

Coronation Orders compared: 1953 and 2023

1953	2023	Comparative commentary
<p>I. The Preparation</p> <p><i>In the morning upon the day of the Coronation early, care is to be taken that the Ampulla be filled with the Oil for the anointing, and, together with the Spoon, be laid ready upon the Altar in the Abbey Church.</i></p> <p><i>The LITANY shall be sung as the Dean and Prebendaries and the choir of Westminster proceed from the Altar to the west door of the Church.</i></p> <p><i>The Archbishops being already vested in their Copes and Mitres and the Bishops Assistant in their Copes, the procession shall be formed immediately outside of the west door of the Church, and shall wait till notice be given of the approach of her Majesty, and shall then begin to move into the Church.</i></p> <p><i>And the people shall remain standing from the Entrance until the beginning of the Communion Service.</i></p>	<p>I. The Processions</p> <p><i>The Procession of Faith Leaders & Representatives of Faith Communities</i></p> <p><i>The Procession of Ecumenical Leaders</i></p> <p><i>The Realms Procession</i></p> <p><i>The Procession of The Choir</i></p> <p><i>The Procession of The King & The Queen</i></p>	<p>No details are given in the Order of Service for 2023 of any ritual or liturgical preparations for the Coronation, or of music to accompany the processions. The Litany sung in 1953 is presumably to be omitted.</p>
<p>II. The Entrance into the Church</p> <p><i>The Queen, as soon as she enters at the west door of the Church, is to be received with this Anthem:</i></p> <p><i>Psalm 122, 1–3, 6, 7.</i> I was glad when they said unto me, We will go into the house of the Lord. Our feet shall stand in thy gates, O Jerusalem. Jerusalem is built as a city that is at unity in itself. O pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee. Peace be within thy walls, and plenteousness within thy palaces.</p> <p><i>The Queen shall in the mean time pass up through the body of the Church, into and through the choir, and so up the steps to the Theatre; and having passed by her Throne, she shall make her</i></p>		

<p><i>humble adoration, and then kneeling at the faldstool set for her before her Chair of Estate on the south side of the Altar, use some short private prayers; and after, sit down in her Chair.</i></p> <p><i>The Bible, Paten, and Chalice shall meanwhile be brought by the Bishops who had borne them, and placed upon the Altar.</i></p> <p><i>Then the Lords who carry in procession the Regalia, except those who carry the Swords, shall come from their places and present in order every one what he carries to the Archbishop, who shall deliver them to the Dean of Westminster, to be by him placed upon the Altar.</i></p>		
	<p>II. Greeting The King</p>	
	<p><i>Young Person (Chapel Royal chorister):</i> Your Majesty, as children of the Kingdom of God we welcome you in the name of the King of Kings <i>The King:</i> In his name, and after his example, I come not to be served but to serve.</p>	<p>This portion of the service is entirely an innovation in 2023.</p>
	<p>III. A Moment of Silent Prayer</p>	
	<p><i>The King stands at his Chair of Estate, head bowed, in a moment of silent prayer.</i></p>	<p>This portion of the service is entirely an innovation in 2023.</p>
	<p>IV. Greeting and Introduction</p>	
	<p><i>Archbishop of Canterbury:</i> The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you. And with thy spirit. Alleluia. Christ is risen. He is risen indeed. Alleluia.</p> <p>Dearly beloved, we are gathered to offer worship and praise to Almighty God; to celebrate the life of our nations; to pray for Charles, our King; to recognise and to give thanks for his life of service to this nation, to the realms, and to the Commonwealth; and to witness with joy his crowning and anointing, as he is set apart and consecrated for the service of his people. Let us dedicate ourselves alike, in body, mind, and spirit, to a renewed faith, a joyful hope, and a commitment to serve one another in love.</p>	<p>In 1953, the liturgy proceeded without introduction; this portion of the service is entirely an innovation in 2023. The Archbishop's introduction is evocative of the explanatory prefaces that precede occasional offices in the Church of England's Common Worship, while the short responsory provides liturgical recognition that the Coronation service is taking place in the season of Easter.</p> <p>The Archbishop's opening words are also an indication that the service of Holy Communion is beginning; in 1953, by contrast, the Recognition lay outside the Holy Communion service, which began only after the oaths and the presentation of the Bible.</p>
	<p>V. Kyrie</p>	
	<p>Arglwydd, trugarha. Crist, trugarha. Arglwydd, trugarha.</p>	<p>This Kyrie is the first time the Welsh language has featured in an English Coronation; its placement reflects the typical order of a Common Worship service of Holy</p>

		Communion, where the Kyrie comes early in the service.
III. The Recognition	VI. The Recognition	
<p><i>The Archbishop, together with the Lord Chancellor, Lord Great Chamberlain, Lord High Constable, and Earl Marshal (Garter King of Arms preceding them), shall then go to the East side of the Theatre, and after shall go to the other three sides in this order, South, West, and North, and at every of the four sides the Archbishop shall with a loud voice speak to the People: and the Queen in the mean while, standing up by King Edward's Chair, shall turn and show herself unto the People at every of the four sides of the Theatre as the Archbishop is at every of them, the Archbishop saying:</i></p> <p>Sirs, I here present unto you Queen ELIZABETH, your undoubted Queen: Wherefore all you who are come this day to do your homage and service, Are you willing to do the same?</p> <p><i>The People signify their willingness and joy, by loud and repeated acclamations, all with one voice crying out,</i></p> <p>GOD SAVE QUEEN ELIZABETH.</p> <p><i>Then the trumpets shall sound.</i></p>	<p><i>Archbishop of Canterbury:</i> I here present unto you King Charles, your undoubted King: Wherefore all you who are come this day to do your homage and service: are you willing to do the same? All: God save King Charles.</p> <p><i>Lady Angiolini, LT (A Lady of The Thistle):</i> I here present unto you King Charles, your undoubted King: Wherefore all you who are come this day to do your homage and service: are you willing to do the same? All: God save King Charles.</p> <p><i>Christopher Finney, GC (Chair of the Victoria Cross & George Cross Association):</i> I here present unto you King Charles, your undoubted King: Wherefore all you who are come this day to do your homage and service: are you willing to do the same? All: God save King Charles.</p> <p><i>Baroness Amos, LG (A Lady of The Garter):</i> I here present unto you King Charles, your undoubted King: Wherefore all you who are come this day to do your homage and service: are you willing to do the same? All: God save King Charles.</p>	<p>Apart from a minor change to the wording of the Archbishop's question to those assembled (the omission of 'sirs'), the chief change in 2023 is the participation of three other individuals in the Recognition, asking the question that would traditionally be asked four times by the Archbishop, presumably to the north, south, east and west (although no rubric to that effect is included). Since the Recognition represents the symbolic assent of the realm to the King's Coronation, there is no <i>prima facie</i> ritual reason why the Archbishop of Canterbury is the only person who can ask the assembled people if they will do homage and service.</p>
	VII. The Presentation of the Bible	
	<p><i>Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland:</i> Sir: to keep you ever mindful of the law and the Gospel of God as the Rule for the whole life and government of Christian Princes, receive this Book, the most valuable thing that this world affords. Here is Wisdom; This is the royal Law; These are the lively Oracles of God.</p>	<p>While the words of the presentation of the Bible remain almost identical to those used in 1953, the presentation's position in the service has shifted to come before the oaths, whereas in 1953 it followed them.</p>
IV. The Oath	VIII. The Oath	
<p><i>The Queen having returned to her Chair (her Majesty having already on Tuesday, the fourth day of November, 1952, in the presence of the two Houses of Parliament, made and signed the Declaration prescribed by Act of Parliament), the Archbishop standing before her shall administer the Coronation Oath, first asking the Queen,</i></p>	<p><i>Archbishop of Canterbury:</i> Your Majesty, the Church established by law, whose settlement you will swear to maintain, is committed to the true profession of the Gospel, and, in so doing, will seek to foster an environment in which people of all faiths and beliefs may live freely. The Coronation Oath has stood for centuries and is enshrined in law. Are you willing to take the Oath?</p>	<p>These words spoken by the Archbishop before asking the King if he is willing to take the oath are new: 'Your Majesty, the Church established by law, whose settlement you will swear to maintain, is committed to the true profession of the Gospel, and, in so doing, will seek to foster an environment in which people of all faiths and beliefs may live freely. The Coronation Oath has stood for centuries and is enshrined in law.' The new</p>

