

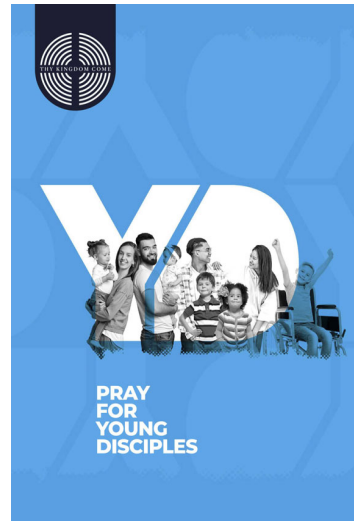
## Daily Prayer

*Thy Kingdom Come encourages every Christian to pray daily. Use the **Prayer Journal** or this year join in **Praying for Young Disciples**.*

Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs.'

Matthew 19:14

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## Daily Prayer Journal Reflections

### ASCENSION DAY

'... lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven.' *Luke 24:50-51*

### FRIDAY AFTER ASCENSION - LOVES

'For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life.' John 3:16

### SATURDAY AFTER ASCENSION - SPEAKS

'At many moments in the past and by many means, God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets ... *Hebrews 1:1*

### SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION - CREATES

'God called the dry ground "land," and the gathered waters he called "seas." And God saw that it was good.' *Genesis 1:10*

### MONDAY - GIVES

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. *Acts 2:42*

### TUESDAY - WALKS WITH US

'So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you ... *Isaiah 41:10*

### WEDNESDAY - LISTENS

'O LORD, you have searched me and known me. *Psalms 139:1*

### THURSDAY - SAVES

'... He saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to his mercy, through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit.' *Titus 3:5*

### FRIDAY - ENCOURAGES

'So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed ... *Isaiah 41:10*

### SATURDAY - EMPOWERS

Then Mary said, 'Here am I, the servant of the Lord. *Luke 1:38*

### THE DAY OF PENTECOST

'... how much more will your Father in heaven give ... *Luke 11:13*

## GET INVOLVED

**1. Daily prayer.** Commit to attending the daily office in the morning (8:45 a.m.) or in the evening (4:45 p.m.) or both at the Cathedral Monday - Friday. It takes about 15 minutes.

**2. NOVENA** - In the days between Ascension and Pentecost, it has been the habit of many Christians, for centuries, to make the focus of our prayers the same as those first believers. Christ's last instruction to his disciples on the day of his Ascension is to 'wait for the gift my Father promised' (Acts 1:4).

Join us on weekdays during Thy Kingdom Come for a local discussion (45 min) about the series of reflections by the Very Rev'd Bob Key on 1 John. **We begin at 5:15 p.m. Friday 19 May via Video Conference or in the Memorial Hall boardroom.** Visit the calendar event for online access or to download the resource.



**3. Pray for youth and families**

This year, a special emphasis is suggested as we pray for youth and young families. The Church of England is praying that every church will increase the number of youth and young families by 50%. In these eleven days of prayer, we will be using the acronym P.R.A.Y. standing for Prioritize, Resource, Adapt, and You to help us to focus our praying and our listening out for God's heart. God has plans for the young people, families, and children around us. Download the resource.

**4. Family resources**

The Way Youth Prayer Series; YouTube / TheWayChannel; Cheeky Pandas - Queen CJ and the Bouncy Castle; Widgit

Book are some of the resources to help the whole family be part of the 10 days of global prayer. [thykingdomcome.global](http://thykingdomcome.global)



## READINGS ON DISCIPLESHIP AND EVANGELISM

And now the Lord says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honoured in the sight of the Lord, and my God has become my strength - he says, 'It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.' *Isaiah 49:5-6*

Listen! Your sentinels lift up their voices, together they sing for joy; for in plain sight they see the return of the Lord to Zion. Break forth together into singing, you ruins of Jerusalem; for the Lord has comforted his people, he has redeemed Jerusalem. *Isaiah 52:8-9*

Many nations shall come and say: 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between many peoples, and shall arbitrate between strong nations far away; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. *Micah 4:2-3*

'While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.' *Acts 17:30-31*

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! *2 Corinthians 5:16-17*

So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord. *Ephesians 2:19-21*

Jesus said, 'You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.' *Matthew 5:13-16*

