving your people with patience and happiness all our **days**, and witnessing in every circumstance to our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

**January 25 [238]**

**The Conversion of Saint Paul**

O God, by the preaching of your apostle Paul you have caused the light of the Gospel to shine through-**oût** the world: Grant, we pray, that we, having his wonderful conversion in remembrance, may show ourselves thankful to you by following his holy teach-**ing**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

January 26 (145)

Sts. Timothy and Titus

Almighty God, you called Timothy and Titus to be evangelists and teachers, and made them strong to **ên**-dure hardship: Strengthen us to stand fast in adversity, and to live godly and righteous lives in this present **time**, that with sure confidence we may look for our blessed hope, the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

January 27 (147)

St. John Chrysostom

O God, you gave your servant John Chrysostom grace eloquently to proclaim your righteousness in the great congregation, and fearlessly to bear reproach for the honor **ôf** your Name: Mercifully grant to all bishops and pastors such excellence in preaching, and faithfulness in ministering your **Word**, that your people may be partakers with them of the glory that shall be re-**veal'd**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

January 28 (149)

St. Thomas Aquinas

Almighty God, you have enriched your Church with the singular learning and holiness of your servant Tho-mâs A-quinas: Enlighten us more and more, we pray, by the disciplined thinking and teaching of Christian scho-**lars**, and deepen our devotion by the example of saintly **lives**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

January 29 [249]

St. Francis de Sales

Almighty God, you gave to your servant Saint Frances de Sales special gifts of grace to understand and teach the truth as it is **în** Christ Jesus: Grant that by this teaching we may know you, the one true **God**, and Jesus Christ whom you have **sent**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

(Common of a Theologian #2)

January 31 [247]

Bl. Charles Stuart of England

Almighty God, by whose grace and power your holy martyr Charles Stuart triumphed over suffering and was faithful ev-**ên** to death: Grant us, who now remember him in thanksgiving, to be so faithful in our witness to you in this **world**, that we may receive with him the crown of **life**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen

(Common of a Martyr #2)

February 1 (151)

St. Brigid of Kildare

Everliving God, we rejoice in the fellowship of your blessed servant Brigid, and we give you thanks for her life of de-**vôt**-ed service. Inspire us with life and light, and give us perseverance to serve you all our **days**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

February 2 [239]

Presentation of our Lord in the Temple

Almighty and ever-**liv**-ing God, we humbly pray that, as your only-begotten Son was this day presented in the tem-**ple**, so we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts by Jesus Christ our **Lord**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **and** for ever. Amen.

February 3 (155)

St. Anskar of Denmark

Almighty and everlasting God, you sent your servant Anskar as an apostle to the people of Scandinavia, and enabled him to lay a firm foundation for their conversion, though he did not see the results **ôf** his labors: Keep your Church from discouragement in the day of small **things**, knowing that when you have begun a good work, you will bring it to a fruitful conclu-**sion**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

February 4 (157)

St. Cornelius the Centurion

O God, by your Spirit you called Cornelius the Centurion to be the first Christian a-**mông** the Gentiles: Grant to your Church such a ready will to go where you send and to do what you com-**mand**, that under your guidance it may welcome all who turn to you in love and faith, and proclaim the Gospel to all na-**tions**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

February 5 (159)

The Martyrs of Japan

O God our Father, source of strength to **âll** your saints, you brought the holy martyrs of Japan through the suffering of the cross to the joys of eternal **life**: Grant that we, encouraged by their example, may hold fast the faith we profess, even to death it-**self**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **and** for ever. Amen.

February 10 [249]

St. Scholastica of Nursia

O God, whose blessed Son became poor that we through his poverty **mîght** be rich: Deliver us from an inordinate love of this **world**, that we, inspired by the devotion of your servant Scholastica, may serve you with singleness of heart, and attain to the riches of the age to **come**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

(Common of a Monastic #1)

February 13 (161)

Bl. Absalom Jones

Set us free, heavenly Father, from every bond of preju-**dîce** and fear; that, honoring the steadfast courage of your servant Absalom Jones, we may show forth in our lives the reconciling love and true freedom of the children of God, which you have given us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

February 14 (163)

Sts. Cyril and Methodius

Almighty and everlasting God, by the power of the Holy Spirit you moved your servant Cyril and his brother Methodius to bring the light of the Gospel to a hostile and di-**vî**-ded people: Overcome all bitterness and strife among us by the love of **Christ**, and make us one united family under the banner of the Prince of **Peace**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

February 15 (165)

Bl. Thomas Bray

O God of compassion, you opened the eyes of your servant Thomas Bray to see the needs of the Church in the New World, and led him to found societies to **mêet** those needs: Make the Church in this land diligent at all times to propagate the Gospel among those who have not received **it**, and to promote the spread of Christian know-**ledge**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

February 17 (167)

St. Janani Luwum

O God, whose Son the Good Shepherd laid down his life for the sheep: We give you thanks for your faithful shepherd, Janani Luwum, who after his Savior's example gave up his life for the people **ôf** U-ganda. Grant us to be so inspired by his witness that we make no peace with oppression, but live as those who are sealed with the cross of **Christ**, who died and rose again and now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

February 18 (169)

Bl. Martin Luther

O Lord God, heavenly Father, pour out your Holy Spirit **ô**n your people; Keep them, as you kept your servant Martin Luther, steadfast in your grace and **truth**; protect and strengthen them in all temptation; defend them from all enemies of your Word; and bestow upon your Church your saving **grace**; through Jesus Christ your son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **â**nd for ever. Amen.

February 23 (171)

St. Polycarp of Smyrna

O God, the maker of heaven and earth, you gave your venerable servant, the holy and gentle Polycarp, boldness to confess Jesus Christ as King and Savior, and steadfastness to die **f**ôr his faith: Give us grace, following his example, to share the cup of Christ and to rise to eternal **life**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **â**nd for ever. Amen.

**February 24 [239]**

**St. Matthias**

Almighty God, who in the place of Judas chose your faithful servant Matthias to be numbered a-**m**ông the Twelve: Grant that your Church, being delivered from false apostles, may always be guided and governed by faithful and true pas-**tors**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now **â**nd for ever. Amen.

February 27 (175)

Bl. George Herbert

Our God and King, you called your servant George Herbert from the pursuit of worldly honors to be a pastor of souls, a poet, and a priest **î**n your temple: Give us grace, we pray, joyfully to perform the tasks you give us to **do**, knowing that nothing is menial or common that is done for your **sake**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**ê**r and ever. Amen.

March 1 (177)

St. David of Wales

Almighty God, you called your servant David to be a faithful and wise steward of your mysteries for the peo-**pl**ê of Wales: Mercifully grant that, following his purity of life and zeal for the Gospel of Christ, we may with him receive our heavenly re-**ward**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**ê**r and ever. Amen.

