



# DAILY PRAYER BOOK



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## COMPOSER'S NOTE

This prayer book has been put together by the grace of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ by Christ The Good Shepherd Church, Sydney Australia. It is written in three different languages (Assyrian, Arabic and English) to enable our beloved Christian believers to pray at any given time. Some prayers in this book have been translated from the Aramaic language to Modern Assyrian, Arabic and English to add some extra blessings being the language spoken by our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

May this prayer book be a blessing in every house it enters and a shining light in every soul that reads it and may this all be for the Glory of the Risen Christ the Redeemer of the world Amen.

Please encourage people to pray as it is the way to be connected with God the Almighty through Jesus Christ the Messiah for our wellbeing and the salvation of our souls Amen.

**Please keep us in your prayers always!!!**

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# **\*\*\*Prayer Book\*\*\***

## **Suitable for all Times**

**Celebrant:** In the name of the Father & of the Son & of the Holy Spirit one God Amen.

Hallelujah... Hallelujah... Lord have mercy on us.

Hallelujah... Hallelujah... Lord have mercy on us.

Hallelujah... Hallelujah... Lord bless us...Amen.

**Glory be to the Father & to the Son & to the Holy Spirit.  
From now & for evermore Amen.**

Our Father Who Art in heaven: Hallowed be Thy Name:  
Thy kingdom come: Thy will be done on earth as it is in  
heaven. Give us this day our daily Bread: And forgive us  
our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against  
us. And lead us not into temptation: but deliver us from  
evil: for Thine is the Kingdom: the Power and the Glory  
for evermore Amen.

## **Prayer of thanks giving**

O, how great is Your mercy which you have from the  
beginning worked in our mortal race. As you have  
created us & called us Your Divine image through which  
Your greatness is being revealed.

Christ, the lover of the repentant voice, hear our  
supplication & open the door to our prayer. Bring us  
back & give us from Your treasure-house compassion,

mercy & forgiveness of our sins. So that we may belong to You & Your Divine Will be fulfilled in us. May Your Holy Spirit dwell in our thoughts, for You are the True Light.

O, Righteous Son & full of mercy, make Your worshippers rejoice in order to walk in the path of Your covenant & reach the House of Your Kingdom.

Blessed are You God for You have not refused the request of Your worshippers. We give You & Your Son & Your Living & Holy Spirit Glory, respect, gratitude & worship throughout the times & ages, yes Amen.

### **Psalm 51**

Have mercy upon me, O God, according to Your lovingkindness; according to the multitude of Your tender mercies, blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I acknowledge my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. Against You, You only, have I sinned, and done this evil in Your sight—that You may be found just when You speak, and blameless when You judge. Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin my mother conceived me. Behold, You desire truth in the inward parts, and in the hidden part You will make me to know wisdom. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Make me hear joy and gladness, that the bones You have broken may rejoice. Hide Your face from my sins, and

blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from Your presence, and do not take Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me by Your generous Spirit. Then I will teach transgressors Your ways, and sinners shall be converted to You. Deliver me from the guilt of bloodshed, O God, the God of my salvation, and my tongue shall sing aloud of Your righteousness. O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth shall show forth Your praise. For You do not desire sacrifice, or else I would give it; You do not delight in burnt offering. The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit, a broken and a contrite heart— These, O God, You will not despise. Do good in Your good pleasure to Zion; build the walls of Jerusalem. Then You shall be pleased with the sacrifices of righteousness, with burnt offering and whole burnt offering; then they shall offer bulls on Your altar.

**Celebrant:** The prayer of this hour in this blessed day is being offered to Christ our King & God, as we are beseeching Him to forgive us our sins Amen.

### **Psalm 23**

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside the still waters. He restores my soul; He leads me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no

evil; for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord Forever..... Hallelujah.

### **Psalm 117**

Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles! Praise Him, all you peoples! For His merciful kindness is great toward us, and the truth of the Lord endures forever. Praise the Lord!..... Hallelujah.

### **Psalm 120**

In my distress I cried to the Lord, and He heard me. Deliver my soul, O Lord, from lying lips and from a deceitful tongue. What shall be given to you, or what shall be done to you, you false tongue? Sharp arrows of the warrior, with coals of the broom tree! Woe is me, that I dwell in Meshech, that I dwell among the tents of Kedar! My soul has dwelt too long with one who hates peace. I am for peace; but when I speak, they are for war.....Hallelujah.

