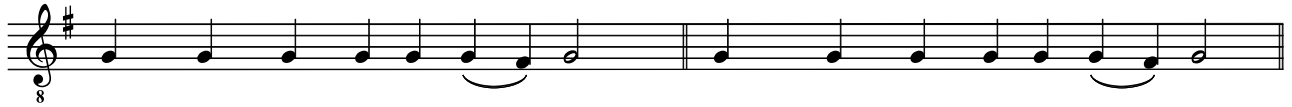


THE LITANY

The St. Bridget Office

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In some litanies:



∇ Lord, have mer-cy up-on us. R̄ Christ, have mer-cy up-on us.



∇ Lord, have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, hear us. R̄ O Christ, hear us.

The Litany of the Book of Common Prayer begins here:



∇ O God the Father of heaven : have mercy upon us miser-a-ble sinners.

R̄ O God the Father of heav'n : have mer-cy up-on us miser-a-ble sinners.

∇ O God the Son, redeemer of the world : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

R̄ O God the Son, Re-deem-er of the world : have mer-cy up-on us

miser-a-ble sinners.

∇ O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

∇ O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Fa-ther and the Son : have

mer-cy up-on us mis-er-a-ble sin-ners.

∇ O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God : have mercy upon us miserable sinners.

∇ O ho-ly, bless-ed, and glo-ri-ous Tri-ni-ty, three per-sons and one

God : have mer-cy up-on us mis-er-a-ble sin-ners.

Litany of 1544 only:

∇ Holy virgin Mary, mother of God our Saviour Je-su Christ,

These responses are also used in the Litany of Loreto and other Litanies of the Saints.

∇ Pray for us.

∴ All holy Angels and Archangels, and all holy orders of *bles*-ed spirits,

∴ Pray for us.

∴ All holy patriarchs and prophets, apostles, martyrs, confessors and virgins, and all the blessed compa-*ny* of heaven,

∴ Pray for us.

∴ Remember not, Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers; neither take thou vengeance of our sins: spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us for ev-er.

∴ Spare us, good Lord.

∴ From all evil and mischief; from sin, from the crafts and assaults of the devil; from thy wrath, and from everlast-*ing* damnation,

∴ Good Lord, de-liver us. ①

∴ From all blindness of heart; from pride, vain-glory, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice, and all uncharit-*a*-bleness,

∴ Good Lord, de-liver us. ②

∟ From fornication, and all other deadly sin; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, *and* the devil, **R̄ good Lord, deliver us.** ①

∟ From lightning and tempest; from plague, pestilence, and famine; from battle and murder, and from *sud*-den death, **R̄ good Lord, deliver us.** ②

∟ From all sedition, privy conspiracy, and rebellion;¹ from all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word *and* Commandment, **R̄ good Lord, deliver us.** ①

∟ By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation; by thy holy Nativity and Circumcision; by thy Baptism, Fasting, *and* Temptation, **R̄ good Lord, deliver us.** ②

∟ By thine Agony and bloody Sweat; by thy Cross and Passion; by thy precious Death and Burial; by thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension; and by the coming of the *Ho*-ly Ghost, **R̄ good Lord, deliver us.** ①

∟ In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our wealth; in the hour of death, and in the *day* of judgement, **R̄ good Lord, deliver us.** ②

∟ We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God; and that it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy Church universal in *the* right way,



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∟ That it may please thee to keep and strengthen in the true worshipping of thee, in righteousness and holiness of life, thy Servant *Elizabeth*, our most gracious *Queen* and Governor,



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∟ That it may please thee to rule her heart in thy faith, fear, and love, and that she may evermore have affiance in thee, and ever seek thy hon-our and glory, **R̄ we beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.** ①

∟ That it may please thee to be her defender and keeper, giving her the victory over all her enemies, **R̄ we beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.** ②

∟ That it may please thee to bless and preserve *Philip Duke of Edinburgh*, *Charles Prince of Wales*, and all the Royal Family, **R̄ we beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.** ①

∟ That it may please thee to illuminate all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, with true knowledge and understanding of thy Word; and that both by their preaching and living they may set it forth and shew *it* accordingly, **R̄ we beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.** ②

