DAILY PRAYER: WEEKDAYS

MORNING PRAYER

PREPARATION

A Sentence of Scripture (pages 76-82)

Versicles and Responses

Stand

O Lord, open our lips and our mouth will proclaim your praise.

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever. Amen.

Praise the Lord.

The Lord's name be praised.

THE WORD OF GOD

A Psalm (as appointed)

A Canticle which may be said here or between the readings

Monday Te Deum (page 125)

Part 1

- 1 We praise you, O God, we acclaim you | as the | Lord; all creation worships you, the | Father | ever lasting.
- 2 To you all angels, all the | powers of | heaven, the cherubim and seraphim, | sing in | endless | praise:
- 3 Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of | power and | might, heaven and | earth are | full of · your | glory.

- 4 The glorious company of a postles | praise you; the noble | fellowship of | prophets | praise you.
- 5 The white-robed army of | martyrs | praise you; throughout the world, the | holy | Church ac | claims you:
- 6 Father, of majesty unbounded,
 your true and only Son, worthy | of all | praise,
 the Holy Spirit, | advo | cate and | guide.

Part 2

- 7 You, Christ, are the | King of | glory, the e | ternal | Son of the | Father.
- 8 When you took our flesh to | set us | free, vou humbly | chose the | Virgin's | womb.
- 9 You overcame the | sting of | death and opened the kingdom of | heaven to | all be | lievers.
- 10 You are seated at God's right | hand in | glory: we believe that you will | come to | be our | judge.
- 11 Come then, Lord, and | help your | people, bought with the | price of | your own | blood,
- 12 and bring us | with your | saints to | glory | ever | lasting.

Tuesday Benedicite (page 123)

- 1 Bless the Lord | all cre ated things: sing his | praise and ex | alt him for | ever.
- 2 Bless the | Lord you | heavens: sing his | praise and ex | alt him for | ever.
- 3 Bless the Lord you | angels · of the | Lord: bless the | Lord all | you his | hosts.
- 4 Bless the Lord you waters a | bove the | heavens: sing his | praise and ex | alt him for | ever.
- 5 Bless the Lord | sun and | moon: bless the | Lord you | stars of | heaven.
- 6 Bless the Lord all | rain and | dew: sing his | praise and ex | alt him for | ever.
- 7 Bless the Lord all | winds that | blow:

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bless the | Lord you | fire and | heat.
8 Bless the Lord scorching wind and | bitter | cold:
   sing his | praise • and ex | alt him • for | ever.
9 Bless the Lord dews and | falling | snows:
   bless the | Lord you | nights and | days.
10 Bless the Lord | light and | darkness: ■
   sing his | praise • and ex | alt him • for | ever.
11 Bless the Lord | frost and | cold:
   bless the Lord you ice and snow.
12 Bless the Lord | lightnings ⋅ and | clouds: ■
   sing his | praise • and ex | alt him • for | ever.
13 O let the earth | bless the | Lord; ■
   bless the | Lord you | mountains • and | hills.
14 Bless the Lord all that | grows ⋅ in the | ground: ■
   sing his | praise • and ex | alt him • for | ever.
15 Bless the | Lord you | springs: ■
   bless the Lord you seas and rivers.
16 Bless the Lord you whales and all that | swim ⋅ in the | waters: ■
   sing his | praise · and ex | alt him · for | ever.
17 Bless the Lord all | birds ⋅ of the | air: ■
   bless the | Lord you | beasts and | cattle.
18 Bless the Lord all | men ⋅ on the | earth: ■
   sing his | praise • and ex | alt him • for | ever.
19 O people of God | bless the | Lord: ■
   bless the | Lord you | priests · of the | Lord.
20 Bless the Lord you | servants ⋅ of the | Lord: ■
   sing his | praise • and ex | alt him • for | ever.
21 Bless the Lord all men of | upright | spirit:
   bless the Lord you that are | holy • and | humble • in | heart.
22 Bless the Father the Son and the | Holy | Spirit:
   sing his | praise • and ex | alt him • for | ever.
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Wednesday
                         The Song of Isaiah (page 132)
1 Surely God is | my sal vation;
  I will | trust, • and will | not • be a | fraid.
     for the Lord God is my | strength ⋅ and my | might; ■
  he has be come | my sal vation.
3 With joy you will draw water from the | wells of ⋅ sal | vation. ■
  And you will say in that day:
     Give thanks to the | Lord, | call on · his | name;
4 Make known his deeds a mong the | nations; ■
  pro claim • that his | name is • ex alted.
5 Sing praises to the Lord, for | he has • done | gloriously;
  let this be | known in | all the | earth.
6 Shout aloud and sing for joy, O royal Zion,
  for great in your midst is the | Holy | One of | Israel.
   Glory ...
                          Urbs Fortitudinis (page 130)
      Thursday
1 We have a strong city:
  salvation will God ap point for | walls and | bulwarks.
2 Open | ye the | gates: ■
  that the righteous nation which keepeth the | truth may | enter | in.
3 Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is | stayed on | thee
  be cause he trusteth in thee.
4 Trust ye in the | Lord for | ever: ■
  for our rock of | ages | is the | Lord.
5 The way of the | just is | uprightness;
  thou that art upright dost di rect the path of the just.
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6 Yea in the way of thy judgments O Lord have we | waited • for | thee;

the desire of our soul is to thy Name,

and • to the re membrance • of thee.