### **Psalm 121**

I will lift up my eyes to the hills— from whence comes my help? My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth. He will not allow your foot to be moved; He who keeps you will not slumber. Behold, He

who keeps Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep. The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade at your right hand. The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord shall preserve you from all evil; He shall preserve your soul. The Lord shall preserve your going out and your coming in from this time forth, and even forevermore..... Hallelujah.

### **Psalm 122**

I was glad when they said to me, “let us go into the house of the Lord.” Our feet have been standing within your gates, O Jerusalem! Jerusalem is built as a city that is compact together, where the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, to the Testimony of Israel, to give thanks to the name of the Lord. For thrones are set there for judgment, The thrones of the house of David. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: “may they prosper who love you. Peace be within your walls, prosperity within your palaces.” For the sake of my brethren and companions, I will now say, “Peace be within you.” Because of the house of the Lord our God I will seek your good..... Hallelujah.

### **Psalm 123**

Unto You I lift up my eyes, O You who dwell in the heavens. Behold, as the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters, as the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to the Lord our God, until He has mercy on us. Have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us! For we are exceedingly filled with contempt. Our

soul is exceedingly filled with the scorn of those who are at ease, with the contempt of the proud.

### **Prayer to the Holy Mother**

The prayer, my Lord of the Holy Virgin & the request of the Blessed Mother, the Supplication & intercession of the Full of Grace, our Lady the Blessed Mary be with us throughout the times & ages the Lord of all, Father & Son & Holy Spirit forever. Amen.

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### **The Prayer of “To You O Lord”**

**\*\*\*All Together\*\*\***

**(Please be standing)**

To You the Lord of all we confess, and to You Jesus Christ we glorify. For You are the reviver of our bodies & You are the Saviour of our souls.

(At church...say)

**I was glad when they said to me: Let us go to the house of the Lord.**

(At home...say)

**For You are every where O God: Accept our supplication.**

To You the Lord of all we confess, and to You Jesus Christ we glorify. For You are the reviver of our bodies & You are the Saviour of our souls.

**Glory be to the Father & to the Son & to the Holy Spirit, from eternity to eternity Amen & Amen.**

To You the Lord of all we confess, and to You Jesus Christ we glorify. For You are the reviver of our bodies & You are the Saviour of our souls.

**Now read one of “St. Paul’s Epistles”  
That you choose for this day**

**Celebrant:** A reading from St Paul’s Epistles to the.....  
My brethren...Lord have mercy.

At the end, Celebrant says: “Glory be to the Lord of Paul...Amen”.

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**A reading from St Paul’s 2<sup>nd</sup> Epistle to Timothy  
My brethren...Lord have mercy.  
2 Timothy 2:16-26**

But shun profane and idle babblings, for they will increase to more ungodliness. And their message will spread like cancer. Hymenaeus and Philetus are of this sort, who have strayed concerning the truth, saying that the resurrection is already past; and they overthrow the faith of some. Nevertheless the solid foundation of God stands, having this seal: “The Lord knows those who are His,” and, “Let everyone who names the name of Christ depart from iniquity.” But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and silver, but also of wood and clay, some for honour and some for dishonour. Therefore if anyone cleanses himself from the latter, he will be a

vessel for honour, sanctified and useful for the Master, prepared for every good work. Flee also youthful lusts; but pursue righteousness, faith, love, peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart. But avoid foolish and ignorant disputes, knowing that they generate strife. And a servant of the Lord must not quarrel but be gentle to all, able to teach, patient, in humility correcting those who are in opposition, if God perhaps will grant them repentance, so that they may know the truth, and that they may come to their senses and escape the snare of the devil, having been taken captive by him to do his will.