March 2 (179)

St. Chad of Lichfield

Almighty God, for the peace of the Church your servant Chad relinquished cheerfully the honors that had been thrust upon him, only to be rewarded with equal re-**spôn**-si-bility: Keep us, we pray, from thinking of ourselves more highly than we ought to **think**, and ready at all times to step aside for others, that the cause of Christ may be ad-**vanc'd**; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

March 3 (181)

Bl. John and Charles Wesley

Lord God, you inspired your servants John and Charles Wesley with burning zeal for the sanctification of souls, and endowed them with eloquence in **spêech** and song: Kindle in your Church, we entreat you, such fer-**vor**, that those whose faith has cooled may be warmed, and those who have not known Christ may turn to him and be **sav'd**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

March 7 (183)

St. Perpetua and her Companions

O God the King of saints, you strengthened your servants Perpetua and Felicitas and their companions to make a good confession, staunchly resisting, for the cause of Christ, the claims of human affection, and encouraging one another in their **tîme** of trial: Grant that we who cherish their blessed memory may share their pure and steadfast **faith**, and win with them the palm of vic-**tory**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

March 9 (185)

St. Gregory of Nyssa

Almighty God, you have revealed to your Church your eternal Being of glorious majesty and perfect love as one God in Trini-**tÿ** of Persons: Give us grace that, like your bishop Gregory of Nyssa, we may continue steadfast in the confession of this faith, and constant in our worship of you, Father, Son and Holy Spi-rit; for you live and reign for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

March 10 (301)

Bl. Harriet Tubman

O God, whose spirit guides us into all truth and **mâkes** us free: Strengthen and sustain us as you did your servant Harriet Tub-**man**. Give us vision and courage to stand against oppression and injustice and all that works against the glorious liberty to which you call all your chil-**dren**, through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

March 12 (187)

St. Gregory the Great  
Almighty and merciful God, you raised up Gregory of Rome to be a servant of the servants of God, and inspired him to send missionaries to preach the Gospel to the **Êng**-lish people: Preserve in your Church the catholic and apostolic faith they **taught**, that your people, being fruitful in every good work, may receive the crown of glory that never fades a-**way**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

March 17 (189)

St. Patrick of Ireland  
Almighty God, in your providence you chose your servant Patrick to be the apostle of the Irish people, to bring those who were wandering in darkness and error to the true light and know-**lêdge** of you: Grant us so to walk in that light that we may come at last to the light of everlasting **life**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

March 18 (191)

St. Cyril of Jerusalem  
Strengthen, O Lord, the bishops of your Church in their special calling to be teachers and ministers **ôf** the Sacraments, so that they, like your servant Cyril of Jerusalem, may effectively instruct your people in Christian faith and prac-**tice**; and that we, taught by them, may enter more fully into the celebration of the Paschal mys-**tery**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

**March 19 [239]**

**St. Joseph**

O God, who from the family of your servant David raised up Joseph to be the guardian of your incarnate Son and the spouse of his **vîr**-gin mother: Give us grace to imitate his uprightness of life and his obedience to your com-**mands**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

March 20 (195)

St. Cuthbert of Lindisfarne  
Almighty God, you called Cuthbert from following the flock to be a shepherd **ôf** your people: Mercifully grant that, as he sought in dangerous and remote places those who had erred and strayed from your **ways**, so we may seek the indifferent and the lost, and lead them back to **you**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

March 21 (197)

Bl. Thomas Ken

Almighty God, you gave your servant Thomas Ken grace and courage to bear witness to the truth before rul-**êrs** and kings: Give us strength also that, following his example, we may constantly defend what is right, boldly reprove what is evil, and patiently suffer for the truth's **sake**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

March 22 (199)

Bl. James DeKoven

Almighty and everlasting God, the source and perfection of all virtues, you inspired your servant James DeKoven to do what is right and to preach **whât** is true: Grant that all ministers and stewards of your mysteries may impart to your faithful people, by word and example, the knowledge of your **grace**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

March 23 (201)

St. Gregory the Illuminator

Almighty God, whose will it is to be glorified in all your saints, and who raised up your servant Gregory the Illuminator to be a light in the world, and to preach the Gospel to the people **ôf** Ar-menia: Shine, we pray, in our hearts, that we also in our generation may show forth your **praise**, who called us out of darkness into your marvelous **light**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

March 24 [246]

St. Oscar Romero

Almighty God, who gave to your servant Oscar Romero boldness to confess the Name of our Savior Jesus Christ before the rulers of this world, and courage to die **fôr** this faith: Grant that we may always be ready to give a reason for the hope that is in **us**, and to suffer gladly for the sake of our Lord Jesus **Christ**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

(Common of a Martyr #1)

**March 25 [240]**

**Annunciation of our Lord to the BVM**

Pour your grace into our **heârts**, O Lord, that we who have known the incarnation of your Son Jesus Christ, announced by an angel to the Virgin Ma-ry, may by his cross and passion be brought to the glory of his resurrec-**tion**; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

March 27 (205)

Bl. Charles Henry Brent  
Heavenly Father, whose Son prayed that we all **mîght** be one: Deliver us from arrogance and prejudice, and give us wisdom and forbear-**ance**, that, following your servant Charles Henry Brent, we may be united in one family with all who confess the Name of your Son Jesus **Christ**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

March 29 (207)

Bl. John Keble  
Grant, O God, that in all time of our testing we may know your presence and o-**bêy** your will; that, following the example of your servant John Keble, we may accomplish with integrity and courage what you give us to **do**, and endure what you give us to **bear**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

March 31 (209)

Bl. John Donne  
Almighty God, the root and fountain **ôf** all being: Open our eyes to see, with your servant John Donne, that whatever has any being is a mirror in which we may behold **you**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

April 1 (211)

Bl. Frederick Denison Maurice  
Almighty God, you restored our human nature to heavenly glory through the perfect obedience of our Savior Jê-sus Christ: Keep alive in your Church, we pray, a passion for justice and **truth**; that, like your servant Frederick Denison Maurice, we may work and pray for the triumph of the kingdom of your **Christ**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

April 2 (213)

Bl. James Lloyd Breck  
Almighty God, you called your servant James Lloyd Breck to preach, and teach, and plant your Church on **nêw** fron-tiers: Raise up in every generation pioneering and courageous heralds of the Gospel and teach your Church to value and support **them**, that you Name may be known, worshiped and obeyed to the ends of the **earth**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

April 3 (215)

St. Richard of Chichester

We thank you, Lord God, for all the benefits you have given us in your Son Jesus Christ, our most merciful Redeemer, **Friênd**, and Brother, and for all the pains and insults he has borne for **us**; and we pray that, following the example of your saintly bishop Richard of Chichester, we may see Christ more clearly, love him more dearly, and follow him more near-ly; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

April 4 (217) (or January 15)

Bl. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Almighty God, by the hand of Moses your servant you led your people out of slavery, and made them **frêe** at last: Grant that your Church, following the example of your prophet Martin Luther **King**, may resist oppression in the name of your love, and may secure for all your children the blessed liberty of the Gospel of Jesus **Christ**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

April 5 [249]

Bl. Emily Ayckbowm

O God, by whose grace your servant Emily Ayckbowm, kindled with the flame of your love, became a burning and a shining light **în** your Church: Grant that we also may be aflame with the spirit of love and discipline, and walk before you as children of **light**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

(Common of a Monastic #2)

April 8 (219)

Bl. William Augustus Muhlenberg

Do not let your Church close its eyes, O Lord, to the plight of the poor and neglected, the homeless and destitute, the old and the sick, the lonely and those who have **nône** to care for them. Give us the vision and compassion with which you so richly endowed your servant William Augustus Muh-**lenberg**, that we may labor tirelessly to heal those who are broken in body or spirit, and to turn their sorrow into **joy**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

April 9 (221)

Bl. Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Almighty God, the beyond in the midst of our life, you gave grave to your servant Dietrich Bonhoeffer to know and to teach the truth as it is in Jesus Christ, and to bear the cost of fol-**lôw**-ing him: Grant that we, strengthened by his teaching and example, may live under your Word in all its forms and rich-**ness**, and embrace its call to faithfulness with an undivided **heart**; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

April 10 (223)

Bl. William Law

O God, by whose grace your servant William Law, kindled with the flame of your love, became a burning and shining light **in** your Church: Grant that we also may be aflame with the spirit of love and discipline, and walk before you as children of **light**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

April 11 (225)

Bl. George Augustus Selwyn

Almighty and everlasting God, we thank you for your servant George Augustus Selwyn, whom you called to preach the Gospel to the people of New Zealand and Melanesia, and to lay a firm foundation for the growth of your Church in **mâ**-ny nations. Raise up in this and every land evangelists and heralds of your king-**dom**, that your Church may proclaim the unsearchable riches of our Savior Jesus **Christ**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

