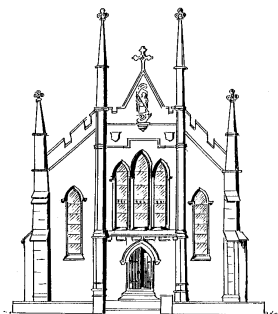


# DAILY PRAYERS

## 5<sup>th</sup> WEEK IN LENT



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# Sunday – Lent Week 5 – Passiontide

From today our attention is drawing closer and closer to the events of Holy Week

## **Collect:**

By Your help, we beseech You, Lord our God,  
may we walk eagerly in that same charity  
with which, out of love for the world,  
Your Son handed Himself over to death.  
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 8:1-11

**Today's prayer:** *We continue our pilgrimage of the Roman Station Churches*

**Today's Station Church: San Pietro in Vaticano (St Peter's Basilica)**

O Lord, who made Peter the rock of your Church, grant that we may remain steadfast in the faith handed down through the Apostles. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Saint Peter, the first Pope, is honoured here with deep devotion, where his tomb beneath the High Altar. St. Peter's Basilica stands as a symbol of the Church's apostolic foundation.*

*The original Constantinian basilica was replaced by the current building, commissioned by Pope Julius II in 1506 and completed in the 17th century under Pope Urban VIII.*

St Peter, Pray for us, St Paul, Pray for us,  
All holy martyrs, pray for us

# Monday – Lent Week 5

St John Baptist de la Salle – (1651 – 7 April 1719) was a French priest, educational reformer, and founder of the Christian Brothers; *patron saint for teachers of youth*.

## **Collect:**

O God, by whose wondrous grace  
we are enriched with every blessing,  
grant us so to pass from former ways to newness of life,  
that we may be made ready for the glory of 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:** John 8:12-20

## **Today's Station Church: San Crisogono**

O God, who crowned Saint Chrysogonus with the glory of martyrdom,  
inspire us to witness to your name with courage and love. Through Christ  
our Lord. Amen.

*Saint Chrysogonus was a Roman martyr of the 4th century, known for his  
steadfast faith. He has been venerated as a saint since ancient times.  
This church was built in the 4th century.*

St John Baptist de la Salle, Pray for us  
St Chrysogonus, Pray for us, Sts Peter and Paul, Pray for us,  
All holy martyrs, pray for us

# Tuesday – Lent Week 5

## **Collect:**

Grant us, we pray, O Lord,  
perseverance in obeying Your will,  
that in our days the people dedicated to Your service  
may grow in both merit and number.  
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 8:21-30

## **Today's Station Church: Santa Maria in Via Lata**

O God, who made the Blessed Virgin Mary the mother of your Son,  
grant us her intercession, that we may follow Christ in faithful  
discipleship. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The Blessed Virgin Mary: The church is dedicated to Mary,  
emphasizing her role as the Mother of God and intercessor for the  
faithful. This church was established in the 5<sup>th</sup> century.*

Mary, Queen of apostles, Pray for us, Sts Peter and Paul, Pray for us,  
All holy martyrs, pray for us

# Wednesday – Lent Week 5

Anniversary of Bishop Paul's Episcopal Ordination (2018)

## **Collect:**

Enlighten, O God of compassion,  
the hearts of Your children, sanctified by penance,  
and in Your kindness grant those You stir to a sense of devotion  
a gracious hearing when they cry out to You.  
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 8:31-42

## **Today's Station Church: San Marcello**

Almighty God, who strengthened Saint Marcellus in his ministry and martyrdom, grant that we may persevere in faith through every trial. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Saint Marcellus was the Pope and martyred in the early 4th century, he faced persecution under Emperor Maxentius and worked to restore the Church after times of strife. Founded in the 4th century.*

## **A Prayer for Bishop Paul**

Almighty God,  
look with love upon Your people.  
In Your mercy, bless Bishop Paul  
Guide this shepherd You have chosen to lead us.  
Give him the grace of Your Spirit  
so that he may bring us to You  
in the footsteps of Jesus our Lord.  
So may Your Church be built up and Your Name glorified.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

St Marcellus, Pray for us, Sts Peter and Paul, Pray for us,  
All holy martyrs, pray for us

# Thursday – Lent Week 5

## **Collect:**

Be near, O Lord, to those who plead before you,  
and look kindly on those who place their hope in your mercy,  
that, cleansed from the stain of their sins,  
they may persevere in holy living  
and be made full heirs of your promise.  
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 8:51-59

## **Today's Station Church: San Apollinare**

O Lord, who inspired Saint Apollinaris to shepherd Your people with wisdom and grace, grant that we may follow his example of faithful leadership. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Saint Apollinaris was a disciple of Saint Peter and became the first  
Bishop of Ravenna, revered for his missionary work and martyrdom.  
This church was built in the 7th century.*

St Apollinare, Pray for us, Sts Peter and Paul, Pray for us,  
All holy martyrs, pray for us

## Friday – Lent Week 5

St Stanislaus of Krakow – (1030–1079) Bishop of Kraków  
who was martyred by King Bolesław II the Bold.

*patron saint of Poland, soldiers in battle, moral order*

### **Collect:**

Pardon the offenses of Your peoples, we pray, O Lord,  
and in Your goodness set us free  
from the bonds of the sins  
we have committed in our weakness.

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 10:31-42

### **Today's Station Church: San Stefano Rotondo**

O God, who filled Saint Stephen with the courage to proclaim Your truth  
even unto death, grant that we may follow his example in bold faith.  
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Saint Stephen was the first Christian martyr, known for his courage,  
forgiveness of his persecutors, and devotion to Christ.  
This basilica was constructed in the 5th century.*

St Stanislaus, Pray for us  
St Stephen, Pray for us, Sts Peter and Paul, Pray for us,  
All holy martyrs, pray for us

# Saturday – Lent Week 5

## **Collect:**

O God, who have made all those reborn in Christ  
a chosen race and a royal priesthood,  
grant us, we pray, the grace to will and to do what You command,  
that the people called to eternal life  
may be one in the faith of their hearts and the homage of their deeds.  
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 11:45-56

## **Today's Station Church: San Giovanni a Porta Latina**

O Lord, who sustained Saint John in his witness to Your Word, grant that  
we may embrace the truth of Your Gospel with steadfast hearts. Through  
Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Saint John the Evangelist: Tradition holds that this church  
commemorates the site where Saint John survived being plunged into  
boiling oil, symbolizing his unwavering faith.  
This major basilica was established in the 5th century.*

St John, Pray for us, Sts Peter and Paul, Pray for us,  
All holy martyrs, pray for us