

MINISTRY TO THE SICK

The Officiant begins

O Savior of the world, by thy Cross and precious blood thou hast redeemed us;
Save us, and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord.

The Priest (or other authorized person) anoints the sick person's forehead with the Oil of the Sick by making the sign of the Cross. If appropriate, other parts of the body which suffer from sickness or injury may also be anointed. Others may join in the laying on of hands. The Officiant says

N., I anoint thee with oil and I (or we) lay my (or our) hands upon thee in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. **Amen.**

O Lord Jesus Christ, heal this thy servant, sustain *him* with thy presence, drive away all sickness of body, mind, and spirit, and give to *him* that victory of life and peace which will enable *him* to serve thee both now and evermore. **Amen.**

A Priest may add the following prayer. If this rite is used with multiple persons, it is appropriate for this prayer to be used after all have received individual prayer.

As with this holy oil thou art outwardly anointed, so may our heavenly Father grant that thou mayest be inwardly anointed with the Holy Spirit.

May he of his great mercy forgive thee thy sins, send thee release from suffering, and restore unto thee health and strength. May he deliver thee from all evil, preserve thee in all goodness, and bring thee to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Additional prayers or intercessions may be said. Additional prayers are on pages 231-235. See also Occasional Prayers #56-63 on pages 663-665.

The Lord's Prayer is said.

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who 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.**

The Officiant then prays

The Almighty Lord, who is a most strong tower to all those that put their trust in him, to whom all things in heaven, in earth, and under the earth, do bow and obey, be now and evermore thy defense; and make thee know and feel, that there is none other Name under heaven given to man, in whom, and through whom, thou mayest receive health and salvation, but only the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

A Priest may conclude the above prayer with a blessing.