Glory ...

Friday Saviour of the World (page 130)

- 1 Jesus, Saviour of the world,
 - come to us | in your | mercy: ■

we look to | you to | save and | help us.

- 2 By your cross and your life laid down
 - you set your | people | free: ■

we look to | you to | save and | help us.

- 3 When they were ready to perish you | saved ⋅ your dis | ciples: we look to | you to | come to ⋅ our | help.
- 4 In the greatness of your mercy, loose us | from our | chains, forgive the | sins of | all your | people.
- 5† Make yourself known as our Saviour and | mighty De | liverer; save and | help us that | we may | praise you.
- 6 Come now and dwell with us | Lord Christ | Jesus:

 hear our | prayer and be | with us | always.
- 7 And when you | come in your | glory:

 make us to be one with you

 and to share the life of your | kingdom. | A | men.

Saturday The Song of Wisdom (page 132)

- 1 Wisdom is the brightness of eternal light, the spotless mirror of God's | power at | work, ■ the | image | of God's | goodness.
- 2 Wisdom is but one, yet | she can · do | all things; herself un | changing, · she makes | all things | new.
- 3 Age after age, she enters holy souls and makes them friends of | God, and | prophets, beloved of | God as | her com | panions.
- 4 Wisdom is more beautiful | than the | sun, surpassing every constel | lation | of the | stars.
- 5 Her radiance is greater than the | light of | day; for day's light is | followed | by the | night.
- 6 Against wisdom no | evil can pre | vail; she reaches mightily from one end of the earth to the other, and | orders | all things | well.

 Glory ...

One or two readings, the second from the New Testament

The Gospel Canticle, Benedictus (page 121) 1 Blessèd be the Lord the | God of | Israel, who has come to his | people • and | set them | free. 2 The Lord has raised up for us a | mighty | saviour, born of the | house of • his | servant | David. 3 Through the holy prophets God | promised ⋅ of | old ■ to save us from our enemies, from the | hands of | those who | hate us, 4 to show | mercy • to our | forebears, ■ and to re member • his | holy | covenant. 5 This was the oath God swore to our | father | Abraham: to set us | free • from the | hand of • our | enemies. 6 Free to worship him with out | fear, holy and righteous before him | all the | days of • our | life. 7 And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the | Most | High, for you will go before the | Lord · to pre | pare his | way, 8 To give his people knowledge of sal vation by the for giveness • of all their sins. 9 In the tender compassion | of our | God the dawn from on | high shall | break up on us. 10 To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the | shadow · of | death, and to guide our feet | into • the | way of | peace. Glory ...

The Apostles' Creed may be said

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried;

he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER

Kneel

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Weekday Intercessions and Thanksgivings

MONDAY Creation in Christ: Creation and Providence

Almighty God, maker of all good things: Father, Lord of all creation, in Christ you have shown us the purpose of your providence, and call us to be responsible in the world.

Intercession

We pray for THE WORLD

all the nations ...
our own country ...
those in authority ...
the peace of the world ...
racial harmony ...
those who maintain order ...

THANKSGIVING

Almighty God, we give you thanks

for the order of created things, the resources of the earth, and the gift of human life ...

for the continuing work of creation, our share in it, and for creative vision and inventive skill ...

for your faithfulness to us in patience and in love, and for every human response of obedience and humble achievement ...

CONCLUDING PRAYER

May we delight in your purpose and work to bring all things to their true end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

TUESDAY The Incarnate Life of Christ: Revelation and Human Knowledge

God our Father, you gave us your Son, Jesus Christ, to share our life on earth, to grow in wisdom, to toil with his hands, and to make known the ways of your kingdom.

Intercession

We pray for THE COMMUNITY

those who work ...
the unemployed ...
those in education ...
those in research ...
those in communications ...
those who maintain the life of the community ...

THANKSGIVING

God our Father, we give you thanks for Christ's revelation of yourself, his care for people, and his joy in obedience ...

for the value he gave to human labour, the strength he promised us for service, the call to follow in his way ...

for all opportunities of work and of leisure, all truth that we have learned, and all discoveries we have made ...