<p>Madam, is your Majesty willing to take the Oath?</p> <p><i>And the Queen answering,</i> I am willing.</p> <p><i>The Archbishop shall minister these questions; and the Queen, having a book in her hands, shall answer each question severally as follows:</i></p> <p><i>Archbishop:</i> Will you solemnly promise and swear to govern the Peoples of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, the Union of South Africa, Pakistan and Ceylon, and of your Possessions and other Territories to any of them belonging or pertaining, according to their respective laws and customs?</p> <p><i>Queen:</i> I solemnly promise so to do.</p> <p><i>Archbishop:</i> Will you to your power cause Law and Justice, in Mercy, to be executed in all your judgements?</p> <p><i>Queen:</i> I will.</p> <p><i>Archbishop:</i> Will you to the utmost of your power maintain the Laws of God and the true profession of the Gospel?</p> <p>Will you to the utmost of your power maintain in the United Kingdom the Protestant Reformed Religion established by law?</p> <p>Will you maintain and preserve inviolably the settlement of the Church of England, and the doctrine, worship, discipline, and government thereof, as by law established in England?</p> <p>And will you preserve unto the Bishops and Clergy of England, and to the Churches there committed to their charge, all such rights and privileges, as by law do or shall appertain to them or any of them?</p> <p><i>Queen:</i> All this I promise to do.</p>	<p><i>The King:</i> I am willing.</p> <p><i>The King places his hand on the Bible, and the Archbishop administers the Oath.</i></p> <p><i>Archbishop of Canterbury:</i> Will you solemnly promise and swear to govern the Peoples of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, your other Realms and the Territories to any of them belonging or pertaining, according to their respective laws and customs?</p> <p><i>The King:</i> I solemnly promise so to do.</p> <p><i>Archbishop of Canterbury:</i> Will you to your power cause Law and Justice, in Mercy, to be executed in all your judgements?</p> <p><i>The King:</i> I will.</p> <p><i>Archbishop of Canterbury:</i> Will you to the utmost of your power maintain the Laws of God and the true profession of the Gospel?</p> <p>Will you to the utmost of your power maintain in the United Kingdom the Protestant Reformed Religion established by law?</p> <p>Will you maintain and preserve inviolably the settlement of the Church of England, and the doctrine, worship, discipline, and government thereof, as by law established in England?</p> <p>And will you preserve unto the Bishops and Clergy of England, and to the Churches there committed to their charge, all such rights and privileges as by law do or shall appertain to them or any of them?</p> <p><i>The King:</i> All this I promise to do. The things which I have here before promised I will perform and keep. So help me God.</p>	<p>words would seem calculated to explain that the Coronation Oath need not compromise the King's commitment to a multifaith society, as well as explaining why the King is still required to take the oath – because it is legally required.</p> <p>The words of the oath to govern his realms and dominions according to their respective laws and customs is unchanged from 1953, apart from the omission of those Commonwealth realms over which the King no longer reigns as monarch.</p> <p>The words of the King's ecclesiastical oath remain entirely unchanged.</p>
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<p><i>Then the Queen arising out of her Chair, supported as before, the Sword of State being carried before her, shall go to the Altar, and make her solemn Oath in the sight of all the People to observe the premisses: laying her right hand upon the Holy Gospel in the great Bible (which was before carried in the procession and is now brought from the Altar by the Archbishop, and tendered to her as she kneels upon the steps), and saying these words:</i></p> <p>The things which I have here before promised, I will perform, and keep. So help me God.</p> <p><i>Then the Queen shall kiss the Book and sign the Oath.</i></p> <p><i>The Queen having thus taken her Oath, shall return again to her Chair, and the Bible shall be delivered to the Dean of Westminster.</i></p>		
	<p>IX. The Accession Oath</p> <p>Archbishop of Canterbury: Your Majesty, are you willing to make, subscribe and declare to the statutory Accession Declaration Oath?</p> <p>The King: I am willing. The King: I Charles do solemnly and sincerely in the presence of God profess, testify, and declare that I am a faithful Protestant, and that I will, according to the true intent of the enactments which secure the Protestant succession to the Throne, uphold and maintain the said enactments to the best of my powers according to law.</p> <p><i>A short anthem is sung during the signing of the Oath.</i></p>	<p>There was no Accession Oath in 1953 because Elizabeth II took the oath at the State Opening of Parliament on 4 November 1952, before her Coronation; because there has been no State Opening of Parliament since the King's accession, it is necessary for him to take the Accession Oath at his Coronation.</p>
<p>V. The Presenting of the Holy Bible</p>		
<p><i>When the Queen is again seated, the Archbishop shall go to her Chair; and the Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, receiving the Bible from the Dean of Westminster, shall bring it to the Queen and present it to her, the Archbishop saying these words:</i></p> <p>Our gracious Queen: to keep your Majesty ever mindful of the law and the Gospel of God as the Rule for the whole life and government of Christian Princes,</p>	<p><i>(See Section VII above)</i></p>	

<p>we present you with this Book, the most valuable thing that this world affords.</p> <p><i>And the Moderator shall continue:</i> Here is Wisdom; This is the royal Law; These are the lively Oracles of God.</p> <p><i>Then shall the Queen deliver back the Bible to the Moderator, who shall bring it to the Dean of Westminster, to be reverently placed again upon the Altar. This done, the Archbishop shall return to the Altar.</i></p>		
	<p>X. The King's Prayer</p> <p><i>The King:</i> God of compassion and mercy whose Son was sent not to be served but to serve, give grace that I may find in thy service perfect freedom and in that freedom knowledge of thy truth. Grant that I may be a blessing to all thy children, of every faith and conviction, that together we may discover the ways of gentleness and be led into the paths of peace. through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.</p>	<p>The King's Prayer is entirely an innovation in 2023 and represents a significant departure from previous practice, since it seems calculated to allow the King to express his personal spiritual convictions.</p>
	<p>XI. Gloria</p> <p>Gloria in excelsis Deo et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis. Laudamus te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te, gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam, Domine Deus, Rex caelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens. Domine Fili Unigenite, Iesu Christe, Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis; qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram. Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis. Quoniam tu solus Sanctus, tu solus Dominus, tu solus Altissimus, Iesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu: in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.</p>	<p>While the Gloria featured in the 1953 Coronation, it appeared much later owing to the structure of the Holy Communion service in <i>The Book of Common Prayer</i>; here it comes in the position that would be expected in a service of Holy Communion according to <i>Common Worship</i>. However, the Gloria is to be sung in Latin to a setting by William Byrd – perhaps the first time sung Latin has featured in a Coronation service since the Catholic Coronation of Queen Elizabeth I in 1559.</p>
<p>VI. The Beginning of the Communion Service</p>	<p>XII. The Liturgy of the Word</p>	

<p>The Introit</p> <p><i>Psalm 84, 9, 10.</i> Behold, O God our defender: and look upon the face of thine Anointed. For one day in thy courts is better than a thousand.</p> <p><i>Then, the Queen with the people kneeling, the Archbishop shall begin the Communion Service saying:</i></p> <p>Almighty God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.</p> <p><i>Archbishop:</i> Lord have mercy upon us. <i>Answer:</i> Christ have mercy upon us. <i>Archbishop:</i> Lord have mercy upon us.</p> <p>Let us pray</p> <p>The Collect</p> <p>O God, who providest for thy people by thy power, and rulest over them in love: Grant unto this thy servant ELIZABETH, our Queen, the Spirit of wisdom and government, that being devoted unto thee with her whole heart, she may so wisely govern, that in her time thy Church may be in safety, and Christian devotion may continue in peace; that so persevering in good works unto the end, she may by thy mercy come to thine everlasting kingdom;</p>	<p>The Collect</p> <p><i>Archbishop of Canterbury:</i> Let us pray. Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour: look with favour upon thy servant Charles our King, and bestow upon him such gifts of wisdom and love that we and all thy people may live in peace and prosperity and in loving service one to another, to thine eternal glory; who with the Father and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, one God, now and for ever. Amen.</p> <p>The Epistle <i>Colossians 1: 9-17</i> <i>Reader: The Prime Minister – The Rt. Hon Rishi Sunak, MP</i></p> <p>Sung Alleluia <i>Psalm 47:1-2</i></p> <p>Gospel <i>Luke 4:16-21</i> <i>Reader: The Rt Revd & Rt Hon. Dame Sarah Mullally, DBE, Dean of HM Chapels Royal</i></p>	<p>The Coronation collect for 2023 differs quite considerably from that prayed for Elizabeth II in 1953. While the 1953 collect asked for ‘the Spirit of wisdom and government’, the 2023 collect asks for vaguer ‘gifts of wisdom and love’. The mentions of the safety of the Church and the monarch’s eternal destiny contained in the 1953 collect are omitted.</p> <p>The Epistle is a different one from the last Coronation, and whereas in 1953 the Epistle was read by a bishop, in 2023 it will be read by the Prime Minister.</p> <p>The Sung Alleluia takes the place of the Gradual in 1953.</p> <p>The Gospel, while a different passage from 1953, is read by a bishop in 2023 as it was at the last Coronation.</p> <p>The Creed, sung in 1953, is omitted.</p>
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through Jesus Christ, thy Son, our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee
in the unity of the Holy Ghost,
one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Epistle

1 S. Peter 2, 13.

To be read by one of the Bishops.

