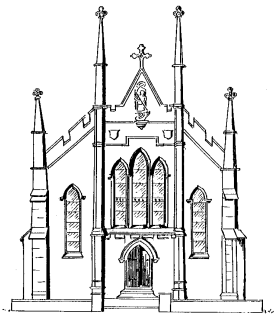


DAILY PRAYERS BAPTISM OF THE LORD



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Baptism of the Lord

Collect:

Almighty ever-living God,
who, when Christ had been baptized in the River Jordan
and as the Holy Spirit descended upon Him,
solemnly declared Him Your Beloved Son,
grant that Your children by adoption,
reborn of water and the Holy Spirit,
may always be well pleasing to you.
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 3:15-16,21-22

Today's prayer:

Prayer of Renewal of Baptismal Promises by Saint Louis de Montfort (1673 – 1716)

I, N., who through the tender mercy of the Eternal Father was privileged to be baptized "in the name of the Lord Jesus" and thus to share in the dignity of His divine Sonship, wish now in the presence of this same loving Father and of His only-begotten Son to renew in all sincerity the promises I solemnly made at the time of my holy Baptism.

I, therefore, now do once again renounce Satan;
I renounce all his works;
I renounce all his allurements.

The Apostles; Creed: I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Having been buried with Christ unto death and raised up with Him to a new life, I promise to live no longer for myself or for that world which is the enemy of God but for Him who died for me and rose again, serving God, my Heavenly Father, faithfully and unto death in the holy Catholic Church.

Our Father, who art in heaven...

Monday – Week 1

Collect:

Attend to the pleas of Your people with heavenly care,
O Lord, we pray,
that they may see what must be done
and gain strength to do what they have seen.
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 1:14-20

Today's prayer:

A Prayer to Do God's Will

Dearest Lord, teach me to be generous.
Teach me to serve You as You deserve;
To give and not to count the cost,
To fight and not to seek for rest,
To labour and not to seek reward,
Save that of knowing that I do Your will.

Tuesday – Week 1

Collect:

Attend to the pleas of Your people with heavenly care,
O Lord, we pray,
that they may see what must be done
and gain strength to do what they have seen.
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 1:21-28

Today's prayer:

Lord God,
help me to remember that when You call me,
You will equip me –
that I should look at the task in front of me
but keeping my eyes firmly fixed on You.
Forgive me when I have made excuses or questioned You.
Today, I will have courage to do the right thing.
I will stay true to the task of trusting You.
Lord God, I want to have the joy of seeing You at work.
I want to marvel at seeing Your power at work through me.
Thank You for giving me the privilege of serving You.
You who are my loving Father.

Wednesday – Week 1

St Aelred of Rievaulx

Patron saint of friendship,

and of those with kidney disease or kidney stones

Collect:

Attend to the pleas of Your people with heavenly care,
O Lord, we pray,
that they may see what must be done
and gain strength to do what they have seen.
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 1:29-39

Today's prayer:

A Prayer of St Aelred of Rievaulx

My God, You know what a fool I am.
My weakness is not hidden from Your sight.
Therefore, Lord, I ask You not for gold,
I ask You not for silver,
nor for jewels,
but only that You would give me wisdom.
O font of wisdom,
send her from Your throne of might
to be with me,
to work with me,
to act in me,
to speak in me,
to order all my thoughts and words
and deeds and plans
according to Your will
and to the glory of Your Name.

*St Aelred of Rievaulx (1110, Hexham - 12th January 1167, Rievaulx Abbey,
Yorkshire)*

St Aelred of Rievaulx, Pray for us

Thursday – Week 1

St Kentigern

founder and patron saint of the city of Glasgow.

St Hilary of Poitiers

Yet another patron saint of lawyers!

Collect:

Attend to the pleas of Your people with heavenly care,
O Lord, we pray,
that they may see what must be done
and gain strength to do what they have seen.
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 1:40-45

Today's prayer:

O God, who through Your bishop Saint Kentigern,
made the light of the true faith shine forth in splendour:
grant, we pray, that by faithfully following
the teaching of him whose feast we now celebrate,
we may obtain the glory of eternal light.
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.

Saint Kentigern, Pray for us

St Kentigern, also known as Mungo ('Dear One'), was born in Culross, Fife, Scotland. The Christian king of Strathclyde welcomed the saint and arranged his consecration as bishop in around 540. His holy example and his preaching drew together a large community known as 'Clasgu' ('dear family'), which ultimately grew into the town and city of Glasgow. A strong anti-Christian movement forced him to go to Wales, staying for a time with St David in Menevia. But after founding a large monastery at Llanelwy, later called St Asaph's, he returned with some of his Welsh disciples to Galloway and in Cumberland and then back to Glasgow in 581, where he was visited by Saint Columba.

Friday – Week 1

Collect:

Attend to the pleas of Your people with heavenly care,
O Lord, we pray,
that they may see what must be done
and gain strength to do what they have seen.
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 2:1-12

Today's prayer:

Lord Jesus Christ,
I thank You for loving me so completely.
You embraced the Cross so willingly,
You hung there so patiently,
You suffered so painfully,
and for me, a sinner,
You died and rise again on the third day.
Now, Lord, I commend myself to Your love,
to the power of Your Passion,
to the depths of Your endless mercy.
Jesus Christ, in Your measureless pity,
keep alive in me the memory
of Your Holy Wounds and bitter death.
Gentle Jesus, defend me in all danger,
and keep me so that
I may stand before You in joy.
Protect my soul, Lord Jesus Christ,
which You bought with Your Precious Blood.
Amen.

Saturday – Week 1

Collect:

Attend to the pleas of Your people with heavenly care,
O Lord, we pray,
that they may see what must be done
and gain strength to do what they have seen.
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 2:13-17

Today's prayer:

Dedication to Mary, Mother of God

O Mary, Mother of God and our mother,
we offer ourselves to your loving care.
Today we choose you as our mother, guide and friend.
May we always be faithful to you,
and desire, say and do only what is pleasing to you.
O most tender and loving mother,
we beg you through the goodness of our Lord Jesus Christ, your Divine
Son,
to keep us especially dear to you
and to obtain for us the strength to lead a holy life,
a life of goodness, purity and love,
offered to God in thanksgiving and praise.