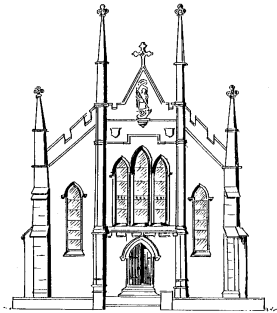


DAILY PRAYERS

WEEK 22 IN ORDINARY TIME



HOLY TRINITY & ST GEORGE
CATHOLIC CHURCH
Serving Kendal and Sedbergh

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Sunday – Week 22

Collect:

God of might, giver of every good gift,
put into our hearts the love of Your Name,
so that, by deepening our sense of reverence,
You may nurture in us what is good
and, by Your watchful care,
keep safe what You have nurtured.
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 16:21-27

Today's prayer:

Father, today we proclaim Your Name.
You are glorious.
You are our Rock and Your deeds are perfect.
Everything You do is just and fair.
You are faithful and You do no wrong.
How just and upright You are!
Your unfailing love toward those who fear You
is as great as the height of the heavens above the earth.
Let the whole world fear and stand in awe of You, Lord.
You spoke and the world began;
it appeared at Your command.
Lord, You are our inheritance and hope.
Thank You, Father, for Your love and compassion.
Thank You for keeping Your covenant with us throughout the ages.
Thank You for making us Your people.
What a joy it is to be one of Your children.
Father, You are good and Your faithful love endures forever. Amen.

Glory be...

Monday – St Aidan

Bishop

patron saint of Northumbria

Collect:

O loving God, who called your servant Aidan from the peace of a Cloister

to re-establish the Christian mission in northern England,

and gave him the gifts of gentleness, simplicity, and strength:

Grant that we, following his example,

may use what you have given us for the relief of human need,

and may persevere in commending the saving Gospel of our Redeemer

Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Today's Gospel reading: Luke 4:16-30

Today's prayer: By St Aidan

Leave me alone with God as much as may be.

As the tide draws the waters close in upon the shore,

Make me an island, set apart,

Alone with You, O God, holy to You.

Then with the turning of the tide

Prepare me to carry Your presence to the busy world beyond,

The world that rushes in on me,

Till the waters come again and take me back to You.

St Aidan (c. 590–651) was a seventh-century Irish monk and missionary who became Bishop of Lindisfarne. Sent from Iona at the request of King Oswald, he worked tirelessly to bring the Gospel to the people of Northumbria. Aidan was known for his gentleness, simplicity of life and generous care for the poor. Travelling mostly on foot, he spoke readily with everyone he met. He died in 651 and is remembered as an outstanding apostle of northern England.

Tuesday – Week 22

Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

Collect:

God of might, giver of every good gift,
put into our hearts the love of Your Name,
so that, by deepening our sense of reverence,
You may nurture in us what is good
and, by Your watchful care,
keep safe what You have nurtured.

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.

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 4:31-37

Today's prayer:

God our Father,
who in Christ, the first-born of all creation,
called all things into being,
grant, we pray, that docile to the life-giving breath of Your Spirit,
we may lovingly care for the work of Your hands.
Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Wednesday – Week 22

Collect:

God of might, giver of every good gift,
put into our hearts the love of Your Name,
so that, by deepening our sense of reverence,
You may nurture in us what is good
and, by Your watchful care,
keep safe what You have nurtured.
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 4:38-44

Today's prayer:

Lord of Heaven's armies,
may Your voice shatter the realms of the wicked
and shield Your people from ruin.
Look over Your children and protect us, gracious Lord.
Send Your holy angels to watch over our us
and keep us steadfast in the fortress of Your holy word.
Mercifully hear my cries,
let them rise unto You like a sweet perfume. Amen.

Thursday – St Gregory the Great

Pope

patron saint of musicians, singers, teachers and students.

Collect:

O God, who care for your people with gentleness
and rule them in love,
through the intercession of Pope Saint Gregory,
endow, we pray, with a spirit of wisdom
those to whom you have given authority to govern,
that the flourishing of a holy flock
may become the eternal joy of the shepherds.
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 5:1-11

Today's prayer:

Saint Gregory the Great,
faithful shepherd and teacher of the Church,
help us to listen attentively to the Word of God
and to serve Christ with generous hearts.
Teach us to love the Church,
to care for those in need,
and to use our gifts for God's glory.
Pray that we may remain steadfast in faith
and joyful in His service.
Amen.

St Gregory, Pray for us

St Gregory the Great (c. 540–604) was Pope from 590 until his death and is one of the great Doctors of the Church. A gifted pastor and administrator, he cared especially for the poor and worked to strengthen the Church in difficult times. He sent St Augustine and his companions to evangelise the English people. Gregory's writings profoundly shaped Western Christianity and its worship

Friday – St Cuthbert

The Translation of the relics of Bishop Cuthbert to Durham
Co-Patron of the Diocese of Lancaster

Collect:

O God, who called Your servant the Bishop Saint Cuthbert
from tending sheep
to serving Christ as a shepherd of Your people;
grant in Your kindness, we pray,
that Your Church may imitate his example
by seeking out the lost
and bearing them home to Your fold.
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 5:33-39

Today's prayer:

Open our eyes Lord to see Your glory;
Open our ears Lord to hear Your call;
Open our lips Lord to sing Your praises.
Then guide us on our pilgrimage of faith,
that with the memory of St Cuthbert, our patron, in our minds
and the spirit of St Cuthbert in our hearts,
we may walk with Him who is the Way, the Truth and the Life
and find our freedom in His service;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Lady of Lourdes, Pray for us
St Cuthbert, Pray for the Church
St Cuthbert, Pray for Bishop Paul
St Cuthbert, Pray for the people, religious and clergy of our Diocese

*St Cuthbert (c. 634–687) was a monk, hermit and Bishop of Lindisfarne,
and one of the best-loved saints of northern England. Known for his
holiness, humility and gift of healing, he travelled widely preaching the
Gospel and caring for the poor. Drawn also to solitude and prayer, he
lived for a time as a hermit on Inner Farne.*

Saturday – St Herbert of Derwentwater

Priest and Hermit

Collect:

O God who graciously answered St Herbert's desire that he should enter Your presence together with St Cuthbert, his guide and friend, grant that always in this changing world we may contemplate the eternal life You have promised. 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 6:1-5

Today's hymn:

At Lindisfarne, expecting death,
The good St Cuthbert lay,
With wasted frame and feeble breath;
And monks were there to pray.

The brotherhood had gathered round,
His parting words to hear,
To see his saintly labours crowned,
And stretch him on the bier.

His eyes grew dim; his voice sunk low;
The choral song arose;
And when its sounds had ceased to flow,
His spirit found repose.

At that same hour, a holy man,
St Herbert, well renowned,
Gave token that his earthly span
Had reached its utmost bound.

St Cuthbert, in his early years,
Had let him on his way;
When the tree falls, the fruit it bears
Will surely, too, decay.

The monks of Lindisfarne meanwhile
Were gazing on their dead;
At that same hour, on Derwent-isle,
A kindred soul had fled.

Unknown author

St Herbert, Pray for us

Saint Herbert of Derwentwater (?-687) was an Anglo-Saxon priest and hermit who lived on St Herbert's Island, a small island in Derwentwater. He had asked to die on the same day as St. Cuthbert, a desire that was granted by God! The life of St. Herbert is recorded in Book IV Chapter 29 of St Bede's "Ecclesiastical History of the English People" - this hymn echoes what St Bede tells us there.