The Gradual

Psalm 141, 2.

Let my prayer come up into thy presence as the incense:
and let the lifting up of my hands be as an evening sacrifice.
Alleluia.

The Gospel

S. Matthew 22, 15.

To be read by another Bishop, the Queen with the people standing.

And the Gospel ended, shall be sung the Creed following, the Queen with the people standing, as before.

The Creed

I believe in one God
the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
And of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
Begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
Very God of very God,
Begotten, not made,
Being of one substance with the Father,
By whom all things were made:
Who for us men, and for our salvation

<p>came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end.</p> <p>And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and giver of life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one Catholick and Apostolick Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.</p>		
	XIII. The Sermon	
	<i>Given by the Archbishop of Canterbury.</i>	The reintroduction of the Coronation sermon is a major change to the service; no sermon has been given at a Coronation since the Coronation of Queen Victoria in 1838.
VII. The Anointing	XIV. The Anointing	
<p><i>The Creed being ended, the Queen kneeling at her faldstool, and the people kneeling in their places, the Archbishop shall begin the hymn, VENI, CREATOR SPIRITUS, and the choir shall sing it out.</i></p> <p>Veni Creator</p> <p>Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire, And lighten with celestial fire. Thou the anointing Spirit art, Who dost thy seven-fold gifts impart.</p>	<p>Veni Creator</p> <p>Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire, And lighten with celestial fire. Thou the anointing Spirit art, Who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.</p> <p><i>(Welsh)</i> O gynorthwyydd oddi fry, rhodd gwerthfawrocaf Duw wyt ti: ffynhonnell bywyd, dwyfol dân enneinia ni a'th ysbryd glân.</p>	<p>The words of the <i>Veni Creator</i> are unchanged, apart from the fact that they are now sung in English, Welsh, Scots Gaelic and Irish.</p> <p>The Thanksgiving for the Holy Oil is significantly different from the prayer said before the anointing in 1953, which was a blessing of the Queen rather than a blessing of the oil itself (which might have been more controversial in the Church of England at that time than it is today). The 2023 prayer also draws attention to the priestly and royal anointing of all Christians in baptism. Similarly, the presentation of the holy oil to the</p>

<p>Thy blessed Unction from above Is comfort, life, and fire of love. Enable with perpetual light The dulness of our blinded sight:</p> <p>Anoint and cheer our soiled face With the abundance of thy grace: Keep far our foes, give peace at home; Where thou art guide, no ill can come.</p> <p>Teach us to know the Father, Son, And thee, of both, to be but One; That, through the ages all along, This may be our endless song:</p> <p>Praise to thy eternal merit, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.</p> <p><i>The hymn being ended the Archbishop shall say:</i></p> <p>Let us pray</p> <p>Prayer of Blessing</p> <p>O Lord and heavenly Father, the exalter of the humble and the strength of thy chosen, who by anointing with Oil didst of old make and consecrate kings, priests, and prophets, to teach and govern thy people Israel: <i>Here the Archbishop is to lay his hand upon the Ampulla.</i> Bless and sanctify thy chosen servant ELIZABETH, who by our office and ministry is now to be anointed with this Oil, and consecrated Queen: Strengthen her, O Lord, with the Holy Ghost the Comforter; Confirm and stablish her with thy free and princely Spirit, the Spirit of wisdom and government, the Spirit of counsel and ghostly strength, the Spirit of knowledge and true godliness, and fill her, O Lord, with the Spirit of thy holy fear,</p>	<p><i>(Scots Gaelic)</i> Fada bhuain iomain ar nàmh Agus builich sa bhad do ghràs Ò, treòraich sinn, a Cheannaird àrd Bho bhuaidh gach beud agus cràdh.</p> <p><i>(Irish Gaelic)</i> Go dtí dhíot gurb aithnid dúinn an tAthair Mhac, a Spioraid, a rún, Tú leo an Triúr i néinphearsa Creidimis ionaibh tré bhiotha na mbeatha.</p> <p>Praise to thy eternal merit, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.</p> <p>Thanksgiving for the Holy Oil</p> <p><i>The Archbishop of Canterbury is presented with the oil, by The Most Reverend Dr Hosam Naoum, The Anglican Archbishop in Jerusalem.</i></p> <p><i>Archbishop of Canterbury:</i> Blessed art thou, Sovereign God, upholding with thy grace all who are called to thy service. Thy prophets of old anointed priests and kings to serve in thy name and in the fullness of time thine only Son was anointed by the Holy Spirit to be the Christ, the Saviour and Servant of all. By the power of the same Spirit, bless and sanctify this oil, that it may be for thy servant Charles a sign of joy and gladness; that as King he may know the abundance of thy grace and the power of thy mercy, and that we may be made a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for thine own possession. Blessed be God, our strength and our salvation, now and for ever. Amen.</p> <p>Zadok the Priest</p> <p>Zadok the priest and Nathan the prophet anointed Solomon king. And all the people rejoiced and said: God save the King! Long live the King! May the King live forever! Alleluia! Amen!</p> <p><i>The Anointing screen is arranged around the Coronation Chair. The Dean pours oil from the ampulla into the spoon, the</i></p>	<p>Archbishop by the Anglican Archbishop of Jerusalem is a new development.</p> <p>The erection of an Anointing Screen is a new development in 2023, after the anointing of Elizabeth II under a canopy.</p> <p>The formula of anointing itself is unchanged, as is the Blessing of Anointing</p>
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now and for ever;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

This prayer being ended, and the people standing, the choir shall sing:

Zadok the Priest

I Kings I, 39, 40.

Zadok the priest and Nathan the prophet anointed Solomon king;

and all the people rejoiced and said:

God save the king,

Long live the king,

May the king live for ever. Amen. Hallelujah.

The Anointing

In the mean time, the Queen rising from her devotions, having been disrobed of her crimson robe by the Lord Great Chamberlain, assisted by the Mistress of the Robes, and being uncovered, shall go before the Altar, supported and attended as before.

The Queen shall sit down in King Edward's Chair (placed in the midst of the Area over against the Altar, with a faldstool before it), wherein she is to be anointed. Four Knights of the Garter shall hold over her a rich pall of silk, or cloth of gold: the Dean of Westminster, taking the Ampulla and Spoon from off the Altar, shall hold them ready, pouring some holy Oil into the Spoon, and with it the Archbishop shall anoint the Queen in the form of a cross:

I On the palms of both the hands, saying,
Be thy Hands anointed with holy Oil.

II On the breast, saying,
Be thy Breast anointed with holy Oil.

III On the crown of the head, saying,
Be thy Head anointed with holy Oil:
as kings, priests, and prophets were anointed:

Archbishop anoints The King. The King is anointed on Hands, Breast, and Head, with the associated words (sotto voce)

The Anointing

Archbishop of Canterbury: Be your hands anointed with holy oil. Be your breast anointed with holy oil. Be your head anointed with holy oil, as kings, priests, and prophets were anointed. And as Solomon was anointed king by Zadok the priest and Nathan the prophet, so may you be anointed, blessed, and consecrated King over the peoples, whom the Lord your God has given you to rule and govern; in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Archbishops and Dean return to the High Altar. The screen is removed to the Shrine. The King moves to the faldstool in front of the High Altar, kneeling. The Archbishop continues with the 'Oil of Gladness' prayer of blessing (sotto voce):

The Blessing of Anointing

Archbishop of Canterbury: Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, who by his Father was anointed with the Oil of gladness above his fellows, by his holy Anointing pour down upon your Head and Heart the blessing of the Holy Spirit, and prosper the works of your Hands: that by the assistance of his heavenly grace you may govern and preserve the People committed to your charge in wealth, peace, and godliness; and after a long and glorious course of ruling a temporal kingdom wisely, justly, and religiously, you may at last be made partaker of an eternal kingdom, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The King is vested in the Colobium Sindonis, Supertunica and girdle.

