Prayers While Vesting

At Washing the hands

CLEANSE my hands, O Lord, from all stain, that, pure in my mind and body, I may be worthy to serve Thee.

PLACE, O Lord, the helmet of Salvation upon my head to repel the assaults of the Devil.

CLEANSE me, O Lord, and purify my heart, that, being made white in the Blood of the Lamb, I may attain everlasting joy.

The Girdle

GIRD me, O Lord, with the girdle of purity and quench in me the fire of concupiscence, that the grace of temperance and chastity may abide in me.

The ManipleGRANT me, O Lord, to bear the light burden of grief and sorrow, that I may with gladness take the reward of my labor.

GIVE me again, O Lord, the stole of immortality, which I lost by the transgression of my first parents, and although I am unworthy to come unto The Holy Sacrament, grant that I may attain everlasting felicity.

The Chasuble

L O R D, who hast said, My yoke is easy, and My burden is light, grant that I may so bear it, as to attain Thy grace. Amen.

The Dalmatic, or Tunicle
LORD, clothe me with the garment of Salvation, and cover me with the robe of righteousness.

Prayers While Removing the Vestments

I GIVE Thee thanks, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God, who for no merits of my own, but only out of the condescension of Thy mercy, hast vouchsafed to feed me, a sinner, Thy unworthy servant, with the precious Body and Blood of Thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ.

AN D I pray that this Holy Communion may not bring guilt upon me to condemnation, but may intercede for me to my pardon and salvation.

LET it be to me an armor of faith, and a shield of good purpose.

LET it be to me a riddance of all vices, an extermination of all evil desires and lusts; an increase of love and patience, of humility and obedience, and all virtues.

LET it be to me a firm defense against the wiles of my enemies, visible and invisible; a perfect quieting of all my impulses, fleshly and spiritual; a firm adherence to Thee, the One true God; and a blessed consummation of my end.

AN D I pray Thee, that Thou wouldst vouchsafe to bring me, a sinner, to that unspeakable Feast, where Thou, with Thy Son and the Holy Ghost, art to Thy Saints true light, full satisfaction, everlasting joy, complete delight, and perfect happiness. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.