

*The Bishop is greeted at the door where he is presented with a crucifix, Holy Water and incense. He kisses the crucifix, sprinkles the clergy, and sets incense. A procession forms and goes to the altar while the following is sung:*

Be - hold a great priest, who in his days  
was found just and pleased God. There - fore, by an oath  
the Lord made him to grow a - mong his people  
O give thanks to the Lord for he is good: for his mer - cy  
en-dures for - ev - er. Glo-ry to the Fa-ther and to the Son, and to the  
Ho - ly Spir - it; as it was in the be-gin-ning, is now and ev - er,  
for all a-ges of a - ges. A - men Be - hold a great priest,  
who in his days was found just and pleased God.  
There - fore, by an oath the Lord made him to grow  
a - mong his people

*When the procession reaches the altar the Rector prays:*

**V:** O Lord, save Your servant **N.** our (Arch)Bishop.

**R:** Who puts his trust in You.

**V:** Behold O God, our defender.

**R:** And look upon the face of Your anointed.

**V:** Send him help O God from Your holy place.

**R:** And strengthen him out of Sion.

**V:** Let not the enemy draw nigh to trouble him.

**R:** Nor the son of wickedness have power over him.

**V:** O Lord hear our prayer.

**R:** And let our cry come to You.

**V:** The Lord be with you.

**R:** And with Your spirit.

**V:** Let us pray.

Almighty God, Who by Your Son our Lord, Jesus Christ gave to Your Holy Apostles excellent gifts, and charged them to feed Your flock: Give grace, we pray, to this Your servant **N.** our (Arch)Bishop, and to all those faithful clergy of Your Church. That they may diligently proclaim Your Word and rightly and duly administer Your Holy Mysteries and that all Your people dwelling together in unity, peace and concord within Your one, true Orthodox Church, may obediently follow them in the Way that leads to the crown of everlasting life; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **R:** Amen.

**Bishop:** Graciously hear us O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God: and send Your holy Angel from Heaven to guard, cherish, protect, visit and defend Your people here; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, for all ages of ages. **R:** Amen.