**Celebrant says: “Glory be to the Lord of Paul...Amen”.**

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**A reading from St Paul’s Epistle to the Romans**

**My brethren...Lord have mercy.**

**Romans 12: 1-21**

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God. For I say, through the grace given to me, to everyone who is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, as God has dealt to each one a measure of faith. For as we have many

members in one body, but all the members do not have the same function, so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another. Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, let us prophesy in proportion to our faith; or ministry, let us use it in our ministering; he who teaches, in teaching; he who exhorts, in exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil. Cling to what is good. Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honour giving preference to one another; not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord; rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer; distributing to the needs of the saints, given to hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. Rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep. Be of the same mind toward one another. Do not set your mind on high things, but associate with the humble. Do not be wise in your own opinion. Repay no one evil for evil. Have regard for good things in the sight of all men. If it is possible, as much as depends on you, live peaceably with all men. Beloved, do not avenge yourselves, but rather give place to wrath; for it is written, "Vengeance is Mine, I will repay," says the Lord. Therefore "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; If he is thirsty, give him a drink; For in so doing you will heap coals of fire on his head."

Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Celebrant says: “Glory be to the Lord of Paul...Amen”.

**A reading from St Paul’s Epistle to the Romans  
My brethren...Lord have mercy.**

**Romans 14: 10-23**

But why do you judge your brother? Or why do you show contempt for your brother? For we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ. For it is written: “As I live, says the LORD, every knee shall bow to Me, And every tongue shall confess to God.” So then each of us shall give account of himself to God. Therefore let us not judge one another anymore, but rather resolve this, not to put a stumbling block or a cause to fall in *our* brother’s way. I know and am convinced by the Lord Jesus that there is nothing unclean of itself; but to him who considers anything to be unclean, to him it is unclean. Yet if your brother is grieved because of your food, you are no longer walking in love. Do not destroy with your food the one for whom Christ died. Therefore do not let your good be spoken of as evil; for the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. For he who serves Christ in these things is acceptable to God and approved by men. Therefore let us pursue the things which make for peace and the things by which one may

edify another. Do not destroy the work of God for the sake of food. All things indeed *are* pure, but it is evil for the man who eats with offence. It is good neither to eat meat nor drink wine nor do anything by which your brother stumbles or is offended or is made weak. Do you have faith? Have it to yourself before God. Happy is he who does not condemn himself in what he approves. But he who doubts is condemned if he eats, because he does not eat from faith; for whatever is not from faith is sin. **Celebrant says: “Glory be to the Lord of Paul...Amen”.**

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**A reading from St Paul’s 1<sup>st</sup> Epistle  
to the Corinthians**

**My brethren...Lord have mercy.**

**1 Corinthians 15: 20-28**

But now Christ is risen from the dead (*repeat x3*), and has become the first-fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since by man came death, by Man also came the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive. But each one in his own order: Christ the first-fruits, afterward those who are Christ’s at His coming. Then comes the end, when He delivers the kingdom to God the Father, when He puts an end to all rule and all authority and power. For He must reign till He has put all enemies under His feet. The last enemy that will be destroyed is death. For “He has put all things under His feet.” But when He says “all things are put under Him,” it is evident that He who put all things

under Him is excepted. Now when all things are made subject to Him, then the Son Himself will also be subject to Him who put all things under Him, that God may be all in all.

**Celebrant says: “Glory be to the Lord of Paul...Amen”.**

**A reading from St Paul’s Epistle to the Ephesians**

**My brethren...Lord have mercy.**

**Ephesians 6: 10-24**

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. Put on the whole armour of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armour of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having girded your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace; above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God; praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints— and for me, that utterance may be given to me, that I may open my mouth boldly to make known the

mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains; that in it I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak. But that you also may know my affairs and how I am doing, Tychicus, a beloved brother and faithful minister in the Lord, will make all things known to you; whom I have sent to you for this very purpose, that you may know our affairs, and that he may comfort your hearts. Peace to the brethren, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Grace be with all those who love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity. Amen. **Celebrant says: "Glory be to the Lord of Paul...Amen".**

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**A reading from St Paul's 1<sup>st</sup> Epistle  
to the Corinthians  
My brethren...Lord have mercy.  
1 Corinthians 13: 1-13**

Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I have become sounding brass or a clanging cymbal. And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, but have not love, it profits me nothing. Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; does not behave

rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil; does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never fails. But whether there are prophecies, they will fail; whether there are tongues, they will cease; whether there is knowledge, it will vanish away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part. But when that which is perfect has come, then that which is in part will be done away. When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I shall know just as I also am known. And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love. **Celebrant says: “Glory be to the Lord of Paul...Amen”.**

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**The Prayer of “Holy God”**  
**\*\*\*All Together\*\*\***  
**(Please be standing)**

Holy God: Holy Mighty: Holy Immortal...Have mercy on us.

