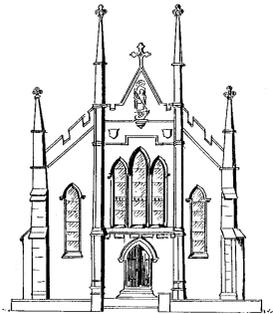


# DAILY PRAYERS WEEK 23



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## Sunday – Week 23

### **Collect:**

O God, by whom we are redeemed and receive adoption,  
look graciously upon Your beloved sons and daughters,  
that those who believe in Christ  
may receive true freedom  
and an everlasting inheritance.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son,  
who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Today's Gospel reading:** Mark 7:31-37

### **Today's prayer:**

God our Father,  
extend our horizons,  
widen our vision,  
and remind us how inter-connected we are  
as Your sons and daughters.  
Breathe Your Holy Spirit into us  
that we may live more truly  
as brothers and sisters of one another.

Our Father...

## Monday – Week 23

### Collect:

O God, by whom we are redeemed and receive adoption,  
look graciously upon Your beloved sons and daughters,  
that those who believe in Christ  
may receive true freedom  
and an everlasting inheritance.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son,  
who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Today's Gospel reading:** Luke 6:6-11

### Today's prayer:

God of hope, it is for freedom that Christ has set us free,  
yet so often we choose to bind ourselves and others  
to a yoke that is not Yours.  
Breathe Your Holy Spirit into us,  
and give us eyes to see the invisible chains  
which constrict and constrain Your image in us and in others.  
Give us ears to hear the silent cry  
of those whose lives languish in the darkness of despair.  
Give us hearts to feel the pain  
of lives whose iron bars hide all horizon of hope and healing.  
Lord Jesus, You bound both death and darkness,  
and conquered the grave,  
and freed all captives from the slavery of sin  
we renounce our own self-destructive habits of hopelessness.  
we denounce a world which coerces and compels with fear and false  
obedience,  
and we pronounce the dawning of Your kind and compassionate kingdom,  
the hope of all who walk expectantly with You in Your exodus  
from the darkness of dependence  
into the light of Your new life.  
You who live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.

Our Father...

## Tuesday - Week 23

### Collect:

O God, by whom we are redeemed and receive adoption,  
look graciously upon Your beloved sons and daughters,  
that those who believe in Christ  
may receive true freedom  
and an everlasting inheritance.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son,  
who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Today's Gospel reading:** Luke 6:12-19

### Today's prayer:

May today there be peace within.  
May you trust God that you are exactly where you are meant to be.  
May you not forget the infinite possibilities that are born of faith.  
May you use those gifts that you have received,  
and pass on the love that has been given to you  
May you be confident knowing you are a child of God.  
Let this presence settle into your bones,  
and allow your soul the freedom to sing, dance, praise and love.  
It is there for each and every one of us.

*Based on the words of St Thérèse of Lisieux and St Teresa of Avila*

## Wednesday – Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

### Collect:

Impart to Your servants, we pray, O Lord,  
the gift of heavenly grace,  
that the feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin  
may bring deeper peace  
to those for whom the birth of her Son  
was the dawning of salvation.  
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 1:1-16,18-23

### Today's prayer:

You are all fair, O Virgin Mary,  
You never knew the stain of sin;  
You are the glory of Jerusalem,  
You, the joy of Israel,  
You, the great honour of our people,  
You, the advocate of sinners.  
O Mary, Virgin most prudent,  
O Mary, Mother most merciful,  
Pray for us,  
Intercede for us with our Lord,  
Jesus Christ.

Hail Mary...

## Thursday – Week 23

St Peter Claver

### Collect:

O God, by whom we are redeemed and receive adoption,  
look graciously upon Your beloved sons and daughters,  
that those who believe in Christ  
may receive true freedom  
and an everlasting inheritance.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son,  
who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Today's Gospel reading:** Luke 6:27-38

### Today's Prayer:

God our Heavenly Father, You have given us life  
through the Death and Resurrection  
of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ;

Jesus, our Saving Lord, You came into a world  
darkened by our sin  
and gave it light through Your teachings;

Holy Spirit, the Breath of God within us,  
You guide and enlighten us  
and give us the strength of our convictions;

In the life and work of St Peter Claver, who became an example for us,  
You show us how to live Your Love,  
in the Light of Christ, and the strength of the Holy Spirit;  
We pray now that all we say and do, in Your honour,  
be a continuation of Your work here on earth.

St Peter Claver, Pray for us.

*St Peter Claver, (26<sup>th</sup> June 1580, Verdú, Spain – 8<sup>th</sup> Septembner 1654, Cartagena, Colombia) He was a member of the Society of Jesus and is the patron of African missions and of interracial justice, due to his work with slaves in Colombia.*

## Friday – Week 23

### Collect:

O God, by whom we are redeemed and receive adoption,  
look graciously upon Your beloved sons and daughters,  
that those who believe in Christ  
may receive true freedom  
and an everlasting inheritance.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son,  
who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Today's Gospel reading:** Luke 6:39-42

### Today's prayer:

May God the Father who made us bless us.  
May God the Son send His healing among us.  
May God the Holy Spirit move within us  
And give us eyes to see with,  
ears to hear with,  
and hands that Your work might be done.  
May we walk and preach the word of God to all.  
May the angel of peace watch over us  
And lead us at last by God's grace  
to the Kingdom.

*A prayer of St Dominic*

## Saturday – Week 23

### Collect:

O God, by whom we are redeemed and receive adoption,  
look graciously upon Your beloved sons and daughters,  
that those who believe in Christ  
may receive true freedom  
and an everlasting inheritance.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son,  
who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Today's Gospel reading:** Luke 6:43-49

### Today's prayer:

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary,  
that never was it known  
that anyone who fled to your protection,  
implored your help,  
or sought your intercession was left unaided.  
Inspired by this confidence,  
I fly to you, O Virgin of virgins, my mother;  
to you do I come,  
before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful.  
O Mother of the Word Incarnate,  
despise not my petitions,  
but in your mercy hear and answer me.

*St Bernard's 'Memorare'*