

Then shall be sung:

I heard a voice from heaven, saying unto me, Write, From henceforth blessed are the dead which die in the Lord: even so saith the Spirit; for they rest from their labours.

Then all kneeling down, the minister, clerks, and people shall say:

Priest. The Lord be with you.

Answer. And with thy spirit.

Minister. Let us pray.

Lord have mercy upon us.

Christ have mercy upon us.

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.

Then the Priest shall say:

Priest. The souls of the righteous are in the hands of God.

Answer. Who preserveth them that are true of heart.

Priest. Turn again then unto thy rest, O my soul.

Answer. For the Lord hath rewarded thee.

Priest. Thou, Lord, hast delivered my soul from death.

Answer. Mine eyes from tears, and my feet from falling.

Priest. I will walk before the Lord.

Answer. In the land of the living.

Almighty God, with whom do live the spirits of them that depart hence in the Lord, and with whom the souls of the faithful, after they are delivered from the burden of the flesh, are in joy and felicity; we give Thee hearty thanks, for that it hath pleased Thee to deliver thy servant Richard John out of the miseries of this sinful world; beseeching Thee, that it may please Thee, of thy gracious goodness, shortly to accomplish the number of thine elect, and to hasten thy kingdom; that we, with all those that are departed in the true faith of thy holy name, may have our perfect consummation and bliss, both in body and soul, in thy eternal and everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O merciful God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the resurrection and the life; in whom whosoever believeth shall live, though he die; and whosoever liveth, and believeth in Him, shall not die eternally; who also hath taught us, by his holy Apostle Saint Paul not to be sorry, as men without hope, for them that sleep in Him; we meekly beseech Thee, O Father, to raise us from the death of sin unto the life of righteousness: that, when we shall depart this life, we may rest in Him, as our hope is this our brother doth; and that at the general resurrection in the last day, we may be found acceptable in Thy sight; and receive that blessing, which thy well-beloved Son shall then pronounce to all that love and fear Thee, saying, Come, ye blessed children of my Father, receive the kingdom prepared for you from the beginning of the world: Grant this, we beseech Thee, O merciful Father, through Jesus Christ, our Mediator and Redeemer. Amen.

O Lord God of our fathers, who in thy goodness hast led this people hitherto by wondrous ways: who makest the nations to praise Thee, and knittest them together in the bands of peace; we beseech Thee to pour thine abundant blessing on the dominions over which Thou hast called thy servant Edward to be king. Grant that one and all, of whatever race or colour or tongue, may draw together in heart and will beneath the shelter of the throne, united in the bond of brotherhood, in the ways of welfare and peace, and in the one fellowship of the faith, so that we may be found a people acceptable unto Thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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.

Then shall be sung:

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O God of Jacob! by whose hand
Thy people still are fed,
Who through this weary pilgrimage
Hast all our fathers led;

Our vows, our prayers, we now present
Before thy throne of grace:
God of our fathers, be the God
Of their succeeding race.

Through each perplexing path of life
Our wandering footsteps guide;
Give us each day our daily bread,
And raiment fit provide.

O spread thy covering wings around,
Till all our wanderings cease,
And at our Father's loved abode
Our souls arrive in peace.

Amen.