<p>And as Solomon was anointed king by Zadok the priest and Nathan the prophet, so be thou anointed, blessed, and consecrated Queen over the Peoples, whom the Lord thy God hath given thee to rule and govern, In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.</p> <p><i>Then shall the Dean of Westminster lay the Ampulla and Spoon upon the Altar; and the Queen kneeling down at the faldstool, the Archbishop shall say this Blessing over her:</i></p> <p>The Blessing of Anointing</p> <p>Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, who by his Father was anointed with the Oil of gladness above his fellows, by his holy Anointing pour down upon your Head and Heart the blessing of the Holy Ghost, and prosper the works of your Hands: that by the assistance of his heavenly grace you may govern and preserve the people committed to your charge in wealth, peace, and godliness; and after a long and glorious course of ruling a temporal kingdom wisely, justly, and religiously, you may at last be made partaker of an eternal kingdom, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.</p> <p><i>This prayer being ended, the Queen shall arise and sit down again in King Edward's Chair, while the Knights of the Garter bear away the pall; whereupon the Queen arising, the Dean of Westminster, assisted by the Mistress of the Robes, shall put upon her Majesty the Colobium Sindonis and the Supertunica or Close Pall of cloth of gold, together with a Girdle of the same. Then shall the Queen again sit down; and after her, the people also.</i></p>		
<p>VIII. The Presenting of the Spurs and Sword, and the Oblation of the Sword</p>	<p>XV. The Presenting of the Spurs and Sword, and the Oblation of the Sword</p>	

The Spurs shall be brought from the Altar by the Dean of Westminster, and delivered to the Lord Great Chamberlain; who, kneeling down, shall present them to the Queen, who forthwith sends them back to the Altar.

Then the Lord who carries the Sword of State, delivering to the Lord Chamberlain the said Sword (which is thereupon deposited in Saint Edward's Chapel) shall receive from the Lord Chamberlain, in lieu thereof, another Sword in a scabbard which he shall deliver to the Archbishop: and the Archbishop shall lay it on the Altar and say:

The Sword of Offering

Hear our prayers, O LORD, we beseech thee, and so direct and support thy servant Queen ELIZABETH, that she may not bear the Sword in vain; but may use it as the minister of God for the terror and punishment of evildoers, and for the protection and encouragement of those that do well, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Then shall the Archbishop take the Sword from off the Altar, and (the Archbishop of York and the Bishops of London and Winchester and other Bishops assisting and going along with him) shall deliver it into the Queen's hands; and, the Queen holding it, the Archbishop shall say:

Receive this kingly Sword, brought now from the Altar of God, and delivered to you by the hands of us the Bishops and servants of God, though unworthy. With this sword do justice, stop the growth of iniquity, protect the holy Church of God, help and defend widows and orphans, restore the things that are gone to decay, maintain the things that are restored, punish and reform what is amiss, and confirm what is in good order: that doing these things you may be glorious in all virtue;

The Spurs are brought forward from the altar by the Dean and handed to The Lord Great Chamberlain. The Lord Great Chamberlain approaches The King, presenting the regalia. The King acknowledges them.

Archbishop of Canterbury: Receive these spurs, symbols of honour and courage. May you be a brave advocate for those in need.

The spurs are returned to the altar.

Psalm 71 is sung during the exchange of Swords.

The Sword of Offering

The Jewelled Sword is presented to The Lord President of the Council in its scabbard, it is passed to the Archbishop. It is held up, before the altar. The Archbishop says a prayer.

*Archbishop of Canterbury: Hear our prayers, O Lord, we beseech thee, and so direct and support thy servant King Charles, that he may not bear the Sword in vain; but may use it as the minister of God to resist evil and defend the good, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.***

The Archbishop returns the sword to The Lord President and it is carried to the King. The sword is placed in the King's right hand.

*Archbishop of Canterbury: Receive this kingly Sword. May it be to you, and to all who witness these things, a sign and symbol not of judgement, but of justice; not of might, but of mercy. Trust always in the word of God, which is the sword of the Spirit, and so faithfully serve our Lord Jesus Christ in this life, that you may reign for ever with him in the life which is to come. **Amen.***

The King stands. The sword is clipped on the girdle. The King sits.

Archbishop of Canterbury: With this sword do justice, stop the growth of iniquity, protect the holy Church of God and all people of goodwill, help and defend widows and orphans, restore the things that are gone to decay, maintain the things that are restored, punish and reform what is amiss,

The Spurs are traditionally presented without a form of words, but one has been invented for the 2023 service; this is entirely an innovation.

The idea of singing a Psalm during the exchange of Swords is a new one; the use of Greek presumably refers to the King's Greek and Orthodox heritage.

The words 'for the terror and punishment of evildoers, and for the protection and encouragement of those that do well' have been amended in the 2023 prayer over the Sword of Offering to 'to resist evil and defend the good'.

The Archbishop's words of presentation, beyond 'Receive this kingly Sword', are new for 2023.

The prayer following the King's girding with the Sword is unaltered, with the exception of the addition of the words 'and all people of goodwill'.

<p>and so faithfully serve our Lord Jesus Christ in this life, that you may reign for ever with him in the life which is to come. Amen.</p> <p><i>Then the Queen, rising up and going to the Altar, shall offer it there in the scabbard, and then return and sit down in King Edward's Chair: and the Peer, who first received the Sword, shall offer the price of it, namely, one hundred shillings, and having thus redeemed it, shall receive it from the Dean of Westminster, from off the Altar, and draw it out of the scabbard, and carry it naked before her Majesty during the rest of the solemnity.</i></p> <p><i>Then the Archbishop of York and the Bishops who have assisted during the offering shall return to their places.</i></p>	<p>and confirm what is in good order: that doing these things you may be glorious in all virtue; and so faithfully serve our Lord Jesus Christ in this life, that you may reign for ever with him in the life which is to come. Amen.</p> <p><i>The King stands. The sword is unclipped and The King steps forward and offers the sword to the Dean, who places it on the altar. The sword is redeemed from the altar by The Lord President of the Council, who places the redemption money on the almsdish, held by the Dean. The sword is handed to the Lord President of the Council, who carries it thereafter before The King.</i></p>	
<p>IX. The Investing with the Armills, the Stole Royal and the Robe Royal</p>	<p>XVI. The Investing with the Armills, the Stole Royal and the Robe Royal</p>	
<p><i>Then the Dean of Westminster shall deliver the Armills to the Archbishop, who, putting them upon the Queen's wrists, shall say:</i></p> <p>The Armills</p> <p>Receive the Bracelets of sincerity and wisdom, both for tokens of the Lord's protection embracing you on every side; and also for symbols and pledges of that bond which unites you with your Peoples: to the end that you may be strengthened in all your works and defended against your enemies both bodily and ghostly, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.</p> <p><i>Then the Queen arising, the Robe Royal or Pall of cloth of gold with the Stole Royal shall be delivered by the Groom of the Robes to the Dean of Westminster, and by him, assisted by the Mistress of the Robes, put upon the Queen, standing; the Lord Great Chamberlain fastening the clasps. Then shall the Queen sit down, and the Archbishop shall say:</i></p> <p>The Robe Royal</p> <p>Receive this Imperial Robe, and the Lord your God endue you with knowledge and wisdom,</p>	<p><i>The Armills are taken from the altar and given to Lord Kamall by the Dean. The Peer approaches The King, presenting the regalia. The King acknowledges them.</i></p> <p><i>Archbishop of Canterbury: Receive the Bracelets of sincerity and wisdom, tokens of God's protection embracing you on every side.</i></p> <p><i>The Armills are returned to the altar.</i></p> <p><i>HRH The Prince of Wales enters the theatre. The Stole Royal and Robe Royal are brought to The King. The Bishop of Durham vests the King in the Stole Royal. Baroness Merron with The Prince of Wales and Assisting Bishops clothe The King in the Robe.</i></p> <p><i>Archbishop of Canterbury: Receive this Robe. May the Lord clothe you with the robe of righteousness, and with the garments of salvation.</i></p>	<p>The major innovation of 2023 is the presentation of regalia by persons other than the clergy; however, the Archbishop of Canterbury continues to pronounce the words accompanying the presentation. The formula for the presentation of Armills is significantly truncated, omitting the words 'and also for symbols and pledges of that bond which unites you with your Peoples: to the end that you may be strengthened in all your works and defended against your enemies both bodily and ghostly, through Jesus Christ our Lord.' Similarly, the word 'Imperial' is omitted from the presentation of the Robe, as well as the words 'and the Lord your God endue you with knowledge and wisdom, with majesty and with power from on high.'</p>

