

Saint George the Martyr Parish

THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

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Matthew 7:7



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THE OPEN DOOR OF GRACE

At that time Jesus said unto them: Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: for every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

Matthew 7:8-8

REFLECTION.

In Matthew 7:7, Jesus offers a profound invitation: “Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find, knock, and it shall be opened unto you.” These words are not just encouragement – they are a promise. They remind us that God is not distant or indifferent, but near and attentive. The open door symbolizes opportunity, welcome, and divine generosity.

To ask is to recognize our need. To seek is to pursue God with intention. To knock is to act in faith, believing that He hears and responds. This verse assures us that no sincere prayer goes unnoticed, no honest search is in vain, and no faithful knock is ignored.

The door may not always open in the way we expect, but it will always open toward deeper trust, greater wisdom, and closer communion with God. In a world full of closed doors and unanswered questions, Matthew 7:7 is a gentle reminder: **God is listening, and He is opening the way.**

A HEART THAT SEEKS

Gracious Father, thank you for the invitation to come to You with our needs, our hopes, and our questions. Teach us to ask with humility, to seek with perseverance, and to knock with faith. Open the doors that lead us closer to Your heart, and help us to trust even when the answers are slow in coming. May we never grow weary in our pursuit of You, knowing that You are always near, always good, and always ready to receive us; in Jesus’ Name, we pray. Amen.

THE ORDER OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST

INTROIT HYMN - 395 “*Come let us join our cheerful songs*” (Nativity - 4 verses)

The Preparation before the Lord’s Supper - (Kneel)

THE INTROIT. *Psalm* 48. 1-8. - (Kneel)

The Lord’s Prayer, Collect for Purity, and the Greeting - (Kneel)

Our Blessed Lord’s Summary of the Law - (Kneel)

The Collect for the King’s Majesty - (Kneel)

The Collect for the Eighth Sunday after Trinity - (Kneel)

THE EPISTLE. *Romans* 8. 12-17. - (Sit)

THE GRADUAL. *Psalm* 48. 13-15. - (Stand)

THE GOSPEL. *Saint Matthew* 7. 7-21. - (Stand)

THE NICENE CREED - (Stand)

THE SERMON.

OFFERTORY HYMN - 520 “*Unto the hills around do I lift up*” (Sandon - 4 verses)

The Offertory and Doxology - (Stand)

The Prayer of Intercession - (Kneel)

The Preparation of the Faithful - (Kneel)

The Preparation of the Lord’s Table - (Kneel)

The Exhortation of the Faithful - (Kneel)

The Eucharistic Preface for Trinitytide - (Stand)

Sanctus and Benedictus (Holy, Holy, Holy) - (Kneel)

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION AND OBLATION - (Kneel)

The Preparation for Holy Communion - (Kneel)

Agnus Dei (O Lamb of God) - (Kneel)

The Ministration of Holy Communion - (Kneel)

POST-COMMUNION HYMN - 539 “*The King of love my Shepherd is*” (Dominus Regit Me - 6 verses)

The Thanksgiving after Holy Communion - (Kneel)

The Collect after Communion for Trinitytide - (Kneel)

Gloria in Excelsis (Glory be to God on high) - (Stand) Tune: Old Scottish Chant

The Blessing and Dismissal - (Kneel)

DISMISSAL HYMN - 499 “*How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord*” (*Saint Denio* - 5 verses)

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INTROIT HYMN - *“Come let us join our cheerful songs”*

Hymn 395. Tune: Nativity. C.M.

The Reverend Isaac Watts, 1707.

Come, let us join our cheerful songs
With angels round the throne;
Ten thousand thousand are their tongues,
But all their joys are one.

“Worthy the Lamb that died,” they cry,
“To be exalted thus!”
“Worthy the Lamb,” our hearts reply,
“For He was slain for us!”

Jesus is worthy to receive
Honour and power divine;
And blessings more than we can give
Be, LORD, forever Thine.

Let all creation joins in one,
To bless the sacred Name
Of Him that sits upon the throne,
And to adore the Lamb. Amen.

