

UNIVERSAL PRAYER OPENINGS and CLOSINGS

SUNDAY, APRIL 1, 2018

O: Full of confidence in the risen Christ, we place before the Father our humble needs.

C: Almighty God, as we gather to celebrate the resurrection of your Son, strengthen our desire to be good and faithful witnesses of the Gospel message of salvation. This we ask through Christ our Lord.

Monday, April 2, 2018

O: With confidence in the Father and trust in his goodness, we offer our prayers for the whole Church and for our world.

C: Heavenly Father, let our prayers be answered according to your will. We ask this through your son, Jesus Christ.

Tuesday, April 3, 2018

O: God invites us to experience a closer relationship with him through our community of faith. Together, let us pray for the needs of our faith community and the world.

C: Loving God, you call us to live in communion with you and with each other. Hear the prayers of your people gathered here and grant our petitions in accordance with your will. Through Christ our Lord.

Wednesday, April 4, 2018

O: Let us come before our merciful Father and humbly present our needs, and the needs of the whole Church.

C: God of all glory and power, you brought Jesus to life after his resurrection. Bring to joy and peace those whose needs we have brought to you in the name of Jesus, your son.

Thursday, April 5, 2018

O: With faith in the name of Jesus, raised from the dead according to the Scriptures, we present our needs to the Father.

C: Father of justice and mercy, hear our prayers, we beseech you, and answer them according to your will. We ask this in the name of your son, Christ our Lord.

Friday, April 6, 2018

O: Our Lord responds to the needs of his people. Let us now offer him the prayers of our faith community.

C: Heavenly Father, hear our prayers and generously fill our nets with what we need to do your work. We ask this through your son, Jesus Christ.

Saturday, April 7, 2018

O: We gather together in prayer as Easter people, turning to God with our needs.

C: Heavenly Father, we bring our prayers to you, and ask that you hear and answer them according to your will. Through your son, Christ our Lord.

SUNDAY, APRIL 8, 2018

O: With confidence in the risen Christ, let us ask him to bring our needs and petitions to the Father.

C: Almighty and eternal God, we ask you to hear our prayers and draw us ever closer to you. We ask this through Christ our risen Lord.

Monday, April 9, 2018

O: Heavenly Father, trusting in your plan, we bring to you our prayers and petitions this day.

C: Father, help us to always seek to follow your will and to imitate Mary's free and total "yes" to your plan. Hear and answer our prayers today according to your holy will, through your son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Tuesday, April 10, 2018

O: Confident in the power of the Holy Spirit, we lift our prayers to our heavenly Father.

C: Heavenly Father, we ask you to send your Holy Spirit into the world to strengthen our Christian communities and answer our prayers. We ask this through your risen son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Wednesday, April 11, 2018

O: Depending on God for all good things, let us place our needs and those of the world before him.

C: Holy God, hear our prayers and grant what is in your will for us. We ask these and all our prayers through Christ our Lord.

Thursday, April 12, 2018

O: Loving God, you give us all we need and so we ask you to hear our prayers today.

C: O God, our Father, hear our prayers that one day we might be with you, continually singing your praises. We ask this through your son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Friday, April 13, 2018

O: With confidence that our Lord feeds his people and watches over them, let us now offer him the prayers of our faith community.

C: Lord, you feed your people with the bread of life. We trust you to hear our prayers and answer them according to your will. Through Christ our Lord.

Saturday, April 14, 2018

O: Let us now gather our prayers on behalf of the needs of the world, and bring them before our loving God.

C: Good and gracious God, listen to the prayers we have made for the sake of our sisters and brothers. If it is your will, grant what we have asked. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.

SUNDAY, APRIL 15, 2018

O: In the joy of the Resurrection, we bring our prayers to our merciful Father, who knows our every need.

C: God our Father, you raised Jesus from the dead to restore us to life. Please hear our prayers this day, we ask in the name of your son, Christ our Lord.

Monday, April 16, 2018

O: As we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord in this Easter season, we bring our needs before him with hope and anticipation.

C: Heavenly Father, knowing you see our deepest needs and desires, we ask you to grant these petitions and those which remain unspoken, according to your will. Through Christ our Lord.

Tuesday, April 17, 2018

O: Inspired by sacred Scripture, let us gather our prayers and offer them to our merciful God.

C: Merciful God, in faith we believe that your love overcomes all of our burdens. In faith, we ask that you grant these prayers in the name of Jesus, our Lord.

Wednesday, April 18, 2018

O: Remembering the tremendous deeds of our God, we approach with confidence, offering our prayers of petition.

C: Good and gracious God, with humble and hopeful hearts, we place our needs before you. Hear and grant them according to your will. This we ask through the risen Christ, our Lord.