CONCLUDING PRAYER

Give us deeper reverence for the truth, and such wisdom in the use of knowledge that your kingdom may be advanced and your name glorified; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WEDNESDAY The Cross of Christ: Reconciliation and Human Relationships

Loving Father, you have reconciled us to yourself in Christ; by your Spirit you enable us to live as your sons and daughters.

Intercession

We pray for PERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS

the home, and family life ...
children deprived of home ...
friends, relations and neighbours ...
relationships in daily life and work ...
those who are estranged ...
those who feel unloved ...
all ministries of care ...

THANKSGIVING

Loving Father, we give you thanks for the obedience of Christ fulfilled in the cross, his bearing of the sin of the world, his mercy for the world, which never fails ... for the joy of loving and being loved, for friendship, the lives to which our own are bound, the gift of peace with you and with one another ... for the communities in whose life we share and all relationships in which reconciliation may be known ...

CONCLUDING PRAYER

Help us to share in Christ's ministry of love and service to one another; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who in the unity of the Holy Spirit is one with you for ever. Amen.

THURSDAY The Resurrection of Christ: The Household of Faith, the Church

Eternal God, you have raised Jesus Christ from the dead and exalted him to your right hand in glory; through him you have called your Church into being, that your people might know you and make your name known.

INTERCESSION

We pray for THE CHURCH
the Church universal, and local ...
the unity of the Church ...
the ministries of the Church ...
the mission of the Church ...
the renewal of the Church ...
all Christians in this place ...

THANKSGIVING

Eternal God, we give you thanks for the apostolic gospel committed to your Church, the continuing presence and power of your Spirit, the ministry of Word, Sacrament and Prayer ... for the mission in which you have called us to share, the will to unity, and its fruit in common action, the faithful witness of those who are true to Christ ...

for all works of compassion and every service that proclaims your love.

CONCLUDING PRAYER

In peace and unity may your people offer the unfailing sacrifice of praise, and make your glory known; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

FRIDAY The Priestly Ministry of Christ: All that meets Human Need

Gracious God and Father, you have given your Son for us all, that his death might be our life and his affliction our peace.

INTERCESSION

We pray for THE SUFFERING

the hungry ...
the refugees ...
the prisoners ...
the persecuted ...

all who bring sin and suffering to others ...

all who seek to bring care and relief ...

THANKSGIVING

Gracious God and Father, we give you thanks

for the cross of Christ at the heart of creation, the presence of Christ in our weakness and strength, the grace of Christ to transform our suffering ... for all ministries of healing, all agencies of relief, all that sets us free from pain, fear and distress ... for the assurance that your mercy knows no limit, and for the privilege of sharing Christ's ministry in prayer.

CONCLUDING PRAYER

In darkness and in light, in trouble and in joy, help us to trust your love, to serve your purpose and to praise your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SATURDAY Consummation in Christ: The Fulfilment of the Divine Purpose

Eternal God, you have declared in Christ the completion of all your purpose of love.

INTERCESSION

We pray for PEOPLE IN NEED

those who are tempted ...

those in despair ...

those who are sick ...

those with disabilities or who have special needs ...

those who are enslaved by addictions ...

the elderly and the dying ...

those who mourn ...

all ministries of care and healing ...

THANKSGIVING

Eternal God, we give thanks

for the triumphs of the gospel that herald your salvation, the signs of renewal that declare the coming of your kingdom, the examples of human lives that reveal your work of grace ...

for all those who have died in the faith of Christ ...

for the unceasing praise of the company of heaven, the promise to those who mourn that all tears shall be wiped away, the pledge of death destroyed and victory won ...

for our foretaste of eternal life through baptism and eucharist, our hope in the Spirit, the communion of saints ... May we live by faith, walk in hope and be renewed in love, until the world reflects your glory and you are all in all.

Even so, come Lord Jesus. Amen.

The Collect of the Day may be said or one of following

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life, and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us in all assaults of our enemies, that we, surely trusting in your protection, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everliving God, we give you thanks for bringing us safely to this day: Keep us from falling into sin or running into danger, and in all things guide us to know and do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Go before us, Lord, in all our doings, with your most gracious favour, and further us with your continual help; that in all our works begun, continued and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name, and finally by your mercy attain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Heavenly Father, in whom we live and move and have our being:
We humbly pray that your Holy Spirit may so guide and govern us that in all the cares and occupations of our daily life, we may never forget your presence but may remember that we are always walking in your sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

The Ending

The Lord be with you and also with you.

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.** *2 Corinthians 13: 14*

To the King of Ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. **Amen.**1 Timothy 1: 17

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope. **Amen.**

Romans 15: 13