The Communion of the Sick.

The Collect.

A Almighty everliving God, maker of mankind, who doth correct those whom thou dost love, and chastise every one whom thou dost receive; We beseech thee to have mercy upon this thy servant visited with thine hand, and to grant that he may take his sickness patiently, and recover his bodily health, if it be thy gracious will; and whensoever his soul shall depart from the body, it may be without spot presented unto thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Epistle. Hebr. 12. 5.

My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor fret when thou art rebuked of him. For whom the Lord loveth, he chastenth; and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth.


Verily verily I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.

The ORDER for the BURIAL of the DEAD.

I Here is to be noted, that the Office ensuing is not to be used for any that die unbaptized, or excommunicate, or have laid violent hands upon themselves.

II The Priest and Clerks meeting the Corps at the entrance of the Church-yard, and going before it, either into the Church, or towards the grave, shall say, or sing,

I Am the resurrection and the life, faith the Lord: He that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live; And whosoever liveth, and believeth in me, shall never die. S. John 11. 25, 26.

I Know that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth. And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God: whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another. Job 19. 25, 26, 27.

We brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the Name of the Lord. 1 Tim. 6. 7. Job 1. 21.

After they are come into the Church, shall be read one or both of the Psalms following.

Dixi custodiam. PSAL. 39.

I Said, I will take heed to my ways: that I offend not in my tongue.

I will keep my mouth as it were with a bridle: while the ungodly is in my sight.

I held my tongue, and spake nothing: I kept silence, yea, even from good words; but it was pain and grief to me.

My heart was hot within me, and while I was thus musing, the fire kindled: and at the last I spake with my tongue:

Lord, let me know my end, and the number of my days: that I may certify how long I have to live.

Behold, thou hast made my years as it were a span long: and mine age is even as nothing in respect of thee, and verily every man living is altogether vanity.

For man walketh in a vain shadow, and disquieteth himself in vain: he heareth up riches, and cannot tell who shall gather them.

And now, Lord, what is my hope: truly my hope is even in thee.

Deliver me from all mine offences: and make me not a rebuke unto the foolish.

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