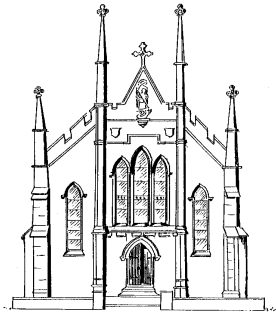


# DAILY PRAYERS

## WEEK 8 IN ORDINARY TIME



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# Pentecost Sunday

## Collect:

O God, who by the mystery of today's great feast sanctify Your whole Church in every people and nation, pour out, we pray, the gifts of the Holy Spirit across the face of the Earth and, with the divine grace that was at work when the Gospel was first proclaimed, fill now once more the hearts of believers. 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 20:19-23

## Today's prayer:

Lord, as we worship today on Pentecost Sunday, give us a vision. Move us by Your Holy Spirit. Bring good news to us all. Bring freedom and peace to broken people, And let us get a taste of Heaven here on Earth. Open our eyes to see You as You are. And open our hearts to praise You. Give us a vision that will take us out of our comfort zones And lead us into new ways of serving You. Help us to be agents of Your love to all people In a world where there is much division and hate. Helps us to be beacons of hope In a world that is sinking deeper into despair. Help us to be agents of Your peace In a world that is torn apart by conflict and wars. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# Monday – Mary, Mother of the Church

## **Collect:**

O God, Father of mercies,  
whose Only Begotten Son, as He hung upon the Cross,  
chose the Blessed Virgin Mary, His Mother,  
to be our Mother also,  
grant, we pray, that with her loving help  
Your Church may be more fruitful day by day  
and, exulting in the holiness of her children,  
may draw to her embrace all the families of the peoples.  
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 19:25-34

## **Today's prayer:**

Mother, help our faith!  
Open our ears to hear God's word  
and to recognize His voice and call.  
Awaken in us a desire to follow in His footsteps,  
to go forth from our own land and to receive His promise.  
Help us to be touched by His love, that we may touch Him in faith.  
Help us to entrust ourselves fully to Him and to believe in His love,  
especially at times of trial, beneath the shadow of the Cross,  
when our faith is called to mature.  
Sow in our faith the joy of the Risen One.  
Remind us that those who believe are never alone.  
Teach us to see all things with the eyes of Jesus,  
that He may be light for our path.  
And may this light of faith always increase in us,  
until the dawn of that undying day  
which is Christ Himself, your Son, our Lord!

*From Pope Francis' letter LUMEN FIDEI, June 29<sup>th</sup> 2013*

*Mary, Mother of the Church, is honoured as the Mother of all Christ's faithful. Standing beside the Cross, she received the beloved disciple as her son, and in him the whole Church. Praying with the Apostles at Pentecost, she remains a model of faith, prayer, and discipleship.*

## Tuesday – St Philip Neri

### Collect:

O God, who never cease to bestow the glory of holiness on the faithful servants You raise up for Yourself, graciously grant that the Holy Spirit may kindle in us that fire with which he wonderfully filled the heart of Saint Philip Neri. 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 10:28-31

**Today's prayer:** *(By St Philip Neri)*

Mary, I love you.

Mary, make me live in God, with God, and for God.

Draw me after you, holy mother.

O Mary, may your children persevere in loving you.

Mary, Mother of God and mother of mercy, pray for me.

Mary, Holy Mother of God, be our helper.

In every difficulty and distress, come to our aid, O Mary.

O Queen of Heaven, lead us to eternal life with God.

Mother of God, remember me,  
and help me always to remember you.

O Mary, conceived without sin,  
pray for us who have recourse to you.

Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God,  
that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray to Jesus for me.

St Philip Neri, Pray for us

*St Philip Neri (1515–1595), founder of the Oratory, was known for joyful holiness, gentle humour, and deep love for prayer and the Eucharist.*

*Working among the poor and young people of Rome, he encouraged frequent confession, devotion, and faithfulness, earning the title “Apostle of Rome”.*

# Wednesday – St Augustine of Canterbury

## **Collect:**

O God, who by the preaching of the Bishop Saint Augustine of Canterbury led the English peoples to the Gospel, grant, we pray, that the fruits of his labours may remain ever abundant in Your Church. 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 10:32-45

## **Today's prayer:**

O God,  
Who by the preaching and miracles of Blessed Augustine, Your Confessor and Bishop, You shed upon the English people the light of the true faith;  
grant that, through his intercession, the hearts of those that have gone astray may return to the unity of Your truth, and that we may be of one mind in doing Your will. I ask this, through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one world without end. Amen.

St Augustine, Pray for us

*St Augustine of Canterbury (d. c.604/605) was sent by Pope Gregory the Great to England in 597 to preach the Gospel to the Anglo-Saxons. He became the first Archbishop of Canterbury, baptised many converts, and helped establish the foundations of the Church in England.*

# Thursday - Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest

## **Collect:**

O God, who for the glory of Your majesty  
and the salvation of the human race,  
made Your Only Begotten Son the Eternal High Priest,  
grant that, through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit,  
those whom He has chosen as ministers  
and stewards of His Mysteries  
may be found faithful in carrying out the ministry  
they have received.

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 26:36-42

## **Today's prayer:**

O Jesus, our great High Priest,  
hear my humble prayers on behalf of Your priests.  
Give them a deep faith,  
a bright and firm hope  
and a burning love  
which will ever increase in the course of their priestly life.  
In their loneliness, comfort them.  
In their sorrows, strengthen them.  
In their frustrations, point out to them  
that it is through suffering that the soul is purified,  
and show them that they are needed by the Church;  
they are needed by souls;  
they are needed for the work of redemption.

*The Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest celebrates  
Christ as the perfect and everlasting priest who offers Himself for the  
salvation of the world. Through His sacrifice, made present at every  
Mass, He intercedes continually for His people and calls His Church into  
holiness and faithful worship.*

# Friday – Week 8

## **Collect:**

Grant us, O Lord, we pray,  
that the course of our world  
may be directed by Your peaceful rule  
and that Your Church may rejoice,  
untroubled in her devotion.

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 11:11-26

## **Today's prayer:**

O Mary, Mother of Sorrows,  
you stood faithfully beside the Cross of your Son  
and shared in His suffering with steadfast love.  
Teach us to remain close to Christ  
in times of trial, sorrow, and uncertainty.  
Pray for all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit,  
and lead us always to the hope and peace  
that flow from the Heart of Jesus.

Mary at the foot of the Cross, Pray for us

# Saturday – Week 8

## **Collect:**

Grant us, O Lord, we pray,  
that the course of our world  
may be directed by Your peaceful rule  
and that Your Church may rejoice,  
untroubled in her devotion.

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 11:27-33

## **Today's prayer:**

O Mary, Mother of the Church,  
in this month dedicated to your honour  
we place ourselves beneath your gentle care.  
Teach us to listen to God's word with faithful hearts,  
to pray with trust,  
and to follow Christ more closely each day.  
May our homes and parishes  
be filled with the peace, joy, and charity  
that shone so brightly in your life.

Mary, Mother of the Church, Pray for us