April 19 (227)

St. Alphege of Canterbury

O Loving God, your martyr bishop Alphege of Canterbury suffered violent death when he refused to permit a ransom to be extorted **frôm** his people; grant that all pastors of your flock may pattern themselves on the Good Shepherd, who laid down his life for the **sheep**; and who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

April 21 (229)

St. Anselm of Bec

Almighty God, you raised up your servant Anselm to teach the Church of his day to understand its faith in your eternal Being, perfect justice, and **sâv**-ing mercy: Provide your Church in every age with devout and learned scholars and tea-**chers**, that we may be able to give a reason for the hope that is in **us**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

April 23

Bl. Arthur Michael Ramsey

Heavenly Father, you placed your servant Arthur Michael Ramsey in the chair of Augustine as the hundredth Archbishop of **Cân**-ter-bury: Give us grace and wisdom that like him we may know the Church to be your Kingdom, the Sacraments to manifest your Presence, and the Gospels to speak your **Word**; we ask it in the name of our Redeemer, Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit now **and** for ever. Amen. (OJN Original)

**April 25 [240]**

**St. Mark the Evangelist**

Almighty God, by the hand of Mark the evangelist you have given to your Church the Gospel of Jesus Christ the **Sôn** of God: We thank you for this wit-**ness**, and pray that we may be firmly grounded in its **truth**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

April 29 (233)

St. Catherine of Siena

Everlasting God, you so kindled the flame of holy love in the heart of blessed Catherine of Siena, as she meditated on the passion of your **Sôn** our Savior, that she devoted her life to the poor and the sick, and to the peace and unity of the **Church**: Grant that we also may share in the mystery of Christ's death, and rejoice in the revelation of his glo-**ry**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **and** for ever. Amen.

**May 1 [240]**

**Sts. Philip and James**

Almighty God, who gave to your apostles Philip and James grace and strength to bear witness **tô** the truth: Grant that we, being mindful of their victory of **faith**, may glorify in life and death the Name of our Lord Jesus **Christ**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **and** for ever. Amen.

May 2 (237)

St. Athanasius of Alexandria

Uphold your Church, O God of truth, as you upheld your servant Â-than-asius, to maintain and proclaim boldly the catholic faith against all opposi-**tion**, trusting solely in the grace of your eternal Word, who took upon himself our humanity that we might share his divi-**nity**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **and** for ever. Amen.

May 4 (239)

St. Monica

O Lord, through spiritual discipline you strengthened your servant Monica to persevere in offering her love and prayers and tears for the conversion of her husband and of Augú<sup>s</sup>-tíne their son: Deepen our devotion, we **pray**, and use us in accordance with your will to bring others, even our own kindred, to acknowledge Jesus Christ as Savior and **Lord**; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

May 7 [249]

St. John of Beverly

O God, by whose grace your servant Saint John of Beverly, kindled with the flame of your love, became a burning and a shining light **in** your Church: Grant that we also may be aflame with the spirit of love and dis-**cipline**, and walk before you as children of **light**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now **and** for ever. Amen. (Common of a Monastic #2)

May 8 (241)

St. Julian of Norwich

Lord God, in your compassion you granted to the Lady Julian many revelations of your nurturing and sus-**tâin**-ing love: Move our hearts, like hers, to seek you above all **things**, for in giving us yourself you give us **all**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

May 9 (243)

St. Gregory of Nazianzus

Almighty God, you have revealed to your Church your eternal Being of glorious majesty and perfect love as one God in Trini-**tý** of Persons: Give us grace that, like your bishop Gregory of Nazianzus, we may continue steadfast in the confession of this faith, and constant in our worship of you, Father, Son, and Holy Spi-rit; for you live and reign for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

May 19 (245)

St. Dunstan of Canterbury

O God of truth and beauty, you richly endowed your bishop Dunstan with skill in music and the working of metals, and with gifts of administration and re-**fôrm**-ing zeal: Teach us, we pray, to see in you the source of all our ta-**lents**, and move us to offer them for the adornment of worship and the advancement of true reli-**gion**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **and** for ever. Amen.

May 20 (247)

Bl. Alcuin of Tours

Almighty God, in a rude and barbarous age you raised up your deacon Alcuin to rekindle the **light** of learning: Illumine our minds, we **pray**, that amid the uncertainties and confusions of our own time we may show forth your eternal **truth**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-êr and ever. Amen.

May 24 (249)

Bl. Jackson Kemper

Lord God, in your providence Jackson Kemper was chosen first missionary bishop in this land, and by his arduous labor and travel congregations were established in scattered settlements **ôf** the West: Grant that the Church may always be faithful to its mis-**sion**, and have the vision, courage, and perseverance to make known to all people the Good News of Jesus **Christ**; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ev-êr and ever. Amen.

May 25 (251)

St. Bede the Venerable

Heavenly Father, you called your servant Bede, while still a child, to devote his life to your service in the disciplines of reli-**giôn** and scholarship: Grant that as he labored in the Spirit to bring riches of your truth to his genera-**tion**, so we, in our various vocations, may strive to make you known in all the **world**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-êr and ever. Amen.

May 26 (253)

St. Augustine of Canterbury

O Lord our God, by your Son Jesus Christ you called your apostles and sent them forth to preach the Gospel **tô** the nations: We bless your holy Name for your servant Augústine, first Archbishop of Canterbury, whose labors in propagating your Church among the English people we commemorate to-**day**; and we pray that all whom you call and send may do your will, and bide your time, and see your glo-**ry**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-êr and ever. Amen.

**May 31 [240]**

**Visitation of the BVM**

Father in heaven, by your grace the virgin mother of your incarnate Son was blessed in bearing him, but still more blessed in keep-**îng** your word: Grant us who honor the exaltation of her lowliness to follow the example of her devotion to your **will**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-êr and ever. Amen.

Weekday after Pentecost (257)

The First Prayer Book

Almighty and everliving God, whose servant Thomas Cranmer, with others, restored the language of the people in the prayers **ôf** your Church: Make us always thankful for this her-**itage**; and help us so to pray in the Spirit and with the understanding, that we may worthily magnify your holy **Name**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

June 1 (259)

St. Justin Martyr

Almighty and everlasting God, you found your martyr Justin wandering from teacher to teacher, seeking the true God, and you revealed to him the sublime wisdom of your e-**têr**-nal Word: Grant that all who seek you, or a deeper knowledge of you, may find and be found **by you**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

June 2 (261)

The Martyrs of Lyons

Grant, O Lord, that we who keep the feast of the holy martyrs Blandina and her companions may be rooted and grounded in **lôve** of you, and may endure the sufferings of this life for the glory that shall be revealed **in us**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

June 3 (263)

The Martyrs of Uganda

O God, by your providence the blood of the martyrs is the seed **ôf** the Church: Grant that we who remember before you the blessed martyrs of Uganda, may, like them, be steadfast in our faith in Jesus Christ, to whom they gave obedience, even to **death**, and by their sacrifice brought forth a plentiful har-**vest**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

June 4 [247]

Sts. Marcellinus and Peter

Almighty and everlasting God, who kindled the flame of your love in the heart of your holy martyrs Marcelli-nûs and Peter: Grant to us, your humble servants, a like faith and power of **love**, that we who rejoice in their triumph may profit by their exam-**ple**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

(Common of a Martyr #3)

June 5 (265)

St. Boniface of Mainz

Almighty God, you called your faithful servant Boniface to be a witness and a martyr in Germany, and by his labor and suffering you raised up a people for your **ôwn** pos-session: Pour out your Holy Spirit upon your Church in every **land**, that by the service and sacrifice of many your holy Name may be glorified and your kingdom en-**larg'd**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

June 6 [248]

