

### Prayers before Any Office

Grant, O Lord, that what we say with our lips we may believe in our hearts and practice in our lives; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Open, O Lord, my mouth to bless Thy holy Name; cleanse my heart from all vain, foolish, wandering thoughts; enlighten my understanding; enkindle my affections that I may say this office with attention and devotion and so may be meet to be heard before the presence of Thy divine majesty; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

### Prayers after Any Office

Guide us, O Lord, in all our doings with Thy most gracious favor, and further us with Thy continual help that in all our work begun, continued, and ended in Thee we may glorify Thy holy Name and finally by Thy mercy obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

To Thee, O Lord, I commend the service which I, an unworthy sinner, have offered up unto Thee, God, be merciful to me, a sinner, and according to the fulness of Thy love and wisdom fulfill my petitions; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

### Collect for Reminiscere

O God, who seest that of ourselves we have no strength: Keep us both outwardly and inwardly; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end.

### Collect for the Season Lent

Almighty and Everlasting God, Who hatest nothing that Thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all those who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins, and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of Thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end.

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Midweek Lenten Vespers  
March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026

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*“And oft-times it hath cast him both into the fire and into the waters, to destroy him: but if Thou canst do anything, have compassion on us, and help us.” St. Mark 9:22*



# 204. Jesus Christ, Dear Lord, Redeemer

Jezu Chryste, Panie miły  
 Abraham Różniatowski, 1610  
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Teshiniens  
 Polish melody, c. 1500

1. Je - sus Christ, dear Lord, Re - deem - er,  
 2. Weep now o'er Him, O man, wretch - ed,  
 3. The Lord His last words hath spo - ken,  
 4. The veil now in two is clo - ven,

Lamb of God, our pa - tient suf - frer.  
 See His mer - cy for thee grant - ed.  
 His head hangs as death's last to - ken.  
 The earth trem - bles; rocks are bro - ken.

Lift - ed, lift - ed,  
 Je - sus, Je - sus,  
 Moth - er, Moth - er,  
 Sol - dier, sol - dier,

on the cross is strick - en.  
 on the tree is dy - ing.  
 'neath His cross is weep - ing.  
 "Son of God," he cri - eth.

Blot - ting, blot - ting,  
 The sun, the sun,  
 She stands, she stands,  
 The crowd, the crowd,

out all our trans - gres - sion.  
 in dark - ness is hid - ing.  
 a sword her soul pierc - ing.  
 in sheer ter - ror sigh - eth. A - men.

5. Finally, His side was piercé.  
 Blood and water from Him streaméd.  
 And us, and us, let us shed tears plenteous.  
 Jesus, Jesus, have mercy upon us!

# 215. Lamb of God, O Paschal Victim

Eric J. Stefanski, 1999

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Henry J. Gauntlett, 1849

1. Lamb of God, O Pas - chal  
 2. Ne'er be - fore a lamb had  
 3. On the night of Thy be -  
 4. In Thy blood and bod - y

Vic - tim, Who a - lone doth grace af -  
 giv - en, Tho't un - to its slaught' - rers'  
 tray - al Thou the faith - ful gift - didst  
 Of - fered Up - on Cal - v'ry's curs - ed

ford; In this Pas - chal Feast, Re -  
 need; But Thou, Christ, true Lamb from  
 give: Blood and Bod - y for a  
 tree, Grace and par - don now are

deem - er, Be by one and all a -  
 Heav - en, Sole - ly came our souls to  
 Sup - per, That our starv - ing souls should  
 prof - fered From the al - tar bod - i -

dored - Once by all the world re -  
 feed - Tho' by us Thou wert re -  
 live - Who by God sake wert once re -  
 ly - For our sake Thou wert re -

viled, Pas - chal Vic - tim un - de - filed!  
 viled, Pas - chal Vic - tim un - de - filed!  
 viled, Pas - chal Vic - tim un - de - filed!  
 viled, Pas - chal Vic - tim un - de - filed! A - men.