<p>with majesty and with power from on high: the Lord clothe you with the robe of righteousness, and with the garments of salvation. Amen.</p>		
<p>X. The Delivery of the Orb</p> <p><i>Then shall the Orb with the Cross be brought from the Altar by the Dean of Westminster and delivered into the Queen's right hand by the Archbishop, saying:</i></p> <p>Receive this Orb set under the Cross, and remember that the whole world is subject to the Power and Empire of Christ our Redeemer.</p> <p><i>Then shall the Queen deliver the Orb to the Dean of Westminster, to be by him laid on the Altar.</i></p>	<p>XVII. The Delivery of the Orb</p> <p><i>The Dean gives the Anglican Archbishop of Armagh the Orb, who brings the Orb to the Archbishop of Canterbury, who places it in the King's right hand.</i></p> <p><i>Archbishop of Canterbury:</i> Receive this Orb, set under the Cross, and remember always the kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ.</p> <p><i>The Orb is retrieved by The Archbishop of Armagh, who gives it to the Dean, who places it back on the altar.</i></p>	<p>Aside from the innovative involvement of the Anglican Archbishop of Armagh in presenting the Orb, the words 'remember the whole world is subject to the Power and Empire of Christ our Redeemer' have been amended to 'remember always the kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ' in 2023.</p>
<p>XI. The Investiture with Ring, Sceptre and Rod</p> <p><i>Then the Keeper of the Jewel House shall deliver to the Archbishop the Queen's Ring, wherein is set a sapphire and upon it a ruby cross: the Archbishop shall put it on the fourth finger of her Majesty's right hand, and say:</i></p> <p>The Ring</p> <p>Receive the Ring of kingly dignity, and the seal of Catholic Faith: and as you are this day consecrated to be our Head and Prince, so may you continue steadfastly as the Defender of Christ's Religion; that being rich in faith and blessed in all good works, you may reign with him who is the King of Kings, to whom be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.</p> <p><i>Then shall the Dean of Westminster bring the Sceptre with the Cross and the Rod with the Dove to the Archbishop.</i></p> <p><i>The Glove having been presented to the Queen, the Archbishop shall deliver the Sceptre with the Cross into the Queen's right hand, saying:</i></p>	<p>XVIII. The Investiture with Ring, Glove, Sceptre and Rod</p> <p><i>The Ring is taken from the altar and given to The Lord Patel, KT, by the Dean. The Peer approaches The King, presenting the regalia. The King acknowledges it.</i></p> <p><i>Archbishop of Canterbury:</i> Receive this Ring, a symbol of kingly dignity, and a sign of the covenant sworn this day between God and King, King and people.</p> <p><i>The Ring is returned to the altar. The Glove is taken from the altar and given to The Lord Singh of Wimbledon, CBE, by the Dean. The Peer approaches The King, presenting the regalia.</i></p> <p><i>Archbishop of Canterbury:</i> Receive this glove. May you hold authority with gentleness and grace, trusting not in your own power but in the mercy of God who has chosen you.</p> <p><i>The King picks up the glove and places it on his right hand.</i></p> <p><i>The Sceptre and Rod are taken from the altar and given to The Archbishop of Wales & The Primus of Scotland by the Dean. The Archbishop of Canterbury delivers them into The King's right and left hands respectively.</i></p> <p><i>Archbishop of Canterbury:</i> Receive the Royal Sceptre, the ensign of kingly power and justice; and the Rod of equity and mercy, a symbol of covenant and peace. May the Spirit of</p>	<p>The words of presentation of the Ring have been significantly amended, and indeed the Ring's meaning re-imagined. It is no longer 'the seal of Catholic Faith' but rather 'a sign of the covenant sworn this day between God and King, King and people', and references in the words of presentation to the King's role as Defender of the Faith have been removed.</p> <p>The words accompanying the presentation of the Glove are entirely new, since there have not previously been any words to accompany the Glove.</p> <p>In 2023, the Sceptre with Cross and Sceptre with Dove are presented simultaneously, without separate prayers; there is, rather, a single new prayer, entirely new: 'May the Spirit of the Lord which anointed Jesus at his baptism, so anoint you this day, that you might exercise authority with wisdom, and direct your counsels with grace; that by your service and ministry to all your people, justice and mercy may be seen in all the earth.'</p>

<p>The Sceptre with Cross</p> <p>Receive the Royal Sceptre, the ensign of kingly power and justice.</p> <p>The Sceptre with Dove</p> <p><i>And then he shall deliver the Rod with the Dove into the Queen's left hand, and say:</i></p> <p>Receive the Rod of equity and mercy. Be so merciful that you be not too remiss; so execute justice that you forget not mercy. Punish the wicked, protect and cherish the just, and lead your people in the way wherein they should go.</p>	<p>the Lord which anointed Jesus at his baptism, so anoint you this day, that you might exercise authority with wisdom, and direct your counsels with grace; that by your service and ministry to all your people, justice and mercy may be seen in all the earth: through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.</p>	
<p>XII. The Putting on of the Crown</p> <p><i>Then the people shall rise; and the Archbishop, standing before the Altar, shall take the Crown into his hands, and laying it again before him upon the Altar, he shall say:</i></p> <p>O God the Crown of the faithful: Bless we beseech thee this Crown, and so sanctify thy servant ELIZABETH upon whose head this day thou dost place it for a sign of royal majesty, that she may be filled by thine abundant grace with all princely virtues: through the King Eternal Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.</p> <p><i>Then the Queen still sitting in King Edward's Chair, the Archbishop, assisted with other Bishops, shall come from the Altar: the Dean of Westminster shall bring the Crown, and the Archbishop taking it of him shall reverently put it upon the Queen's head. At the sight whereof the people, with loud and repeated shouts, shall cry,</i></p> <p>GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.</p> <p><i>The Princes and Princesses, the Peers and Peeresses shall put on their coronets and caps, and the Kings of Arms their crowns; and the</i></p>	<p>XIX. The Crowning</p> <p><i>The Dean brings The Crown of St Edward to The Archbishop, who says the prayer of blessing.</i></p> <p><i>Archbishop:</i> King of kings and Lord of lords, bless, we beseech thee, this Crown, and so sanctify thy servant Charles upon whose head this day thou dost place it for a sign of royal majesty, that he may be crowned with thy gracious favour and filled with abundant grace and all princely virtues; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, supreme over all things, one God, world without end. Amen.</p> <p><i>The Archbishop brings the crown down onto The King's head.</i></p> <p><i>Archbishop:</i> God save The King!</p> <p>All: God save The King!</p> <p><i>Fanfare, etc.</i></p>	<p>The prayer of blessing of the Crown remains largely unchanged, apart from the addition of the words 'that he may be crowned with thy gracious favour'.</p> <p>While the Archbishop presumably joined in acclaiming the Sovereign in previous Coronations, it has not previously been a rubric that the Archbishop says 'God save the King!' as (or immediately after) he brings the Crown down onto the King's head. In all likelihood, this provision is intended to replace the tradition of peers putting on their coronets at this point in the service, which is unlikely to happen in 2023.</p> <p>The prayer of blessing beginning 'God crown you with a crown of glory and righteousness...' is entirely omitted in 2023.</p>

