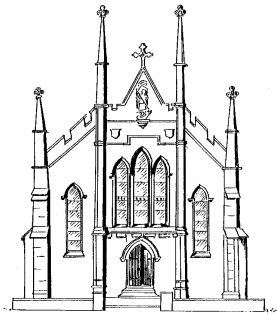


# DAILY PRAYERS

## EASTER WEEK 5



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# Sunday - Easter Week 5

## **Collect:**

Almighty ever-living God,  
constantly accomplish the Paschal Mystery within us,  
that those You were pleased to make new in Holy Baptism  
may, under Your protective care, bear much fruit  
and come to the joys of life eternal.  
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 14:1-12

## **Today's prayer:**

Creator God,  
Because of Your abundant love  
You chose to bring light and order into the formless void,  
to create a world of unsurpassed beauty  
and You saw that it was good.  
We ask that You continue to recreate the world  
with that same attentive love,  
to bring light into today's ever increasing chaos and darkness  
where we have failed to be stewards and carers of Your creation.  
Replenish our hearts  
so that we too can renew the face of the Earth.  
Amen.

# Monday - Easter Week 5

## **Collect:**

May Your right hand, O Lord, we pray,  
encompass Your family with perpetual help,  
so that, defended from all wickedness  
by the Resurrection of Your Only Begotten Son,  
we may make our way by means of Your heavenly gifts.  
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 14:21-26

## **Today's prayer:**

A Prayer for Community Spirit

God our Father,  
teach us to live together  
in love and peace,  
to check all bitterness,  
to disown discouragement,  
to practise thanksgiving,  
and to leap with joy to any task for others.  
Strengthen the good things thus begun,  
that with gallant and high-hearted happiness  
we may look for Your kingdom.  
Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

# Tuesday - Easter Week 5

## **Collect:**

O God, who restore us to eternal life  
in the Resurrection of Christ,  
grant Your people constancy in faith and hope,  
that we may never doubt the promises  
of which we have learned from 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 14:27-31a

## **Today's prayer:**

Jesus not only teaches us but shows us, particularly in the washing of His disciples feet, how to serve one another:

“Unless I wash you, you have no share with me.”

If only it were otherwise.

If only I could present my credentials,  
show my record of service,  
get some kind of unlimited pass.

In every area of my life

I am more used to proving how adequate I am,  
presenting a polished image, gaining certain privileges.

But You, Lord,

You bring me down to where You are kneeling,  
and take hold of the feet I prefer to hide.

We are here together, near the ground,  
and in this humble position

I am touched by You and made clean.

*Ann Siddall.*

# Wednesday - Easter Week 5

## **Collect:**

O God, restorer, and lover of innocence,  
direct the hearts of Your servants towards Yourself,  
that those You have set free from the darkness of unbelief  
may never stray from the light of Your truth.  
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 15:1-8

## **Today's prayer:**

Lord Jesus,  
Through the waters of baptism,  
You have made us Your children,  
called to live in Your light and follow Your path.  
We thank You for the grace of this sacred sacrament  
and for the gift of new life in You.  
Help us to remember the promises made at our baptism,  
to reject sin, and to live faithfully in Your love.  
Strengthen us with the Holy Spirit to grow in holiness,  
to seek Your truth, and to be witnesses  
of Your mercy and compassion in the world.  
You who live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.

# Thursday - Easter Week 5

## **Collect:**

O God, by whose grace,  
though sinners, we are made just  
and, though pitiable, made blessed,  
stand, we pray, by your works,  
stand by your gifts,  
that those justified by faith  
may not lack the courage of perseverance.  
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 15:9-11

## **Today's prayer:**

Risen Christ, when darkness overwhelms us  
may Your dawn beckon.  
When fear paralyses us  
may Your touch release us.  
When grief torments us  
May Your peace enfold us.  
When memories haunt us  
may Your presence heal us.  
When justice fails us  
may Your anger ignite us.  
When apathy stagnates us  
may Your challenge renew us.  
When courage leaves us  
may Your spirit inspire us.  
When despair grips us  
may Your hope restore us.  
And when death threatens us  
may Your resurrection light lead us.  
Amen.

# Friday – Easter Week 5

## **Collect:**

Grant us, Lord, we pray,  
that, being rightly conformed to the paschal mysteries,  
what we celebrate in joy  
may protect and save us with perpetual power.  
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 15:12-17

## **Today's prayer:**

How wonderful, Lord Jesus, You came back  
You suffered death but conquered it  
You laid in the tomb but on the third day  
You rose again  
O joyful day, Lord Jesus, when You returned  
You are the resurrection, our hope and our life  
O glorious and victorious Redeemer  
Help us not to be afraid of death  
For we must pass through it to see You face to face  
And on the last day we will rise again  
For You said so  
Let us rejoice and praise You  
Our Blessed and triumphant Lord  
On this happy, joyful day.  
Amen.

# Saturday – Easter Week 5

## **Collect:**

Almighty and eternal God,  
who through the regenerating power of Baptism  
have been pleased to confer on us heavenly life,  
grant, we pray,  
that those You render capable of immortality  
by justifying them  
may by Your guidance  
attain the fullness of 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:** John 15:18-21

## **Today's prayer:**

Lord Jesus  
May we always seek to be faithful to our baptismal call,  
living with love, humility, and justice,  
and striving to bring peace and hope to those we encounter.  
Guide us to live with the integrity and courage  
to reflect Your light in all that we do.  
You who live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.