

Daily Prayer

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Ordinary Time

Week 4

Sunday Daily Prayer

Preparation

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

My heart tells of your word, 'Seek my face.'

Your face, Lord, will I seek.

Psalm 27.10

Praise

We praise you, O God,
we acclaim you as the Lord;
all creation worships you,
the Father everlasting.
To you all angels, all the powers of heaven,
the cherubim and seraphim, sing in endless praise:
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

from Te Deum Laudamus

Psalm 138.1-3, 6-8

- 1 I will give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart: even before the gods will I sing your praises.
- 2 I will bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name: because of your faithfulness and your loving-kindness, for you have made your name and your word supreme over all things.
- 3 At a time when I called to you, you gave me answer: and put new strength within my soul.
- 6 For though the Lord is exalted, he looks upon the lowly: and he comprehends the proud from afar.
- 7 Though I walk in the midst of danger, yet will you preserve my life:
 you will stretch out your hand against the fury of my enemies, and your right hand shall save me.
- 8 The Lord will complete his purpose for me: your loving-kindness, O Lord, endures for ever; do not forsake the work of your own hands.

Sirach 24.8-12

'Then the Creator of all things gave me a command, and my Creator chose the place for my tent.

He said, "Make your dwelling in Jacob, and in Israel receive your inheritance."

Before the ages, in the beginning, he created me, and for all the ages I shall not cease to be.

In the holy tent I ministered before him, and so I was established in Zion.

Thus in the beloved city he gave me a resting-place, and in Jerusalem was my domain.

I took root in an honoured people, in the portion of the Lord, his heritage.

Response

Silence

Jesus said, I am the living bread that came down from heaven.

Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever.

John 6.5 1a

Prayer

Concluding Prayer

Christ be with me, Christ within me,

Christ behind me, Christ before me,

Christ beside me, Christ to win me,

Christ to comfort and restore me.

Christ beneath me, Christ above me,

Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,

Christ in hearts of all that love me,

Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.

Amen.

from St Patrick's Breastplate

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

The Conclusion

May God who made both heaven and earth bless us.

Monday Daily Prayer

Preparation

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart

be acceptable in your sight,

O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

Psalm 19.14

Praise

I bind unto myself today

the strong name of the Trinity,

by invocation of the same,

the Three in One, and One in Three.

Of whom all nature hath creation;

eternal Father, Spirit, Word:

Praise to the Lord of my salvation,

salvation is of Christ the Lord.

from St Patrick's Breastplate

Psalm 61

1 Hear my loud crying, O God: and give heed to my prayer.

2 From the ends of the earth I call to you when my heart faints:

O set me on the rock that is higher than I.

3 For you have been my refuge: and my strong tower against the enemy.

4 I will dwell in your tent for ever: and find shelter in the covering of your wings.

5 For you have heard my vows, O God: you have granted the desire of those that fear your name.

6 You will give the king long life: and his years shall endure through many generations.

7 He shall dwell before God for ever: loving-kindness and truth shall be his guard.

8 So will I ever sing praises to your name: while I daily perform my vows.

Exodus 20.1, 12-17

Then God spoke all these words:

Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

Response

Silence

Jesus said, I am the true vine.

My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit.

John 15.1a,8

Prayer

Concluding Prayer

Eternal light, shine into our hearts,

eternal goodness, deliver us from evil,

eternal power, be our support,

eternal wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance,

eternal pity, have mercy upon us;

that with all our heart and mind and soul and strength

we may seek your face and be brought by your infinite mercy

to your holy presence;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Alcuin of York (804)

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

The Conclusion

May God who made both heaven and earth bless us.

Tuesday Daily Prayer

Preparation

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

O my God, in you I trust.

Psalm 25. 1a

Praise

I am giving you worship with all my life,

I am giving you obedience with all my power,

I am giving you praise with all my strength,

I am giving you honour with all my speech.

I am giving you love with all my heart,

I am giving you affection with all my sense,

I am giving you my being with all my mind,

I am giving you my soul, O most high and holy God.

Praise to the Father,

Praise to the Son,

Praise to the Spirit,

The Three in One.

adapted from Alexander Carmichael, Carmina Gadelica (1900)

Psalm 28.1-2, 6-9

- 1 To you will I cry, O Lord my rock, be not deaf to my prayer: lest, if you turn away silent, I become like those that go down to the grave.
- 2 Hear the voice of my supplicationwhen I cry to you for help:when I lift up my handstoward the holiest place of your sanctuary.
- 6 For they pay no heed to the Lord's acts, nor to the operation of his hands: therefore shall he break them down and not build them up.
- 7 Let the Lord's name be praised: for he has heard the voice of my supplication.
- 8 The Lord is my strength and my shield, in him my heart trusts and I am helped: therefore my heart dances for joy, and in my song will I praise him.
- 9 The Lord is the strength of his people: and a sure refuge for his anointed king.