**Glory be to the Father & to the Son & to the Holy Spirit.**

Holy God: Holy Mighty: Holy Immortal...Have mercy on us.

From eternity to eternity Amen & Amen.

Holy God: Holy Mighty: Holy Immortal...Have mercy on us.

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**Now read from the “Holy Gospel”**

**Choose one suited for today**

**(Please be standing)**

**Celebrant:** A reading from The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. “Matthew or Mark ...etc. May His blessings be with us all Amen.

At the end, Celebrant says: “Glory be to Christ our Lord Amen”.

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**A reading from The Holy Gospel of our Lord**

**Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke**

**May His blessings be with us all Amen.**

**Luke 2:21-52**

And when eight days were completed for the circumcision of the Child, His name was called JESUS, the name given by the angel before He was conceived in the womb. Now when the days of her purification according to the law of Moses were completed, they brought Him to Jerusalem to present Him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, “Every male who opens the womb shall be called holy to the LORD”), and

to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the law of the Lord, “A pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons.” And behold, there was a man in Jerusalem whose name *was* Simeon, and this man was just and devout, waiting for the Consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord’s Christ. So he came by the Spirit into the temple. And when the parents brought in the Child Jesus, to do for Him according to the custom of the law, he took Him up in his arms and blessed God and said: “Lord, now You are letting Your servant depart in peace, According to Your word; For my eyes have seen Your salvation Which You have prepared before the face of all peoples, A light to bring revelation to the Gentiles, And the glory of Your people Israel.” And Joseph and His mother marvelled at those things which were spoken of Him. Then Simeon blessed them, and said to Mary His mother, “Behold, this Child is destined for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign which will be spoken against (yes, a sword will pierce through your own soul also), that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.” Now there was one, Anna, a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, and had lived with a husband seven years from her virginity; and this woman *was* a widow of about eighty-four years, who did not depart from the temple, but served God with fasting and prayers night and day.

And coming in that instant she gave thanks to the Lord, and spoke of Him to all those who looked for redemption in Jerusalem. So when they had performed all things according to the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own city, Nazareth. And the Child grew and became strong in spirit, filled with wisdom; and the grace of God was upon Him. His parents went to Jerusalem every year at the Feast of the Passover. And when He was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem according to the custom of the feast. When they had finished the days, as they returned, the Boy Jesus lingered behind in Jerusalem. And Joseph and His mother did not know it; but supposing Him to have been in the company, they went a day's journey, and sought Him among their relatives and acquaintances. So when they did not find Him, they returned to Jerusalem, seeking Him. Now so it was that after three days they found Him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, both listening to them and asking them questions. And all who heard Him were astonished at His understanding and answers. So when they saw Him, they were amazed; and His mother said to Him, "Son, why have You done this to us? Look, Your father and I have sought You anxiously." And He said to them, "Why did you seek Me? Did you not know that I must be about My Father's business?" But they did not understand the statement which He spoke to them. Then He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was subject to them, but His mother kept all these things in

her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and men.

**Celebrant says: “Glory be to Christ our Lord Amen”.**

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**A reading from The Holy Gospel of our Lord  
Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke  
May His blessings be with us all Amen.**

**Luke 18:1-14**

Then He spoke a parable to them, that men always ought to pray and not lose heart, saying: “There was in a certain city a judge who did not fear God nor regard man. Now there was a widow in that city; and she came to him, saying, ‘Get justice for me from my adversary.’ And he would not for a while; but afterward he said within himself, ‘Though I do not fear God nor regard man, yet because this widow troubles me I will avenge her, lest by her continual coming she weary me.’ Then the Lord said, “Hear what the unjust judge said. And shall God not avenge His own elect who cry out day and night to Him, though He bears long with them? I tell you that He will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will He really find faith on the earth?” Also He spoke this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous, and despised others: “Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus

with himself, ‘God, I thank You that I am not like other men—extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I possess.’ And the tax collector, standing afar off, would not so much as raise his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, ‘God, be merciful to me a sinner!’ I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.”  
**Celebrant says: “Glory be to Christ our Lord Amen”.**

