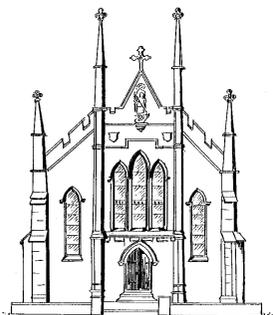


DAILY PRAYERS WEEK 33



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Sunday – Week 33

Collect:

Grant us, we pray, O Lord our God,
the constant gladness of being devoted to You,
for it is full and lasting happiness
to serve with constancy
the author of all that is good.
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 25:14-30

Today's prayer:

Heavenly Father,
Creator of heaven and earth.
Hallowed be Your name.
I come before You today with a thankful heart.
For too long, all I have done is ask, demand and complain to You
without appreciating You for the things You have done for me.
Father, I give thanks for my life, my family, my friends.
I am grateful for Your blessings of health, food, water, clothing.
You have always been my rock and strength.

Glory be to the Father...

Monday – Week 33

St Edmund of Abingdon, Bishop; St Margaret of Scotland, Queen
St Gertrude, Virgin

Collect:

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the constant gladness of being devoted to You,
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One God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Today's Gospel reading: Luke 18:35-43

Today's prayer:

Prayer of St Edmund of Abingdon

Lord, into Your hands and into the hands of Your holy angels,
I entrust this day my life, my relatives, my benefactors, my friends and my
enemies, and all Your people.
Enlighten my heart with the grace of Your Holy Spirit;
grant that I may ever be obedient to Your commandments,
never let me be separated from You,
who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and
ever. Amen,

To St Margaret of Scotland

Merciful God, You gave the holy Queen Margaret of Scotland great love for
the poor.
Lend Your ear to the intercessions of this holy woman
and help us to live after her example so that Your goodness and mercy
becomes visible in today's world. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

To St Gertrude

Father, You filled the heart of Saint Gertrude with the presence of Your
love. Bring light into our darkness and let us experience the joy of Your
presence and the power of Your grace. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*St Edmund of Abingdon (c.1174 – 1240) was English born prelate who served as
archbishop of Canterbury. St Margaret of Scotland (c.1045 – 16th November 1093), was
an English princess and Queen of Scotland. St Gertrude the Great (6th January 1256 – 16th
November 1302) was a German Benedictine nun, mystic, and theologian.*

Tuesday – Week 33

St Hilda of Whitby, Abbess; St Hugh of Lincoln, Bishop
St Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious

Collect:

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the constant gladness of being devoted to You,
for it is full and lasting happiness
to serve with constancy the author of all that is good.
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 19:1-10

Today's prayers:

A Prayer of St Hilda

May I be equal to Your hope of me. If I am weak, I ask that You send only what I
can bear. If I am strong, may I shrink from no testing that shall yield increase of
strength or win security for my spirit. I trust in You, O Lord. I say, 'You are my
God.' My times are in Your hand, my times are in Your hand. Amen.

In honour of St Hugh

Holy God, who endowed Your servant Hugh of Lincoln with wise and cheerful
boldness and taught him to commend the discipline of holy life to kings and
princes: Grant that we also, rejoicing in the Good News of Your mercy, and
fearing nothing but the loss of You, may be bold to speak the truth in love, in the
name of Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God,
for ever and ever. Amen.

To St Elizabeth of Hungary

Saint Elizabeth, you were always poor in spirit, most generous toward the poor,
faithful to your husband and fully consecrated to your Divine Bridegroom. Grant
your help to widows and widowers and keep them faithful to their heavenly Lord.
Teach them to make use of their time in the service of God our Lord.

