

## Sunday - Week 17

### Collect:

O God, protector of those who hope in You, without whom nothing has firm foundation, nothing is holy, bestow in abundance Your mercy upon us and grant that, with You as our ruler and guide, we may use the good things that pass in such a way as to hold fast even now to those that ever endure.

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 11:1-13

### Today's prayer:

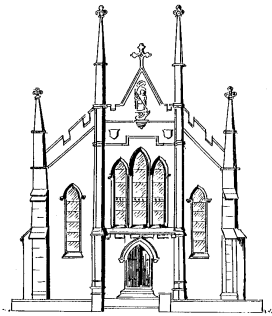
*Today is the feast of St John Boste and Companions, the Martyrs of Cumbria*

Almighty and ever-living God, we pray that through this remembrance of our Cumbrian martyrs their deaths may speak in our hearts.

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.

Saint John Boste, Pray for us  
Blessed Christopher Robinson, Pray for us  
Blessed John Mason, Pray for us  
Blessed Thomas Somers, Pray for us  
Blessed James Duckett, Pray for us  
Blessed Thomas Tunstall, Pray for us  
Blessed William Ward, Pray for us  
Blessed John Duckett, Pray for us  
Blessed Thomas Pickering Pray for us  
Blessed Thomas Sprott, Pray for us

# DAILY PRAYERS SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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## Monday – St James the Greater

Apostle

Patron saint of both Spain and Galicia

### Collect:

Almighty ever-living God,  
who consecrated the first fruits of Your Apostles  
by the blood of Saint James,  
grant, we pray,  
that Your Church may be strengthened by his confession of faith  
and constantly sustained by his protection.  
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 20:20-28

### Today's prayer:

O glorious Apostle, Saint James,  
who by reason of your fervent and generous heart  
were chosen by Jesus to be witness of His glory on Mount Tabor,  
and of His agony in Gethsemane;  
you, whose very name is a symbol of warfare and victory;  
obtain for us strength and consolation  
in the unending warfare of this life,  
that, having constantly and generously followed Jesus,  
we may be victors in the strife and deserve to receive  
the victor's crown in Heaven.  
Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

St James, Pray for us

## Tuesday – Sts Joachim and Anne

Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Patron Saints of Grandparents

### Collect:

O Lord, God of our Fathers,  
who bestowed on Saints Joachim and Anne this grace,  
that of them should be born the Mother of Your Incarnate Son,  
grant, through the prayers of both,  
that we may attain the salvation  
You have promised to Your people.  
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 13:16-17

### Today's prayer:

Lord God,  
we thank You for giving us Saints Joachim and Anne  
as examples of holiness.  
Help us to imitate the love of You they showed  
throughout their married life together.  
Saints Joachim and Anne, God chose you  
for a very special mission together  
in your married life.  
You followed God's plan  
for you and served Him faithfully.  
Bring my petitions before God Whom you served so faithfully!  
Though you probably did not fully know  
what God had planned for your marriage,  
you did your best to follow His will  
and to carry out the duties of your married vocation in holiness.  
Pray for me,  
that I may serve God as faithfully in my vocation each day as you did.  
Pray that I may always respond generously to God's call in my life,  
no matter where He leads me.

Saints Joachim and Anne, Pray for us

## Wednesday – Week 17

### Collect:

O God, protector of those who hope in You,  
without whom nothing has firm foundation, nothing is holy,  
bestow in abundance Your mercy upon us  
and grant that, with You as our ruler and guide,  
we may use the good things that pass  
in such a way as to hold fast even now  
to those that ever endure.  
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 13:44-46

### Today's prayer:

O Father in Heaven,  
look upon all Your people  
who struggle with anger, anxiety,  
doubt, frustration,  
guilt, hopelessness,  
loss, memories,  
lack of patience, pain,  
regret, sadness,  
selfishness, temptation and weakness.  
Your Holy Word tells us  
“All things work together for the good of those who love God,  
who are called according to His purpose.”  
And that means that You make all these things  
work for Your good purpose in our lives,  
even when we do not understand.  
Remind us of Your invitation,  
“Cast all your cares upon me,”  
and of Your assurance that goes with it,  
“because love for you.”  
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Thursday – Week 17

### Collect:

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without whom nothing has firm foundation, nothing is holy,  
bestow in abundance Your mercy upon us  
and grant that, with You as our ruler and guide,  
we may use the good things that pass  
in such a way as to hold fast even now  
to those that ever endure.  
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 13:47-53

### Today's Prayer:

Lord God,  
like any loving Father,  
You want the best for Your children.  
You teach us what unconditional love is through Your Son Jesus.  
Thus, I pray for Your good favour in this life.  
Give me the means and circumstances  
to care for my family, property, and neighbour.  
Give me a thankful disposition  
so that I may not forget that You are the hand that provides all things.  
Above all, allow me to endure all things  
with the fruit of Your Holy Spirit,  
which You have poured out on all people. Amen.

## Friday – Sts Mary, Martha and Lazarus

### Hosts of the Lord

#### Collect:

O God, whose Son called Lazarus to life from the grave,  
and was pleased to be welcomed in Martha's house as a guest,  
grant, we pray,  
that, serving faithfully our brother and sisters,  
we may merit, with Mary, to be fed by meditating on Your words.  
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 11:19-27

#### Today's prayer:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
whose Son blessed by His presence  
the home of Lazarus and Mary and Martha in Bethany:  
grant that, like Martha,  
we may serve Christ faithfully in the person of our brothers and sisters;  
and that, like Mary, we may feed on his Word and grow in his love and grace;  
and that, like Lazarus, we may be brought forth from death to new life in him;  
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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*In February 2021 Pope Francis included these three saints in the General Roman Calendar "...considering the important evangelical witness they offered in welcoming the Lord Jesus into their home, in listening to Him attentively, in believing that He is the resurrection and the life."*

*Pope Francis' decree states that "in the household of Bethany the Lord Jesus experienced the family spirit and friendship of Martha, Mary, and Lazarus, and for this reason, the Gospel of John states that He loved them. ...Martha generously offered Him hospitality, Mary listened attentively to His words and Lazarus promptly emerged from the tomb at the command of the One who humiliated death."*

## Saturday - Week 17

### St Peter Chrysologus

Bishop and Doctor of the Church

#### Collect:

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and grant that, with You as our ruler and guide,  
we may use the good things that pass  
in such a way as to hold fast even now  
to those that ever endure.  
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 14:1-12

#### Today's prayer: (of St Peter Chrysologus)

Lord, help me to hear You say,  
"I am your hope" over all other voices.  
Lord, Your word says, You are the hope for hopeless  
so I'm running to You with both hands stretched out  
and grabbing on to You.  
Fill me up with hope and give me a tangible reminder today  
that hope is an unbreakable spiritual lifeline).  
Lord, You know those things in my heart  
that I barely dare to hope for,  
today I give them to You, I trust them to You,  
and ask that You because I know  
that You can do more than I could ever guess,  
imagine or request in wildest dreams.  
Lord, You are my hope and I trust You. Amen.

St Peter Chrysologus, Pray for us, that our words may be words that build up others

*St Peter Chrysologus: Born late in the 4<sup>th</sup> century at Imola (Italy) and died on 31<sup>st</sup> July c. 450. He was known as "Chrysologus" (golden-worded). Noted for his eloquent sermons, his loyalty to the bishop of Rome, and his dedication pastoral service.*