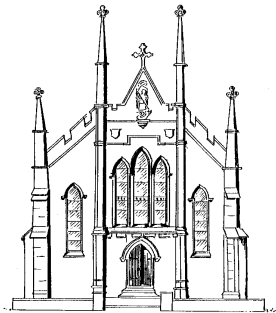


# DAILY PRAYERS

## 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 17:1-11a

## 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 fulfilment 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 and kindle in us the fire of Your love!

# Monday - Easter Week 7

## **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:**

Breathe into me Holy Spirit,  
that all my thoughts may be holy.  
Move in me, Holy Spirit,  
that my work, too, may be holy.  
Attract my heart, Holy Spirit,  
that I may love only what is holy.  
Strengthen me, Holy Spirit,  
that I may defend all that is holy.  
Protect me, Holy Spirit,  
that I always may be holy.

*Saint Augustine (13<sup>th</sup> November 354 – 28<sup>th</sup> August 430)*

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.

O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit,  
instructed the hearts of the faithful,  
grant that by the gift of that same Holy Spirit  
we may be truly wise  
and ever enjoy His consolations.  
Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Come Holy Spirit and kindle in us the fire of Your love!

# Tuesday - Easter Week 7

## **Collect:**

Grant, we pray, almighty and merciful God,  
that the Holy Spirit, coming near  
and dwelling graciously within us,  
may make of us a perfect temple of His 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 17:1-11a

## **Today's prayer:**

Grant me also, O Holy Spirit,  
Giver of all good gifts, the special favour for which I ask  
(*name your special petition*),  
if it be for Your honour and glory  
and for my wellbeing. 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.

O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit,  
instructed the hearts of the faithful,  
grant that by the gift of that same Holy Spirit  
we may be truly wise  
and ever enjoy His consolations.  
Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

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# Wednesday - Easter Week 7

St Bernadine of Siena, Priest

## **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:**

Saint Bernardine of Siena, faithful priest and preacher of Christ,  
you carried the Holy Name of Jesus on your lips and in your heart.  
Teach us to love that Name above every other name:

Jesus, our Saviour,

Jesus, our mercy,

Jesus, our peace.

Pray for all who preach the Gospel, that their words may lead others  
not to themselves, but to the living Lord.

Ask God to heal division, renew faith where it has grown weak,  
and kindle in our hearts a deeper trust in Christ.

May the Name of Jesus be our strength in trouble,  
our hope in weakness, and our joy now and forever.

Saint Bernardine of Siena, Pray for us.

Come Holy Spirit and kindle in us the fire of Your love!

*Saint Bernardine of Siena, priest, was born on 8 September 1380 and  
died on 20 May 1444.*

*A Franciscan friar and powerful preacher, he travelled through Italy  
calling people to conversion, peace, and renewed love for the Holy Name  
of Jesus.*

# Thursday - Easter Week 7

St Christopher of Magallanes, Priest

## 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:

Saint Christopher Magallanes and holy companions,  
faithful witnesses of Christ in a time of fear, hatred, and persecution,  
pray for our troubled world.  
You met violence with courage, division with faith,  
and cruelty with forgiveness.  
Ask the Lord to heal the wounds of nations, to calm angry hearts,  
and to teach all people the ways of peace.  
Pray for those who suffer because of their faith,  
for those who are hated because they are different,  
and for those who have forgotten the dignity of their brothers and sisters.  
May your witness help us to build a world of justice, mercy, tolerance,  
and respect,  
where Christ's peace is welcomed, His truth is loved,  
and every human life is honoured.

Saint Christopher Magallanes and companions, martyrs of Mexico, Pray  
for us.

Come Holy Spirit and kindle in us the fire of Your love!

*Saint Christopher Magallanes, priest, and his 24 companion martyrs  
witnessed to Christ during persecution in Mexico. Martyred on 25 May  
1927, he served God's people with courage, forgave his enemies,  
and gave his life in hope, trusting the risen Lord's mercy and victory  
forever.*

# Friday - Easter Week 7

## St Rita of Cascia, Religious

### **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.

**Today's Gospel reading:** John 16:23b-28

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

Saint Rita of Cascia, faithful servant of Christ,  
you carried in your own life  
a share in the suffering of the Lord.  
Teach us to gaze with love  
upon Jesus in His Passion:  
wounded, crowned with thorns,  
silent before cruelty,  
and faithful to the Father's will.  
Pray that our hearts may be softened  
by His mercy, our wounds healed by His love,  
and our bitterness changed into forgiveness.  
Help us to stand near the Cross  
with patience, trust, and hope,  
until the sorrow of Good Friday  
opens into the joy of Easter.

Saint Rita of Cascia, Pray for us.

Come Holy Spirit and kindle in us the fire of Your love!

*Saint Rita of Cascia, religious, born about 1381 and died on 22 May 1457, was a wife, mother, widow, and Augustinian nun. Marked by a thorn from Christ's crown, she contemplated His Passion and became a sign of forgiveness, patience, and hope.*

# Saturday - Easter Week 7

## Vigil of Pentecost

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

**Today's Gospel reading:** John 21:20-25

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

Lord Jesus Christ, on the shore of Galilee  
You called Peter to follow You, and You reminded him  
not to compare his path with another's, but simply to trust Your word.  
On this Vigil of Pentecost, teach us to follow You with undivided hearts.  
Free us from distraction, comparison, and fear.  
Help us not to ask, "What about them?"  
but to hear again Your quiet command: "Follow Me."  
Send upon us the Holy Spirit,  
that we may recognise the particular path  
You place before each of us,  
and walk it with courage, humility, and love.  
As the beloved disciple bore witness to what he had seen and heard,  
make us faithful witnesses too — not relying on our own strength,  
but on the fire and breath of Your Spirit.  
May our lives become one small page  
in the great book of Your mercy,  
which the world itself could never fully contain.

Come Holy Spirit and kindle in us the fire of Your love!