St. Norbert of Prémontré

O God, our heavenly Father, who raised up your faithful servant Saint Norbert to be a bishop and pastor in your Church and to **feêd** your flock: Give abundantly to all pastors the gifts of your Holy Spi-**rit**, that they may minister in your household as true servants of Christ and stewards of your divine mys-**teries**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

(Common of a Pastor #2)

June 9 (267)

St. Columba of Iona

O God, by the preaching of your blessed servant Columba you caused the light of the Gospel to **shîne** in Scotland: Grant, we pray, that, having his life and labors in remem-**brance**, we may show our thankfulness to you by following the example of his zeal and pa-**tience**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

June 10 (269)

St. Ephrem of Edessa

Pour out on us, O Lord, that same Spirit by which your deacon Ephrem rejoiced to proclaim in sacred song the myste-**riês** of faith; and so glad-den our hearts that we, like him, may be devoted to you a-**lone**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

June 11 [241]

St. Barnabas the Apostle

Grant, O God, that we may follow the example of your faithful **sêr**-vant Barnabas, who, seeking not his own renown but the well-being of your **Church**, gave generously of his life and substance for the relief of the poor and the spread of the Gos-**pel**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

June 12 (273)

Bl. Enmegabowh

Almighty God, you led your pilgrim people of old with **fire** and cloud; grant that the ministers of your church, following the example of blessed Enmegabowh, may stand before your holy people, leading them with fiery zeal and gentle humi-**lity**. this we ask through Jesus, the Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

June 14 (275)

St. Basil the Great

Almighty God, you have revealed to your Church your eternal Being of glorious majesty and perfect love as one God in Trini-**tÿ** of Persons: Give us grace that, like your bishop Basil of Caesarea, we may continue steadfast in the confession of this **faith**, and constant in our worship of you, Father, Son and Holy Spi-rit; for you live and reign for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

June 15 (277)

Bl. Evelyn Underhill

O God, Origin, Sustainer, and End of **âll** your creatures: Grant that your Church, taught by your servant Evelyn Underhill, guarded evermore by your power, and guided by your Spirit into the light of truth, may continually offer to you all glory and thankgiv-**ing**, and attain with your saints the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have promised us by our Savior Jesus Christ; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

June 16 (279)

Bl. Joseph Butler

O God, by your Holy Spirit you give to some the word of wisdom, to others the word of knowledge, and to others the **wôrd** of faith: We praise your Name for the gifts of grace manifested in your servant Joseph But-ler, and we pray that your Church may never be destitute of such **gifts**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

June 18 (281)

St. Bernard Mizeki

Almighty and everlasting God, who kindled the flame of your love in the heart of your holy martyr Ber-nârd Mi-zeki: Grant to us, your humble servants, a like faith and power of **love**, that we who rejoice in his triumph may profit by his exam-**ple**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

June 22 (283)

St. Alban of Britain

Almighty God, by whose grace and power your holy martyr Alban triumphed over suffering and was faithful ev-**ên** to death: Grant us, who now remember him in thanksgiv-**ing**, to be so faithful in our witness to you in this world, that we may receive with him the crown of **life**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

June 23 [246]

St. Thomas More

Almighty God, who gave to your servant Thomas More boldness to confess the Name of our Savior Jesus Christ before the rulers of this world, and courage to die **fôr** this faith: Grant that we may always be ready to give a reason for the hope that is in **us**, and to suffer gladly for the sake of our Lord Jesus **Christ**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen. (Common of a Martyr #1)

**June 24 [241]**

**Nativity of St. John the Baptist**

Almighty God, by whose providence your servant John the Baptist was wonderfully born, and sent to prepare the way of your Son our Savior by preach-**îng** re-pentance: Make us so to follow his teaching and holy **life**, that we may truly repent according to his preach-**ing**; and, following his example, constantly speak the truth, boldly rebuke vice, and patiently suffer for the truth's **sake**; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

June 27

Bl. Joseph Frederick Ignatius Hunt

Heavenly Father, we remember gratefully before you today your true and faithful servant Joseph Frederick Ig-**nâ**-tius Hunt; as he lived a life of erudition with humility, of scholarship with sensitivity, and of wisdom with devo-**tion**, grant us the grace to value for ourselves a like gentleness and charity above all earthly attain-**ment**; through our Lord of Love, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

(OJN Original)

June 28 (287)

St. Irenaeus of Lyons

Almighty God, you upheld your servant Irenaeus with strength to maintain the truth against every blast **ôf** vain doctrine: Keep us, we pray, steadfast in your true reli-**gion**, that in constancy and peace we may walk in the way that leads to eternal **life**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

**June 29 [241]**

**Sts. Peter and Paul**

Almighty God, whose blessed apostles Peter and Paul glorified you **bÿ** their example, and knit together in unity by your Spi-**rit**, may ever stand firm upon the one foundation, which is Jesus Christ our **Lord**; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

July 4 [242]

Independence Day

Lord God Almighty, in whose Name the founders of this country won liberty for themselves and for us, and lit the torch of freedom for nations **thên** un-born: Grant that we and all the people of this land may have grace to maintain our liberties in righteousness and **peace**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

**July 11 (293)**

**St. Benedict of Nursia**

Almighty and everlasting God, your precepts are the wisdom of a **lôv**-ing Father: Give us grace, following the teaching and example of your servant Benedict, to walk with loving and willing hearts in the school of the Lord's ser-**vice**; let your ears be open to our prayers; and prosper with your blessing the work of our **hands**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

July 15 [248]

St. Swithun of Winchester

O God, our heavenly Father, who raised up your faithful servant Swithun, to be a bishop and pastor in your Church and to **feêd** your flock: Give abundantly to all pastors the gifts of your Holy Spi-**rit**, that they may minister in your household as true servants of Christ and stewards of your divine mys-**teries**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

(Common of a Pastor #2)

July 16 [248]

St. Bonaventure

O God, by your Holy Spirit you give to some the word of wisdom, to others the word of knowledge, and to others the **wôrd** of faith: We praise your Name for the gifts of grace manifested in your servant Bonaven-ture, and we pray that your Church may never be destitute of such **gifts**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

(Common of a Theologian #1)

July 17 (295)

Bl. William White

O Lord, in a time of turmoil and confusion you raised up your servant William White, and endowed him with wisdom, patience, and a reconciling temper, that he might lead your Church into ways of stabili-**tÿ** and peace: Hear our prayer, and give us wise and faithful lea-**ders**, that through their ministry your people may be blessed and your will be **done**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

July 19 (297)

Bl. Macrina of Pontus

Merciful God, you called your servant Macrina to reveal in her life and her teaching the riches of your **grâce** and truth: May we, following her example, seek after your Wisdom and live according to her **way**; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

July 20 (301)

Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Amelia Bloomer,  
& Sojourner Truth

O God, whose Spirit guides us into all truth and **mâkes** us free: Strengthen and sustain us as you did your servants Elizabeth, Amelia, and So-journer. Give us vision and courage to stand against oppression and injustice and all that works against the glorious liberty to which you call all your chil-**dren**; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

July 22 [242]

St. Mary Magdalene

Almighty God, whose blessed Son restored Mary Magdalene to health of body and of mind, and called her to be a witness of his **rê-sur-rection**: Mercifully grant that by your grace we may be healed from all our infir-**mities** and know you in the power of his unending **life**; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

July 23

St. John Cassian

Heavenly Father, we offer you thanks today for the life of blessed Saint John Cassian who brought the wealth and wisdom of the Desert to form and order the monasteries **ôf** the West. Give us perseverance in our life today and joy in eternity with all your **saints**; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

(OJN Original)

July 24 (305)

Bl. Thomas à Kempis

Holy Father, you have nourished and strengthened your Church by the inspired writings of your servant Tho-mâs à Kempis: Grant that we may learn from him to know what is necessary to be known, to love what is to be loved, to praise what highly pleases you, and always to seek to know and follow your **will**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

**July 25 [242]**

**St. James the Apostle**

O gracious God, we remember before you today your servant and apostle James, first among the Twelve to suffer martyrdom for the Name of Jê-sus Christ; and we pray that you will pour out upon the leaders of your Church that spirit of self-denying ser-**vice** by which alone they may have true authority among your peo-**ple**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

July 26 (309)

Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Almighty God, heavenly Father, we remember in thanksgiving this day the parents of the Blessed **Vîr**-gin Mary; and we pray that we all may be made one in the heavenly family of your Son Jesus Christ our **Lord**; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

July 27 (311)

Bl. William Reed Huntington

O Lord our God, we thank you for instilling in the heart of your servant William Reed Huntington a fervent love for your Church and its mission **în** the world; and we pray that, with unflagging faith in your pro-**mises**, we may make known to all people your blessed gift of eternal **life**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

July 29 (313)

Bl. Mary and Martha of Bethany

O God, heavenly Father, your Son Jesus Christ enjoyed rest and refreshment in the home of Mary and Mar-thâ of Bethany: Give us the will to love you, open our hearts to hear you, and strengthen our hands to serve you in others for his **sake**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **and** for ever. Amen.