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**A reading from The Holy Gospel of our Lord  
Jesus Christ according to Saint John  
May His blessings be with us all Amen.  
John 9: 39-41 & 10: 1-21**

<sup>39</sup> And Jesus said, “For judgment I have come into this world, that those who do not see may see, and that those who see may be made blind.” <sup>40</sup> Then some of the Pharisees who were with Him heard these words, and said to Him, “Are we blind also?” <sup>41</sup> Jesus said to them, “If you were blind, you would have no sin; but now you say, ‘We see.’ Therefore your sin remains. <sup>1</sup> “Most assuredly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door, but climbs up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber. <sup>2</sup> But he who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. <sup>3</sup> To him the doorkeeper opens, and the sheep hear his voice; and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. <sup>4</sup> And

when he brings out his own sheep, he goes before them; and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. <sup>5</sup> Yet they will by no means follow a stranger, but will flee from him, for they do not know the voice of strangers.” <sup>6</sup> Jesus used this illustration, but they did not understand the things which He spoke to them. <sup>7</sup> Then Jesus said to them again, “Most assuredly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. <sup>8</sup> All who ever came before Me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not hear them. <sup>9</sup> I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture. <sup>10</sup> The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly. <sup>11</sup> “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd gives His life for the sheep. <sup>12</sup> But a hireling, he who is not the shepherd, one who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees; and the wolf catches the sheep and scatters them. <sup>13</sup> The hireling flees because he is a hireling and does not care about the sheep. <sup>14</sup> I am the good shepherd; and I know My sheep, and am known by My own. <sup>15</sup> As the Father knows Me, even so I know the Father; and I lay down My life for the sheep. <sup>16</sup> And other sheep I have which are not of this fold; them also I must bring, and they will hear My voice; and there will be one flock and one shepherd. <sup>17</sup> “Therefore My Father loves Me, because I lay down My life that I may take it again. <sup>18</sup> No one takes it from Me, but I lay it down of Myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it

again. This command I have received from My Father.”

<sup>19</sup> Therefore there was a division again among the Jews because of these sayings. <sup>20</sup> And many of them said, “He has a demon and is mad. Why do you listen to Him?”

<sup>21</sup> Others said, “These are not the words of one who has a demon. Can a demon open the eyes of the blind?”

**Celebrant says: “Glory be to Christ our Lord Amen”.**

**A reading from The Holy Gospel of our Lord  
Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew  
May His blessings be with us all Amen.**

**Matthew 28:1-20**

Now after the Sabbath, as the first day of the week began to dawn, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to see the tomb. And behold, there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat on it. His countenance was like lightning and his clothing as white as snow. And the guards shook for fear of him, and became like dead men. But the angel answered and said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for He is risen, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay. And go quickly and tell His disciples that He is risen from the dead, and indeed He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him. Behold, I have told you.” So they went out quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to bring His disciples word. And as they went to tell His disciples, behold, Jesus met them, saying,

“Rejoice!” So they came and held Him by the feet and worshiped Him. Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid. Go and tell My brethren to go to Galilee, and there they will see Me.” Now while they were going, behold, some of the guard came into the city and reported to the chief priests all the things that had happened. When they had assembled with the elders and consulted together, they gave a large sum of money to the soldiers, saying, “Tell them, ‘His disciples came at night and stole Him away while we slept.’ And if this comes to the governor’s ears, we will appease him and make you secure.” So they took the money and did as they were instructed; and this saying is commonly reported among the Jews until this day. Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, to the mountain which Jesus had appointed for them. When they saw Him, they worshiped Him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” Amen.

