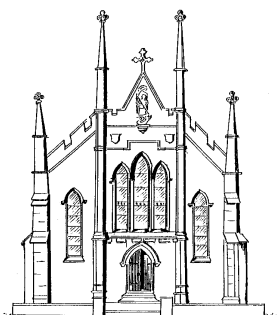


DAILY PRAYERS

WEEK 16 IN ORDINARY TIME



HOLY TRINITY & ST GEORGE
CATHOLIC CHURCH
Serving Kendal and Sedbergh

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Sunday - Week 16

Collect:

Show favour, O Lord, to Your servants
and mercifully increase the gifts of Your grace,
that, made fervent in hope, faith and charity,
they may be ever watchful in keeping Your commands.
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 13:24-43

Today's prayer:

Lord, grant that I may always allow myself
to be guided by You,
always follow Your plans,
and perfectly accomplish Your Holy Will.
Grant that in all things,
great and small,
today and all the days of my life,
I may do whatever You require of me.
Help me respond to the slightest prompting of Your Grace,
so that I may be Your trustworthy instrument for Your honour.
May Your Will be done in time
and in eternity by me, in me, and through me. Amen.

*St Teresa Of Avila (28th March 1515 · Gotarrendura
- 15th October 1582 · Alba de Tormes)*

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God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Today's Gospel reading: Matthew 12:38-42

Today's prayer:

Lord, keep us watchful in keeping Your commands,
faithful in doing Your will,
and steadfast in following Christ each day,
that we may be ready with joyful hearts
when He comes in glory. Amen.

Tuesday - Week 16

St Lawrence of Brindisi

patron saint of Brindisi and of Catholic chaplains

Collect:

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and mercifully increase the gifts of Your grace,
that, made fervent in hope, faith and charity,
they may be ever watchful in keeping Your commands.
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 12:46-50

Today's prayer:

O God, who for the glory of your name
and the salvation of souls
bestowed on the Priest Saint Lawrence of Brindisi
a spirit of counsel and fortitude,
grant, we pray, that in the same spirit,
we may know what must be done
and, through his intercession,
bring it to completion.
Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

St Lawrence, Pray for us

*Saint Lawrence of Brindisi (1559–1619), Capuchin friar, preacher, and
Doctor of the Church, was renowned for his deep knowledge of
Scripture, powerful preaching, and tireless work
for the renewal of the Church. Gifted with remarkable linguistic ability,
he proclaimed the Gospel throughout Europe and helped reconcile
divided Christians. St Lawrence encourages us to unite learning, prayer,
and courageous witness to Christ.*

Wednesday – St Mary Magdalene

Apostle of the Resurrection

patron saint of penitents, converts, women, and those seeking a deeper friendship with Christ.

Collect:

O God, whose Only Begotten Son
entrusted Mary Magdalene before all others
with announcing the great joy of the Resurrection,
grant, we pray,
that through her intercession and example
we may proclaim the living Christ
and come to see Him reigning in Your glory.
Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Today's Gospel reading: John 20:1-2, 11-18

Today's prayer:

Lord Jesus,
through the prayers of Saint Mary Magdalene,
kindle in us a love that seeks You faithfully,
a faith that proclaims Your Resurrection with joy,
and a heart that never grows weary of following You.
For you live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.

Saint Mary Magdalene, Pray for us

*Saint Mary Magdalene was one of Jesus' most devoted disciples.
Delivered from the power of evil, she followed him faithfully, stood
beneath the Cross, and was the first to witness his Resurrection. Sent by
the risen Lord to proclaim the Good News to the Apostles, she is
honoured as the "Apostle to the Apostles."*

Thursday – St Bridget of Sweden

Patron of Europe, widows, and Sweden,

Collect:

O God, who guided Saint Bridget of Sweden
along different paths of life
and wondrously taught her the wisdom of the Cross
as she contemplated the Passion of your Son,
grant us, we pray,
that, walking worthily in our vocation,
we may seek You in all things.
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 God, through the prayers of Saint Bridget of Sweden,
grant us the grace to seek You with undivided hearts
,to love Christ crucified more deeply,
and to serve Your Church with courage, wisdom, and compassion.
May her example inspire us
to follow Your will faithfully throughout our lives.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Saint Bridget of Sweden, Pray for us

Saint Bridget of Sweden (c.1303–1373) was a wife, mother, widow, mystic, and foundress of the Bridgettine Order. After her husband's death, she devoted herself to prayer, works of charity, and calling both Church and society to renewal. Her Revelations have inspired Christians for centuries with their deep love of Christ's Passion

Friday - St John Boste and Companions

The Martyrs of Cumbria

Collect:

Almighty and ever-living God,
we pray that through this remembrance of our Cumbrian martyrs
their deaths may speak in our hearts.
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: Matthew 10:17-22

Today's prayer: The Angelus

The Angel of the Lord declared to Mary: And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.
Hail Mary...

Behold the handmaid of the Lord: Be it done unto me according to Your word.
Hail Mary...

And the Word was made Flesh: And dwelt among us.
Hail Mary...

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

Let us pray, Pour forth, we beseech You, O Lord, Your grace into our hearts;
that we, to whom the incarnation of Christ, Your Son, was made known by the
message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of
His Resurrection, through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen

St John Boste, Pray for us
Blessed Christopher Robinson, Pray for us
Bld John Mason, Pray for us
Bld Thomas Somers, Pray for us
Bld James Duckett, Pray for us
Bld Thomas Tunstall, Pray for us
Bld William Ward, Pray for us
Bld John Duckett, Pray for us
Bld Thomas Pickering, Pray for us
Bld Thomas Sprott, Pray for us

St John said the Angelus as he ascended the scaffold. He denied he was a traitor by saying, "My function is to invade souls, not to meddle in temporal invasions." John Boste was beatified by Pope Pius XI in 1929 and declared a saint as one of the Forty Martyrs of England and Wales by Pope Paul VI in 1970.

Saturday – St James the Greater

Apostle

patron saint of Spain (according to legend, his remains are held in Santiago de Compostela in Galicia)

Collect:

Almighty ever-living God,
who consecrated the first fruits of Your Apostles
by the blood of Saint James,
grant, we pray,
that Your Church may be strengthened by his confession of faith
and constantly sustained by his protection.
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 20:20-28

Today's prayer:

O glorious St James,
because of your fervor and generosity
Jesus chose you to witness His glory on the Mount
and His agony in the Garden.
Obtain for us strength and consolation
in the unending struggles of this life.
Help us to follow Christ
constantly and generously,
to be victors over all our difficulties,
and to receive the crown of glory in heaven. Amen.

St James, Pray for us