

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

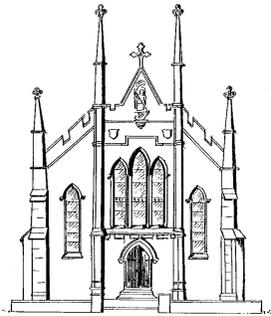
Today's prayer:

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



**HOLY TRINITY & ST GEORGE
CATHOLIC CHURCH**
Serving Kendal and Sedbergh

www.kendalcatholicchurch.uk

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:

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 13:47-53

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.

Sts Mary, Pray for us

Sts Mary, Pray for us

Sts Mary, Pray for us

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:

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 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 4th century at Imola (Italy) and died on 31st 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.