Thursday, April 19, 2018

O: We come to you, our heavenly Father, with confidence that you will hear our prayers.

C: Heavenly Father, we ask that you hear and answer our prayers of petition. We ask this in the name of your son, Jesus our Lord.

Friday, April 20, 2018

O: Gracious and merciful Father, we ask you to hear our prayers according to your will.

C: Heavenly Father, we give you thanks for hearing our prayers in the name of your son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Saturday, April 21, 2018

O: With joyful hearts filled with hope, we place our needs before our merciful Father.

C: God of heaven and earth, hear the prayers we place before you with humble and joyful hearts. Through Christ our Lord.

SUNDAY, APRIL 22, 2018

O: Knowing that Jesus is the Good Shepherd, let us bring before him our prayers and petitions.

C: Lord God, you never abandon us or lead us astray. Please provide for us today by answering our prayers, for we ask them through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Monday, April 23, 2018

O: Joining with the martyrs and saints, we bring forth our petitions and prayers to our heavenly Father.

C: Dear Lord, knowing of your infinite mercy, we present our petitions on behalf of your children in need throughout the world. We ask this in the name of the Good Shepherd, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Tuesday, April 24, 2018

O: Our Father holds us in the palm of his hand. Let us now turn to him in prayer for the needs of the assembly, the Church and the world.

C: Heavenly Father, these are the prayers of your people. In your mercy, we ask you to give us what we need to do your will, through your son, Jesus Christ.

Wednesday, April 25, 2018

O: Gracious and loving Creator, we place our prayers before you.

C: We ask you, merciful Father, to answer our prayers in the name of your son, Jesus, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever.

Thursday, April 26, 2018

O: Relying on the Lord's promise to hear our prayers, we present our petitions.

C: Almighty God, we ask that you hear and answer the prayers we bring before you this day. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Friday, April 27, 2018

O: As disciples of Jesus, let us place our prayers before the Father, trusting in his goodness and love.

C: Almighty God, hear our petitions, and grant what will bring us closer to you. We pray now and always in the name of Jesus the Lord.

Saturday, April 28, 2018

O: Trusting God to hear and answer the prayers we offer in Jesus' name according to his will, let us pray for the needs of his Church and for the whole world.

C: Heavenly Father, we place our needs before you. Please look favorably on these requests that we ask in the name of your son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

SUNDAY, APRIL 29, 2018

O: Loving Father, confident that you know our hearts and hear our prayers, we bring forth our petitions this day.

C: God our Father, we trust that you will hear and answer these and all of our prayers in your time and according to your will. We ask this through your son, Christ our Lord.

Monday, April 30, 2018

O: Let us gather our prayers for the needs of our brothers and sisters throughout the world and place them before our merciful God.

C: O God, in faith we offer these petitions on behalf of those in need. If it be your will, grant these and all our prayers in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Tuesday, May 1, 2018

O: With Saint Joseph at our side, let us humbly petition our heavenly Creator to hear our needs today.

C: God, Lord and lover of all souls, hear us as we approach you this day with our many needs. Through Christ our Lord.

Wednesday, May 2, 2018

O: Jesus promises we will receive whatever we ask in his name. Let us offer our petitions to the Father for the needs of this assembly and for the world.

C: Heavenly Father, hear the prayers of your people and allow us to bear good fruit, so we may glorify your name. We ask this through your son, Jesus Christ.

Thursday, May 3, 2018

O: With confidence and trust, let us bring our prayers and needs before the Father.

C: Almighty and eternal God, you sent your only Son as Lord and Savior. Hear our prayers and grant us the grace to be always steadfast in faith. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.

Friday, May 4, 2018

O: Together, let us offer our petitions to the Father, conscious of his providential love for all creation.

C: Father, we ask these things so our world may better reflect your love for all people. We pray through your son, Jesus Christ.

Saturday, May 5, 2018

O: Let us come before our loving God this day and humbly bring forth our needs and wishes.

C: O God of goodness, in your kindness, listen to the prayers we have placed before you, for you are faithful to all generations. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

SUNDAY, MAY 6, 2018

O: Heavenly Father, we thank you for the gift of Jesus who offers us salvation and eternity with you. Hear our prayers this day that we bring to you in love.

C: God in heaven, we offer you these and all of the petitions of our hearts. We ask that you hear and answer them through your son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Monday, May 7, 2018

O: Seeking to listen to God's Spirit at work in our lives, let us join in offering our prayers to our loving Father in heaven.

C: God our Father, receive our prayers, which we offer with humility for our sake and for the sake of the world. We ask this through your son, Jesus Christ.

