Together in Daily Prayer through Lent

2022



Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our maker: he is our God; we are the sheep of his pasture, the people of his care. Amen.

Preparation

O God of peace and Lord of love, help us to be quiet, relaxed and receptive today, accepting the inpouring of yourself, so that in the depths of our nature and being, your healing grace may take from

us any anxious cares, any unworthy thoughts, and all ingratitude:
Forgive us, cleanse us, and renew us, that our hearts may be at rest in you, through Jesus Christ our Saviour.
Amen.

Confession

Father God, we thank you for calling us and making us your children:

In bringing us out of spiritual darkness and giving us light, you desire that we should be clearly seen as your people. When we fail to live up to your expectations – Father, be merciful: forgive us and help us.

When we show uncaring attitudes; when our selfish desires are revealed in our life-style – Father, be merciful: forgive us and help us.

When we become mesmerised by trivial things of this world, and forget important things which belong to your kingdom – Father, be merciful: forgive us and help us.

When we hold on to petty differences in the practice of our faith, and fail to show the unity of your family – Father, be merciful:

forgive us and help us.

Father, purify us continually; make us die to self and rise to newness of life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Thanksgiving

O God our Father, you loved the world so much that you sent your only Son to die that we might live through him.

('Forgive them . . . ') For Jesus' willingness to forgive in the face of bitter hatred, Father, we thank you, and praise your holy name.

('Today you shall be with me in paradise.') For Jesus' promise of heaven to the forgiven sinner, Father, we thank you,

and praise your holy name.

('Mother . . . behold your son.') For the example of Jesus' compassion to the last, Father, we thank you, and praise your holy name.

('I thirst . . . ') For Jesus' sharing in our physical suffering and longing, Father, we thank you, and praise your holy name.

('Why have you forsaken me?') For Jesus' entering into our mental suffering and loneliness, Father, we thank you, and praise your holy name.

('It is finished?') For the completion of Jesus' saving work, and for the covenant of love between God and his world, Father, we thank you, and praise your holy name.

('Into your hands I commit my spirit.') For Jesus' triumph over death and the certainty of eternal life, Father, we thank you, and praise your holy name.

Father, God, as you loved us, so by your grace help us to love one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Conclusion



Salvator mundi

O Saviour of the world, by your cross and precious blood, you have redeemed us: Save us and help us, we humbly beseech you, O Lord. Amen.

Gospel Passages for Sundays (Yr C)

Lent 1 Luke 4: 1-13 Lent 2 Luke 13: 31-35 Lent 3 Luke 13: 1-9 Lent 4 Luke 2: 33-35 Lent 5 John 12: 1-8

Preparation before coming to Mass

Come to this table, not because you are strong, but because you are weak; come, not because any goodness of your own gives you a right to come, but because you need mercy and help; come, because you love the Lord a little and would like to love him more; come, not because you are worthy to approach him, but because he died for sinners; come, because he loved you and gave himself for you: Your death, O Lord, we commemorate, your resurrection we proclaim, your coming again in glory we anticipate: glory to you, living saviour and Lord! Amen.