

This document contains forms of Intercessions for use during the year

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DAILY CYCLE OF PRAYER

In Ordinary Time

Every day

In the morning: the day and its tasks; the world and its needs; the Church and her life

In the evening: peace; individuals and their needs

Sunday

The universal Church

Bishops, synods and all who lead the Church

The leaders of the nations

The natural world and the resources of the earth

All who are in any kind of need

Monday

The media and the arts Farming and fishing Commerce and industry

Those whose work is unfulfilling, stressful or fraught with danger

All who are unemployed

Tuesday

All who are sick in body, mind or spirit Those in the midst of famine or disaster

Victims of abuse and violence, intolerance and prejudice

Those who are bereaved

All who work in the medical and healing professions

Wednesday

The social services

All who work in the criminal justice system

Victims and perpetrators of crime

The work of aid agencies throughout the world Those living in poverty or under oppression

Thursday

Local government, community leaders

All who provide local services

Those who work with young or elderly people

Schools, colleges and universities Emergency and rescue organizations

Friday

The Queen, members of parliament and the armed forces

Peace and justice in the world Those who work for reconciliation

All whose lives are devastated by war and civil strife

Prisoners, refugees and homeless people

Saturday

Our homes, families, friends and all whom we love

Those whose time is spent caring for others

Those who are close to death Those who have lost hope The worship of the Church



In Seasonal Time

Every day

In the morning: the day and its tasks; the world and its needs; the Church and her life

In the evening: peace; individuals and their needs

Advent

The Church, that she may be ready for the coming of Christ

The leaders of the Church

The nations, that they may be subject to the rule of God

Those who are working for justice in the world The broken, that they may find God's healing

Christmas

The Church, especially in places of conflict

The Holy Land, for peace with justice, and reconciliation

Refugees and asylum seekers

Homeless people

Families with young children

Epiphany

The unity of the Church The peace of the world The healing of the sick

The revelation of Christ to those from whom his glory is hidden

All who travel

Lent

Those preparing for baptism and confirmation

Those serving through leadership Those looking for forgiveness

Those misled by the false gods of this present age

All who are hungry

Passiontide

The persecuted Church

The oppressed peoples of the world

All who are lonely

All who are near to death All who are facing loss

Easter

The people of God, that they may proclaim the risen Lord

God's creation, that the peoples of the earth may meet their responsibility to care Those in despair and darkness, that they may find the hope and light of Christ Those in fear of death, that they may find faith through the resurrection

Prisoners and captives

Ascension until Pentecost

God's royal priesthood, for empowerment by the Spirit Those who wait on God, that they may find renewal

All people, that they may acknowledge the kingdom of the ascended Christ

The earth, for productivity and for fruitful harvests All who are struggling with broken relationships

All Saints until Advent

The saints on earth, that they may live as citizens of heaven All people, that they may hear and believe the word of God

All who fear the winter months

All sovereigns and political leaders, that they may imitate the righteous rule of Christ

All who grieve or wait with the dying



RESPONSES

One of these responses may be used in a set of prayers

General

Lord, in your mercy *All* hear our prayer.

Lord, hear us.

All Lord, graciously hear us.

God of love

All hear our prayer.

Father of all *All* hear your children's prayer.

In faith we pray

All we pray to you our God.

Lord, meet us in the silence *All* and hear our prayer.

In seasons

Father of life

All make known your glory.

Lord, revealed in the world *All* hear our prayer.

Lord, we come to the cross *All* in your mercy, hear us.

Lord of life

All in your mercy, hear us.

Father, Lord of creation *All* in your mercy, hear us.

As we pray to the Father All Lord, send your Spirit.

Father, by your Spirit *All* bring in your kingdom.

Your kingdom come **All** your will be done.



FORMS OF PRAYER

Morning

We pray for God's grace. Lord, receive our praise All and hear our prayer.

Lord God, through your grace we are your people: through your Son you have redeemed us; in your Spirit you have made us your own.

We pray for ... (the Church)
Make our hearts respond to your love.
Lord, receive our praise
All and hear our prayer.

We pray for ... (the world)

Make our lives bear witness to your glory in the world.

Lord, receive our praise

All and hear our prayer.

We pray for ... (the sick and those in need)

Make our wills eager to obey, and our hands ready to heal. Lord, receive our praise All and hear our prayer.

We give you thanks for ...
Make our voices one with all your people in heaven and on earth.



Evening

We pray to the Lord.
In faith we pray.

All We pray to you, our God.

That the rest of this day may be holy, peaceful and full of your presence: in faith we pray.

