

LITTLE OFFICE OF HOLY GHOST

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THE OFFICE OF THE HOLY GHOST.

At Matins.

May the grace of the Holy Ghost enlighten our minds and our hearts. Amen.

V. O Lord, open Thou our lips

R. And our mouth shall show forth Thy praise.

V. O God, make speed to save us.

R. O Lord, make haste to help us. Glory be. Alleluia.

From Septuagesima to Holy Thursday, instead of Alleluia, is said, Praise be to Thee, O Lord, Thou King of everlasting glory.

Нутп.

From the rippling of the river, From the waving Tree of life, Gabriel came, a fiery splendor, Came from God to Joseph's wife.

When with spirit, strong and tender.

Low he knelt in Mary's cell,
In the wondrous work of ages

Jesus came with us to dwell.

Ant. Come, Holy Ghost, fill the hearts of Thy faithful ones, and kindle in them the fire of Thy love.

V. Send forth Thy Spirit, and they shall be made:

R. And Thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

Prayer.

May the power of the Holy Ghost be ever with us, we beseech Thee, O God; and may He in His mercy cleanse our hearts and save us from all dangers; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who with Thee and the same Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, one God, world without end. Amen.

At Lauds.

May the grace of the Holy Ghost enlighten our minds and our hearts. Amen.

V. O God, make speed to save us. R. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory. Alleluia.

Нутп.

Angels, kneeling by the Manger, Gazed upon the kingly Child; Jesus, born of Virgin-Mother, Looked up in her face and smiled.

Through long years He dwelt with Mary In the Holy Home unseen; Waiting for the time appointed Lived the lowly Nazarene.

Ant. Come, Holy Ghost, &c, with the prayer as before.

At Prime.

May the grace of the Holy Ghost enlighten our minds and our hearts. Amen.

V. O God, make speed to save us.

R. O Lord, make haste to help us. Glory. Alleluia.

Нутп.

On He went with blessings laden In His sweetness and His might; And the souls that lay in darkness Saw the shining of His light.

Crucified and dead, He slumbered. Sweetly in His Garden grave: In His risen light ascending Blessings to His own He gave.

Ant. Come, Holy Ghost, &c., with the prayer as before.

At Terce.

May the grace of the Holy Ghost enlighten our minds and our hearts. Amen.

V. O God, make speed to save us.

R. O Lord, make haste to help us. Glory. Alleluia.

Нутп.

After ten long days of waiting Came the Spirit from above; For He would not leave them orphans, And He brought them gifts of love.

Fount of truth and light and healing, With His gifts that Spirit came; Then the tongues of cloven brightness Swiftly set their hearts on flame.

Ant. Come, Holy Ghost, &c, with the prayer as before.

At Sext.

May the grace of the Holy Ghost enlighten our minds and our hearts. Amen.

V. O God, make speed to save us.

R. O Lord, make haste to help as. Glory. Alleluia.

Нутп.

Then the sevenfold grace descended; With it all their souls were filled; And they gave their Master's message, Speaking as the Spirit willed.

Forth they went, in light and gladness, Never ceasing, never dim; Leaving every love for Jesus, Giving every love to Him.

Ant. Come, Holy Ghost, &c, with the prayer as before.

At Nones.

May the grace of the Holy Ghost enlighten our minds and our hearts. Amen.

V. O God, make speed to save us.

R. O Lord, make haste to help us. Glory. Alleluia.

Нутп.

Reigneth over all the Spirit Or the Father and the Son; Yet in lowly hearts He dwelleth Till the work of God be done.

Balsam of the true Physician, Always, Holy Ghost, Thou art; Healing every pain and sorrow, Giving joy to every heart.

Ant. Come, Holy Ghost, &c, with the prayer as before.

At Vespers.

May the grace or the Holy Ghost enlighten our minds and our hearts. Amen.

V. O God, make speed to save us. R. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory. Alleluia.

Нутп.

Now the shades of evening deepen, Now the night comes on apace; Holy Spirit, give Thy servants Thoughts of fire and gifts of grace.

Thou dost shine on those who love Thee, Through the darkness of the night; Holy Spirit, be our Helper. Be our Everlasting Light.

Ant. Come, Holy Ghost, &c, with the prayer as before.

At Compline.

May the grace of the Holy Ghost enlighten our minds and our hearts. Amen.

V. Convert us, O God, our salvation.

R. And turn away Thy anger from us.

V. O God, make speed to save us.

R. O Lord, make haste to help us. Glory. Alleluia.

Нутп.

May the Spirit, dwelling in us, As the noonday, bright and clear, Fill the souls of all His servants Full of love and holy fear.

So when Jesus comes to judgment, And before His throne we stand, Words of gracious love will bring us Safely to the Promised Land.

Ant. Come, Holy Ghost, &c, with the prayer as before.

Commendation.

These prayers, Eternal Spirit, I have offered to Thee, loving Thee and praising Thee and adoring Thee, in Thy beauty and Thy majesty, in Thy light and in Thy strength. I pray, Divine Spirit, that Thou wilt always visit us with Thy inspirations and guide us by thy counsel, that one day we may dwell with Thee for ever in the Heavenly Kingdom. Amen.

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