July 30 (315)

Bl. William Wilberforce

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, kindle in your Church the never-failing **gift** of love, that, following the example of your servant William Wil-berforce, we may have grace to defend the poor, and maintain the cause of those who have no hel-**per**; for the sake of him who gave his life for us, your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **and** for ever. Amen.

July 31 (317)

St. Ignatius Loyola

Almighty God, from whom all good things come: You called Ignatius of Loyola to the service of your Divine majesty and to find you **in** all things. Inspired by his example and strengthened by his companionship, may we labor without counting the cost and seek no reward other than knowing that we do your **will**; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now **and** for ever. Amen.

August 1 (319)

St. Joseph of Arimathea

Merciful God, whose servant Joseph of Arimathea with reverence and godly fear prepared the body of our Lord and Savior for burial, and laid it in **his** own tomb: Grant to us, your faithful people, grace and courage to love and serve Jesus with sincere devotion all the days of our **life**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**er** and ever. Amen.

August 4 [248]

St. John Vianney

O God, our heavenly Father, who raised up your faithful servant John Vianney, to be a pastor in your Church and to **feed** your flock: Give abundantly to all pastors the gifts of your Holy Spi-**rit**, that they may minister in your household as true servants of Christ and stewards of your divine mys-**teries**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**er** and ever. Amen.

(Common of a Pastor #2)

August 6 [243]

Transfiguration of our Lord

O God, who on the holy mount revealed to chosen witnesses your well-beloved Son, wonderfully transfigured, in raiment **white** and glistening: Mercifully grant that we, being delivered from the disquietude of this world, may by faith behold the King in his beauty; who with you, O Father, and you, O Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

August 7 (323)

Bl. John Mason Neale

Grant, O God, that in all time of our testing we may know your presence and ob-**bey** your will; that, following the example of your servant John Mason **Neale**, we may with integrity and courage accomplish what you give us to do, and endure what you give us to **bear**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

August 8 (325)

St. Dominic

O God of the prophets, you opened the eyes of your servant Dominic to perceive a famine of hearing the word of the Lord, and moved him, and those he drew about him, to satisfy that hunger with sound preaching and fer-**vênt** de-votion: Make your Church, dear Lord, in this and every age, attentive to the hungers of the **world**, and quick to respond in love to those who are pe-**rishing**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

August 10 (327)

St. Laurence of Rome

Almighty God, you called your deacon Laurence to serve you with deeds of love, and gave him the **crôwn** of martyrdom: Grant that we, following his example, may fulfill your commandments by defending and supporting the **poor**, and by loving you with all our **hearts**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

August 11 (329)

St. Clare of Assisi

O God, whose blessed Son became poor that we through his poverty **mîght** be rich: Deliver us from an inordinate love of this **world**, that we, inspired by the devotion of your servant Clare, may serve you with singleness of heart, and attain to the riches of the age to **come**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

August 12 (331)

Bl. Florence Nightingale

Life-giving God, you alone have power over life and death, over **hêalth** and sickness. Give power, wisdom, and gentleness to those who follow the lead of Florence Nigh-tingale, that they, bearing with them your presence, may not only heal but bless, and shine as lanterns of hope in the darkest hours of pain and **fear**; through Jesus Christ, the healer of body and soul, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

August 13 (333)

Bl. Jeremy Taylor

O God, whose days are without end, and whose mercies can-**nôt** be numbered: Make us, like your servant Jeremy Taylor, deeply aware of the shortness and uncertainty of human **life**; and let your Holy Spirit lead us in holiness and righteousness all our **days**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

August 14 (335)

St. Jonathan Daniels of Selma

O God of justice and compassion, you put down the proud and mighty from their place, and lift up the poor and **thê** af-flicted: We give you thanks for your faithful witness Jonathan Myrick Daniels, who, in the midst of injustice and violence, risked and gave his life for ano-**ther**; and we pray that we, following his example, may make no peace with oppres-**sion**; through Jesus Christ the just one: who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

August 15 [243]

St. Mary the Virgin

O God, you have taken to yourself the blessed Virgin Mary, mother of your in-**câr**-nate Son: Grant that we, who have been redeemed by his blood, may share with her the glory of your eternal king-**dom**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

August 18 (339)

Bl. William Porcher DuBose

Almighty God, you gave to your servant William Porcher DuBose special gifts of grace to understand the Scriptures and to teach the truth as it is **în** Christ Jesus: Grant that by this teaching we may know you, the one true **God**, and Jesus Christ whom you have **sent**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

August 20 (341)

St. Bernard of Clairvaux

O God, by whose grace your servant Bernard of Clairvaux, kindled with the flame of your love, became a burning and a shining light **in** your Church: Grant that we also may be aflame with the spirit of love and dis-**cipline**, and walk before you as children of **light**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **and** for ever. Amen.

August 24 [243]

St. Bartholomew the Apostle

Almighty and everlasting God, who gave to your apostle Bartholomew grace truly to believe and to **preâch** your Word: Grant that your Church may love what he believed and preach what he **taught**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

August 25 (345)

St. Louis of France

O God, you called your servant Louis of France to an earthly throne that he might advance your heavenly kingdom, and gave him zeal for your Church and love **fôr** your people: Mercifully grant that we who commemorate him this day may be fruitful in good **works**, and attain to the glorious crown of your **saints**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

August 27 (347)

Thomas Gállaudet & Henry Winter Syle

O Loving God, whose will it is that everyone should come to you **and** be saved: We bless your holy Name for your servants Thomas Gállaudet and Henry Syle, whose labors with and for those who are deaf we commemorate to-**day**, and we pray that you will continually move your Church to respond in love to the needs of all peo-**ple**; through Jesus Christ, who opened the ears of the deaf, and who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **and** for ever. Amen.

August 28 (349)

St. Augustine of Hippo

Lord God, the light of the minds that know you, the life of the souls that love you, and the strength of the **hêarts** that serve you: Help us, following the example of your servant Augústine of Hippo, so to know you that we may truly love you, and so to love you that we may fully serve **you**, whom to serve is perfect free-**dom**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **and** for ever. Amen.