<p><i>trumpets shall sound, and by a signal given, the great guns at the Tower shall be shot off.</i></p> <p><i>The acclamation ceasing, the Archbishop shall go on, and say:</i></p> <p>God crown you with a crown of glory and righteousness, that having a right faith and manifold fruit of good works, you may obtain the crown of an everlasting kingdom by the gift of him whose kingdom endureth for ever. Amen.</p> <p><i>Then shall the choir sing:</i></p> <p>Be strong and of a good courage: keep the commandments of the Lord thy God, and walk in his ways.</p> <p><i>And the people shall remain standing until after the Homage be ended.</i></p>		
<p>XIII. The Benediction</p> <p><i>And now the Queen having been thus anointed and crowned, and having received all the ensigns of royalty, the Archbishop shall solemnly bless her: and the Archbishop of York and all the Bishops, with the rest of the Peers and all the people, shall follow every part of the Benediction with a loud and hearty Amen.</i></p> <p>The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord protect you in all your ways and prosper all your handywork. Amen.</p> <p>The Lord give you faithful Parliaments and quiet Realms; sure defence against all enemies; fruitful lands and a prosperous industry; wise counsellors and upright magistrates; leaders of integrity in learning and labour; a devout, learned and useful clergy; honest peaceable and dutiful citizens. Amen.</p> <p>May Wisdom and Knowledge be the Stability of your Times, and the fear of the Lord your Treasure. Amen.</p>	<p>XX. The Blessing</p> <p><i>The Archbishop of York:</i> The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon you, and give you his peace.</p> <p><i>The Greek Orthodox Archbishop of Thyateira & Great Britain:</i> The Lord protect you in all your ways and prosper all your work in his name.</p> <p><i>The Moderator of The Free Churches:</i> The Lord give you hope and happiness, that you may inspire all your people in the imitation of his unchanging love.</p> <p><i>The Secretary General of Churches Together in England:</i> The Lord grant that wisdom and knowledge will be the stability of your times, and the fear of the Lord your treasure.</p> <p><i>The Cardinal Archbishop of Westminster:</i> May God pour upon you the riches of his grace, keep you in his holy fear, prepare you for a happy eternity, and receive you at the last into immortal glory,</p>	<p>The blessing in 2023 involves leaders of all the major Christian denominations, and retains some of the wording of the 1953 blessing; but there is no mention of 'faithful Parliaments and quiet Realms; sure defence against all enemies; fruitful lands and a prosperous industry; wise counsellors and upright magistrates; leaders of integrity in learning and labour; a devout, learned and useful clergy; honest peaceable and dutiful citizens', for example.</p>

<p>The Lord who hath made you Queen over these Peoples give you increase of grace, honour, and happiness in this world, and make you partaker of his eternal felicity in the world to come. Amen.</p> <p><i>Then shall the Archbishop turn to the people and say:</i> And the same Lord God Almighty grant, that the Clergy and Nobles assembled here for this great and solemn service, and together with them all the Peoples of this Commonwealth, fearing God, and honouring the Queen, may by the gracious assistance of God's infinite goodness, and by the vigilant care of his anointed servant, our gracious Sovereign, continually enjoy peace, plenty, and prosperity; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with the eternal Father, and God the Holy Ghost, be glory in the Church, world without end. Amen.</p>	<p><i>The Archbishop of Canterbury: ...and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you and remain with you always. Amen.</i></p>	
<p>XIV. The Inthroning</p>	<p>XXI. Enthroning the King</p>	
<p><i>Then shall the Queen go to her Throne, and be lifted up into it by the Archbishops and Bishops, and other Peers of the Kingdom; and being enthroned, or placed therein, all the Great Officers, those that bear the Swords and the Sceptres, and the Nobles who carried the other Regalia, shall stand round about the steps of the Throne; and the Archbishop standing before the Queen, shall say:</i></p> <p>Stand firm, and hold fast from henceforth the seat and state of royal and imperial dignity, which is this day delivered unto you, in the Name and by the Authority of Almighty God, and by the hands of us the Bishops and servants of God, though unworthy. And the Lord God Almighty, whose ministers we are, and the stewards of his mysteries, establish your Throne in righteousness, that it may stand fast for evermore. Amen.</p>	<p><i>Archbishop of Canterbury: Stand firm, and hold fast from henceforth this seat of royal dignity, which is yours by the authority of Almighty God. May that same God, whose throne endures for ever, establish your throne in righteousness, that it may stand fast for evermore.</i></p>	<p>The prayer of enthroning is simplified; the word 'imperial' is once again removed, as well as the words 'and by the hands of us the Bishops and servants of God, though unworthy. And the Lord God Almighty, whose ministers we are, and the stewards of his mysteries.'</p>
<p>XV. The Homage</p>	<p>XXII. The Homage</p>	
<p><i>The Exhortation being ended, all the Princes and Peers then present shall do their Fealty and Homage publicly and solemnly unto the Queen: and the Queen shall deliver her Sceptre with the Cross and the Rod with the Dove, to some one near to the Blood Royal, or to the Lords that carried them in the procession, or to any other that</i></p>	<p><i>The Archbishop leads the words of fealty.</i></p> <p>The Homage of the Church of England</p>	<p>While the words of the Homage remain largely unchanged, the structure of the Homage is radically altered in 2023; traditionally, after the Homage of the Church and of Royal Blood, the senior peer in each degree would pay homage. This latter homage has been</p>

<p><i>she pleaseth to assign, to hold them by her, till the Homage be ended.</i></p> <p><i>And the Bishops that support the Queen in the procession may also ease her, by supporting the Crown, as there shall be occasion.</i></p> <p><i>The Archbishop first shall ascend the steps of the Throne and kneel down before her Majesty, and the rest of the Bishops shall kneel in their places: and they shall do their Fealty together, for the shortening of the ceremony: and the Archbishop, placing his hands between the Queen's, shall say:</i></p> <p>I, Geoffrey, Archbishop of Canterbury <i>[and so every one of the rest,</i> I N. Bishop of N., <i>repeating the rest audibly after the Archbishop]</i> will be faithful and true, and faith and truth will bear unto you, our Sovereign Lady, Queen of this Realm and Defender of the Faith, and unto your heirs and successors according to law. So help me God.</p> <p><i>Then shall the Archbishop kiss the Queen's right hand. After which the Duke of Edinburgh shall ascend the steps of the Throne, and having taken off his coronet, shall kneel down before her Majesty, and placing his hands between the Queen's, shall pronounce the words of Homage, saying:</i></p> <p>I, Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, do become your liege man of life and limb, and of earthly worship; and faith and truth I will bear unto you, to live and die, against all manner of folks. So help me God.</p> <p><i>And arising, he shall touch the Crown upon her Majesty's head and kiss her Majesty's left cheek.</i></p> <p><i>In like manner shall the Duke of Gloucester and the Duke of Kent severally do their homage. After which the Senior Peer of each degree (of the Dukes first by themselves, and so of the Marquesses,</i></p>	<p>I, Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, will be faithful and true, and faith and truth will bear unto you, our Sovereign Lord, Defender of the Faith, and unto your heirs and successors according to law. So help me God.</p> <p>The Homage of Royal Blood</p> <p>HRH The Prince of Wales leads the words of fealty. I, William, Prince of Wales, pledge my loyalty to you and faith and truth I will bear unto you, as your liege man of life and limb. So help me God.</p> <p>The Homage of The People</p> <p><i>Archbishop of Canterbury:</i> I call upon all persons of goodwill of The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and of the other Realms and the Territories to make their homage, in heart and voice, to their undoubted King, defender of all. All who so desire, in the Abbey, and elsewhere, say together:</p> <p>All: I swear that I will pay true allegiance to Your Majesty, and to your heirs and successors according to law. So help me God.</p> <p><i>A fanfare is played.</i></p> <p><i>Archbishop of Canterbury:</i> God save The King.</p> <p>All: God save King Charles. Long live King Charles. May The King live for ever.</p>	<p>replaced by an invitation to general homage from the Archbishop.</p>
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<p><i>Earls, Viscounts, and Barons in that order) shall ascend the steps of the Throne and, having first removed his coronet, shall kneel before her Majesty and place his hands between the Queen's: and all the Peers of his degree, having put off their coronets, shall kneel in their places and shall say with him:</i></p> <p>I, <i>N. Duke, or Earl, etc., of N.</i> do become your liege man of life and limb, and of earthly worship; and faith and truth I will bear unto you, to live and die, against all manner of folks. So help me God.</p> <p><i>This done, the Senior Peer shall rise, and, all the Peers of his degree rising also, he shall touch the Crown upon her Majesty's head, as promising by that ceremony for himself and his Order to be ever ready to support it with all their power; and then shall he kiss the Queen's right hand.</i></p> <p><i>At the same time the choir shall sing these anthems, or some of them: [anthems follow]</i></p> <p><i>When the Homage is ended, the drums shall beat, and the trumpets sound, and all the people shout, crying out:</i></p> <p>God save Queen ELIZABETH.</p> <p>Long live Queen ELIZABETH.</p> <p>May the Queen live for ever.</p> <p><i>Then shall the Archbishop leave the Queen in her Throne and go to the Altar.</i></p>		
	XXIII. The Coronation of the Queen	
		(Since there was no Coronation of a consort in 1953 it is omitted from comparison here)
<p>XVI. The Communion</p> <p><i>While a hymn is sung, the Queen shall descend from her Throne, supported and attended as before, and go to the steps of the Altar, where, delivering her Crown and her Sceptre and Rod to the Lord</i></p>	<p>XXIV. The Communion</p> <p>Prayer over the Gifts</p> <p><i>Archbishop of Canterbury:</i> Bless, O Lord, we beseech thee, these thy gifts, and sanctify them unto this holy use, that by them we may be made partakers of the Body and Blood of</p>	<p>While the liturgy of Holy Communion is very different in 2023 from its counterpart in 1953, owing to its being modelled on <i>Common Worship</i> rather than <i>The Book of Common Prayer</i>, there are some commonalities – such as</p>

Great Chamberlain or other appointed Officers to hold, she shall kneel down.

