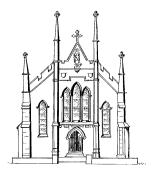
# DAILY PRAYERS EASTER WEEK 7



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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 4:11-16

### Today's prayer: Prayer for the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Lord Jesus, before ascending into heaven, You promised to send the Holy Spirit to Your apostles and disciples. Grant that the same Spirit may perfect in our lives the work of Your grace and love.

Grant us the gift of **Fear Of The Lord** that we may be filled with a loving reverence toward You.

the gift of **Piety** that we may find peace and fulfiment in the service of God while serving others;

the gift of **Fortitude** that we may bear our cross with You and, with courage, overcome the obstacles that interfere with our salvation;

the gift of **Knowledge** that we may know You and know ourselves and so grow in holiness;

the gift of **Understanding** to enlighten our minds with the light of Your truth; the gift of **Counsel** that we may choose the surest way of doing Your will, seeking first Your Kingdom;

Grant us the gift of Wisdom that we may aspire to the things that last forever;

Lord Jesus, teach us to be Your faithful disciples and animate us in every way with Your Spirit. You who live and reign with the Father and the same living-giving Spirit, One God for ever and ever. 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**

### Our Lady of Fatima

### **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: Prayer for the Freedom of the Spirit

Divine Spirit, Your gifts are diverse.

You call some to give clear witness to the desire for a heavenly home and to keep that desire alive among the human family.

You summon others to dedicate themselves to the earthly service of human beings

and to make ready the material of the celestial realm by this ministry of theirs.

Grant all of us Your freedom so that by putting aside love of self and bringing all earthy resources into the service of human life, we can devote ourselves to that future when humanity itself will become an offering accepted by God. 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.

### Our Lady of Fatima, Pray for us

# **Tuesday – St Matthias**

Apostle

### **Collect:**

O God, who assigned Saint Matthias a place in the college of Apostles, grant us, through his intercession, that, rejoicing at how Your love has been allotted to us, we may merit to be numbered among the elect. 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: John 15:9-17

### Today's prayer: Prayer for the Indwelling of the Spirit

Holy Spirit, powerful Consoler, sacred Bond of the Father and the Son, Hope of the afflicted, descend into my heart and establish in it Your loving dominion.

Enkindle in my tepid soul the fire of Your Love so that I may be wholly subject to You.

We believe that when You dwell in us,

You also prepare a dwelling for the Father and the Son.

Deign, therefore, to come to me, Consoler of abandoned souls, and Protector of the needy.

Help the afflicted, strengthen the weak, and support the wavering.

Come and purify me, let no evil desire take possession of me.

You love the humble and resist the proud.

Come to me, Glory of the living, and Hope of the dying.

Lead me by Your grace that I may always be pleasing to you. 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.

### St Matthias, Pray for us

# Wednesday - Easter Week 7

### **Collect:**

Graciously grant to Your Church, O merciful God, that, gathered by the Holy Spirit, she may be devoted to You with all her heart and united in purity of intent.

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 17:11b-19

### Today's prayer: Prayer for Union with the Holy Spirit

O Holy Spirit of Light and Love, to You I consecrate my heart, mind, and will for all time and eternity. May I be ever docile to Your Divine inspirations and to the teachings of the holy Catholic Church whose infallible guide You are.

May my heart be ever inflamed with the love of God and love of neighbor. May my will be ever in harmony with Your Divine Will.

May my life faithfully imitate the life and virtues of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

To Him, with the Father, and You, Divine Spirit, be honour and glory forever. 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.

# Thursday - Easter Week 7

### **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, One God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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

### Today's prayer:

A Prayer for the Fruits of the Holy Spirit

Heavenly Father, we pray that we may exhibit the fruits of Holy Spirit in our lives, each and every day.

We pray that we exhibit the fruit of **PATIENCE**. Help us not to grumble and complain like the Israelites did as they passed through the wilderness.

We pray that we exhibit the fruit of **PEACE**. Help us not to be consumed and enslaved by fear and worry.

We pray that we exhibit the fruit of **GENTLENESS**. Let us be a source of encouragement to one another.

We pray that we exhibit the fruit of **SELF-CONTROL**. Let us think of our neighbours before ourselves.

We pray that we exhibit the fruit of **KINDNESS**. Help us to watch our words before we criticise one another.

We pray that we exhibit the fruit of **GOODNESS**. Help us to remember to be gernerous especially to those in need.

We pray that we exhibit the fruit of **FAITH**. Let us be assured that "the Lord is good, a refuge in times of trouble".

We pray that we exhibit the fruit of **JOY**. Let us rejoice with those we love especially our family and friends and give thanks for the joy and life we share. We pray that we exhibit the fruit of **LOVE**, for "love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things and never ends."

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.

# Friday Easter Week 7

### **Collect:**

O God, who by the glorification of Your Christ and the light of the Holy Spirit have unlocked for us the gates of eternity, grant, we pray, that, partaking of so great a gift, our devotion may grow deeper and our faith be strengthened.

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 16:23b-28

Today's prayer: Prayer for Propagation of the Faith

O Holy Spirit, You desire the salvation of all human beings and for that purpose You want all of them to acquire the knowledge of Your Truth.

Grant to all of them Your powerful Light and Your Love of Goodwill that they may give glory to God in unity of faith, hope, and love. Send labourers into the harvest who are truly animated by You Who are the Soul of the missionary Church. 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.

# **Saturday Easter Week 7**

St John I, Pope and Martyr

### **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: Prayer to Receive the Holy Spirit** 

O King of glory, send us the Promise of the Father, the Spirit of Truth. May the Counselor who proceeds from You enlighten us and infuse all truth in us, as You have promised. 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.

### Pope John I, pray for us

Pope John I (died 18<sup>th</sup> May 526) was Pope from 13<sup>th</sup> August 523 to his death. He was a native of Siena. He was sent on a diplomatic mission to Constantinople by the Ostrogoth King Theoderic to negotiate better treatment for Arians. Although John was relatively successful, upon his return to Ravenna, Theoderic had him imprisoned for allegedly conspiring with Constantinople. The frail pope died of neglect and ill-treatment.