AN OFFICE OF PREPARATION

*The Priest shall stand at the foot of the Altar,
and there he shall make the Sign of the Cross, saying,*

✠ In the Name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Then shall the Priest say,

I WILL go unto the altar of God,

Answer. Even unto the God of my joy and gladness.

Then shall the Priest say,

GIVE sentence with me, O God, and defend my cause against the ungodly people; O deliver me from the deceitful and wicked man.

People. For Thou art the God of my strength; why hast Thou put me from Thee? and why go I so heavily while the enemy oppresseth me?

Priest. O send out Thy light and Thy truth, that they may lead me, and bring me unto Thy holy hill, and to Thy dwelling.

People. And that I may go unto the altar of God, even unto the God of my joy and gladness; and upon the harp will I give thanks unto Thee, O God, my God.

Priest. Why art thou so heavy, O my soul, and why art thou so disquieted within me?

People. O put thy trust in God, for I will yet give Him thanks, which is the Help of my countenance, and my God.

And the Priest shall say,

GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

People. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.

Then shall the Priest say,

I WILL go unto the altar of God,

Answer. Even unto the God of my joy and gladness.

Priest. Our help standeth in the Name of the Lord;

Answer. Who hath made heaven and earth.

Priest. Wilt Thou not turn again and quicken us, O God;

Answer. That Thy people may rejoice in Thee?

Priest. O Lord, shew Thy mercy upon us;

Answer. And grant us Thy salvation.

Priest. O Lord, hear our prayer;

Answer. And let our cry come unto Thee.

Priest. Let us pray.

TAKE away from us, we beseech Thee, O Lord, our iniquities; and so purify our minds, that we may worthily enter into the Holy of Holies, and there in Thy presence worship Thee acceptably before Thy throne; through the merits of Thine only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD

THE INTROIT. *Psalm* 48. 1-8.

The Psalm, or the portion thereof, appointed to be used for the Introit Psalm, shall be said or sung as the Priest proceedeth up to the Lord's Table. And at high and solemn celebrations, the Priest may cense the Holy Table as the Introit Psalm is being sung.

GREAT is the Lord, and highly to be praised, / in the city of our God, even upon His holy hill. The hill of Sion is a fair place, / and the joy of the whole earth; upon the north-side lieth the city of the great King; God is well known in her palaces as a sure Refuge. For lo, the kings of the earth / are gathered, and gone by together. They marvelled to see such things; / they were astonished, and suddenly cast down. Fear came there upon them, and sorrow, / as upon a woman in her travail. Thou shalt break the ships of the sea / through the east-wind. Like as we have heard, / so have we

seen in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of our God: God upholdeth the same for ever. We wait for Thy loving-kindness, O God, / in the midst of Thy temple.

GLORY be to the Father, and to the Son, / and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
/ world without end. Amen.

THE PREPARATION.

And the Priest, standing at and facing the Lord's Table, shall say in an audible voice the Lord's Prayer, with the Collect following, the people kneeling.

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

ALMIGHTY God, unto Whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from Whom no secrets are hid : Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love Thee, and worthily magnify Thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE GREETING.

The Priest shall first kiss the Holy Table; and then turning himself to face the people, he shall greet them in the Name of the Lord, saying,

GRACE be unto you, and peace,
from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Answer. And with thy spirit.

THE COMMANDMENTS.

The Priest shall rehearse the Commandments, reciting our Blessed Lord's Summary of the Law, as followeth,

OUR Lord Jesus Christ said: Hear, O Israel, THE LORD OUR GOD IS ONE LORD; and thou shalt love the LORD thy GOD with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength. This is the first and great Commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two Commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us, and write both these Thy laws in our hearts, we beseech Thee.

KYRIE ELEISON.

Then shall the Priest return to his place standing before the Holy Table, and this following shall then be said or sung in Greek or in English, the people all still humbly kneeling as before.

KYRIE, eleison. / Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christe, eleison. / Christ, have mercy upon us.
Kyrie, eleison. / Lord, have mercy upon us.

THE COLLECTS.

Then shall the Priest turn himself to the people, and shall say or sing,

THE Lord be with you.

Answer. And with thy spirit.

Priest. Let us pray.