The hymn ended and the people kneeling, first the Queen shall offer Bread and Wine for the Communion, which being brought out of Saint Edward's Chapel, and delivered into her hands (the Bread upon the Paten by the Bishop that read the Epistle, and the Wine in the Chalice by the Bishop that read the Gospel), shall be received from the Queen by the Archbishop, and reverently placed upon the Altar, and decently covered with a fair linen cloth, the Archbishop first saying this prayer:

Bless, O Lord, we beseech thee, these thy gifts, and sanctify them unto this holy use, that by them we may be made partakers of the Body and Blood of thine only-begotten Son Jesus Christ, and fed unto everlasting life of soul and body: And that thy servant Queen ELIZABETH may be enabled to the discharge of her weighty office, whereunto of thy great goodness thou hast called and appointed her. Grant this, O Lord, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

Then the Queen, kneeling as before, shall make her Oblation, offering a Pall or Altar-cloth delivered by the Groom of the Robes to the Lord Great Chamberlain, and by him, kneeling, to her Majesty, and an Ingot or Wedge of Gold of a pound weight, which the Treasurer of the Household shall deliver to the Lord Great Chamberlain, and he to her Majesty; and the Archbishop coming to her, shall receive and place them upon the Altar.

Then shall the Queen go to her faldstool, set before the Altar between the steps and King Edward's Chair, and the Duke of Edinburgh, coming to his faldstool set beside the Queen's, shall take off his coronet. Then shall they kneel down together; and the Archbishop shall say this prayer:

Almighty God, the fountain of all goodness: give ear, we beseech thee, to our prayers, and multiply thy blessings upon this thy servant PHILIP who with all humble devotion offers himself

thine only-begotten Son Jesus Christ, and fed unto everlasting life of soul and body: And that thy servant King Charles may be enabled to the discharge of his weighty office, whereunto of thy great goodness thou hast called and appointed him. Grant this, O Lord, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

Archbishop of Canterbury:

The Lord be with you

and with thy spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ thine only Son our Lord; who hast at this time consecrated thy servant Charles to be our King, that, by the anointing of thy grace, he may be the Defender of thy Faith and the Protector of thy people; that, with him, we may learn the ways of service, compassion, and love, and that the good work which thou hast begun in him this day may be brought to completion in the day of Jesus Christ.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name, evermore praising thee and saying:

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.

Eucharistic Prayer continues

Archbishop of Canterbury: All glory be to thee, almighty God, our heavenly Father, who, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice,

the use of a very similar Eucharistic preface specific to Coronations, which is of ancient origin.

for thy service in the dignity to which thou hast called him. Defend him from all dangers, ghostly and bodily; make him a great example of virtue and godliness, and a blessing to the Queen and to her Peoples; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, O Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

Then shall the Archbishop bless the Duke, saying:

Almighty God,
to whom belongeth all power and dignity,
prosper you in your honour
and grant you therein long to continue,
fearing him always,
and always doing such things as please him,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Then the Archbishop, returning to the Altar, shall say:

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church militant here in earth.

Almighty and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks, for all men: We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to accept these oblations, and to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant, that all they that do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity, and godly love.

We beseech thee also to save and defend all Christian Kings, Princes and Governors; and specially thy servant ELIZABETH our Queen; that under her we may be godly and quietly governed; And grant unto her whole Council, and to all that are put in authority under her, that they may truly and indifferently minister justice, to the punishment of wickedness

oblation and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death, until his coming again. Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee, and grant that, by the power of thy Holy Spirit, we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me. Likewise after supper he took the cup; and when he had given thanks to thee, he gave it to them, saying: Drink ye all of this; for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me. Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy humble servants, having in remembrance the precious death and passion of thy dear Son, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion. And although we be unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences; and to grant that all we, who are partakers of this holy communion, may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father almighty, world without end. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Agnus Dei

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of

and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and Curates, that they may, both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments: And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace; and specially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom:

Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

The Exhortation

Ye that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

The General Confession

Almighty 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,

the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

During which Holy Communion is received by The King & Queen.

Archbishop of Canterbury (sotto voce): The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life: Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life: Drink this in remembrance that Christ's Blood was shed for thee, and be thankful.

Prayer after Communion

Archbishop of Canterbury: O Almighty Lord, and everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech thee, to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies, in the ways of thy laws, and in the works of thy commandments; that through thy most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Final Blessing

Archbishop of Canterbury:

Our help is in the Name of the Lord;

Who hath made heaven and earth.

Blessed be the Name of the Lord;

Now and henceforth, world without end.

Christ our King, make you faithful and strong to do his will, that you may reign with him in glory; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, rest upon you, and all whom you serve, this day, and all your days. Amen.

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.

The Absolution

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
who of his great mercy
hath promised forgiveness of sins
to all them that 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 goodness;
and bring you to everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Then shall the Archbishop say:

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all
that truly turn to him.

Come unto me, all that travail and are heavy laden,
and I will refresh you.
Matthew 11, 28.

So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son,
to the end that all that believe in him should not perish,

but have everlasting life.

John 3, 16.

Here also what Saint Paul saith.

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received,
that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

1 Timothy 1, 15.

Here also what Saint John saith.

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father,
Jesus Christ the righteous;

and he is the propitiation for our sins.

1 John 2, 1.

After which the Archbishop shall proceed, saying:

Lift up your hearts.

*Answer: **We lift them up unto the Lord.***

Archbishop: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

*Answer: **It is meet and right so to do.***

Then shall the Archbishop turn to the Lord's Table, and say:

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty,

that we should at all times, and in all places,

give thanks unto thee,

O Lord, Holy Father,

Almighty, Everlasting God:

Who hast at this time consecrated thy servant

ELIZABETH to be our Queen,

that by the anointing of thy grace she may be

the Defender of thy Faith

and the Protector of thy Church and People.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels,

and with all the company of heaven,

we laud and magnify thy glorious Name;

evermore praising thee, and saying:

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts,
heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord most high. Amen.**

The Prayer of Humble Access

We do not presume
to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness,
but in thy manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy
so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table.
But thou art the same Lord,
whose property is always to have mercy:
Grant us therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ,
and to drink his blood,
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body,
and our souls washed through his most precious blood,
and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. **Amen.**

The Prayer of Consecration

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
who of thy tender mercy
didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ
to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption;
who made there
(by his one oblation of himself once offered)
a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction
for the sins of the whole world;
and did institute,
and in his holy Gospel command us to continue,
a perpetual memory of that his precious death,
until his coming again:

Hear us, O merciful Father,
we most humbly beseech thee;
and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and
wine,
according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution,

in remembrance of his death and passion,
may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood:

who in the same night that he was betrayed,
here the Archbishop is to take the Paten into his hands
took Bread; and, when he had given thanks,
and here to break the Bread
he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying,
Take, eat;
and here to lay his hand upon the Bread
this is my Body which is given for you:
Do this in remembrance of me.

