

# Thanksgiving Prayers



## The Hymn of the Three Holy Youths

*(called the Benedicite - Daniel 3: 57– 88)*

*Ant.* Let us sing \* the hymn of the three holy youths, which they sang as they blessed the Lord in the burning fiery furnace. *(E.T. Alleluia)*

○ ALL ye works of the Lord, bless ye the Lord; praise and exalt Him above all for ever.

○ ye Angels of the Lord, bless ye the Lord, and ye heavens, praise and exalt Him above all for ever.

○ all ye waters that be above the heavens, bless ye the Lord, and ye Powers of the Lord, praise and exalt Him above all for ever.

○ ye sun and moon, bless ye the Lord, and ye stars of heaven, praise and exalt Him above all for ever.

○ every shower and dew, bless ye the Lord, and all ye winds, praise and exalt Him above all for ever.

○ ye fire and heat, bless ye the Lord, ○ ye cold of winter and summer warmth, praise and exalt Him above all for ever.

○ ye dews and storms of snow, bless ye the Lord, ○ ye ice and cold, praise and exalt Him above all for ever.

○ ye frosts and snows, bless ye the Lord, ye lightnings and clouds, praise and exalt Him above all for ever.

○ ye light and darkness, bless ye the Lord, ○ ye nights and days, praise and exalt Him above all for ever.

○ ye Earth, bless the Lord, ○ ye mountains and little hills, and all ye things that grow therein, praise and exalt Him above all for ever.

○ ye fountains, bless ye the Lord, ○ ye seas and rivers, ye whales, and all that move in the waters, praise and exalt Him above all for ever.

○ all ye fowls of the air, bless ye the Lord, ○ all ye beasts and cattle, praise and exalt Him above all for ever.

○ ye children of men, bless ye the Lord, let Israel bless the Lord; praise and exalt Him above all for ever.

O ye priests of the Lord, bless ye the Lord, and ye servants of the Lord, praise and exalt Him above all for ever.

O ye spirits and souls of the righteous, bless ye the Lord, O ye holy and humble of heart, praise and exalt Him above all for ever.

O Hananiah, Azariah, and Mishael, bless ye the Lord; praise and exalt Him above all for ever.

+ Let us bless the Father, and the Son, with the Holy Ghost; let us praise and exalt Him above all for ever.

Blessed art thou, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven: and worthy to be praised, and glorious, and exalted above all for ever.

### **Psalm 150. (*Laudate Dominum*)**

O PRAISE God in His sanctuary, praise Him in the firmament of His power. Praise Him for His mighty acts, praise Him according to the magnitude of His greatness. Praise Him with the sound of the trumpet, praise Him upon the psaltery and harp. Praise Him with the timbrel and dance, praise Him upon the strings and pipe. Praise Him upon the well-tuned cymbals, praise Him upon the cymbals of jubilation. Let every thing that hath breath praise the Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; both now, and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

### **Canticle of Righteous Simeon** *(called the Nunc Dimittis - Luke 2:29-32)*

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word. For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel. Glory be.

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Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison.

Our Father, who art in the heavens, 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.

V. And lead us not into temptation.

R. But deliver us from the evil one.

V. Let us bless the Father, and the Son, with the Holy Ghost.

R. Let us praise and exalt Him above all for ever.

V. Blessed art thou, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven.

R. And worthy to be praised, and glorious, and exalted above all for ever.

*Only if a Priest or Deacon is leading:*

V. May the Holy Trinity bless and keep us.

R. Amen.

V. O Lord, enter not into judgment with Thy servant.

R. For before Thee shall no man living be justified.

V. Convert us, O God.

R. Show the light of Thy countenance, and we shall be saved.

V. O Lord hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry come unto thee.

*Only if a Priest or Deacon is leading:*

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

V. Let us pray.

*Collect:* O God, who for the three Holy youths didst assuage the flames of fire: mercifully grant that the flames of sin may not kindle upon us thy servants.

*Collect:* Kindle our reins and our heart, O Lord, with the fire of the Holy Ghost, that we may serve thee with a chaste body, and please thee with a clean heart.

*Collect:* Prevent us, O Lord, we beseech thee, in all our doings with thy favour, and further us with thy help, that all our works may be begun continued, and ended in thee. + Through Christ our Lord.

