Forms of Prayer to be used at Sea.

Short Prayers for single Persons, that cannot meet to join in Prayer with others, by reason of the Fight or Storm.

General Prayers.

LORD, be merciful to us sinners, and save us for thy mercies sake.

Thou art the great God, that hast made, and rulest all things: O deliver us for thy Name’s sake.

Thou art the great God to be feared above all: O save us, that we may praise thee.

Special Prayers with respect to the Enemy.

THOU, O Lord, art just and powerful: O defend our cause against the face of the enemy.

O God, thou art a strong tower of defence to all that flee unto thee: O save us from the violence of the enemy.

O Lord of hosts, fight for us, that we may glorify thee.

O suffer us not to sink under the weight of our sins, or the violence of the enemy.

O Lord, arise, help us, and deliver us for thy Name’s sake.

Short Prayers in respect of a Storm.

THOU, O Lord, that smittest the raging of the sea, hear, hear us, and save us, that we perish not.

O blessed Saviour, that didst save thy disciples ready to perish in a storm, hear us, and save us, we beseech thee.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

O Lord, hear us.

O Christ, hear us.

God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Ghost, have mercy upon us, save us now and evermore. Amen.

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: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Then shall the Priest, if there be any in the Ship, pronounce this Absolution.

A Mighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them which with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodnes, and bring you to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Confession.

A Mighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy Divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us, The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father: For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ’s sake forgive us all that is past, And grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Thanksgiving after a Storm.

Jubilate Deo. PSAL. 66.

Be joyful in God, all ye lands: Sing praises unto the honour of his Name; make his praise to be glorious, &c.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, &c.