August 29 [241]\*

Beheading of St. John the Baptist  
Almighty God, by whose providence your servant John the Baptist was...sent to prepare the way of your Son our Savior by preach-**ing** re-pentance: Make us so to follow his teaching and holy life, that we may truly repent according to his preach-**ing**; and following his example, constantly speak the truth, boldly rebuke vice, and patiently suffer for the truth's **sake**; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

(\* for Nativity of John the Baptist, with phrase omitted)

August 30

Bl. Charles Chapman Grafton  
God of heaven and Lord of your holy Church, we remember in thanksgiving this day Charles Chapman Grafton, who with courage, enlightenment, and sensitivity brought to the young diocese of Fond du Lac and preserved for the whole Church the richness and grandeur of the historic Faith and Ca-**thô**-lic liturgy: Give us grace in times of laxness and apathy to maintain that majesty of truth and beauty which we have inherited from **him**; through your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

(OJN Original)

August 31 (351)

St. Aidan of Lindisfarne  
O Loving God, you called your servant Aidan from the peace of a cloister to re-establish the Christian mission in northern England, and endowed him with gentleness, simplici-**ty** and strength: Grant that we, following his example, may use what yoû have given us for the relief of human **need**, and may persevere in commending the saving Gospel of our Redeemer Jesus **Christ**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

September 1 (353)

Bl. David Pendleton Oakerhater  
O God of unsearchable wisdom and infinite mercy, you chose a captive warrior, David Oakerhater, to be your servant, and sent him to be a missionary to his own people, and to exercise the office of a dea-**côn** a-mong them. Liberate us, who commemorate him today, from bondage to **self**, and empower us for service to you and to the neighbors you have gi-**ven us**; through Jesus Christ, the captain of our salvation, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

September 2 (355)

The Martyrs of New Guinea

Almighty God, we remember before you this day the blessed martyrs of New Guinea, who, following the example of their Savior, laid down their lives **fôr** their friends; and we pray that we who honor their memory may imitate their loyalty and **faith**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

September 4 (357)

Bl. Paul Jones

Merciful God, you sent your beloved Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those **whô** are near: Raise up in this and every land witnesses who, after the example of your servant Paul Jones, will stand firm in proclaiming the Gospel of the Prince of Peace, our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

September 8 [250]

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Almighty God, you have surrounded us with a great **cloûd** of witnesses: Grant that we, encouraged by the good example of your servant the Blessed Virgin Ma-ry may persevere in running the race that is set before us, until at last we may with her attain to your eternal **joy**; through Jesus Christ, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

(Common of a Saint #1)

September 9 (359)

The Martyrs of Memphis

We give you thanks and praise, O God of compassion, for the heroic witness of Constance and **hêr** com-panions, who, in a time of plague and pestilence, were steadfast in their care for the sick and dying, and loved not their own lives, even unto **death**. Inspire in us a like love and commitment to those in need, following the example of our Savior Jesus Christ, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

September 10 (361)

Bl. Alexander Crummell

Almighty and everlasting God, we thank you for your servant Alexander Crummell, whom you called to preach the Gospel to those who were far off and to those **whô** were near. Raise up in this and every land evangelists and heralds of your king-**dom**, that your Church may proclaim the unsearchable riches of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

September 12 (363)

Bl. John Henry Hobart  
Revive your Church, Lord God of hosts, whenever it falls into complacency and sloth, by raising up devoted leaders, like your servant John Henry Hobart whom we remem-**bêr** to-day; and grant that their faith and vigor of mind may awaken your people to your message and their mis-**sion**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

September 13 (365)

St. Cyprian (and Cornelius)  
Almighty God, who gave to your servant(s) Cyprian (and Cornelius) boldness to confess the Name of our Savior Jesus Christ before the rulers of this world, and courage to die **fôr** this faith: Grant that we may always be ready to give a reason for the hope that is in **us**, and to suffer gladly for the sake of our Lord Jesus **Christ**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

**September 14 [244]**

**Holy Cross Day**

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ was lifted high upon the cross that he might draw the whole world **tô** him-self: Mercifully grant that we, who glory in the mystery of our redemp-**tion**, may have grace to take up our cross and follow **him**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory **êv**-er-lasting. Amen.

September 15

Our Lady of Sorrows

O God, who willed that in the passion of your Son a sword of grief should pierce the soul of the Blessed Virgin Ma-rÿ his mother: Mercifully grant that your Church, having shared with her in his passion, may be made worthy to share in the joys of his resurrec-**tion**; who lives and reigns for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

(from The Book of Occasional Services, Page 60)

September 16 (369)

St. Ninian of Galloway

O God, by the preaching of your blessed servant and bishop Ninian you caused the light of the Gospel to shine in the **lând** of Britain: Grant, we pray, that having his life and labors in remem-**brance** we may show our thankfulness by following the example of his zeal and pa-**tience**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

September 17 (371)

Bl. Hildegard of Bingen  
Creator God, your whole creation, in all its varied and related parts, shows forth your verdant and life-**gîv**-ing power: Grant that we your people, illumined by the visions recorded by your servant Hildegard, may know, and make known, the joy and jubilation of being part of this cycle of crea-**tion**, and may manifest your glory in all virtuous and godly liv-**ing**; through Jesus Christ whom you sent, and who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

September 18 (373)

Bl. Edward Bouverie Pusey  
Grant, O God, that in all time of our testing we may know your presence and ob-**êy** your will; that, following the example of your servant Edward Bouverie Pus-ey, we may with integrity and courage accomplish what you give us to do and endure what you give us to **bear**; through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

September 19 (375)

St. Theodore of Tarsus  
Almighty God, you called your servant Theodore of Tarsus from Rome to the see of Canterbury, and gave him gifts of grace and wisdom to establish unity where there had been division, and order where there **hâd** been chaos: Create in your Church, by the operation of the Holy Spirit, such godly union and con-**cord** that it may proclaim, both by word and example, the Gospel of the Prince of **Peace**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

September 20 (377)

St. John Coleridge Patteson  
Almighty God, you called your faithful servant John Coleridge Patteson and his companions to be witnesses and martyrs in the islands of **Mê-la-nesia**, and by their labors and sufferings raised up a people for your own posses-**sion**: Pour out your Holy Spirit upon your Church in every land, that by the service and sacrifice of many, your holy Name may be glorified and your kingdom en-**larg'd**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

September 21 [244]

**St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist**  
We thank you, heavenly Father, for the witness of your apostle and evangelist Matthew to the Gospel of your **Sôn** our Savior; and we pray that, after his example, we may with ready wills and hearts obey the calling of our Lord to follow **him**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

September 22 (381)

Bl. Philander Chase

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the pioneer and perfecter of our faith: We give you heartfelt thanks for the pioneering spirit of your servant Philander Chase, and for his zeal in opening new frontiers for the ministry **ôf** your Church. Grant us grace to minister in Christ's name in every place, led by bold witnesses to the gospel of the Prince of **Peace**, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

September 25 (383)

St. Sergius of Moscow

O God, whose blessed Son became poor that we through his poverty **mîght** be rich: Deliver us from an inordinate love of this **world**, that we, inspired by the devotion of your servant Sergius of Moscow, may serve you with singleness of heart, and attain to the riches of the age to **come**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

September 26 (385)

Bl. Lancelot Andrewes

Lord and Father, our King and God, by your grace the Church was enriched by the great learning and eloquent preaching of your servant Lancelot Andrewes, but even more by his example of biblical and litur-**gî**-cal prayer: Conform our lives, like his, to the image of **Christ**, that our hearts may love you, our minds serve you, and our lips proclaim the greatness of your mer-**cy**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

September 28 (451)

Bl. Clive Staples Lewis

O God of searing truth and surpassing beauty, we give you thanks for Clive Staples Lewis whose sanctified imagination light fires of faith in young and **ôld** a-like: Surprise us also with your joy and draw us into that new and abundant **life** which is ours in Christ Jesus, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

September 29 [244]

St. Michael and All Angels

Everlasting God, you have ordained and constituted in a wonderful order the ministries of an-**gêls** and mortals: Mercifully grant that, as your holy angels always serve and worship you in hea-**ven**, so by your appointment they may help and defend us here on **earth**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

September 30 (389)

St. Jerome of Bethlehem

O Lord, O God of truth, your Word is a lantern to our feet and a light up-**ôn** our path: We give you thanks for your servant Jerome, and those who, following in his steps, have labored to render the Holy Scriptures in the language of the peo-**ple**; and we pray that your Holy Spirit will overshadow us as we read the written **Word**, and that Christ, the living Word, will transform us according to your righteous will; through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

