

*An Anglican Order
for the
Consecration
of the
Holy Oils*

*Being a Rite for the consecration of the Oil
for the Sick, the Oil for the Catechumens,
and the Balsam and Oil for the Chrism,*

*according to the use of
St Stephen's Anglican Church*

¶ *After the oblation of the Bread and Wine, at the end of the Church Militant prayer, the Archdeacon or other Priest shall present to the Bishop the vessel containing the **Oil for the Sick**, saying,*

Reverend Father in God, the Oil for the Sick.

¶ *The Bishop, placing the vessel at the Epistle corner of the Altar, shall say,*

℣. The Lord be with you

℟. *And with thy Spirit*

℣. Let us pray.

Send, O Lord, we beseech thee, thy Holy Ghost the Comforter from heaven upon this fatness of the olive, which thou hast vouchsafed to bring forth from the green tree, for the refreshment of body and soul; that as thou didst anoint thy Priests, Kings, Prophets, and Martyrs, so this oil may, by thy blessing, be to every one anointed therewith, a heavenly medicine and remedy, to banish all pain, weakness, and suffering of body and soul; and that thy perfect anointing and blessing may abide within us for evermore.

In the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, whose Name is as ointment poured forth in grace, purifying the world, bless and sanctify this holy oil, the sign of thy mercy, and impart it unto thy servants for salvation and deliverance from sickness; wash and cleanse the defilements of their souls, purge them from their manifold offences, assuage their sorrows, drive away their troubles, and scatter their afflictions; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth ever, one God, world without end. *AMEN.*

¶ *The Oil for the Sick shall then be carried into the sacristy.*

¶ *Then shall the Oil for Catechumens be brought to the Bishop, who shall say:*

℣. The Lord be with you.

℟. *And with thy Spirit.*

℣. Let us pray.

O God, bestower of all spiritual increase and progress, who by the might of thy Holy Spirit confirmest the first efforts of feeble souls: we pray thee, O Lord, that thou wouldst vouchsafe to send thy blessing upon this oil, and grant, through its anointing, cleansing of body and soul to them who shall come to the laver of blessed regeneration; that if any stains of their spiritual enemies have clung to them, they may depart at the touch of this hallowed oil. And as thy servants come to the true faith, and to be cleansed by the operation of thy Holy Spirit, let this unction be profitable for that salvation which they are to obtain through the birth of heavenly regeneration in the Sacrament of Baptism; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth ever, one God, world without end. *AMEN.*

¶ *Then shall the Oil of Catechumens be carried to the Sacristy, and the Celebration shall proceed to the end of the Preface and Sanctus.*

¶ *After the Sanctus and Benedictus, the Balsam and Oil for the Chrism shall be carried in two separate vessels, together with the vessel in which they are to be mingled.*

¶ *Then the Bishop shall say as follows for the blessing of the **Balsam**.*

℣. The Lord be with you.

℟. *And with thy Spirit.*

℣. Let us pray.

O God, who ordainest heavenly mysteries and powers, hearken, we beseech thee, to our prayer; and vouchsafe that this balsam, the sweet produce flowing from the bark of a fertile tree, which enriches us with priestly anointing, may be acceptable for thy service, and be hal⌘lowed with thy blessing; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth ever, one God, world without end. *AMEN.*

Let us pray.

O Lord, maker of all creatures, we humbly beseech thy mercy that thou wouldst bestow spiritual grace on this ointment, the fruit of a tree, and pour upon it the fullness of thy hal⌘lowing. Let it be compounded for us, O Lord, with the gladness of faith, let it be the lasting Chrism of priestly anointing, let it be fitted for impressing the sign of the heavenly banner; that whoso are anointed therewith after being born again in holy Baptism, may obtain the fullest blessing of body and soul, and ever increase in the gift of that blessed faith which they have acquired; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth ever, one God, world without end. *AMEN.*

¶ *The Bishop shall then proceed to bless the **Chrismal Oil**, as follows:*

Be present, O Father, Most Highest, and hearken to the prayers of us thy servants, who call upon thee. Send us, O Lord, that Holy

Spirit wherewith thou didst anoint thy Son above his fellows, that thou mayest hallow this Chrism here made ready, and fill it with thy sevenfold spiritual grace. Vouchsafe to shine on them who shall be signed with this holy anointing, that they may feel thy protection, and obtain everlasting life; through same Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth ever, one God, world without end. *AMEN.*

¶ *Then mingling the Balsam and Oil together, the Bishop shall say,*

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, let this mingling be unto all anointed therewith for a propitiation and spiritual safeguard for ever and ever. *AMEN.*

Let us pray.

We pray thee, O Lord, our heavenly Father, Almighty, everlasting God, through the same thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ, that thou wouldst hallow this holy oil and fragrant balsam, sanctifying it with the power of thine Anointed. And we humbly beseech thee, O Lord, that thou wouldst enrich it with the might of the Holy Ghost, and make it abound with the sweetness of divine love, and stablish it with all blessing.

Let it be a holy unction, a sign of certain victory to those who are born again of water and the Holy Ghost, that being sanctified in soul and body, they may be made a meet dwelling for thee, O God the Father, through the grace of thy Holy Spirit, who with the same thy Son Jesus Christ, livest and reignest, one God Almighty, world without end. *AMEN.*

¶ *Then shall the Chrism be reverently carried to the Sacristy, and the Bishop shall proceed with the Holy Eucharist in the usual manner, ending with the Blessing.*