All We pray to you, our God.

That the work we have done and the people we have met today may bring us closer to you: in faith we pray.

All We pray to you, our God.

That we may hear and respond to your call to peace and justice: in faith we pray.

All We pray to you, our God.

That you will sustain the faith and hope of those who are lonely, oppressed and anxious:

in faith we pray.

All We pray to you, our God.

That you will strengthen us in your service, and fill our hearts with longing for your kingdom: in faith we pray.

All We pray to you, our God



General use 1

High and holy God, robed in majesty,
Lord of heaven and earth,
we pray that you will bring justice, faith and salvation to all peoples.
[Especially we pray ...]
Lord, hear us.

All Lord, graciously hear us.

You chose us in Christ to be your people and to be the temple of your Holy Spirit; we pray that you will fill your Church with vision and hope. [Especially we pray ...] Lord, hear us.

All Lord, graciously hear us.

Your Spirit enables us to cry, 'Abba! Father!', affirms that we are fellow-heirs with Christ and pleads for us in our weakness; we pray for all who are in need or distress. [Especially we pray ...] Lord, hear us.

All Lord, graciously hear us.

In the baptism and birth of Jesus, you have opened heaven to us and enabled us to share in your glory: the joy of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit from before the world was made.

[Especially we remember ...]

May your whole Church, living and departed, come to a joyful resurrection in your city of light. Lord, hear us.

All Lord, graciously hear us.

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray, to the mercy and protection of God.



General use 2

In peace, let us pray to Jesus our Lord, who ever lives to make intercession for us.

Saviour of the world, be present in all places of suffering, violence and pain, and bring hope even in the darkest night. Inspire us to continue your work of reconciliation today. R

Lord of the Church, empower by your Spirit all Christian people, [especially NN], and the work of your Church in every land. Give us grace to proclaim the gospel joyfully in word and deed R

Shepherd and Guardian of our souls, guide and enable all who lead and serve this community and those on whom we depend for our daily needs.

Grant that we may seek the peace and welfare of this place. R

Great Physician, stretch out your hand to bring comfort, wholeness and peace to [N and] all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit. Fill us with compassion, that we may be channels of your healing love. R

Conqueror of death, remember for good those whom we love but see no longer.

Help us to live this day in the sure and certain hope of your eternal victory. R

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray, to the mercy and protection of God.



General use 3

Let us by prayer and intercession with thanksgiving make our requests to God.

Gracious God,
we pray for peace, justice and reconciliation throughout the world.
We pray for the honouring of human rights,
and for the relief of the oppressed.
We give thanks for all that is gracious in the lives of men, women and children. R

We pray for the renewal of the Church in faith, love and service. We pray for N our bishop and for the life of this parish/community. We give thanks for the gift of your word, the grace of the sacraments and the fellowship of your people. R

We pray for this local community and for all people in their daily life and work. We pray for the young and the elderly, for families, and all who are alone. We give thanks for human skill and creativity and all that reveals your loveliness. R

We pray for those who are in need; for the sick, sorrowful and bereaved. We pray for all who bring comfort, care and healing. We give thanks for human love and friendship and for all that enriches our daily lives. R

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray, to the mercy and protection of God.



Advent

Watchful at all times, let us pray for strength to stand with confidence before our Maker and Redeemer. That God may bring in his kingdom with justice and mercy, let us pray to the Lord: R

That God may establish among the nations his sceptre of righteousness, let us pray to the Lord: R

That we may seek Christ in the scriptures and recognize him in the breaking of the bread, let us pray to the Lord: R

That God may bind up the brokenhearted, restore the sick and raise up all who have fallen, let us pray to the Lord: R

That the light of God's coming may dawn on all who live in darkness and the shadow of death, let us pray to the Lord: R

That, with all the saints in light, we may shine forth as lights for the world, let us pray to the Lord: R

Let us commend the world, which Christ will judge, to the mercy and protection of God.



Christmas

To us a child is born, to us a son is given; let us pray for the people he came to save. Wonderful Counsellor, you order all things with your wisdom: help the Church to reveal the mystery of your love and fill her with the Spirit of truth: R

Mighty God, the government is on your shoulders: guide the leaders of the nations and bring in your kingdom of justice and righteousness: R

Everlasting Father, you call us to live together in unity: protect by your mercy all your children, bless our families and renew our communities: R

Prince of Peace, you bring reconciliation through the cross: by your healing power give to all who suffer your gift of wholeness and peace: R

Let us commend the world, to which Christ came, to the mercy and protection of God.