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.' *Matthew 28:16-end*



## DAILY SHORT READINGS

### FRIDAY AFTER ASCENSION

As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to human beings, but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honour because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. *Hebrews 2.8b-10*

### SATURDAY AFTER ASCENSION

I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. *Romans 8.38,39*

### SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION

On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he cried out, 'Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in me drink. As the scripture has said, "Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now he said this about the Spirit, which believers in him were to receive. *John 7.37-39a*

### MONDAY

Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. *Isaiah 40.28,29*

### TUESDAY

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. *1 Corinthians 12.4-7*

### WEDNESDAY

I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. Even on the male and female slaves, in those days, I will pour out my spirit. *Joel 2.28,29*

### THURSDAY

Jesus said, 'Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!' *Luke 11.9-13*

### FRIDAY

In Christ every one of God's promises is a 'Yes.' For this reason it is through him that we say the 'Amen', to the glory of God. But it is God who establishes us with you in Christ and has anointed us, by putting his seal on us and giving us his Spirit in our hearts as a first instalment. *2 Corinthians 1.20-22*

### SATURDAY

The Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit. *2 Corinthians 3.17,18*

## DAILY OFFICE READINGS

to be used at Morning and Evening Prayer

### Thursday (18 May) Ascension of the Lord

Morning Psalm 8, 47; Ezekiel 1:1-14, 24-28b; Hebrews 2:5-18  
Evening Psalm 24, 96; Daniel 7:9-14; Matthew 28:16-20

### Friday (19 May) Dunstan, Archbishop of Canterbury, 988

Morning Ps 85, 86; Ezekiel 1:28-3:3; Hebrews 4:14-5:6  
Evening Psalm 91, 92; 1 Samuel 2:1-10; Luke 9:28-36

### Saturday (20 May) Easter Feria

Morning Psalm 87, 90; Ezekiel 3:4-17; Hebrews 5:7-14  
Evening Psalm 68:1-20; 2 Kings 2:1-15; Revelation 5:1-14

### Sunday (21 May) Seventh Sunday of Easter - Jerusalem Sunday

Morning Psalm 66, 67; Ezekiel 3:16-27; Ephesians 2:1-10  
Evening Ps 19, 46; Exodus 3:1-12; Matthew 10:24-33, 40-42

### Monday (22 May) Easter Feria / Victoria Day

Morning Psalm 89:1-18; Ezekiel 4:1-17; Hebrews 6:1-12  
Evening Psalm 89:19-52; Joshua 1:1-9; Luke 9:51-62

### Tuesday (23 May) Easter Feria

Morning Psalm 97, 99, [100]; Ezekiel 7:10-15, 23b-27; Hebrews 6:13-20  
Evening Psalm 94, [95]; 1 Samuel 16:1-13a; Luke 10:1-17

### Wednesday (24 May) Easter Feria

Morning Psalm 101, 109:1-4, (5-19), 20-30; Ezekiel 11:14-25; Hebrews 7:1-17  
Evening Psalm 119:121-144; Isaiah 4:2-6; Luke 10:17-24

### Thursday (25 May) Bede, Priest, Monk of Jarrow, Historian and Educator, 735

Morning Psalm 105:1-22; Ezekiel 18:1-4, 19-32; Hebrews 7:18-28  
Evening Psalm 105:23-45; Zechariah 4:1-14; Luke 10:25-37

### Friday (26 May) Augustine, First Archbishop of Canterbury, 605

Morning Psalm 102; Ezekiel 34:17-31; Hebrews 8:1-13  
Evening Psalm 107:1-32; Jeremiah 31:27-34; Luke 10:38-42

### Saturday (27 May) John Charles Roper, Archbishop of Ottawa, 1940

Eve of Pentecost

Morning Psalm 107:33-43, 108:1-6, (7-13); Ezekiel 43:1-12; Hebrews 9:1-14  
Evening Psalm 33; Exodus 19:3-8a, 16-20; 1 Peter 2:4-10

### Sunday (28 May) Day of Pentecost

Morning Psalm 118; Is 11:1-9; 1 Corinthians 2:1-13  
Evening Psalm Ps 145; Deuteronomy 16:9-12; John 14:21-29

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