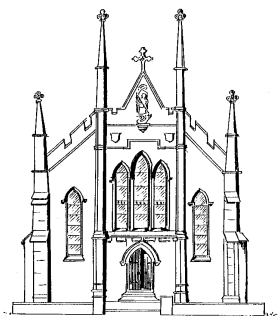


DAILY PRAYERS

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS



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The Second Sunday after Christmas

Collect:

Almighty ever-living God,
splendour of faithful souls,
graciously be pleased to fill the world with Your glory,
and show Yourself to all peoples by the radiance of Your light.
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 1:1-18 or John 1:1-5, 9-14

Today's prayer:

Heavenly Father,
I am grateful for the countless blessings You have bestowed upon me.
Thank You for the gift of Jesus,
who brings hope, love, and salvation.
Help me celebrate this Christmas
with a thankful heart,
recognizing Your goodness in every moment.
May my gratitude inspire others,
and may I live each day
in appreciation of Your grace, mercy, and faithfulness. Amen.

Monday – of Christmas Season

Collect:

Grant Your people, O Lord, we pray,
unshakable strength of faith,
so that all who profess that Your Only Begotten Son
is with You for ever in Your glory
and was born of the Virgin Mary
in a body truly like our own
may be freed from present trials
and given a place in abiding gladness.
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 1:43-51

Today's prayer:

O God Among Us,
may we be visited by angels,
may we follow stars,
may we bring the gifts we have to offer.
May we embrace the journey and travel in love.
May Christ bless our homes
and find a home in our hearts throughout the year. Amen.

Tuesday – The Epiphany of the Lord

Collect:

O God, who on this day
revealed Your Only Begotten Son to the nations
by the guidance of a star,
grant in Your mercy, that we, who know You already by faith,
may be brought to behold the beauty of Your sublime glory.
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 2:1-12

Today's prayer:

I ask you, Melchior, Caspar, and Balthazar,
to place Jesus, the Christ Child, in me and in the hearts of all those I
love!

Help me strengthen my faith, my hope, my charity,
to live everything with joy and do everything for the greater glory of
God!

Grant me the gift of detachment and generosity
to step out of myself and go into the world
to proclaim the faith as you did
when you knelt before the Christ Child!

Help me not to stray from the path that leads to Him,
to always be faithful, to give my life as He did
to always find the path that leads to eternity,
to walk the world seeking holiness!"

Wednesday – after the Epiphany

Collect:

O God, who bestow light on all the nations,
grant Your peoples the gladness of lasting peace
and pour into our hearts that brilliant light
by which You purified the minds of our fathers in faith.
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: Mark 6:45-52

Today's prayer:

Heavenly Father,
the star that led the Magi to the stable
announced to the world that its Saviour was born.
Today we live in a world that is still covered by darkness,
and still needing to make that journey to the stable door.
May our lives reflect Your light day by day,
as we seek to serve where You have placed us.
That we might be the means
through which others can encounter Jesus Christ. Amen

Thursday – after the Epiphany

Collect:

O God, who through Your Son raised up Your eternal light for all nations,
grant that Your people may come to acknowledge
the full splendour of their Redeemer,
that, bathed ever more in His radiance,
they may reach everlasting glory.
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 4:14-22

Today's prayer:

For those who seek a Saviour
we lead them to the Stable
To the One who was born
To bring freedom
Forgiveness
Liberty
For those who seek Assurance
we lead them to the Light
To the One who opens eyes
to understanding
God's Word
Truth
For those who seek Forgiveness
We lead them to a Grace
beyond comprehension
To wholeness
Healing
Peace.

Friday – after the Epiphany

Collect:

Grant, we ask, almighty God,
that the Nativity of the Saviour of the world,
made known by the guidance of a star,
may be revealed ever more fully to our minds.
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 5:12-16

Today's prayer:

Arise, shine, for the Light of the World has come!
Darkness covers the earth and its people,
but the radiance of God's Light
burns away its shadows,
illuminates the smallest corner,
and heralds in the start
of a new dawn,
where hearts no longer fear,
souls might be set free,
and sister shall follow brother,
nation shall follow nation,
and kings and princes bow down in awe
before the one who comes to reign.
Arise, shine, for the Light of the World has come!
Alleluia!

Saturday – after the Epiphany

Collect:

Almighty ever-living God,
who through Your Only Begotten Son
have made us a new creation for Yourself,
grant, we pray,
that by Your grace we may be found in the likeness of Him,
in whom our nature is united to You.
Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Today's Gospel reading: John 3:22-30

Today's prayer:

We are drawn to Your feet in worship
Your creation facing its creator
Hearts laid bare by Your light
Humbly asking for Your mercy.
We come to You as a people in need
of assurance and forgiveness.
We come to You as a people in need
of healing and wholeness.
We come dependent upon Your love.
Draw us close.
Enfold us in Your arms.
Fill us with Your Spirit
that we might reflect Your light
within this dark world,
speak Your Word with boldness
and draw others to Your feet.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen