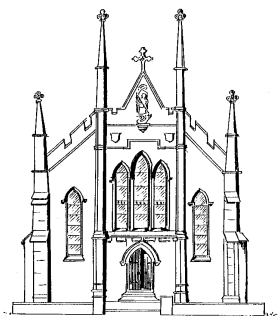


# DAILY PRAYERS WEEK FOUR



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# Sunday – Week 4

## **Collect:**

Grant us, Lord our God,  
that we may honour You with all our mind,  
and love everyone in truth of heart.  
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 5:1-12a

## **Today's prayer:**

Gracious Father, we bless You  
And we thank You for being the King of Glory.  
Thank You for being our Father, Redeemer, Shepherd and King.  
Thank You for reconciling us back to You  
through Your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ.  
We are thankful to You for the Holy Spirit  
who is the promised advocate  
who empowers us  
to be effective witnesses to Your Kingdom here on Earth.  
Thank You for loving us and watching over us.  
Lord, let all that we are praise You.  
We will praise You as long as we live.  
We will sing Your praises with our dying breath.  
Our hope is in You, the Lord, our God.  
You created Heaven and Earth, the sea,  
and everything in them.  
You keep every promise forever.  
We stand amazed at how wonderful You are!

Glory be to the Father...

# Monday —Candlemas— The Presentation of the Lord

## **Collect:**

Almighty ever-living God,  
we humbly implore Your majesty  
that, just as Your Only Begotten Son  
was presented on this day in the Temple  
in the substance of our flesh,  
so, by Your grace,  
we may be presented to You with minds made pure.  
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 2:22-40

## **Today's prayer:**

A Prayer for Candlemas

O God, who in the work of creation  
commanded the light to shine out of darkness:  
we pray that the light of the glorious gospel of Christ  
may shine into the hearts of all Your people,  
dispelling the darkness of ignorance and unbelief ,  
and revealing to them the knowledge of Your glory  
in the face of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Mary, Mother of the Light of the World, Pray for us  
Holy Simeon, just and devout, Pray for us  
Holy Anna, faithful and prayerful, Pray for us

## Tuesday – Week 4

St Blaise, Bishop and Martyr

*patron saint of wool combers, wild animals, candlemakers and ailments of the throat.*

St Anscar, Bishop

*patron saint of Scandinavia.*

### Collect:

Grant us, Lord our God,

that we may honour You with all our mind,  
and love everyone in truth of heart.

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:** Mark 5:21-43

### Today's prayer:

Heavenly Father,

You sent Saint Ansgar

to bring the light of Christ to many nations.

May his prayers help us

to walk in the light of Your truth.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

St Blaise, Pray for us

St Anscar, Pray for us

*St Blaise of Sebaste was a doctor and bishop of Sebaste in Armenia.*

*He was born in Sivas, Turkey and was martyred there in 316.*

*St Ansgar (8<sup>th</sup> September 801 – 3<sup>rd</sup> February 865), was Archbishop of  
Hamburg-Bremen in the northern part of the Kingdom of the East*

*Franks. Known as the "Apostle of the North" because of his travels.  
He received the missionary mandate to bring Christianity to Northern  
Europe.*

## Wednesday – Week 4

### **Collect:**

Grant us, Lord our God,  
that we may honour You with all our mind,  
and love everyone in truth of heart.  
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:** Mark 6:1-6

### **Today's prayer:**

Father, all nations of the world are but a drop in the bucket before You.  
They are nothing more than dust on the scales.  
Yet You pick up the whole Earth as though it were a grain of sand!  
Lord, You sit above the circle of the Earth,  
You spread out the Heavens like a curtain  
and make Your tent from them.  
When we look up at the sky,  
we know that You created every star that we see.  
You bring them out like an army,  
one after another, calling each by its name.  
Because of Your great power and incomparable strength,  
not a single one is missing.  
Lord, You are the everlasting God,  
the Creator of all the Earth.  
You never grow weak or weary.  
No one can measure the depths of Your understanding.  
You are good to everyone and shower compassion on all Your creation.

Glory be to the Father...

# Thursday – St Agatha

Virgin and martyr

## Collect:

May the Virgin Martyr Saint Agatha  
implore Your compassion for us, O Lord, we pray,  
for she found favour with You  
by the courage of her martyrdom  
and the merit of her chastity.  
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: Mark 6: 7-13

## Today's prayer:

Saint Agatha, blessed virgin and martyr,  
you endured suffering with courage  
and remained faithful to the Lord.  
You are honoured as the patron  
of those who suffer from breast cancer.  
In your compassion, look upon  
all who live with this illness.  
Pray for healing where it is possible,  
for strength in treatment and recovery,  
and for peace in moments of fear and pain.  
Comfort those who are weary,  
support those who care for them,  
and surround them with hope.  
Intercede before God almighty  
that those who suffer may know His mercy,  
His healing presence,  
and His abiding love.

Saint Agatha, pray for us.

*Saint Agatha of Sicily (c. 231–251) was a young Christian woman who gave her life for Christ during the persecution of Emperor Decius. Arrested for refusing to renounce her faith, she endured cruel torture with steadfast courage. Her witness of purity, strength, and trust in God has made her a sign of hope for the suffering. She is honoured as patron of those afflicted with breast cancer and of Sicily.*

# Friday – St Paul Miki & his 26 Companions

Martyrs

*patron saints of Japan*

## Collect:

O God, strength of all the Saints,  
who through the Cross were pleased to call  
the Martyrs Saint Paul Miki and companions to life,  
grant, we pray, that by their intercession  
we may hold with courage even until death  
to the faith that we profess.  
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:** Mark 6:14-29

## Today's prayer:

O Lord,  
through the witness of St Paul Miki and his Companions,  
You showed the power of faith and forgiveness.  
Protect all who suffer for their belief in You today.  
Strengthen Your Church in unity and peace,  
and inspire us to be faithful witnesses  
through our words and actions.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

*Saint Paul Miki and his Companions (†1597) were twenty-six Christians martyred in Nagasaki, Japan, during a time of fierce persecution. Paul Miki, a Jesuit catechist, preached forgiveness and faith in Christ even as he was crucified. Alongside priests, religious, and laypeople—including children—their deaths bore powerful witness to the Gospel. Canonised in 1862, they remain signs of courage, unity, and hope for the Church under trial.*

## Saturday - Week 4

### **Collect:**

Grant us, Lord our God,  
that we may honour You with all our mind,  
and love everyone in truth of heart.  
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:** Mk 6:30-34

### **Today's prayer:**

Great and marvellous are Your works,  
O Lord God, the Almighty.  
Just and true are Your ways, O King of the nations.  
Who will not fear You and glorify Your Holy Name?  
For You alone are holy!  
All nations will come and worship before You,  
for Your mighty deeds have been revealed.  
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Glory be to the Father...