5. As we view Thy body, Savior,  
 We in adoration fall,  
 For Thy flesh is heav'nly manna,  
 Which alone gives life to all—  
 Though by heretics reviled,  
 Paschal Victim undefiled!

6. As the blood once marked the doorposts  
 Of God's sons in slavery,  
 May Thy blood forever mark us  
 As those by Thy death set free  
 And to God now reconciled—  
 Paschal Victim undefiled!





Pastor

By the mystery of Thy holy In - car - na - tion;  
 By Thy ho - ly Na - tivity;  
 By Thy Baptism, fasting, and temp - ta - tion;  
 By Thine ag - ony and bloody sweat;  
 By Thy cross and Pas - sion;  
 By Thy precious death and burial;  
 By Thy glorious Resur - rec - tion and As - cen - sion;  
 And by the coming of the Holy Ghost, the Comfort - er;

Congregation

Help us, good Lord.

Pastor

In all time of our trib - u - la - tion;  
 In all time of our pros - per - i - ty;  
 In the hour of death;  
 And in the Day of Judg - ment;

Congregation

Help us, good Lord.

Pastor

Congregation

We poor sinners do be - seech Thee To hear us, O Lord God.

Pastor

And to rule and govern Thy holy Chris - tian Church;  
 To preserve all bishops, pastors, and deacons of  
 Thy Church in the true knowledge and  
 understanding of Thy Word, and in holiness of life;  
 To put an end to all schisms and causes of of - fense;  
 To bring into the way of truth all such as have  
 erred, and are de - ceived;  
 To beat down Satan under our feet;  
 To send faithful laborers into Thy har - vest;  
 To accompany Thy Word with Thy Spirit and grace;  
 To raise up them that fall, and to strengthen such as do stand;  
 And to comfort and help the weak-hearted and the dis - tressed;

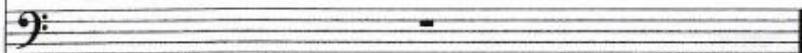
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We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

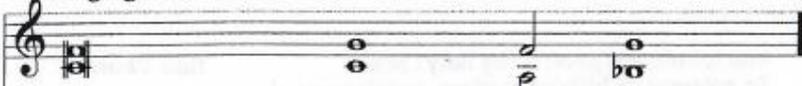
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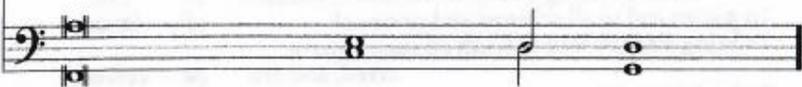
To give to all nations peace and con - cord;  
To preserve our country from discord and con - ten - tion;  
To give to our nation perpetual victory over all its ene - mies;  
To direct and defend our President and all in au - thor - ity;  
And to bless and keep our magistrates, and all our peo - ple;



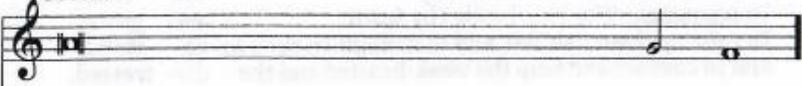
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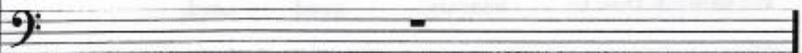
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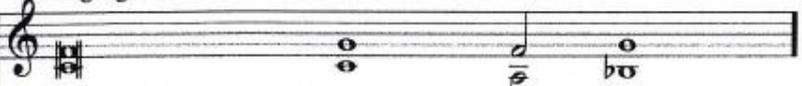
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To behold and succor all who are in danger,  
necessity, and tribu - la - tion;  
To protect all who travel by land or wa - ter;  
To preserve all women in the perils of child - birth;  
To strengthen and keep all sick persons and young chil - dren;  
To set free all who are innocently im - pris - oned;  
To defend and provide for all fatherless children and wid - ows;  
And to have mercy upon all men;