*Then shall the Priest turn again to the Lord's Table,
and shall say or sing this Collect for the King's Majesty following.*

ALMIGHTY God, Whose kingdom is everlasting, and power infinite: Have mercy upon Thy people in this Dominion, and all the realms and countries of our Commonwealth; and so rule the heart of Thy chosen servant *CHARLES*, our King and Governor, that he (knowing Whose minister he is) may above all things seek Thy honour and glory: and grant that we, and all his subjects (duly considering Whose authority he hath) may faithfully serve, honour, and humbly obey him, in Thee, and for Thee, according to Thy blessed Word and ordinance; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who with Thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

O GOD, Whose never-failing providence ordereth all things both in heaven and earth: We humbly beseech Thee to put away from us all hurtful things, and to give us those things which be profitable for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE EPISTLE. *Romans* 8. 12-17.

Then shall the Priest, or some other Minister, read the Epistle, first saying,

The Epistle is written in the eighth chapter of Paul's letter to the Romans beginning at the twelfth verse.

BRETHREN, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh. For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live. For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. The Spirit Himself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: and if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with Him, that we may be also glorified together.

And the Epistle ended, the Minister shall say,

Here endeth the Epistle. This is the Word of the Lord.

And all shall answer saying,

Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL. *Psalm 48. 13-15.*

Then shall all the people stand, and the Gradual Psalm, shall be said or sung.

ALLELUIA, Alleluia. Walk about Sion, and go round about her, / and tell the towers thereof. Mark well her bulwarks, set up her houses, / that ye may tell them that come after. For this God is our God for ever and ever; / He shall be our Guide unto death. Alleluia.

THE GOSPEL. *Saint Matthew 7. 7-21.*

Then shall the Priest or the Deacon read the Gospel appointed for that day, the people all still standing as before.

And the Minister that shall read the Gospel shall first say,

THE Lord be with you.

And all the people shall answer,

And with thy spirit.

Then shall the Minister announce that portion of the Gospel which is to be read, saying,

✠ **T**HE holy Gospel is written in the seventh chapter of the Gospel according to Saint Matthew beginning at the seventh verse.

Then shall be said or sung,

GLORY be to Thee, O Lord.

Then shall the Minister read the Gospel.

AT that time Jesus said unto them: Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: for every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. Or what man is there of you, whom if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone? Or if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent? If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask Him? Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the Law and the Prophets. Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it. Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them. Not everyone

that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.

And the reading of the holy Gospel ended, all shall then together in like manner as before say or sing,

PRAISE be to Thee, O Christ.

Then shall the Minister say,

AND through the Words of the Gospel may our sins be blotted out.

Then shall be said or sung the Nicene Creed as followeth, the Priest and people still standing as before.

THE NICENE CREED.

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I BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord *(And here all shall bow with reverence.)* **Jesus Christ**, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of His Father before all worlds: God, of God; Light, of Light; Very God, of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; Through Whom all things were made: *(And here all shall kneel or bow.)* **Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, AND WAS MADE MAN, *(And here all shall again rise.)* And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end.**

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together *(And here all shall reverently bow.)* **is worshipped and glorified**, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the ☩ Resurrection of the dead, And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

THE SERMON.

And here at the principal Eucharist upon the Lord's Day and greater Holy-days, a Sermon shall be preached or an Homily read out to the faithful.

THE OFFERTORY.

Then shall the Priest return to the Lord's Table and begin the Offertory; and first kissing the Altar, he shall turn to the people, and say,

LET us present our offerings unto the Lord

with reverence and godly fear.

*Then shall the Priest say or sing one or more of these Sentences
following, as he thinketh most convenient in his discretion.*

AND they came every one whose heart stirred him up, and every one whom his spirit made willing, and they brought the Lord's offering. *Exodus xxxv.*

Offer unto God the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and pay thy vows unto the Most High. *Psalm l.*

Give unto the Lord the honour due unto His Name; bring an offering and come into His courts. *Psalm xcvi.*

I will offer to Thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and will call upon the Name of the Lord; I will pay my vow unto the Lord in the sight of all His people. *Psalm cxvi.*

Trinitytide. Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. *Saint Matthew vii.*

OFFERTORY HYMN - *"Unto the hills around do I lift up"*

*Hymn 520. Tune: Sandon. 10 4. 10 4. 10 10.
The Marquis of Lorne 1877.*

Unto the hills around do I lift up, my longing eyes
O whence for me shall my salvation come, from whence arise?
From GOD the LORD doth come my certain aid,
From GOD the LORD Who heaven and earth hath made.

