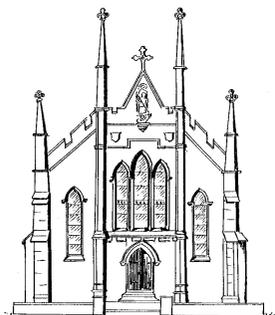


DAILY PRAYERS WEEK 31



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Sunday – Feast of All Saints

Collect:

Almighty ever-living God,
by whose gift we venerate in one celebration
the merits of all the Saints, bestow on us, we pray,
through the prayers of so many intercessors,
an abundance of the reconciliation with You
for which we earnestly long.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son,
who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
One God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Today's Gospel reading: Matthew 5:1-12a

Today's prayer: 'Te Deum' - *the great hymn of thanksgiving. As we pray this prayer, we with join in praising God with, and for, all those wonderful unsung saints who have gone before us.*

We praise You, O God: we acclaim You as the Lord.
Everlasting Father, all the world bows down before You.
All the angels sing Your praise, the hosts of heaven and all the angelic powers,
all the cherubim and seraphim call out to You in unending song:
Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord God of angel hosts!
The heavens and the earth are filled with Your majesty and glory.
The glorious band of apostles, the noble company of prophets,
the white-robed army who shed their blood for Christ, all sing Your praise.
And to the ends of the earth Your holy Church proclaims her faith in You:
Father, whose majesty is boundless, Your true and only Son, who is to be adored,
the Holy Spirit sent to be our Advocate.
You, Christ, are the king of glory, Son of the eternal Father.
When You took our nature to save mankind
You did not shrink from birth in the Virgin's womb.
You overcame the power of death opening the Father's kingdom to all who believe in
You.
Enthroned at God's right hand in the glory of the Father,
You will come in judgement according to Your promise.
You redeemed Your people by Your precious blood.
Come, we implore You, to our aid. Grant us with the saints a place in eternal glory.
Lord, save Your people and bless Your inheritance.
Rule them and uphold them for ever and ever.
Day by day we praise You: we acclaim You now and to all eternity.
In Your goodness, Lord, keep us free from sin. Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.
May Your mercy always be with us, Lord, for we have hoped in You.
In You, Lord, we put our trust: we shall not be put to shame.

Monday – Feast of All Souls

Collect:

Listen kindly to our prayers, O Lord,
and, as our faith in Your Son,
raised from the dead, is deepened,
so may our hope of resurrection for Your departed servants
also find new strength.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son,
who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
One God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Today's Gospel reading: John 6:37-40

Today's prayer:

'De profundis' - Psalm 129(130)

Out of the depths I cry to You, O Lord, Lord, hear my voice!
O let Your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleading.
If You, O Lord, should mark our guilt, Lord, who would survive?
But with You is found forgiveness: for this we revere You.
My soul is waiting for the Lord. I count on His word.
My soul is longing for the Lord more than watchman for daybreak.
(Let the watchman count on daybreak and Israel on the Lord.)
Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption,
Israel indeed He will redeem from all its iniquity.
Eternal rest give to them, O Lord. and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen.

V. O Lord, hear my prayer.

R. And let my cry for help reach You.

Let us pray. O God, the Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful; grant to the souls
of Your servants departed the remission of all their sins, that by our pious
supplications they may obtain that pardon which they have always desired. You
who live and reign, world without end. Amen.

May their, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest
in peace. Amen.

Tuesday – Week 31

St Winefride, Virgin St Martin de Porres, Religious

Collect:

Almighty and merciful God,
by whose gift Your faithful offer You
right and praiseworthy service, grant, we pray,
that we may hasten without stumbling
to receive the things You have promised.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son,
who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
One God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Today's Gospel reading: Luke 14:15-24

Today's prayer:

Most glorious Martin De Porres, whose burning charity embraced
not only your needy brethren, but also the very animals of the field,
splendid example of charity, we hail you and invoke you!
From that high throne which you occupy, listen to our needs today,
that, by imitating your virtues, we may live contented
in that state in which God has placed us
and carrying with strength and courage our cross,
we may follow in the footsteps of Our Blessed Redeemer
and His most afflicted Mother,
that at last we may reach the kingdom of heaven
through the merits of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

St Winefride, Pray for us

St Martin de Porres, Pray for us

St Martin de Porres was born in Lima, Peru in 1579. He was the illegitimate son of a Spanish knight and a freed Panama slave. His mother apprenticed him to a surgeon/barber where he learned to care for the sick. When he was fifteen, Martin became a lay helper at the Dominican Friary of Lima. After nine years of service, his continuous prayer, penance and charity led the community to request that he join their order. Martin continued to care for the sick and for slaves brought over from Africa. He helped to open an orphanage and a hospital. He became known as a skilled surgeon and healer, saving the life of a priest with a badly infected leg and healing the fingers of a student working to become a priest. His cures came as much from his prayers as they did from his medical knowledge. He was known to heal the sick outside the friary with as little as a glass of water. He ran an animal hospital at his sister's house. Stories are told of him having a cat, a dog, and a mouse eating together from the same bowl of food. He had a reputation for spiritual wisdom which caused people to come to him to solve marriage problems and resolve theological conflicts. His fellow Dominicans referred to him as the father of charity. He died

November 3, 1639

and was canonized by Pope John XXIII in 1962.