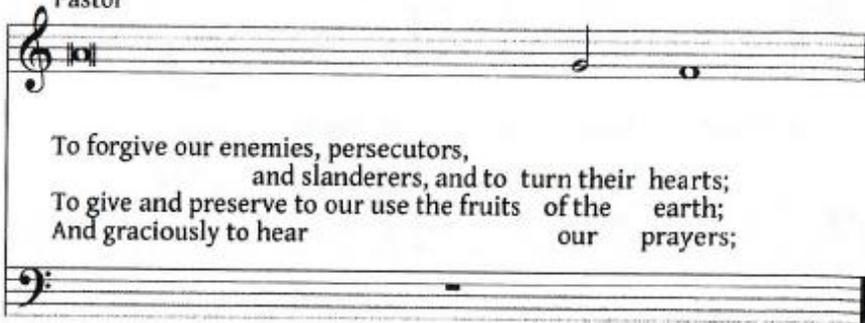
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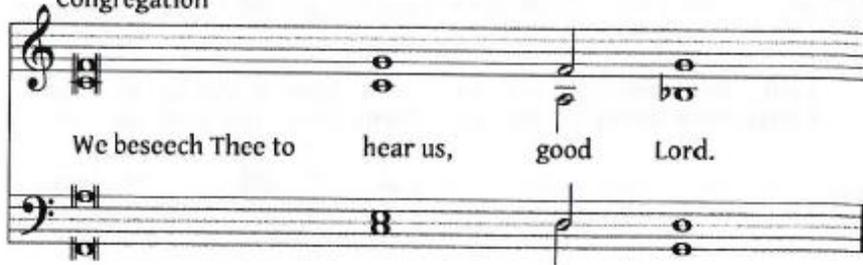


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To forgive our enemies, persecutors,  
and slanderers, and to turn their hearts;  
To give and preserve to our use the fruits of the earth;  
And graciously to hear our prayers;

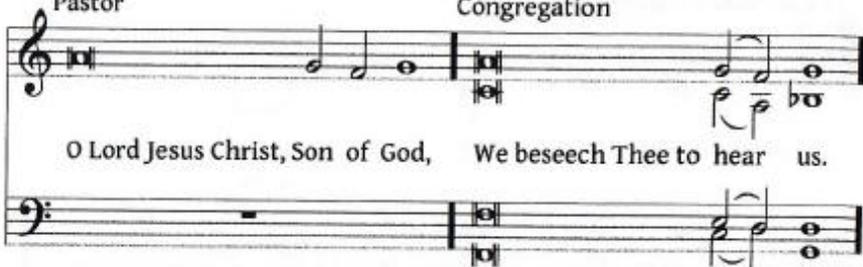
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We beseech Thee to hear us, good Lord.

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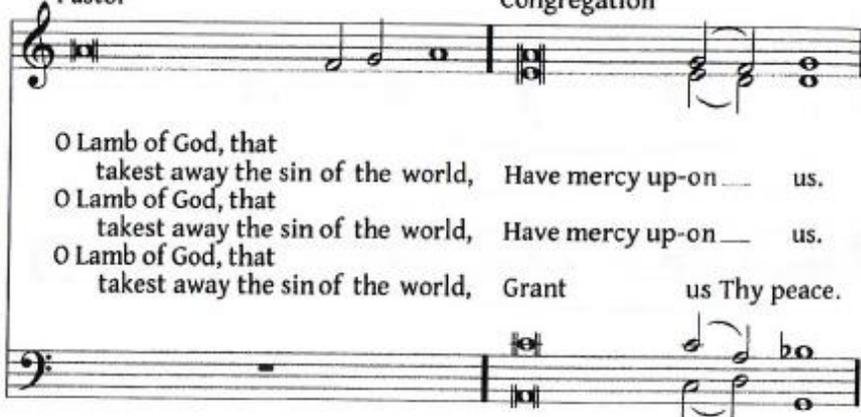
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O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, We beseech Thee to hear us.

Pastor

Congregation



O Lamb of God, that  
takest away the sin of the world, Have mercy up-on — us.  
O Lamb of God, that  
takest away the sin of the world, Have mercy up-on — us.  
O Lamb of God, that  
takest away the sin of the world, Grant us Thy peace.

