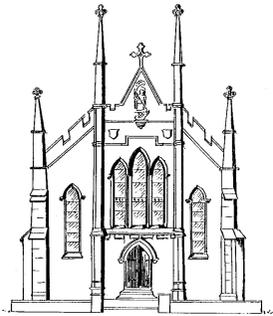


DAILY PRAYERS

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



HOLY TRINITY & ST GEORGE
CATHOLIC CHURCH
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Sunday – Week 19

Collect:

Almighty ever-living God,
whom, taught by the Holy Spirit,
we dare to call our Father,
bring, we pray, to perfection in our hearts
the spirit of adoption as Your sons and daughters,
that we may merit to enter into the inheritance
which You have promised.
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 12:32-48

Today's prayer:

God of silence and God of all sound,
help me to listen.
Help me to do the deep listening to the sounds of my soul,
waiting to hear Your soft voice calling me deeper into You.
Give me attentive ears
that begin to separate the noise from the sounds that are You;
You who have been speaking to me
and through me my whole life,
for so long that You can seem like background noise.
Today help me hear You anew.

Glory be to the Father...

Monday – St Dominic

Religious

Patron saint of astronomers

Collect:

May Saint Dominic come to the help of Your Church
by his merits and teaching, O Lord,
and may he, who was an outstanding preacher of Your truth,
be a devoted intercessor on our behalf.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, yYour 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 9:57-62

Today's prayer:

*The 'O Spem Miram' – this is a Dominican Chant sung by the Dominicans
on the Fifteen Tuesdays preceding St Domininc's Feast Day. It is connected
to the last promises made by St Dominic to his brothers and sisters, we offer
this prayer for the salvation of souls
and for the work of the Dominican Order throughout the world*

O wonderful hope,
which you gave to those who wept for you at the hour of your death,
promising that after your decease
you would be helpful to your brothers and sisters.
Fulfill, what you have said, and help us by your prayers.
You shone on the bodies of the sick with so many miracles;
bring us the help of Christ, to heal our sick souls.
Fulfill, what you have said, and help us by your prayers.

Saint Dominic, Pray for us

*Saint Dominic, also known as Dominic de Guzmán, was a Castilian priest
and founder of the Dominican Order. He is alternatively called Dominic of
Osma, Dominic of Caleruega, and Domingo Félix de Guzmán. He was born
on 8th August 1170 at Caleruega, Spain and died on 6th August 1221, he is
buried in the Basilica of San Domenico, Bologna.*

Tuesday – St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

Martyr

Patron saint of Converts to Christianity and patron saint of Europe

Collect:

God of our Fathers,
who brought the Martyr Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross
to know Your Crucified Son
and to imitate Him even until death,
grant, through her intercession,
that the whole human race may acknowledge Christ as its Saviour
and through Him come to behold You for eternity.
Who lives and reigns
with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Today's Gospel reading: John 4:19-24

Today's prayer:

O my God,
fill my soul with holy joy,
courage and strength to serve You.
Enkindle Your love in me
and then walk with me along the next stretch of road before me.
I do not see very far ahead,
but when I have arrived
where the horizon now closes down,
a new prospect will open before me
and I shall meet with peace.

Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Pray for us

*Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (October 12th 1891, Breslau, Germany–
August 9th 1942 when St Teresa was gassed and cremated at Auschwitz)
Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Pray for all who are persecuted today
that they may have strength and courage and pray for us all that we might
have the courage to fight for justice.*

Wednesday – St Lawrence

Deacon and Martyr - *Patron saint of the poor and of cooks.*

Collect:

O God, giver of that ardor of love for You
by which Saint Lawrence was outstandingly faithful in service
and glorious in martyrdom,
grant that we may love what he loved
and put into practice what he taught.
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 12:24-26

Today's prayer:

A Prayer for Deacons (by Pope Francis)

Lord Jesus Christ,
You sent Your disciples
to proclaim to all peoples the Kingdom of Heaven,
not just with words,
but also with works of mercy.
We ask You for all who,
in Your Church, live the diaconate as a mission.
Strengthen them with Your Spirit,
Encourage them, together with their families,
to announce Your Word with ardour
and manifest Your tenderness and mercy
to the little ones,
the poorest and excluded.
Enrich Your Church
With more deacon vocations.

Our Father...

St Stephen, Pray for all deacons and for vocations to the diaconate
St Lawrence, Pray for all deacons and for vocations to the diaconate
St Francis, Pray for all deacons and for vocations to the diaconate

Thursday - St Clare of Assisi

Virgin - *Patron saint of televisions and computer screens, believe it or not!*
(The reason... Pope Pius XII, who in 1957 named her the patron of television, That which, in his words "is a wonderful instrument... which can be the source of very great wealth, but also of deep troubles" ...is perhaps why he chose a saint steeped in humility!?)

Collect:

O God, who in Your mercy led Saint Clare to a love of poverty,
grant, through her intercession,
that, following Christ in poverty of spirit,
we may merit to contemplate You
one day in the heavenly Kingdom.
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 19:27-29

Today's prayer:

I come, O Lord, unto Your sanctuary
to see the life and food of my soul.
As I hope in You, O Lord,
inspire me with that confidence
which brings me to Your holy mountain.
Permit me, Divine Jesus,
to come closer to You,
that my whole soul may do homage
to the greatness of Your majesty;
that my heart, with its tenderest affections,
may acknowledge Your infinite love;
that my memory may dwell
on the admirable mysteries here renewed every day,
and that the sacrifice of my whole being may accompany Yours. Amen.

St Clare of Assisi (16th July 1194 · Assisi – 11th August 1253 · Assisi)

Saint Clare, Pray for us that we may see life with the eyes of purity and faith.

Friday – Week 19

St Jane Frances de Chantal

Patron Saint of Forgotten people and of widows and parents who are separated from their children.

Collect:

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whom, taught by the Holy Spirit,
we dare to call our Father,
bring, we pray, to perfection in our hearts
the spirit of adoption as Your sons and daughters,
that we may merit to enter into the inheritance
which You have promised.
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 19:3-12

Today's thought:

With God there is no need for long speeches.
In heaven the angels utter no other word than this: "HOLY."
This is their entire prayer and in paradise they are occupied
with this single word as an act of homage,
to the single Word of God, who lives eternally....
In prayer, more is accomplished by listening than by talking.

St Jane Frances de Chantal, Pray for us

*St Jane Frances de Chantal (28th January 1572 – 13th December 1641)
St Jane Frances de Chantal was beatified in 1751 and canonized in 1767.
She founded the religious Order of the Visitation of Holy Mary.
The order accepted women who were rejected by other orders
because of poor health or age.*

Saturday – Week 19

St Pontianus (Pope) and St Hippolytus (Priest)

Martyrs

St Pontianus, patron saint of Utrecht and protection against earthquakes

St Hippolytus, patron of prison guards and horses

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that we may merit to enter into the inheritance
which You have promised.
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 19:13-15

Today's Prayer:

Lord,
may the loyal suffering of Your saints,
Pontianus and Hippolytus,
fill us with Your love
and make our hearts steadfast in faith.
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.

Saints Pontianus and Hippolytus, Pray for us

*St Pontianus became bishop of Rome in 231.
During the persecution of Emperor Maximus,
he was exiled to Sardinia, along with St Hippolytus.
He resigned the papacy, so that the Church might have an active leader.
While they both died in Sardinia they were buried in Rome:
St Hippolytus in the cemetery on the via Tiburtina,
and St Pontianus in the catacombs of Callistus*