**R.** Amen.



## **PRAYERS AFTER THE LITURGY**

O almighty, everlasting God, Jesus Christ, Lord, be merciful to my sins by my taking within me thy Body and Blood. For thou, speaking, hast said, “He that eateth my Flesh, and drinketh my Blood, abideth in me, and I in him” (*Jn 6:57*). Therefore I humbly beseech thee that thou wouldst make me a clean heart and renew a right spirit within me, and vouchsafe to stablish me with thy governing Spirit, and wash me clean of all the snares of the Devil and sinful habits that I may be found worthy to be a communicant of heavenly joys. + Who livest and reignest with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, unto the ages of ages. Amen.

I give thee thanks, O sweetest Lord Jesus Christ, true light, salvation of believers, consolation of those in sorrow, and hope of all, O joy of the Angels, who hast deigned this day to feast me, a wretch and a great sinner, thy servant, with thy most holy Body and Blood. Therefore even I, most wretched, and infected with numberless transgressions, implore thine all-gracious mercy and highest kindness with tearful prayers that this sweetest repast, this highest and incomprehensible Communion, may not be to the judgement of my soul, but profit me as a healing remedy for casting out all the cunning and wickedness of the Devil’s deceit, in such wise that no wickedness of his may have dominion over me in my heart, body, soul, and senses, but thy kindness may bring me to the supernal feastings of the Angels, where thou the very blessedness art, and the clear light, and gladness everlasting. Amen.



## **PRAYERS AFTER HOLY COMMUNION**

+ The Holy Body of Christ Jesus be the salvation of my body and soul. Amen.

+ The Glorious Blood of Christ Jesus bring my soul and body unto blessedness everlasting. Amen.

I cry: O God, have mercy. (*three times*)

### **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, Creator and Restorer of the human race, Who by the will of Thine everlasting Father and the synergy of the Holy Ghost, didst humble Thyself both to assume our flesh, and to suffer death for us, Who ceaselessly art made a whole-burnt offering for our salvation, yet remainest undiminished: I glorify and exalt Thee above all, O most merciful One, and I sing a hymn to Thy glory, for Thou hast been pleased to summon me, a wretch tangled in the nets of so many sins, into the number of Thy servants, and hast granted me to become a communicant of Thy most holy Body and Blood. I entreat Thine everlasting mercy, my Lord and God, that by this reception of Thy Holy Mysteries Thou cleanse me from the defilements of sins, and keep me from all sinful ways and snares of the enemy, and teach me to do Thy will, and bring me to the joys of the heavenly country. Thanks be to God.

**R.** Amen.

### **To the Mother of God**

O most dispassionate and glorious Mother of our Lord Jesus Christ, compassionate and Ever-Virgin Mary, who didst become worthy to bear the Creator of all created things within thine all-holy body, and didst give birth to Him by the cooperation of the Holy Ghost, remaining untouched and unsullied, for the salvation of the whole race; again Whose most true Body I, an unworthy and wretched sinner, have presumed to receive: I entreat thee that thou wouldst deign to intercede with Him, that for what sin soever I have done in His service, unknowingly or in any way, He, by thy most holy supplications and prayers, and those of all the Saints, would deign mercifully to forgive me, and grant me grace whereby I may be able to live henceforth in greater amendment and so complete the present life with holy fear and heedfulness that after the miseries of this

unhappy life, I may, upon the consummation of a joyful victory, be counted worthy to be brought unto the joys of eternal happiness with them for whom I have prayed, or shall pray, and with all the people of God, both the living and the dead. The same our Lord Jesus Christ thy Son granting it, Who, being the Bread of Angels, hath, through thee, become the Food of wayfarers, God above all things, + blessed unto the ages.

**R.** Amen.

### **To the Saints of God**

I entreat you also, holy Archangels Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, and you holy Angels assigned as our guardians, together with the nine orders of Angels, that ye intercede for me, and you, O Peter, Paul, Andrew, John, and all the Apostles, Martyrs, Confessors, Virgins, all the Saints, and God's elect, that ye would condescend to grant me your watchful prayers when I am presented for judgement before the tribunal of the eternal King.

Our Father, who art in the heavens, 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation. But deliver us from the evil one. Amen.

Rejoice, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb. Amen.

Glory to the + Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, both now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