Isaiah 6.5-8

And I said: 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!'

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: 'Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.' Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom

shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!'

Response

Silence

Jesus said, I am the light of the world.

Whoever follows me will have the light of life.

John 8.12

Prayer

Concluding Prayer

Eternal God,

the light of the minds that know you,

the joy of the hearts that love you,

and the strength of the wills that serve you:

grant us so to know you

that we may truly love you,

so to love you that we may truly serve you,

whose service is perfect freedom;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

after Augustine of Hippo (430)

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,

now and forever. Amen.

The Conclusion

May Christ our redeemer bring us healing and wholeness.

Wednesday Daily Prayer

Preparation

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Make me to know your ways, O Lord,

and teach me your paths.

Psalm 25.3

Praise

You, Christ, are the King of glory,

the eternal Son of the Father.

When you took our flesh to set us free

you humbly chose the Virgin's womb.

You overcame the sting of death

and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

You are seated at God's right hand in glory.

from Te Deum Laudamus

Psalm 119.145-152

- 145 I call with my whole heart: hear me, O Lord, I will keep your statutes.
- 146 I cry out to you; O save me: and I will heed your commands.
- 147 Before the morning light I rise and I call: for in your word is my hope.
- 148 Before the night watch my eyes wake: that I may meditate upon your words.
- 149 Hear my voice, O Lord, in your loving mercy: and according to your judgements, give me life.
- 150 They draw near to me who maliciously persecute me: but they are far from your law.
- 151 You, Lord, are close at hand: and all your commandments are true.
- 152 I have known long since from your commands: that you have founded them for ever.

Deuteronomy 24.14-15, 18

You shall not withhold the wages of poor and needy labourers, whether other Israelites or aliens who reside in your land in one of your towns. You shall pay them their wages daily before sunset, because they are poor and their livelihood depends on them; otherwise they might cry to the LORD against you, and you would incur guilt. Remember that you were a slave in Egypt and the LORD your God redeemed you from there; therefore I command you to do this.

Response

Silence

Jesus said, I am the way, and the truth, and the life.

No one comes to the Father except through me.

John 14.6

Prayer

Concluding Prayer

O Lord our God,

grant us grace to desire you with our whole heart;

that so desiring, we may seek and find you;

and so finding, may love you;

and so loving, may hate those sins from which you have delivered us;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Anselm (1109)

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

The Conclusion

May God grant to the world justice, truth and peace.

Thursday Daily Prayer

Preparation

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Teach me to do what pleases you, for you are my God;

let your kindly spirit lead me on a level path.

Psalm 143.10

Praise

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life:

Such a Way, as gives us breath:

Such a Truth, as ends all strife:

And such a Life, as killeth death.

Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength:

Such a Light, as shows a Feast:

Such a Feast, as mends in length:

Such a Strength, as makes his guest.

Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart:

Such a Joy, as none can move:

Such a Love, as none can part:

Psalm 108.2-7

- 2 Awake my soul, awake lute and harp: for I will awaken the morning.
- 3 I will give you thanks, O Lord, among the peoples: I will sing your praise among the nations.
- 4 For the greatness of your mercy reaches to the heavens: and your faithfulness to the clouds.
- 5 Be exalted, O God, above the heavens: and let your glory be over all the earth;
- 6 That those whom you love may be delivered:
 O save us by your right hand, and answer me.
- 7 God has said in his holy place:'I will exult and divide Shechem,I will parcel out the valley of Succoth.

Genesis 22.15-18

The angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven, and said, 'By myself I have sworn, says the LORD: Because you have done this, and have not withheld your son, your only son, I will indeed bless you, and I will make your offspring as numerous as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of their enemies, and by your offspring shall all the nations of the earth gain blessing for themselves, because you have obeyed my voice.'

Response

Silence

Jesus said, I am the gate for the sheep.

I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

John 10.7,10b

Prayer

Concluding Prayer

O gracious and holy Father,

give us wisdom to perceive you,

diligence to seek you,

patience to wait for you,

eyes to behold you,

a heart to meditate upon you,

and a life to proclaim you,

through the power of the Spirit

of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

The Conclusion

May God kindle in us the fire of love.

