

IV—VARIOUS PRAYERS

Travellers' Prayers

To be said when the journey is about to start

Guide us, Lord, in the way of peace.

Canticle. Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, p. 6.

Ant. May the almighty and merciful Lord guide us in the way of peace and prosperity. May the Angel Raphael accompany us on the journey that we may return home in peace, health, and happiness.

Ant. Lord, do not treat us according to our sins nor repay us according to our faults.

Ant. Lord, do not hold the guilt of our fathers against us. Let your compassion hasten to meet us, for we are in the depths of distress.

Ant. O God, our saviour, come to our help, come, for the sake of the glory of your name. O Lord, our God, forgive us our sins; rescue us for the sake of your name.

Ant. We fly to your patronage, holy Mother of God. Do not despise our prayers in our needs, but ever deliver us from all dangers, O blessed Virgin.

Ant. Angels, Archangels, Thrones, and Dominations, Principalities and Authorities, heavenly Powers, from heaven praise the Lord and pray for us.

Ant. Great father, holy Dominic, always watch lovingly over us here below, and take us up with you at the hour of our death.

Ant. The loving grace of Christ has raised up saints whom Father Dominic's Order has engendered. We ask to be aided by their merits, and through their prayers to be commended to God.

Ant. All you saints of God, be pleased to intercede for our welfare and for that of the whole world.

Ant. May eternal light shine upon them, Lord, forever with your saints; for you are loving kindness.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Our Father. . . And lead us not.

V. May the Lord be blessed day after day. **R.** He bears our burdens, God our saviour.

V. Lord, make us know your ways. **R.** Lord, teach us your paths.

V. May our footsteps be firm. **R.** To obey your statutes.

V. The crooked shall be made straight. **R.** And the rough ways shall be made smooth.

V. Revive us now, God our helper! **R.** Put an end to your grievance against us.

V. After childbirth, O Virgin, you remained inviolate. **R.** Mother of God, intercede for us.

V. For you has he commanded his angels. **R.** To keep you in all your ways.

V. Loving father, Dominic, be mindful of your works. **R.** Plead before the supreme Judge for your group of poor.

V. Let the faithful rejoice in their glory. **R.** Let them shout for joy and take their rest.

V. All saints of God, pray for us. **R.** That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

V. From the gate of hell. **R.** Lord, deliver their souls.

The Lord be with you or O Lord, listen to my prayer.

Let us pray

God, who led the children of Israel dry-shod through the sea and by the guidance of a star showed

the way to the three Magi, grant us, we pray, a happy journey and peaceful days, so that, with your holy angel as companion, we may safely arrive at our destination, and, finally, reach the haven of eternal salvation.

God, who led your servant Abraham out of Ur of the Chaldeans, and kept him safe in all his wanderings, we beg that you may be pleased to keep safe us your servants. Be to us, Lord, a help in our preparations, a comfort on the journey, a shade in the heat, a covering in rain and cold, a carriage in weariness, a shield in adversity, a staff in insecurity, a haven in shipwreck. Thus, under your guidance, may we finally return home safely.

Listen, Lord, to our prayers, and guide the steps of your servants along the path of your salvation, that in the journey through this fickle life they may always be protected by your help.

O God, you know that through human weakness we cannot survive amidst such great dangers; grant us health of mind and body, so that, by your help, we may triumph over those things which we suffer as a consequence of our sins.

Defend your servants, Lord, by granting them the gift of peace; and as they trust in the patronage of blessed Mary, ever virgin, make them safe from all their enemies.

O God, in wonderful order you arrange the ministries of men and angels; mercifully grant, that those who always stand before you and minister to you in heaven, may also guard our life on earth.

Grant, we beseech you, almighty God, that we who are weighed down by the burden of our sins, may be relieved through the patronage of the blessed Dominic, your confessor and our father.

A Greeting for the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Angelus

To be said in the morning, at noon and in the evening.

Outside Paschal time:

V. The angel of the Lord brought word to Mary. **R.** And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.

V. Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you, blessed are you among

Grant, we beseech you, almighty God, that the example of the saints of our Order may inspire us to a better life; as we venerate their memory may we copy their behaviour.

Grant, we beseech you, Lord, that all your saints may continually pray for us; and mercifully be pleased to hear them.

Free, we beseech you, Lord, the souls of your servants and handmaids from every bond of sin: so that being raised up in the glory of the resurrection, they may live again with your saints and chosen ones. Through our Lord.

Let us go in peace. **R.**
In the name of the Lord. Amen.

women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. **R.** Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

V. Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. **R.** Let it be to me according to your word.

V. Hail, Mary... **R.**
Holy Mary...

V. And the Word became flesh. **R.** And dwelt among us.

V. Hail, Mary... **R.**
Holy Mary...

V. Pray for us, holy Mother of God. **R.** That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray **Prayer**

Pour forth, we beseech you, Lord, your grace into our hearts, that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ your Son was made known by the message of an angel, may by his passion and cross be brought to the glory of his resurrection; through the same Christ our Lord. **R.** Amen.

Paschal time:

V. Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia. **R.** For he whom you were worthy to bear, alleluia.

V. Has risen as he said, alleluia. **R.** Pray to God for us, alleluia.

V. Virgin Mary, rejoice and be glad, alleluia. **R.** For the Lord has risen indeed, alleluia.

Let us pray **Prayer**

O God, through the resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, you were pleased to give joy to the world; grant, we beseech you, that through his mother, the virgin Mary, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. **R.** Amen.

Prayers for Deceased Masters General

If a Master General's obit was read, psalm 129 Out of the depths p. 133, with the versicle Eternal rest, is said for him. After this, follows:

V. From the gate of hell. **R.** Lord, deliver their souls.

The Lord be with you. **R.** And also with you.

Let us pray **Prayer**

O God, you made your servant **N.** to be

honoured with the episcopal (or priestly) dignity among apostolic priests; grant, we beseech you, that he may be joined in fellowship with them for ever. Through Christ our Lord. **R.** Amen.

For many Masters General the prayer is as follows:

O God, you made your servants to be honoured with the priestly dignity among apostolic priests; grant, we beseech