He will not suffer that thy foot be moved: Safe shalt thou be.
No careless slumber shall His eyelids close, Who keepeth thee.
Behold, our GOD, the LORD, He slumbereth ne'er,
Who keepeth Israel in His holy care.

JEHOVAH is Himself thy Keeper true, Thy changeless shade;
JEHOVAH thy Defence on thy right hand Himself hath made.
And thee no sun by day shall ever smite;
No moon shall harm thee in the silent night.

From every evil shall He keep thy soul, From every sin;
JEHOVAH shall preserve thy going out, Thy coming in.
Above thee watching, He whom we adore
Shall keep thee henceforth, yea, forevermore. Amen.

THE PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS.

And when the Tithes and Offerings are presented, the following shall be sung ,

PRAISE GOD from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise FATHER, SON, and HOLY GHOST,
All things come of Thee, O LORD;
And of Thine own have we given Thee. Amen.

Or else this following may be said or sung instead,

BLESSED be Thou, O Lord God of Israel, forever and ever. All that is in the heaven and in the earth is Thine. All things come of Thee; and of Thine own have we given Thee. Amen.

And when there is a Eucharist, the Priest at the time of the Offertory shall also place upon the Lord's Table the oblations of so much Bread and Wine as he shall think sufficient (laying the same upon a fair linen cloth). And the Bread shall be the best and purest unleavened wheat Bread, and the Wine the purest grape Wine, that may be gotten. And at high and solemn celebrations, the Holy Table and oblations may then be censed by the Priest.

THE INTERCESSION.

Then shall the Priest say,

Let us pray for Christ's holy Catholic Church.

Then shall the Priest say this Prayer following.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, Who by Thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks, for all men: We humbly beseech Thee most mercifully *to accept our alms and oblations, and* to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto Thy Divine Majesty; beseeching Thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant that all they that do confess Thy holy Name may agree in the truth of Thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

We beseech Thee also to save and defend all Christian Kings, Princes, and Governors; and specially Thy servant *CHARLES* our King; that under him we may be godly and quietly governed: And grant unto all his councils, and to all that are put in authority under him, that they may truly and impartially minister justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of Thy true religion and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, *and specially to Thy servant Robert. our Archbishop*, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth Thy true and living Word, and rightly and duly administer Thy holy Sacraments. And we beseech Thee also to bless all others who minister in Thy Name; that every one according to his calling and ministry may truly and godly serve Thee, to Thy honour and glory, and the edifying of Thy holy Church.

And to all Thy people give Thy heavenly grace; and specially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive Thy holy Word, truly serving Thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. And we most humbly beseech Thee of Thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, *especially those for whom our prayers are desired.*

And here we ☩ remember before Thee, O Lord, and commend to Thy gracious keeping, all Thy servants departed this life in Thy faith and fear. And we bless Thy holy Name for all who in life and death have glorified Thee, remembering chiefly the most Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord and God; together with all Thy blessed Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Pastors and Doctors; Martyrs and Confessors; Virgins, Widows, and Matrons; and all Thy blessed Saints, in every place, and in every age: beseeching Thee to give us grace that, rejoicing in their fellowship, and assisted by their prayers, we may follow their good examples, and with them be partakers of Thy heavenly kingdom. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, to Whom, with Thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

THE LITURGY OF THE SUPPER OF THE LORD

(This sacred portion of the Mass is reverently conducted in the Church.)

When all have communicated, a Post-Communion Hymn may be sung.

POST-COMMUNION HYMN - "*The King of love my Shepherd is*"

Hymn 539. Tune: Dominus regit me. 87. 87.

The Reverend Sir H. W. Baker, 1868.

