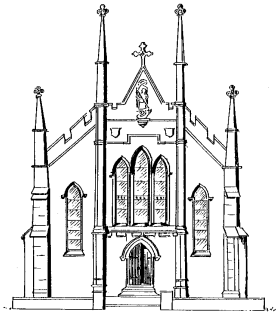


DAILY PRAYERS

WEEK 27 IN ORDINARY TIME



HOLY TRINITY & ST GEORGE
CATHOLIC CHURCH
Serving Kendal and Sedbergh

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Sunday – Week 27

Collect:

Almighty ever-living God,
who in the abundance of Your kindness
surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat You,
pour out Your mercy upon us
to pardon what conscience dreads
and to give what prayer does not dare to ask.
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 21:33-43

Today's prayer:

Loving Father,
we thank You for Your kindness towards us,
for blessings we recognise
and for so many we never see.
Thank You for the gift of life,
for those who love and care for us,
for daily bread and unexpected joys,
for strength when life is difficult,
and for Your presence beside us
through every changing season.
Above all, we thank You for Your Son, Jesus Christ,
in whom You have shown us the fullness of Your love.
Keep us from taking Your goodness for granted.
Give us grateful hearts,
ready to recognise Your gifts
and generous enough to share them with others.
May our lives become our thanksgiving,
and may everything we are and everything we have
give praise and glory to You.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Monday – Dedication of the Cathedral

Collect:

O God, who from living and chosen stones
prepare an eternal dwelling for Your majesty,
increase in Your Church the grace You have bestowed,
so that by unceasing growth Your faithful people
may build up the heavenly Jerusalem.
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

Today's Gospel reading: Luke 10:25-37

Today's prayer:

Saint Peter, Apostle of Christ,
you left your nets and followed the Lord.
You confessed Him as the Christ, the Son of the living God,
and He entrusted to you the care of His flock.
Pray for us as we celebrate the dedication of our Cathedral,
raised to the glory of God and placed beneath your patronage.
Pray for Bishop Paul and for all the priests, deacons and people of our Diocese.
When our faith is weak, strengthen us;
when we are afraid, encourage us;
when we fail, teach us to trust again
in the mercy of Christ who called you.
Help us, with you, to confess with our lives:
“You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.”
And may our Diocese, built of living stones,
always be a place of prayer and welcome,
of faith, hope and charity,
where Christ is known, loved and proclaimed.

Our Lady of Lourdes, Pray for us
Saint Peter, Apostle of Christ, Pray for us
All Holy Martyrs of Lancaster, Pray for us
All Holy Martyrs of Lancashire and Cumbria Pray for us
St Cuthbert, Pray for us
and for the Church in our Diocese. Amen.

Tuesday – Week 27

St Bruno, Religious

patron saint of the Carthusian Order and of those seeking solitude and the contemplative life

Collect:

Almighty ever-living God,
who in the abundance of Your kindness
surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat You,
pour out Your mercy upon us
to pardon what conscience dreads
and to give what prayer does not dare to ask.
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 10:38-42

Today's prayer:

O God, who called Saint Bruno to serve you in solitude,
grant, through his intercession,
that amid the changes of this world
we may constantly look to you alone.
Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Saint Bruno, Pray for us

Saint Bruno was born in Cologne around 1030. A gifted scholar and teacher, he eventually left academic life in search of greater solitude and prayer. In 1084, with six companions, he settled in the remote valley of Chartreuse near Grenoble. From this community grew the Carthusian Order, whose life combines solitude, silence, prayer and community. Bruno later served Pope Urban II before returning to the monastic life he loved. He died in Calabria in 1101 and was canonised in 1623.

Wednesday – Our Lady of the Rosary

Collect:

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, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary,
by his Passion and Cross
be brought to the glory of His Resurrection.
Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Today's Gospel reading: Luke 1:26-38

Today's prayer: Prayer to Our Lady of the Rosary for Peace
Our Lady of the Rosary, Mother of Christ and Queen of Peace,
we turn to you in a world wounded by war, violence, hatred and fear.
You pondered the mysteries of your Son and treasured them in your heart.
Teach us to look with you upon Jesus, and to follow His way of mercy,
reconciliation and peace.
Pray for all who suffer through war: for those who have lost their homes,
for the injured and the bereaved, for those who are afraid,
and for all who long to return home.
Pray for those who govern the nations, that they may seek justice
rather than vengeance, dialogue rather than division,
and peace rather than victory at any cost.
Begin that peace within us. Free our hearts from anger and resentment;
teach us to forgive, to listen, and to recognise one another
as children of the one Father.
Mary, Queen of the Holy Rosary, keep us close to your Son,
and pray that His peace may fill our hearts,
our homes, our nations and our world.