**Celebrant says: “Glory be to Christ our Lord Amen”.**

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**A reading from The Holy Gospel of our Lord  
Jesus Christ according to Saint John**

**May His blessings be with us all Amen.**

**John 14:18-31 & 15:1-15**

<sup>18</sup> I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you. <sup>19</sup> “A little while longer and the world will see Me no more, but you will see Me. Because I live, you will live also. <sup>20</sup> At that day you will know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you. <sup>21</sup> He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him.” <sup>22</sup> Judas (not Iscariot) said to Him, “Lord, how is it that You will manifest Yourself to us, and not to the world?” <sup>23</sup> Jesus answered and said to him, “If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him. <sup>24</sup> He who does not love Me does not keep My words; and the word which you hear is not Mine but the Father’s who sent Me. <sup>25</sup> “These things I have spoken to you while being present with you. <sup>26</sup> But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you. <sup>27</sup> Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. <sup>28</sup> You have heard Me say to you, ‘I am going away and coming back to you.’ If you loved Me, you would rejoice because I said, ‘I am going to the Father,’ for My Father is greater than I. <sup>29</sup> “And now I have told you before it comes, that when it does come to pass, you may believe. <sup>30</sup> I will no longer talk much with

you, for the ruler of this world is coming, and he has nothing in Me. <sup>31</sup> But that the world may know that I love the Father, and as the Father gave Me commandment, so I do. Arise, let us go from here.

<sup>1</sup> “I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser. <sup>2</sup> Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit He takes away; and every branch that bears fruit He prunes, that it may bear more fruit. <sup>3</sup> You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you. <sup>4</sup> Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me. <sup>5</sup> “I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing. <sup>6</sup> If anyone does not abide in Me, he is cast out as a branch and is withered; and they gather them and throw them into the fire, and they are burned. <sup>7</sup> If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you. <sup>8</sup> By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples. <sup>9</sup> “As the Father loved Me, I also have loved you; abide in My love. <sup>10</sup> If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father’s commandments and abide in His love. <sup>11</sup> “These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may remain in you, and that your joy may be full. <sup>12</sup> This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup> Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one’s life for his friends. <sup>14</sup> You are My friends if

you do whatever I command you. <sup>15</sup> No longer do I call you servants, for a servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all things that I heard from My Father I have made known to you.

**Celebrant says: “Glory be to Christ our Lord Amen”.**

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**A reading from The Holy Gospel of our Lord**

**Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke**

**May His blessings be with us all Amen.**

**Luke 7:1-23**

Now when He concluded all His sayings in the hearing of the people, He entered Capernaum. And a certain centurion’s servant, who was dear to him, was sick and ready to die. So when he heard about Jesus, he sent elders of the Jews to Him, pleading with Him to come and heal his servant. And when they came to Jesus, they begged Him earnestly, saying that the one for whom He should do this was deserving, “for he loves our nation, and has built us a synagogue.” Then Jesus went with them. And when He was already not far from the house, the centurion sent friends to Him, saying to Him, “Lord, do not trouble Yourself, for I am not worthy that You should enter under my roof. Therefore I did not even think myself worthy to come to You. But say the word, and my servant will be healed. For I also am a man placed under authority, having soldiers under me. And I say to one,

‘Go,’ and he goes; and to another, ‘Come,’ and he comes; and to my servant, ‘Do this,’ and he does it.” When Jesus heard these things, He marvelled at him, and turned around and said to the crowd that followed Him, “I say to you, I have not found such great faith, not even in Israel!” And those who were sent, returning to the house, found the servant well who had been sick. Now it happened, the day after, that He went into a city called Nain; and many of His disciples went with Him, and a large crowd. And when He came near the gate of the city, behold, a dead man was being carried out, the only son of his mother; and she was a widow. And a large crowd from the city was with her. When the Lord saw her, He had compassion on her and said to her, “Do not weep.” Then He came and touched the open coffin, and those who carried him stood still. And He said, “Young man, I say to you, arise.” So he who was dead sat up and began to speak. And He presented him to his mother. Then fear came upon all, and they glorified God, saying, “A great prophet has risen up among us”; and, “God has visited His people.” And this report about Him went throughout all Judea and all the surrounding region. Then the disciples of John reported to him concerning all these things. And John, calling two of his disciples to him, sent them to Jesus, saying, “Are You the Coming One, or do we look for another?” When the men had come to Him, they said, “John the Baptist has sent us to You, saying, ‘Are You the Coming One, or do we look for another?’” And that very hour He cured many of

infirmities, afflictions, and evil spirits; and to many blind He gave sight. Jesus answered and said to them, “Go and tell John the things you have seen and heard: that the blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, the poor have the gospel preached to them. And blessed is he who is not offended because of Me.”