October 1 (391)

St. Remigius of Rheims

O God, by the teaching of your faithful servant and bishop Remigius you turned the nation of the Franks from vain idolatry to the worship of you, the true and living God, in the fullness of the ca-**thô**-lic faith: Grant that we who glory in the name of Christian may show forth our faith in worthy **deeds**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

October 3 [249]

St. Thérèse of Lisieux

O God, whose blessed Son became poor that we through his poverty **mîght** be rich: Deliver us from an inordinate love of this **world**, that we, inspired by the devotion of your servant Thérèse, may serve you with singleness of heart, and attain to the riches of the age to **come**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

(Common of a Monastic #1)

October 4 (393)

St. Francis of Assisi

Most high, omnipo-**tênt**, good Lord, grant your people grace to renounce gladly the vanities of this **world**; that, following the way of blessed Francis, we may for love of you delight in your whole creation with perfectness of **joy**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

October 6 (395)

Bl. William Tyndale

Almighty God, you planted in the heart of your servant William Tyndale a consuming passion to bring the Scriptures to people in their native tongue, and endowed him with the gift of powerful and graceful expression and with strength to persevere a-**gâinst** all obstacles: Reveal to us your saving Word, as we read and study the Scriptures, and hear them calling us to repentance and **life**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

October 8 [248]

St. Birgitta of Sweden

O God, by your Holy Spirit you give to some the word of wisdom, to others the word of knowledge, and to others the **wôrd** of faith: We praise your Name for the gifts of grace manifested in your servant Birgit-ta, and we pray that your Church may never be destitute of such **gifts**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

(Common of a Theologian #1)

October 9 (397)

Bl. Robert Grosseteste

O God, our heavenly Father, who raised up your faithful servant Robert Grosseteste to be a bishop and pastor in your Church and to **fêed** your flock: Give abundantly to all pastors the gifts of your Holy Spi-**rit**, that they may minister in your household as true servants of Christ and stewards of your divine mys-**teries**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

October 10

Our Lady of Walsingham

Almighty Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, you have revealed the beauty of your power by exalting the lowly Virgin of Nazareth and making her the Mother **ôf** our Savior: May the prayers of our Lady of Walsingham bring Jesus to the waiting world and fill the hearts of all your people with the presence of her **Child**, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

(Traditional)

October 11 (399)

St. Philip the Deacon

Holy God, no one is excluded from your love, and your truth transforms the minds of **âll** who seek you: As your servant Philip was led to embrace the fullness of your salvation and to bring the stranger to Bap-**tism**, so give us all the grace to be heralds of the Gospel, proclaiming your love in Jesus Christ our Sa-**vior**, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

October 12 [248]

St. Wilfred of York

O God, our heavenly Father, who raised up your faithful servant Wilfred to be a bishop and pastor in your Church and to **feêd** your flock: Give abundantly to all pastors the gifts of your Holy Spi-**rit**, that they may minister in your household as true servants of Christ and stewards of your divine mys-**teries**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

(Common of a Pastor #2)

**October 13**

**St. Gilbert of Sempringham**

O Eternal Savior, make us conscious of our need **fôr** your strength, that we who venerate the renowned merits of Blessed Gilbert, Saint and Confes-**sor**, may by your grace, and assisted by his prayers, be delivered from all diseases of our **souls**. Who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

(translated from the original Latin Collect)

October 14 (401)

Bl. Samuel Isaac Joseph Schereschewsky

O God, in your providence you called Joseph Schereschewsky from his home in Eastern Europe to the ministry of this Church, and sent him as a missionary to China, upholding him in his infirmity, that he might translate the Holy Scriptures into languages **ôf** that land. Lead us, we pray, to commit our lives and talents to **you**, in the confidence that when you give your servants any work to do, you also supply the strength to do **it**; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

**October 15 (403)**

**St. Teresa of Avila**

O God, by your Holy Spirit, you moved Teresa of Avila to manifest to your Church the way **ôf** per-fection: Grant us, we pray, to be nourished by her excellent teach-**ing**, and enkindle within us a keen and unquenchable longing for true ho-**liness**; through Jesus Christ, the joy of loving hearts, who with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

October 16 (407)

Bl. Hugh Latimer, Nicholas Ridley  
& Thomas Cranmer

Keep us, O Lord, constant in faith and zeal-**ôus** in witness, that, like your servants, Hugh Latimer, Nicholas Ridley, and Thomas Cranmer, we may live in your fear, die in your favor, and rest in your **peace**; for the sake of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

October 17 (409)

St. Ignatius of Antioch

Almighty God, we praise your Name for your bishop and martyr Ignatius of Antioch, who offered himself as grain to be ground by the teeth of wild beasts that he might present to you the pure **breâd** of sacrifice. Accept, we pray, the willing tribute of our **lives** and give us a share in the pure and spotless offering of your Son Jesus **Christ**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

October 18 [244]

St. Luke the Evangelist

Almighty God, who inspired your servant Luke the physician to set forth in the Gospel the love and healing power **ôf** your Son: Graciously continue in your Church this love and power to heal, to the praise and glory of your **Name**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

October 19 (413)

Bl. Henry Martyn

O God of the nations, you gave your faithful servant Henry Martyn a brilliant mind, a loving heart, and a gift for languages, that he might translate the Scriptures and other holy writings for the peoples of In-di-**â** and Persia: Inspire in us a love like his, eager to commit both life and talents to you who gave **them**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

October 20 [246]

St. Callistus of Rome

Almighty God, who gave to your servant Callistus of Rome boldness to confess the Name of our Savior Jesus Christ before the rulers of this world, and courage to die **fôr** this faith: Grant that we may always be ready to give a reason for the hope that is in **us**, and to suffer gladly for the sake of our Lord Jesus **Christ**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

(Common of a Martyr #1)

October 23 [245]

St. James of Jerusalem

Grant, O God, that, following the example of your servant James the Just, brother **ôf** our Lord, your Church may give itself continually to **pray'r** and to the reconciliation of all who are at variance and en-**mity**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

October 26 (417)

St. Alfred the Great

O Sovereign Lord, you brought your servant Alfred to a troubled throne that he might establish peace in a ravaged land and revive learning and the arts a-**mông** the people: Awake in us also a keen desire to increase our understanding while we are in this **world**, and an eager longing to reach that endless life where all will be made **clear**; through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

**October 28 [245]**

**Sts. Simon and Jude**

O God, we thank you for the glorious company of the apostles, and especially on this day for Si-môn and Jude; and we pray that, as they were faithful and zealous in their mis-**sion**, so we may with ardent devotion make known the love and mercy of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

October 29 (421)

St. James Hannington and his Companions

Precious in your sight, O Lord, is the death of your saints, whose faithful witness, by your providence, has its **grêat** re-ward: We give you thanks for your martyrs James Hannington and his companions, who purchased with their blood a road into Uganda for the proclamation of the Gos-**pel**; and we pray that with them we also may obtain the crown of righteousness which is laid up for all who love the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

**November 1 [245]**

**All Saints' Day**

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son **Christ** our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly liv-**ing**, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love **you**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory **êv**-er-lasting. Amen.