Wednesday – St Charles Borromeo

Bishop

Collect:

Preserve in the midst of Your people,
we ask, O Lord, the spirit with which You filled
the Bishop Saint Charles Borromeo,
that Your Church may be constantly renewed
and, by conforming herself to the likeness of Christ,
may show His face to the world.
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Today's Gospel reading: John 10:11-16

Today's prayer:

A Prayer of St Charles Borromeo

Almighty God, You have generously made known to human beings
the mysteries of Your life through Jesus Christ, Your Son in the Holy Spirit.
Enlighten my mind to know these mysteries
which Your Church treasures and teaches.
Move my heart to love them and my will to live in accord with them.
Give me the ability to teach this Faith to others
without pride, without ostentation, and without personal gain.
Let me realise that I am simply Your instrument
for bringing others to the knowledge of the wonderful things
You have done for all Your creatures.
Help me to be faithful to this task that You have entrusted to me. Amen.

St Charles Borromeo, Pray for us

*St Charles Borromeo (2nd October 1538 – 3rd November 1584) was the
archbishop of Milan from 1564 to 1584 and a cardinal. He was a leading
figure of the Counter-Reformation together with St Ignatius of Loyola and
St Philip Neri.*

Thursday – Week 31

Collect:

Almighty and merciful God,
by whose gift Your faithful offer You
right and praiseworthy service,
grant, we pray,
that we may hasten without stumbling
to receive the things You have promised.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son,
who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
One God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Today's Gospel reading: Luke 15:1-10

Today's Prayer:

A Prayer in Praise of God's Greatness

Almighty, true and incomparable God,
You are present in all things,
yet in no way limited by them.
You remain unaffected by place,
untouched by time,
unperturbed by years,
and undecieved by words.
You are not subject to birth
and in no need of protection.
You are beyond all corruption,
above all change,
immutable by nature.
You live in unapproachable light
and are invisible,
yet You are known to all those
who seek You with hope and love.
You are the God of Israel,
and of all who hope in Christ. Amen.

Friday – Week 31

Collect:

Almighty and merciful God,
by whose gift Your faithful offer You
right and praiseworthy service,
grant, we pray,
that we may hasten without stumbling
to receive the things You have promised.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son,
who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
One God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Today's Gospel reading: Luke 16:1-8

Today's prayer:

God, my Father,
may I love You in all things and above all things.
May I reach the joy
which You have prepared for me in heaven.
Nothing is good that is against Your Will,
and all that is good comes from Your Hand.
Place in my heart a desire to please You
and fill my mind with thoughts of Your Love,
so that I may grow in Your Wisdom and enjoy Your Peace.

Saturday – Week 31

St Willibrord, Bishop

Collect:

Almighty and merciful God,
by whose gift Your faithful offer You
right and praiseworthy service,
grant, we pray,
that we may hasten without stumbling
to receive the things You have promised.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son,
who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
One God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Today's Gospel reading: Luke 16:9-15

Today's prayer:

O Lord our God,
You call whom You will and send them where You choose:
We thank You for sending Your servant Willibrord
to be an apostle to the Low Countries,
to turn them from the worship of idols
to serve You, the living God;
and we entreat You to preserve us
from the temptation to exchange the perfect freedom of Your service
for servitude to false gods and to idols of our own devising.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

St Willibrord, Pray for us

St Willibrord (c.658 – 739) was a Saxon from Northumbria. He converted to Christianity, dedicated his life to God's service and entered the Abbey of Ripon. He later transferred to the Benedictines and spent the following 12 years studying at the Abbey of Rathmelsigi; being influenced by St Wilfrid and St Egbert. With a group of 11 others, he was sent to Northern Europe to convert the then pagans. He was consecrated Bishop of the Frisians and counted as the first Bishop of Utrecht, Holland. He established many Abbeys, Monasteries and Churches. In 716, St Willibrord was forced to flee Frisia when the area was overrun by pagans who killed many missionaries but, a few years later, he returned to continue his great ministry