*St Hilda of Whitby (c. 614–680) founding abbess of the monastery at Whitby, which was
chosen as the venue for the Synod of Whitby. An verty important figure in the
Christianisation of Anglo-Saxon England, she was abbess at several monasteries and
recognised for the wisdom that drew kings to her for advice.*

*St Hugh of Lincoln (c. 1135-1140 – 16th November 1200), a French noble, Benedictine
monk, then bishop of Lincoln. At the time of the Reformation, he was the best-known
English saint after Thomas Becket.*

*St Elizabeth of Hungary (7th July 1207 – 17th November 1231), was a princess of the
Kingdom of Hungary. She is the patroness of Third Order of St. Francis.*

Wednesday – Week 33

Dedication of the Basilica of Sts Peter and Paul, Rome

Collect:

Grant us, we pray, O Lord our God,
the constant gladness of being devoted to You,
for it is full and lasting happiness
to serve with constancy
the author of all that is good.
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 19:11-28

Today's prayer:

To Saint Peter and St Paul

Lord our God, Saints Peter and Paul steered the early Church
by Your Power and were leaders
who modelled and strengthened the faith of the Church.
Therefore I ask Saints Peter and Paul to pray for my faith
to grow stronger and stronger every day.
I ask Saints Peter and Paul to pray for me to become mature spiritually.
Wherever I become an infant in my relationship with You,
weak and uncertain, help me, O Lord,
to increase in faith and trust.
Lord, enkindle Your fire that flickers inside me
and let it become a flame that brightens other people's lives.

Saint Peter and Saint Paul, Pray for me.

*The Dedication of the present Roman Basilicas of Saint Peter (the Vatican),
and Saint Paul's Outside the Walls, both of which replace older buildings
built by Constantine in the fourth century over the tombs of the apostles Sts
Peter and Paul. The dedication of these churches has been commemorated
together on this day since the 12th century, and today's feast direct us
to pray for the unity of the Church throughout the world.*

Thursday – Week 33

Collect:

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the constant gladness of being devoted to You,
for it is full and lasting happiness
to serve with constancy
the author of all that is good.
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 19:41-44

Today's Prayer:

Help us Father to be both humble and faithful in our daily living and
serving.
And by Your grace, may we look forward to hearing You say:
'Well done, my good and faithful servant.
You have been faithful in handling this small amount,
so now I will give you many more responsibilities.
Thank You, Father, for the joy of knowing and serving You.
Thank You that each day is another opportunity to engage in Your service
with excitement and enthusiasm.
You who live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.

Friday – Week 33

Collect:

Grant us, we pray, O Lord our God,
the constant gladness of being devoted to You,
for it is full and lasting happiness
to serve with constancy
the author of all that is good.
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 19:45-48

Today's prayer:

Father, You have asked us to love one another, for love comes from You.
Anyone who loves is Your child and knows You.
Those who do not love do not know You, for You are love.
You have shown how much You loved us by sending Your one and only
Son, Jesus, into the world so that we might have eternal life through Him.
This is real love – not that we loved You,
but You loved us and sent Your Son as a sacrifice to take away our sins.
Thank You, Jesus, for giving Your life for ours.
We were not worthy, yet, You made us worthy to love and know You.
Thank You!
Today, we confess that we will love You
with all of our hearts, souls, strength and minds,
and we will love our neighbour as we love ourselves.

Saturday – The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the Temple

Collect:

As we venerate the glorious memory
of the most holy Virgin Mary,
grant, we pray, O Lord, through her intercession,
that we, too, may merit to receive
from the fullness of Your grace.
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 12:46-50

Today's prayer:

Heavenly Father,
the Blessed Virgin Mary was dedicated to You
by her parents when she was three.
In the temple, she joined the girls who spent their days praying,
reading Scripture, and serving the temple priests.
Her holiness was very evident,
and the high priest thought that You probably had great plans for her.
I ask Mary to pray for the plans You have for my life.
Where I have strayed onto a road of my own choosing,
give me her hand to guide me back to where You want me.
Where I need to wait for a new plan to begin,
give me the grace remain patient and say.
'Your will be done'
Blessed Virgin Mary, Pray for me. Amen.

Our Lady, Temple of the Lord, Pray for me
St Anne, Pray for me
St Joachim, Pray for me

The account of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the Temple is principally based on the Protoevangelium of James, which has been dated by historians prior to the year 200 AD. The story relates that in thanksgiving for the birth of their daughter Mary, Sts Joachim and Anne decide to consecrate her to God, and bring her, at the age of three years, to the temple in Jerusalem.