Friday Daily Prayer

Preparation

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Make me a clean heart, O God;

and renew a right spirit within me.

Psalm 51.11

Praise

Jesus, Saviour of the world, come to us in your mercy: we look to you to save and help us.

By your cross and your life laid down, you set your people free:

we look to you to save and help us.

When they were ready to perish, you saved your disciples: we look to you to come to our help.

In the greatness of your mercy, loose us from our chains, forgive the sins of all your people.

Make yourself known as our Saviour and mighty deliverer; save us and help us that we may praise you.

Come now and dwell with us, Lord Christ Jesus: hear our prayer and be with us always.

And when you come in your glory:

make us to be one with you

and to share the life of your kingdom.

Psalm 62.2-4, 6-9

- 2 He only is my rock and my salvation: my strong tower, so that I shall never be moved.
- 3 How long will you all plot against me to destroy me: as though I were a leaning fence or a buckling wall?
- 4 Their design is to thrust me from my height, and their delight is in lies: they bless with their lips, but inwardly they curse.
- 6 He only is my rock and my salvation: my strong tower, so that I shall not be moved.
- 7 In God is my deliverance and my glory: God is my strong rock and my shelter.
- 8 Trust in him at all times, O my people: pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.
- 9 The children of Adam are but breath, the children of earth are a lie: place them in the scales and they fly upward, they are as light as air.

Leviticus 19.1-2, 33-34

The LORD spoke to Moses, saying:

Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy.

When an alien resides with you in your land, you shall not oppress the alien. The alien who resides with you shall be to you as the citizen among you; you shall love the alien as yourself, for you were aliens in the land of Egypt: I am the LORD your God.

Response

Silence

Jesus said, I am the good shepherd.

The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

John 10.11

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Concluding Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, we thank you

for all the benefits that you have won for us,

for all the pains and insults that you have borne for us.

Most merciful redeemer,

friend and brother,

may we know you more clearly,

love you more dearly,

and follow you more nearly,

day by day. Amen

after Richard of Chichester (1253)

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

The Conclusion

May Christ our Saviour give us peace.

Saturday Daily Prayer

Preparation

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens;

and your faithfulness to the clouds.

Psalm 36.5

Praise

What shall I give you, Lord, in return for all your kindness?

Glory to you for your love.

Glory to you for your patience.

Glory to you for forgiving us all our sins.

Glory to you for coming to save our souls.

Glory to you for your incarnation in the virgin's womb.

Glory to you for your bonds.

Glory to you for receiving the cut of the lash.

Glory to you for accepting mockery.

Glory to you for your crucifixion.

Glory to you for your burial.

Glory to you for your resurrection.

Glory to you that you were preached to all.

Glory to you in whom they believed.

Ephrem the Syrian (373)

The Word of God

Psalm 75.1-8, 10

- 1 We give you thanks, O God, we give you thanks: we call upon your name and tell of all the wonders you have done.
- 2 'I will surely appoint a time: when I, the Lord, will judge with equity.
- 3 'Though the earth shake, and all who dwell in it: it is I that have founded its pillars.
- 4 'I will say to the boasters "Boast no more": and to the wicked "Do not flaunt your horns;
- 5 "Do not flaunt your horns so high: or speak so proud and stiff-necked."
- 6 For there is none from the east or from the west: or from the wilderness who can raise up;
- 7 But it is God who is the judge: who puts down one and exalts another.
- 8 For there is a cup in the Lord's hand: and the wine foams and is richly mixed;
- 10 But I will sing praises to the God of Jacob: I will glorify his name for ever.

Deuteronomy 24.19-22

When you reap your harvest in your field and forget a sheaf in the field, you shall not go back to get it; it shall be left for the alien, the orphan, and the widow, so that the LORD your God may bless you in all your undertakings. When you beat your olive trees, do not strip what is left; it shall be for the alien, the orphan, and the widow.

When you gather the grapes of your vineyard, do not glean what is left; it shall be for the alien, the orphan, and the widow. Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt; therefore I am commanding you to do this.

Response

Silence

Jesus said, I am the resurrection and the life.

Those who believe in me will never die

cf John 11.25,26

Prayer

Concluding Prayer

God be in my head, and in my understanding;

God be in my eyes, and in my looking;

God be in my mouth, and in my speaking;

God be in my heart, and in my thinking;

God be at mine end, and at my departing. Amen.

Sarum Primer

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done

on earth as in heaven.

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as we forgive those who sin against us.

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now and forever. Amen

The Conclusion

May Christ dwell in our hearts by faith.