The King of love my Shepherd is,
Whose goodness faileth never.
I nothing lack if I am His,
And He is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow,
My ransomed soul He leadeth;
And where the verdant pastures grow,
With food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish, oft I strayed,
But yet in love He sought me;
And on His shoulder gently laid,
And home, rejoicing, brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill,
With Thee, dear LORD, beside me;
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,
Thy Cross before to guide me.

Thou spreadst a table in my sight;
Thy unction grace bestoweth;
And O, what transport of delight
From Thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days,
Thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise
Within Thy house forever. Amen.

THE THANKSGIVING AFTER HOLY COMMUNION.

*And all having been completed, the Priest shall then
turn himself to the people, and shall say,*

THE Lord be with you.

Answer. And with thy spirit.

THE DISMISSAL COLLECTS

*The Collects following one or more are appointed to be said by the Minister after the Offertory before the
Dismissal when there is no Communion.*

ASSIST us mercifully, O Lord, in these our supplications and prayers, and dispose the way of Thy servants towards the attainment of everlasting salvation; that, among all the changes and chances of this mortal life, they may ever be defended by Thy most gracious and ready help; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O ALMIGHTY Lord, and everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech Thee, to direct, sanctify, and govern, both our hearts and bodies, in the ways of Thy laws, and in the works of Thy commandments; that through Thy most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that the words, which we have heard this day with our outward ears, may through Thy grace be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honour and praise of Thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

PREVENT us, O Lord, in all our doings with Thy most gracious favour, and further us with Thy continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in Thee,

we may glorify Thy holy Name, and finally by Thy mercy obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, the Fountain of all wisdom, Who knowest our necessities before we ask, and our ignorance in asking; We beseech Thee to have compassion upon our infirmities; and those things, which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask, vouchsafe to give us, for the worthiness of Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, Who hast promised to hear the petitions of them that ask in Thy Son's Name: We beseech Thee mercifully to incline Thine ears to us that have now made our prayers and supplications unto Thee; and grant, that those things, which we have faithfully asked according to Thy will, may effectually be obtained, to the relief of our necessity, and to the setting forth of Thy glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

WE humbly beseech Thee, O Father, mercifully to look upon our infirmities; and for the glory of Thy Name turn from us all those evils that we have most justly deserved; and grant that, in all our troubles, we may put our whole trust and confidence only in Thy mercy, and evermore serve Thee in holiness and pureness of living, to Thy honour and glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O GOD, Whose nature and property is ever to have mercy and to forgive: Receive our humble petitions, we beseech Thee, O heavenly Father; and though we be tied and bound with the chain of our sins, yet let the pitifulness of Thy great mercy loose us, and let our prayers and supplications rise up before Thee; for the honour of Jesus Christ, Thy beloved Son and our only Saviour. *Amen.*

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS.

Then may be said or sung by all standing,

GLORY be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, *(Here all shall bow.)* **we worship Thee**, we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee for Thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, *(And here all shall bow with reverence.)* **Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father**, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, *(And here all again shall bow.)* **receive our prayer.** Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

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

THE BLESSING.

Then shall the Priest kiss the Lord's Table; and turning himself again to face the people, he shall let them depart with this Blessing, the people all kneeling.

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of His Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

*Then shall this Dismissal Hymn following be sung
as the Priest and Minsters leave the Church.*

DISMISSAL HYMN - "*How firm a foundation, ye saints of the LORD*"

Hymn 499. Tune: Saint Denio. 11. 11. 11. 11.

George Keith, 1787.

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the LORD,
Is laid for your faith in His excellent word!
What more can He say than to you He hath said,
Ye that unto JESUS for refuge have fled?

Fear not, He is with thee; O be not dismayed!
For He is thy GOD, and will still give thee aid;
He'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
Upheld by His righteous, omnipotent Hand.

When through the deep waters He calls thee to go,
The rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;
For He will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
His grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply;
The flame shall not hurt thee; His only design
Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,
He will not, He will not desert to his foes;
That soul, though all hell shall endeavour to shake,
He never will leave, and will never forsake. Amen.

THE DISMISSAL.

The Priest or Deacon shall dismiss the people as followeth.

THE Lord be with you.

Answer. And with thy spirit.

Priest. Let us depart in peace.

Answer. In the Name of the Lord. *Amen.*