

WEDNESDAY

The Cross of Christ: Reconciliation and Human Relationships

Holy Father,
you have reconciled us to yourself in Christ; by
your Spirit you enable us to live as your chil-
dren.

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....
ministries of care and healing...

Thanksgiving

Holy Father, we give you thanks for the obedi-
ence 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 human love and friendship,
the lives to which our own are bound,
the gift of peace with you and each other....

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 and to love
and serve one another in peace; through the
same Jesus Christ our Lord, who in the unity of
the Spirit is one with you for ever. 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 THOSE IN NEED
the tempted and despairing....
the sick and handicapped....
the aged...
and the dying....
the ministries of care and healing....
those who mourn....

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 human lives that reveal
your work of grace....

for all those who have died in faith....

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 bap-
tism and eucharist, our hope in the Spirit, and
the communion of saints....

Concluding prayer

May we live by faith, walk in hope and be re-
newed in love, until the world reflects your
glory and you are all in all. Even so, come
Lord Jesus. Amen.

MONDAY

Creation in Christ: Creation and Providence

Almighty God,
maker of all good things and Father of all;
you have shown us in Christ the purpose of
your creation 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 or-
der of created things the resources of the
earth and the gift of human life....

for the continuing work of creation, human-
kind's 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 obedi-
ence 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 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 commu-
nity....

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 discover-
ies that human beings have made....

Concluding prayer

Give us growing 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.

THURSDAY

The Resurrection of Christ: The Divine Society, the Church

Eternal God,
you have raised Jesus Christ from the dead
and exalted him to your right hand in glory,
and through him called your Church into be-
ing, that your people might know you,
and that they might 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 apos-
tolic gospel committed to your Church, the
continuing presence and power of your Spirit,
the ministry of Word, Sacrament and Prayer....

for the divine mission in which we are called
to share, the will to unity and its fruit in com-
mon 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....
ministries of 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 power of Christ to transform our
suffering....

for all ministries of healing, all agencies of re-
lief, all that sets people free from pain, fear
and distress....

for the assurance that your mercy knows no
limit, and for the privilege of sharing your work
of renewal through prayer.

Concluding prayer

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