Our Lady of the Rosary, pray for us.
Queen of Peace, pray for us.

On his recent Apostolic Visit to Lourdes Pope Leo has encouraged us all to pray
the Rosary every day for world peace.

Thursday – Week 27

Collect:

Almighty ever-living God,
who in the abundance of Your kindness
surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat You,
pour out Your mercy upon us
to pardon what conscience dreads
and to give what prayer does not dare to ask.
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 11:5-13

Today's Prayer:

God our Father, You have been good to us
in more ways than we can ever count.
For the people who have shared our journey,
for doors that have opened unexpectedly,
for prayers answered
and for strength given when answers did not come,
we thank You.
For ordinary days and familiar faces,
for laughter and friendship,
for work accomplished and burdens shared,
for moments of peace
and signs of hope along the way, we thank You.
When we look back, help us to recognise Your hand at work;
when we look forward, help us to trust in Your loving care.
May gratitude make us generous,
and may the kindness we have received from You
become kindness offered freely to others.
For all that has been, we thank You;
for all that is to come, we trust You;
and in everything, we praise You.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Friday – St John Henry Newman

Pastor - *patron saint of Personal Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham and poets*

St Denis, Bishop Martyr - *patron saint of France*

St John Leonardi, Priest - *patron saint of pharmacists*

Collect:

O God, who bestowed on the Priest Saint John Henry Newman
the grace to follow your kindly light
and find peace in Your Church;
graciously grant that, through his intercession and example,
we may be led out of shadows and images into the fulness 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: Luke 11:15-26

Today's prayer: The Mission of My Life

God has created me to do Him some definite service.

He has committed some work to me which He has not committed to another.

I have my mission. I may never know it in this life, but I shall be told it in the next.

I am a link in a chain, a bond of connection between persons.

He has not created me for naught.

I shall do good; I shall do His work.

I shall be an angel of peace, a preacher of truth in my own place,
while not intending it if I do but keep His commandments.

Therefore, I will trust Him, whatever I am, I can never be thrown away.

If I am in sickness, my sickness may serve Him,

in perplexity, my perplexity may serve Him.

If I am in sorrow, my sorrow may serve Him.

He does nothing in vain. He knows what He is about. He may take away my friends.

He may throw me among strangers. He may make me feel desolate,
make my spirits sink, hide my future from me. Still, He knows what He is about.

St John Henry Cardinal Newman (21st February 1801 – 11th August 1890)

St John Henry Newman, Pray for us

St Denis, Pray for us

St John Leonardi, Pray for us

Saturday – Week 26

St Paulinus of York, Bishop

Collect:

Almighty ever-living God,
who in the abundance of Your kindness
surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat You,
pour out Your mercy upon us
to pardon what conscience dreads
and to give what prayer does not dare to ask.
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 11:27-28

Today's prayer:

God, who sent the Bishop Saint Paulinus of York
to build up Your Church, grant, we beseech You,
by his prayers and example
that we may make known Your wonders and tell of Your truth,
that with him we may receive the reward You prepare for all Your faithful.
Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Our Lady Mother of the Church, Pray for us
St Marageat Clitherow, Pray for us
St Paulinus, Pray for us

Monk and first bishop of York. Paulinus was one of the second group of monks sent to England by Pope Gregory the Great in 601. King Edwin of Northumbria had invited the missionaries because he wanted to become a Christian and marry Ethelburga, the Christian sister of Edbald, King of Kent. Paulinus hoped the Northumbrian people would follow their king's example. After Edwin was baptised, in a wooden church at York, the pagan high priest Colfi and many more families asked Paulinus to baptise them too. He conducted large ceremonies in the River Swale near Ketterick, the Glen near Yeavinger and elsewhere in Yorkshire and Lincolnshire. At Lincoln he built a church of stone in around 628. Edwin was killed at the Battle of Hatfield Chase in 633 by the pagan Penda of Mercia and his Welsh Christian ally Cadwollon