Epiphany

From the rising of the sun to its setting, let us pray to the Lord. That the people of God in all the world may worship in spirit and in truth, let us pray to the Lord: R

That the Church may discover again that unity which is the Father's will, let us pray to the Lord: R

That the nations of the earth may seek after the ways that make for peace, let us pray to the Lord: R

That the whole creation, groaning in travail, may be set free to enjoy the glorious liberty of the children of God, let us pray to the Lord: R

That all who with Christ have entered the shadow of death may rest in peace and rise in glory, let us pray to the Lord: R

Let us commend the world, to which Christ showed the way, to the mercy and protection of God.



Lent

In penitence and faith let us make our prayer to the Father and ask for his mercy and grace. For your holy people, that they may triumph over evil and grow in grace, we pray to you, O Lord: R

For candidates for baptism and confirmation, that they may live by every word that proceeds from your mouth, we pray to you, O Lord: R

For the leaders of the nations, that you will guide them in the ways of mercy and truth, we pray to you, O Lord: R

For the needy, that they may not be forgotten, nor the hope of the poor be taken away, we pray to you, O Lord: R

For the sick in body, mind and spirit, that they may know your power to heal, we pray to you, O Lord: R

For the poor in spirit, that they may inherit the kingdom of heaven and see you face to face, we pray to you, O Lord: R

Let us commend the world, for which Christ suffered, to the mercy and protection of God.



Passiontide

With faith and love and in union with Christ, let us offer our prayer before the throne of grace. Have mercy on your people, for whom your Son laid down his life: R

Bring healing and wholeness to people and nations, and have pity on those torn apart by division: R

Strengthen all who are persecuted for your name's sake, and deliver them from evil: R

Look in mercy upon all who suffer, and hear those who cry out in pain and desolation: R

Bring comfort to the dying, and gladden their hearts with the vision of your glory: R

Give rest to the departed and bring them, with your saints, to glory everlasting: R

Let us commend the world, for which Christ died, to the mercy and protection of God.

Easter

On this day that the Lord has made, let us pray for the people he has redeemed. That we may live as those who believe in the triumph of the cross: R

That all people may receive the good news of his victory: R

That those born to new life in the waters of baptism may know the power of his resurrection: R

That those who suffer pain and anguish may find healing and peace in the wounds of Christ: R

That in the undying love of Christ we may be united with all who have died in the faith of Christ: R

Let us commend the world, in which Christ rose from the dead, to the mercy and protection of God.



Ascension until Pentecost

Through Christ, who ever lives to make intercession for us, let us pray to the Lord.
Lift up our hearts to the heavenly places and inspire us to serve you as a royal priesthood: R

Let all peoples acknowledge your kingdom and grant on earth the blessing of peace: R

Send down upon us the gift of the Spirit and renew your Church with power from on high: R

May peace abound and righteousness flourish, that we may vanquish injustice and wrong: R

Help us to proclaim the good news of salvation, and grant us the needful gifts of your grace: R

Let us commend the world, for which Christ prays, to the mercy and protection of God.



All Saints' Day until Advent

Surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us make our prayer in the power of the Spirit, looking to Jesus the pioneer of our faith.

That with the noble fellowship of the prophets we may discern the signs of your kingdom in our midst, we pray to you, O Lord: R

That with the glorious company of the apostles we may proclaim your gospel throughout the world, we pray to you, O Lord: R

That with the white-robed army of martyrs we may be ready to suffer for the truth's sake, we pray to you, O Lord: R

That with all who are anointed by your Spirit we may bring good news to the poor and freedom to the oppressed, we pray to you, O Lord: R

That with the saints in light we may bind up the brokenhearted and comfort all who mourn, we pray to you, O Lord: R

That within the whole company of Christ's pilgrim people we may come to the inheritance of the saints in glory, we pray to you, O Lord: R

In communion with all the saints, let us commend the world to the mercy and protection of God.



Saints' Days

Rejoicing in our fellowship with N and all the saints, we make our prayer to our gracious God. For your grace revealed in N, and for all that inspires us from her/his life: R

For her/his insight into the mystery of Christ and for every way in which her/his faith continues to speak today: R

That following her/his good example, we may hear afresh your call to holiness of life: R
That we may receive grace to grow into the likeness of Christ: R

That we may persevere in prayer and seek new light and truth from your word: R

That we may draw other people to the fire of your love: R

That we may be faithful to Christ even to death: R

In communion with N and all the saints, let us commend the world to the mercy and protection of God.