∟ That it may please thee to endue ²the Lords of the Council, and all the Nobility,² with grace, wisdom, and understanding, **R̄ we beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.** ①

∟ That it may please thee to bless and keep the Magistrates, giving them grace to execute justice, and to maintain truth, **R̄ we beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.** ②

¹ 1544: *insert* from the tyranny of the Bishop of Rome and all his detestable enormities

² *or*: the High Court of Parliament and all the Ministers of the Crown

∇ That it may please thee to bless and keep all thy people, **R̄ we beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.** ①

∇ That it may please thee to give to all nations unity, peace, and concord, **R̄ we beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.** ②

∇ That it may please thee to give us an heart to love and dread thee, and diligently to live after thy commandments, **R̄ we beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.** ①

∇ That it may please thee to give to all thy people increase of grace, to hear meekly thy Word, and to receive it with pure affection, and to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit, **R̄ we beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.** ②

∇ That it may please thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred, and are deceived, **R̄ we beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.** ①

∇ That it may please thee to strengthen such as do stand; and to comfort and help the weak-hearted; and to raise up them that fall; and finally to beat down Satan under our feet, **R̄ we beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.** ②

∇ That it may please thee to succour, help, and comfort all that are in danger, necessity, and tribulation, **R̄ we beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.** ①

∇ That it may please thee to preserve all that travel ³by land or by water,³ all women labouring of child, all sick persons, and young children; and to shew thy pity upon all prisoners and captives, **R̄ we beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.** ②

∇ That it may please thee to defend, and provide for, the fatherless children, and widows, and all that are desolate and oppressed, **R̄ we beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.** ①

∇ That it may please thee to have mercy upon all men, **R̄ we beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.** ②

∇ That it may please thee to forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts, **R̄ we beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.** ①

∇ That it may please thee to give and preserve to our use the kindly fruits of the earth, so as in due time we may enjoy them, **R̄ we beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.** ②

∇ That it may please thee to give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and to endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit, to amend our lives according to thy holy Word, **R̄ we beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.** ①



∇ Son of God : we be-seech thee to hear us.



³ or: by land or air or water

∇ O Lamb of God : that takest away the sins of the world;

R Grant us thy peace.

∇ O Lamb of God : that takest away the sins of the world;

R Have mer-cy up - on us.

∇ O Christ,hear us.

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∇ Lord, have mer-cy up - on us. R Lord, have mer-cy up - on us.

∇ Christ, have mer-cy up - on us. R Christ, have mer-cy up - on us.

∇ Lord, have mer-cy up - on us. R Lord, have mer-cy up - on us.

In free time

Our Father, which art in heaven, hal-lowed be thy name; thy kingdom come;

thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our dai-ly bread.

And for - give us our tres - pas - ses, as we for - give

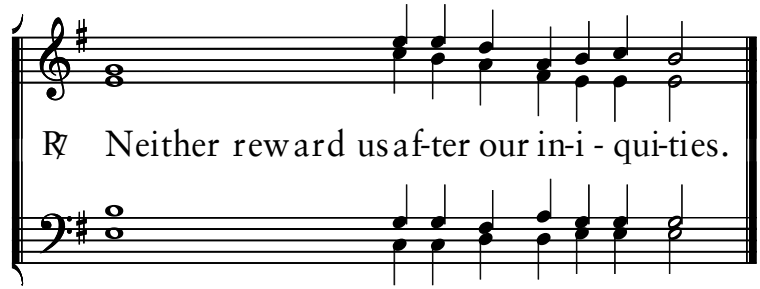
them that tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead us not into temptation;

but de-liver us from e - vil. A - men.

Or else the whole Prayer may be recited on E or G.