**November 2 (425)**

**All Souls' Day**

O God, the Maker and Redeemer of **âll** be-lievers: Grant to the faithful departed the unsearchable benefits of the passion of your **Son**; that on the day of his appearing they may be manifested as your chil-**dren**; through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

November 3 (427)

Bl. Richard Hooker

O God of truth and peace, you raised up your servant Richard Hooker in a day of bitter controversy to defend with sound reasoning and great charity the catholic and re-**fôrm'd** re-ligion: Grant that we may maintain that middle **way**, not as a compromise for the sake of peace, but as a comprehension for the sake of **truth**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

November 4

Bl. John XXIII

Almighty God, we remember with gratitude your son, Pope John XXIII, who in his brief pontificate brought unparalleled humanity, humility, and honor to the chair of Peter, opened the arms of charity to all people, and convened the momentous Second Va-**t**-ican Council. Grant us the grace to find your hand a work both within and without your Church and to turn our wills to yours in all **things**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen. (OJN Original)

November 6 (429)

Bl. William Temple

O God of light and love, you illumined your Church through the witness of your servant Wîl-liam Temple: Inspire us, we pray, by his teaching and exam-**ple**, that we may rejoice with courage, confidence, and faith in the Word made flesh, and may be led to establish that city which has justice for its foundation and love for its **law**; through Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

November 7 (431)

St. Willibrord of Utrecht

O Lord our God, you call whom you will and send them **whêre** you choose: We thank you for sending your servant Willibrord to be an apostle to the Low Countries, to turn them from the worship of idols to serve you, the living **God**; and we entreat you to preserve us from the temptation to exchange the perfect freedom of your service for servitude to false gods and to idols of our own devi-**sing**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

November 9 [249]

Bl. Elizabeth of the Trinity

O God, by whose grace your servant Blessed Elizabeth of the Trinity, kindled with the flame of your love, became a burning and shining light **în** your Church: Grant that we also may be aflame with the spirit of love and dis-**cipline**, and walk before you as children of **light**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen. (Common of a Monastic #2)

November 10 (433)

St. Leo the Great

O Lord our God, grant that your Church, following the teaching of your servant Leo of Rome, may hold fast the great mystery of **oûr** re-demption, and adore the one Christ, true God and true **Man**, neither divided from our human nature nor separate from your divine **Be-ing**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

November 11 (435)

St. Martin of Tours

Lord God of hosts, you clothed your servant Martin the soldier with the spirit of sacrifice, and set him as a bishop in your Church to be a defender of the ca-**thô**-lic faith: Give us grace to follow in his holy **steps**, that at the last we may be found clothed with righteousness in the dwellings of **peace**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

November 12 (437)

Bl. Charles Simeon

O Loving God, we know that all things are ordered by your unerring wisdom and un-**bôund**-ed love: Grant us in all things to see your **hand**; that, following the example and teaching of your servant Charles Simeon, we may walk with Christ in all simplicity, and serve you with a quiet and contented **mind**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

November 14 (439)

Consecration of Samuel Seabury

We give you thanks, O Lord our God, for your goodness in bestowing upon this Church the gift of the episcopate, which we celebrate in this remembrance of the consecration of Sam-û-el Seabury; and we pray that, joined together in unity with our bishops, and nourished by your holy **Sacra-ments**, we may proclaim the Gospel of redemption with apostolic **zeal**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

November 16 (441)

St. Margaret of Scotland

O God, you called your servant Margaret to an earthly throne that she might advance your heavenly kingdom, and gave her zeal for your Church and love **fôr** your people: Mercifully grant that we who commemorate her this day may be fruitful in good **works**, and attain to the glorious crown of your **saints**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

November 17 (443)

St. Hugh of Lincoln

O holy God, you endowed your servant and bishop Hugh of Lincoln with wise and cheerful boldness, and taught him to commend the discipline of holy life to **kings** and princes: Grant that we also, rejoicing in the Good News of your mercy, and fearing nothing but the loss of **you**, may be bold to speak the truth in **love**, in the name of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

November 18 (445)

St. Hilda of Whitby

O God of peace, by whose grace the abbess Hilda was endowed with gifts of justice, prudence, and strength to rule as a wise mother over the nuns and monks of her household, and to become a trusted and reconciling friend to leaders **ôf** the Church: Give us the grace to recognize and accept the varied gifts you bestow on men and wo-**men**, that our common life may be enriched and your gracious will be **done**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

November 19 (447)

St. Elizabeth of Hungary

Almighty God, by your grace your servant Elizabeth of Hungary recognized and honored Jesus in the poor **ôf** this world: Grant that we, following her example, may with love and gladness serve those in any need or trou-**ble**, in the name and for the sake of Jesus **Christ**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

November 20 (449)

St. Edmund of East Anglia

O God of ineffable mercy, you gave grace and fortitude to blessed Edmund the king to triumph over the enemy of his people by nobly dying **fôr** your Name: Bestow on us your servants the shield of **faith** with which we can withstand the assaults of our ancient e-**nemy**; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

November 22 [247]

St. Cæcilia of Rome

Almighty God, by whose grace and power your holy martyr Cæcilia triumphed over suffering and was faithful ev-**ên** to death: Grant us, who now remember her in thanksgiv-**ing**, to be so faithful in our witness to you in this world, that we may receive with her the crown of **life**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen. (Common of a Martyr #2)

(Note: Clive Staples Lewis is found at September 28)

November 23 (453)

St. Clement of Rome

Almighty God, you chose your servant Clement of Rome to recall the Church in Corinth to obedience **and** sta-bility: Grant that your Church may be grounded and settled in your truth by the indwelling of the Holy Spi-rit; reveal to it what is not yet known; fill up what is lacking; confirm what has already been revealed; and keep it blameless in your ser-vice; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-êr and ever. Amen.

November 25 (457)

Bl. James Otis Sargent Huntington

O loving God, by your grace your servant James Huntington gathered a community dedicated to love and discipline and devotion to the holy Cross of our Savior Jê-sus Christ: Send your blessing upon all who proclaim Christ cruci-fied, and move the hearts of many to look upon him and be sav'd; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ev-êr and ever. Amen.

November 28 (459)

Bl. Kaméhaméha and Emma of Hawaii

O Sovereign God, you raised up King Kaméhaméha and Queen Emma to be rulers in Hawaii, and inspired and enabled them to be diligent in good works for the welfare of their people and for the good **of** your Church: Receive our thanks for their witness to the Gos-pel; and grant that we, with them, may attain to the crown that never fades a-way; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Redeemer, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ev-êr and ever. Amen.

November 29 [250]

Bl. Dorothy Day

Almighty God, you have surrounded us with a great **cloud** of witnesses: Grant that we, encouraged by the good example of your servant Dorothy Day, may persevere in running the race that is set before **us**, until at last we may with her attain to your eternal **joy**; through Jesus Christ, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-êr and ever. Amen. (Common of a Saint #1)

# MOVEABLE FEASTS

## **Corpus Christi**

(Thursday after Trinity Sunday)

God our Father, whose Son our Lord Jesus Christ in a wonderful Sacrament has left us a memorial **ôf** his passion: Grant us so to venerate the sacred mysteries of his Body and **Blood**, that we may ever perceive within ourselves the fruit of his redemp-**tion**; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

(Of the Holy Eucharist #5, BCP page 252)

## **The Sacred Heart of Jesus**

(Second Friday after Corpus Christi)

O Ascendant Christ, whose piercèd heart is the dwelling-place of all **thê** re-deem'd: Grant that we by our daily cross and sufferings may pass through the veil of flesh, and by your grace may enter our Holy of Holies within your wounded **side**, for the glory of your name, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

(OJN Original)

## **Labor Day**

(First Monday in September)

Almighty God, you have so linked our lives one with another that all we do affects, for good or ill, all **ôth**-er lives: So guide us in the work we do, that we may do it not for self alone, but for the common **good**; and, as we seek a proper return for our own labor, make us mindful of the rightful aspirations of other workers, and arouse our concern for those who are out of **work**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ev-**êr** and ever. Amen.

(BCP Page 261 #25)

## **Thanksgiving Day**

(Fourth Thursday in November)

Almighty and gracious Father, we give you thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labors of **thôse** who harvest them. Make us, we pray, faithful stewards of your great boun-**ty**, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need, to the glory of your **Name**; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now **ând** for ever. Amen.

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