

## The Second Collect, for Peace

O God, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom: Defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## The Third Collect, for Grace

O Lord, our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day: Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**Anthem:** *Cast thy Burden upon the Lord*  
– Felix Mendelssohn

## The Sermon

**Hymn 376** – And can it be

## Prayers

The Grace (*said together*): The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. Amen.

## Notices

**Hymn 604** – Through all the changing scenes  
of life

## Blessing and Dismissal

The love of the Lord Jesus draw *you* to himself, the power of the Lord Jesus strengthen *you* in his service, the joy of the Lord Jesus fill *your* hearts; and the blessing of God almighty the Father, ✠ the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the name of Christ. Amen.**

**Voluntary:** *Allegro & Fugue (Sonata II)*  
– Felix Mendelssohn

## ST MARY'S LAPWORTH MATTINS for THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

**Hymn 368** – All my hope on God is founded

## Sentence of the Scriptures

Blessed are those who trust in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green;  
*(Jeremiah 17: 7-8)*

## Welcome and Introduction

### Bidding

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

### General Confession

O God, our Father, we have sinned against thee in thought, word and deed: we have not loved thee with all our heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. Have mercy upon us, we beseech thee; cleanse us from our sins; and help us to overcome our faults; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Prayer of Absolution

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

### Versicles and Responses

Minister: O Lord, open thou our lips.

Answer: And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

Minister: O God, make speed to save us.

Answer: O Lord, make haste to help us. (*stand*)

Minister: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

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

Minister: Praise ye the Lord.

Answer: The Lord's Name be praised.

## **The Psalmody – Psalm 1**

- 1 BLESSED is the man that hath not walked in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stood in the way of sinners : and hath not sat in the seat of the scornful.
- 2 But his delight is in the law of the Lord : and in his law will he exercise himself day and night.
- 3 And he shall be like a tree planted by the water-side : that will bring forth his fruit in due season.
- 4 His leaf also shall not wither : and look, whatsoever he doeth, it shall prosper.
- 5 As for the ungodly, it is not so with them : but they are like the chaff, which the wind scattereth away from the face of the earth.
- 6 Therefore the ungodly shall not be able to stand in the judgement : neither the sinners in the congregation of the righteous.
- 7 But the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous : and the way of the ungodly shall perish.

*(Please Stand)*

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 First Lesson:** Jeremiah 17: 5-10

**Hymn 391** – Blessed are the poor in heart

**The Second Lesson:** Luke 6: 17-26

## **The Jubilate Deo**

O BE joyful in the Lord, all ye lands : serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God : it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise : be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.

For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting : and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son :  
and to the Holy Ghost;

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

## **The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholick Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, And the Life everlasting. Amen.

## **Versicles and Responses**

Minister: The Lord be with you.

Answer: And with thy spirit.

Minister: Let us pray. *(please kneel or sit)*

Minister: Lord, have mercy upon us.

Answer: Christ, have mercy upon us.

Minister: Lord, have mercy upon us.

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.

Minister: O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

Answer: And grant us thy salvation.

Minister: O Lord, save the Queen.

Answer: And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Minister: Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

Answer: And make thy chosen people joyful.

Minister: O Lord, save thy people.

Answer: And bless thine inheritance.

Minister: Give peace in our time, O Lord.

Answer: Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

Minister: O God, make clean our hearts within us.

Answer: And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

## **Collect for Septuagesima (3<sup>rd</sup> Sun before Lent)**

O LORD, we beseech thee favourably to hear the prayers of thy people; that we, who are justly punished for our offences, may be mercifully delivered by thy goodness, for the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.