Likewise after supper
here he is to take the Cup into his hand
he took the Cup;
and when he had given thanks,
he gave it to them, saying,
Drink ye all of this;
for this
and here to lay his hand upon the Cup
is my Blood of the New Testament,
which is shed for you and for many
for the remission of sins:
Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it,
in remembrance of me. **Amen.**

*When the Archbishops, and the Dean of Westminster, with the
Bishops Assistant (namely, those who carried the Bible, Paten and
Chalice in the Procession), have communicated in both kinds, the
Queen with the Duke of Edinburgh shall advance to the steps of the
Altar and both kneeling down, the Archbishop shall administer the
Bread, and the Dean of Westminster the Cup, to them, and in the
mean time the choir shall sing:*

O taste, and see, how gracious the Lord is:
blessed is the man that trusteth in him.
Psalm 34, 8.

At the delivery of the Bread shall be said:
The Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for thee,
preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life:

Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee,
and feed on him in thy heart by faith, with thanksgiving.

At the delivery of the Cup:

The Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for thee,
preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life:
Drink this in remembrance that Christ's Blood was shed for
thee,
and be thankful.

*After which the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh shall return to
their faldstools; and the Archbishop shall go on to the Post-
Communion, he and all the people saying:*

The Lord's Prayer

And after shall be said as followeth:

Postcommunion

O Lord and heavenly Father,
we thy humble servants
entirely desire thy fatherly goodness
mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving;
most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that
by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ,
and through faith in his blood,
we and all thy whole Church
may obtain remission of our sins,
and all other benefits of his passion.
And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord,
ourselves, our souls and bodies,
to be a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice unto thee;
humbly beseeching thee, that all we,
who are partakers of this holy Communion,
may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction.
And although we be unworthy, through our manifold sins,
to offer unto thee any sacrifice,
yet we beseech thee
to accept this our bounden duty and service;
not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom,
in the unity of the Holy Ghost,
all honour and glory be unto thee,
O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

Then, all the people standing, the Queen shall rise and, receiving again her Crown and taking the Sceptre and Rod into her hands, shall repair to her Throne; and the Duke, putting on his coronet, shall return to his place.

Then shall be sung:

Glory be to God on high,
and in earth peace, good will towards men.
We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee, we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King,
God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy;
thou only art the Lord;
thou only, O Christ,
with the Holy Ghost,
art most high
in the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

Then, the people kneeling, the Archbishop shall say:

Prevent us, O Lord, in all our doings
with thy most gracious favour,
and further us with thy continual help;
that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in thee,

<p>we may glorify thy holy Name, and finally by thy mercy obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.</p> <p>The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen.</p>		
<p>XVII. Te Deum</p>	<p>XXV. Te Deum</p>	
<p><i>The solemnity of the Queen's Coronation being thus ended, the people shall stand, and the choir shall sing:</i></p> <p>Te Deum Laudamus</p> <p>We praise thee, O God: we acknowledge thee to be the Lord. All the earth doth worship thee: the Father everlasting. To thee all Angels cry aloud: the heavens and all the powers therein. To thee Cherubin and Seraphin: continually do cry, Holy, Holy, Holy: Lord God of Sabaoth; Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty: of thy glory. The glorious company of the Apostles: praise thee. The goodly fellowship of the Prophets: praise thee. The noble army of Martyrs: praise thee. The holy Church throughout all the world: doth acknowledge thee; The Father: of an infinite majesty; Thine honourable, true: and only Son;</p>	<p>We praise thee, O God: we acknowledge thee to be the Lord. All the earth doth worship thee: the Father everlasting. To thee all Angels cry aloud: the heavens and all the powers therein. To thee Cherubin and Seraphin: continually do cry, Holy, Holy, Holy: Lord God of Sabaoth; Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty: of thy glory. The glorious company of the Apostles: praise thee. The goodly fellowship of the Prophets: praise thee. The noble army of Martyrs: praise thee. The holy Church throughout all the world: doth acknowledge thee; The Father: of an infinite majesty; Thine honourable, true: and only Son; Also the Holy Ghost: the Comforter.</p> <p>Thou art the King of Glory: O Christ. Thou art the everlasting Son: of the Father. When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man:</p>	<p>Identical words for the Te Deum appear in 1953 and 2023.</p>

<p>Also the Holy Ghost: the Comforter.</p> <p>Thou art the King of Glory: O Christ. Thou art the everlasting Son: of the Father. When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man: thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb. When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death: thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Thou sittest at the right hand of God: in the glory of the Father. We believe that thou shalt come: to be our Judge. We therefore pray thee, help thy servants: whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood. Make them to be numbered with thy Saints: in glory everlasting.</p> <p>O Lord, save thy people: and bless thine heritage. Govern them: and lift them up for ever. Day by day: we magnify thee; And we worship thy Name: ever world without end. Vouchsafe, O Lord: to keep us this day without sin. O Lord, have mercy upon us: have mercy upon us. O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us: as our trust is in thee. O Lord, in thee have I trusted: let me never be confounded.</p>	<p>thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb. When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death: thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Thou sittest at the right hand of God: in the glory of the Father. We believe that thou shalt come: to be our Judge. We therefore pray thee, help thy servants: whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood. Make them to be numbered with thy Saints: in glory everlasting.</p> <p>O Lord, save thy people: and bless thine heritage. Govern them: and lift them up for ever. Day by day: we magnify thee; And we worship thy Name: ever world without end. Vouchsafe, O Lord: to keep us this day without sin. O Lord, have mercy upon us: have mercy upon us. O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us: as our trust is in thee. O Lord, in thee have I trusted: let me never be confounded.</p>	
<p>XVII. The Recess</p> <p><i>In the mean time, the Queen, supported as before, the four Swords being carried before her, shall descend from her Throne, crowned and carrying the Sceptre and the Rod in her hands, and shall go into the Area eastward of the Theatre; and, the Archbishop going before her, she shall pass on through the door on the south side of the Altar into Saint Edward's Chapel; and after her shall follow the</i></p>	<p>XXVI. The King's Outward Procession</p> <p>The National Anthem</p> <p>Organ Voluntaries</p> <p>Greeting Faith Leaders & Representatives and The Governors-Generals</p>	<p>The greeting by faith leaders, and the greeting of Governors General, is an innovation for the 2023 Coronation.</p>

<p><i>Groom of the Robes, the Lord Great Chamberlain and the Lords that carried the Regalia in the procession (the Dean of Westminster delivering the Orb, the Spurs and Saint Edward's Staff to the Bearers of them as they pass the Altar); and lastly shall go in the Dean.</i></p> <p><i>And, the TE DEUM ended, the people may be seated until the Queen comes again from the Chapel.</i></p> <p><i>The Queen, being come into the Chapel, shall deliver to the Archbishop being at the Altar there, the Sceptre and the Rod to be laid upon the Altar: and the Archbishop shall receive the Queen's Crown and lay it upon the Altar also. Then, assisted by the Mistress of the Robes, and attended by the Lord Great Chamberlain and the Groom of the Robes, the Queen shall be disrobed of the Robe Royal and arrayed in her Robe of purple velvet.</i></p> <p><i>Meanwhile the Dean of Westminster shall lay upon the Altar the Orb, the Spurs and Saint Edward's Staff, having received them from the Bearers of them, who shall then (preceded by the Bearers of the four Swords) withdraw from the Chapel by the same door on the south side and take the places assigned to them in the procession.</i></p> <p><i>The Queen being ready, and wearing her Imperial Crown, shall receive the Sceptre with the Cross into her right hand and into her left hand the Orb from the Archbishop, who having delivered them, shall withdraw from the Chapel and take his place in the procession: and the Lord Great Chamberlain shall do likewise.</i></p> <p><i>Then Her Majesty, supported and attended as before, shall leave the Chapel by the same door on the south side and shall proceed in state through the choir and the nave to the west door of the Church, wearing her Crown and bearing in her right hand the Sceptre and in her left hand the Orb.</i></p> <p><i>And as the Queen proceeds from the Chapel, there shall be sung by all assembled:</i></p> <p>The National Anthem</p>	<p><i>At the end of the procession The King receives a greeting by Leaders and Representatives from Faith Communities (Jewish, Hindu, Sikh, Muslim, Buddhist).</i></p> <p><i>As the King stands before the Leaders and Representatives of the Faith Communities, they deliver the following greeting in unison.</i></p> <p><i>Faith Leaders & Representatives: Your Majesty, as neighbours in faith, we acknowledge the value of public service. We unite with people of all faiths and beliefs in thanksgiving, and in service with you for the common good.</i></p> <p><i>The King acknowledges the greeting, and turns to greet the Governors-General.</i></p> <p><i>The King acknowledges their greeting and proceeds to the Gold State Coach.</i></p>	
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