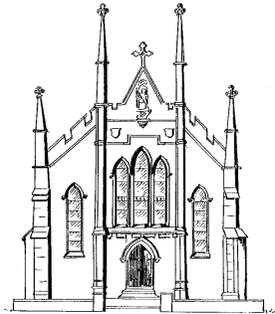


# DAILY PRAYERS EASTER WEEK 7



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## Sunday - Easter Week 7

### Collect:

Graciously hear our supplications, O Lord,  
so that we, who believe  
that the Saviour of the human race is with You in Your glory,  
may experience, as He promised,  
until the end of the world, His abiding presence among us.  
Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Today's Gospel reading:** John 17:20-26

### Today's prayer:

Grant us patience,  
O Lord, to follow the road You have taken.  
Let our confidence not rest in our own understanding  
but in Your guiding hand;  
let our desires not be for our own comfort,  
but for the joy of your kingdom;  
for Your Cross is our hope and our joy  
now and unto the day of eternity. Amen.

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire  
of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You  
shall renew the face of the earth.  
Let us pray. O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the  
hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Spirit we may be truly wise and  
ever enjoy His consolations, Through Christ Our Lord, Amen.

## Monday – Easter Week 7

### Collect:

May the power of the Holy Spirit  
come to us, we pray, O Lord,  
that we may keep Your will faithfully in mind  
and express it in a devout way of life  
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:** John 16:29-33

### Today's prayer:

Holy God,  
Your knowledge of me exceeds  
what I grasp or see in any moment;  
You know me better than I know myself.  
Now, help me to trust in Your mercy,  
to see myself in the light of Your holiness,  
and grant me the grace that I may have true contrition,  
make an honest confession,  
and find in You forgiveness and perfect remission. Amen.

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of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You  
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## Tuesday – Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

### Collect:

Almighty ever-living God,  
who, while the Blessed Virgin Mary was carrying Your Son in her womb,  
inspired her to visit Elizabeth,  
grant us, we pray, that, faithful to the promptings of the Spirit,  
we may magnify Your greatness with the Virgin Mary at all times.  
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. Amenn.

**Today's Gospel reading:** Luke 1:39-56

### Today's prayer:

#### A Hymn for the Feast of the Visitation

How blest upon the mountain paths,  
The feet of her with news of peace;  
Elizabeth is overjoyed;  
Though still unborn, the Baptist leaps!

O Virgin, visit us this day,  
God carried in your blessed womb.  
Come, sister, daughter, mother, bride;  
Like you, let God, in us, find room.

Show us what God would have us be,  
Who dwells in us, in Whom we dwell:  
You mothered well God's Word enfleshed;  
Come, now, our mother be as well.

O God, who breathed in us your breath,  
Whose Spirit overshadows us,  
May Christ be formed in us anew:  
Our each encounter also bless.

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your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall  
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of the faithful, grant that by the same Spirit we may be truly wise and ever  
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## Wednesday – St Justin

Martyr

Patron saint of philosophers

### Collect:

O God, who through the folly of the Cross wondrously taught Saint Justin the Martyr the surpassing knowledge of Jesus Christ, grant us, through his intercession, that, having rejected deception and error, we may become steadfast in the faith. 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:** Matthew 5:13-19

### Today's prayer:

In deep humility we pray O Lord  
For the strength to imitate Saint Justin  
In his constant efforts to make known  
the riches of the Faith to his neighbours.  
Grant us the grace to be ever mindful  
of the many blessings we have received from You.  
Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

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## Thursday - Easter Week 7

St Marcellinus and St Peter, Martyrs (*4<sup>th</sup> century in Rome*)

St Blandina (*c.162–177*) and the Martyrs of Lyons (*in 177 during the reign of Marcus Aurelius*)

### Collect:

May Your Spirit, O Lord, we pray,  
imbue us powerfully with spiritual gifts,  
that He may give us a mind pleasing to You  
and graciously conform us to Your will.  
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:** John 17:20-26

### Today's prayer:

O God, our Father,  
You have made fruitful with the blood of Martyrs  
and blessed by their presence the world in which we live,  
by the bright example of so many courageous witnesses,  
keep us strong in our faith,  
that we may pick up  
and foretaste with joy  
the fruit of their sacrifice.  
Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

St Blandina, Pray for us

The Martyrs of Lyons, Pray for us

St Marcellinus, Pray for us

St Peter, Pray for us

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## Friday – St Charles Lwanga and his 21 Companions

Martyrs of Uganda (*martyred between November 15<sup>th</sup> 1885 – January 27<sup>th</sup> 1887*)  
Patron saints of African Catholic Youth Action, converts, torture victims

### Collect:

O God, who have made the blood of Martyrs  
the seed of Christians,  
mercifully grant that the field which is Your Church,  
watered by the bloodshed by Saints Charles Lwanga and his companions,  
may be fertile and always yield You an abundant harvest.  
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:

Heavenly Father, we thank You for the virtue and example of Your martyr,  
St Charles Lwanga and his Companions.  
Help us to imitate the deep love for Your Church  
that inspired them to spread the Catholic faith to others.  
St Charles Lwanga and Companions,  
you lived in a society that was hostile to the Catholic faith.  
Your ruler was violently opposed to Christianity.  
He did all he could to stop you from handing on the Catholic faith to others.  
Despite the threat of suffering and death,  
you did not hesitate to teach others about Christ and bring them into His  
Church.  
You continued to preach the Gospel and lead others to God,  
even though doing so would lead to your death.  
Pray for me, that we may have courage and devotion like yours.

St Charles Lwanga and Companions, pray for us!

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your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall  
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enjoy His consolations, Through Christ Our Lord, Amen.

## Saturday Easter Week 7

### Collect:

Grant, we pray, almighty God,  
that we, who have celebrated the Paschal festivities,  
may by Your gift hold fast to them  
in the way that we live our lives.  
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 21:20-25

### Today's prayer:

O Lord support us all the day long,  
until the shadows lengthen and the evening come,  
and the busy world is hushed,  
and the fever of life is over, and our work is done.  
Then, in Your mercy,  
grant us a safe lodging,  
and a holy rest,  
and peace at the last. Amen

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