**Celebrant says: “Glory be to Christ our Lord Amen”.**

**“A Prayer for Reconciliation”**

Father all Merciful, let those who  
hear & hear again, yet never understand,  
hear Your Voice this time and  
understand that it is You, the  
Holy of Holies.

Open the eyes of those who  
see and see, yet never perceive,  
to see with their eyes this time  
Your Holy Face & Your Glory.

Place Your Finger on their heart so that their  
heart may open and understand Your Faithfulness.

I pray and ask you all these things,  
Righteous Father,  
so that all the nations be converted  
and be healed through the Wounds of  
Your Beloved Son,  
Jesus Christ. Amen.

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## **The Prayer of “Holy...Holy...Holy”**

**\*\*\*All together\*\*\***

**(Please be standing)**

Holy...Holy...Holy Lord God All Mighty

The heavens & earth are full of His glories..... (x3)

**Then:** Our Father Who Art in heaven: Hallowed be Thy Name: Thy kingdom come: Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily Bread: And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation: but deliver us from evil: for Thine is the Kingdom: the Power and the Glory for evermore Amen.

## **“The Sealing Prayer”**

Have mercy on us O Lord God: Have mercy on us. Because You are always Worshipped & Glorified in heaven & on earth. Christ, our Righteous, patient & full of Mercy & Compassion. He Who loves the just & shows mercy to all sinners whom I am the first of them all. He Who does not wish death for sinners but rather repentance & life as He calls us all to Salvation & to the promise of all gifts that await us. O Lord, accept our prayer in this hour & in every hour. Calm our lives & be our Shepherd so that we may be able to work according to Your Commandments. Make holy our souls, purify our bodies, straighten our thoughts, enlighten our

intellect, heal our sickness, forgive our sins & deliver us from every discomfort & evil tribulation. Encircle us with Your holy angels to be preserved & protected with them, to gain unity of faith & knowledge of Your Glory which is invisible & eternal. For You are Glorified for eternities to come Amen.

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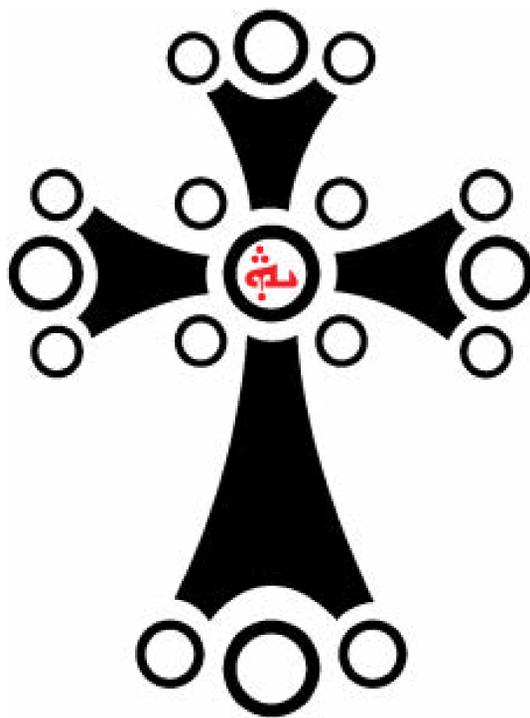
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## **Nicene Creed**

**The Creed of the three hundred and  
eighteen Fathers gathered at Nicea  
in the year 325 A.D**

**We believe** in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of all that is visible and invisible; and in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, the First-Born of all creations. Who was begotten from His Father, before all the ages and was not made; True God from True God, of one essence with His Father. By Whose hands the worlds were established and everything was created. Who, for us humans and for our salvation. Descended from heaven, and was incarnate of the Holy Spirit, and became man and was conceived and born of the Virgin Mary. And suffered and was crucified in the days of Pontius Pilate, and was buried and rose on the third day, as it is written. And ascended into heaven and sat

down at the right hand of His Father, and He will come again to judge the dead and the living. And in one Holy Spirit, the Spirit of Truth, Who proceeds from the Father, the Life-giving Spirit. And in one Holy and Apostolic Catholic (*Universal*) Church. We confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. And the resurrection of our bodies and life everlasting. Amen.



**The End**

**May the Blessings of our  
Lord & God Jesus Christ  
Be with us All  
Amen.**