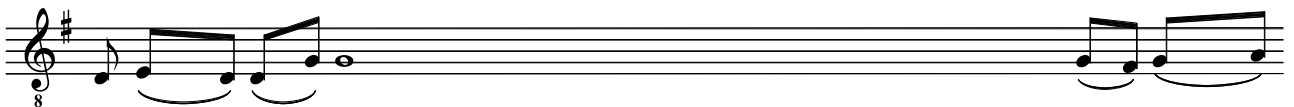
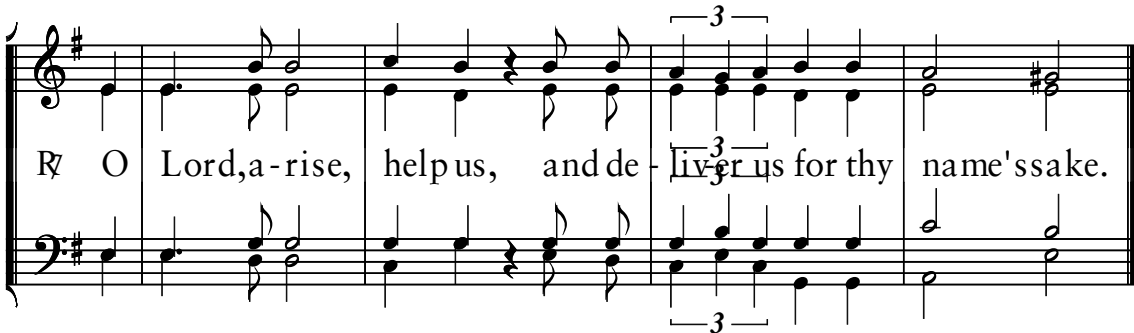
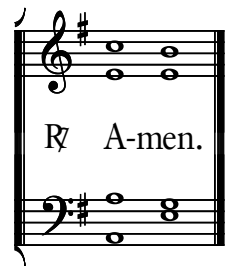


∇ O Lord, deal not with us after our sins;



∇ Let us pray.

O GOD, merciful Father, that despisest not the sighing of a contrite heart, nor the desire of such as be sorrowful: Mercifully assist our prayers that we make before thee in all our troubles and adversities, whensoever they oppress us; and graciously hear us, that those evils, which the craft and subtilty of the devil or man worketh against us, be brought to nought, and by the providence of thy goodness they may be dispersed; that we thy servants, being hurt by no persecutions, may evermore give thanks unto thee in thy holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord.



∇ O God, we have heard with our ears, and our fathers have de - clared



un-to us : the no - ble works that thou didst in their days, and in the old



time be-fore them.

R O Lord, a-rise, help us, and de- liver us for thine hon- our.

Glo-ry be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Ho- ly Ghost; as

it was in the beginning, is now, and ev- er shall be worldwithout end.

A- men.

According to the proposed BCP of 1928, repeat:

R O Lord, arise, help us and deliver us for thy name's sake.

From our enemies defend us, O Christ;

From our enemies defend us, O Christ;

R Graciously look up on our af- flic- tions.

Pitifully behold the sorrows of our hearts;

Pitifully behold the sorrows of our hearts;

R Mercifully for- givethe sins of thy peo-ple.



∇ Favourably with mercy hear our prayers;

A musical system with two staves, treble and bass clefs, and a key signature of one sharp. The lyrics are: "O Son of David, have mercy up-on us." The music consists of chords and single notes in both staves.



∇ Both now and ever vouchsafe to hear us, O Christ;

A musical system with two staves, treble and bass clefs, and a key signature of one sharp. The lyrics are: "Graciously hear us, O Christ; graciously hear us, O Lord Christ." The music consists of chords and single notes in both staves.



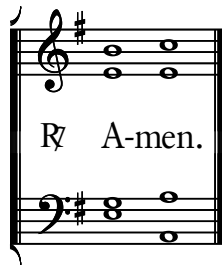
∇ O Lord, let thy mercy be shewed up-on us;

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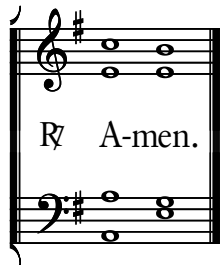
∇ Let us pray.

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 most righteously have deserved; and grant that in all our troubles we may put our whole trust and confidence in thy mercy, and evermore serve thee in holiness and pureness of living, to thy honour and glory; through our only Mediator and Advocate, Jesus Christ our Lord.



A Prayer of Saint Chrysostom

ALmighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests: fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting.



2 Corinthians 13

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

