

PRAYERS

BEFORE SERVICE

ALMIGHTY GOD, give us grace to remember that we are in thy Holy Presence, that we may serve thee with reverence and godly fear; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

AFTER SERVICE

PARDON, O Lord, we beseech thee, all the imperfections of our prayers and praises, and bless this holy service to our souls; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

A PRAYER FOR THE ROYAL SCHOOL OF CHURCH MUSIC

O GOD, whom saints and angels delight to worship in heaven; Be with us, we beseech thee, as we seek to perfect the praise of thy children on earth; And grant to us even now such glimpses of thy beauty that we may be made worthy at length to behold it unveiled for evermore; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A PRAYER FOR MEMBERS OF CHOIRS

ALMIGHTY GOD, who hast ordained that the hearts of men shall be kindled by music, and their minds thereby attuned to understand thy divine mysteries: Grant, we pray thee, that all who lead thy praises may know themselves to be thy ministers, and that the hearts of all who hear may be lifted up unto thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A DAILY PRAYER FOR CHORISTERS

To be said by all together

BLESS, O Lord, us thy servants who minister in thy temple; grant that what we sing with our lips we may believe in our hearts, and that what we believe in our hearts we may shew forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

CHOIR PRAYERS

BEFORE SERVICE

**HELP US, O GOD, to remember that we are in thy presence,
and to lead thy praise with reverence and joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.***

or

**GRANT TO US, O LORD, the help of thy Holy Spirit, that we
may worthily sing thy praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.***

or

**GOD OUR FATHER, help us now to worship you with the spirit
and with the understanding also; for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.***

or

**LORD, give us your Holy Spirit and help us to lead your praise;
for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.***

AFTER SERVICE

**PARDON, O LORD, all the faults of our prayers and praises, and
help us to worship thee more worthily; for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.***

or

**GOD OUR FATHER, we ask you to accept our worship
and to pardon all its faults; for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.***

A PRAYER FOR CHORISTERS

To be said all together

**BLESS US, O LORD, who lead your praise. What we sing
with our lips help us to believe in our hearts, and what we
believe in our hearts help us to practise in our lives;
for Jesus Christ's sake. *Amen.***