Tuesday, May 8, 2018

O: In faith that God knows our every need, we offer our prayers to the Lord.

C: God of mercy and power, send the Holy Spirit to strengthen our Church in faith, hope and love. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Wednesday, May 9, 2018

O: We come together in the presence of the Lord to pray for the needs of this assembly and all the world.

C: Loving Father, look kindly on the needs of your people and grant our petitions, which we ask for in the name of your son, Jesus Christ.

Thursday, May 10, 2018 – ASCENSION OF THE LORD

O: With ever-faithful hearts, we gather our prayers for the Church and for the world, and present them to our heavenly Father.

C: Heavenly Father, please hear and answer these prayers and petitions, for we ask them through your son, Jesus Christ, who sits in glory at your right hand.

OPTIONAL Thursday, May 10, 2018

O: Gathered as people of faith, we bring our prayers for the needs of the world before our merciful Father.

C: Almighty Father, we ask that you hear our prayers and grant them according to your will. Through your son, Christ our Lord.

Friday, May 11, 2018

O: Loving Father, confident in your providence, we place our needs before you.

C: O God, you provide for all of our needs, giving us your only Son who has shown us the path to you. Hear these prayers that one day our hearts might rejoice with you forever. We ask this through that same son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Saturday, May 12, 2018

O: Knowing that Jesus is the way, the truth and the life, let us offer the Father our prayers of petition.

C: Heavenly Father, we ask you to grant these petitions and those we hold quietly in our hearts. Through your son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

SUNDAY, MAY 13, 2018

O: United in our common faith in Jesus Christ, we place before the Father our needs and the needs of the world.

C: Gracious God, we give you thanks and praise for all you have given us. Help us to be the faithful people you call us to be. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Monday, May 14, 2018

O: Trusting in God's power and love, let us place our petitions before him.

C: God of Love, take our petitions and make them acceptable to you. We offer them in the name of Jesus our Lord.

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

O: Trusting that God loves each one of us, let us bring our needs to the Father in confidence.

C: God our Father, you hold all creation in the palm of your hand. Draw our prayers close to your loving heart and hear and answer them according to your will. We ask this through your son, Jesus Christ.

Wednesday, May 16, 2018

O: Entrusting ourselves to the protection of our heavenly Father, let us place our needs and the needs of the world before him.

C: Father in heaven, hear the prayers we place before you as we entrust our needs and the needs of our world to your loving care. We ask this through your son, Christ our Lord.

Thursday, May 17, 2018

O: Jesus calls us to be one, as he is one with the Father. United with all God's people, we make our prayer before the throne of God on behalf of others.

C: God of all compassion, hear these prayers we present before you and grant them as they conform to your will. We ask this in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Friday, May 18, 2018

O: As disciples of Jesus, we bring to our heavenly Father the prayers we hold in our hearts.

C: God of glory and majesty, you have established your throne in heaven. Bind us together in love, we pray, and grant these our prayers according to your will. Through Christ our Lord.

Saturday, May 19, 2018

O: Let us come before the Lord, letting go of all worldly distractions and concerns, and ask him to grant our petitions.

C: Almighty Father, we beg you to consider the needs we have placed before you, and ask you to grant our prayers, through Christ our Lord.

SUNDAY, MAY 20, 2018

O: Lord, hear our prayers that we bring to you today with grateful and trusting hearts.

C: Father, we ask that you hear and answer these prayers according to your holy will. We ask this through your son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Monday, May 21, 2018

O: Having listened to God's Word which brings forth life and hope, let us now with courage bring our prayers and petitions to the Father.

C: Heavenly Father, we bring our petitions to you and trust in your loving response. We make our prayer through your son, Christ our Lord.

Tuesday, May 22, 2018

O: As we present our petitions to God, we are filled with the hope that our prayers will be pleasing to him.

C: Heavenly Father, hear our prayers and draw us closer to you. We ask this through your son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Wednesday, May 23, 2018

O: Having heard God's word in sacred Scripture, let us call to mind the needs of others and present them to God in prayer.

C: God of mercy, we ask these prayers, and those held in the silence of our hearts, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Thursday, May 24, 2018

O: Gathered as people of faith, let us present our petitions to our loving and merciful God.

C: Almighty God, we ask that you hear and grant our petitions in your loving kindness. Through Christ our Lord.

Friday, May 25, 2018

O: Trusting that our heavenly Father is compassionate and merciful, let us turn to him now with our needs.

C: Almighty Father, we ask that you continue to pour out your grace upon us, and hear the prayers we offer you. Through your son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Saturday, May 26, 2018

O: As children of our heavenly Father, we gather together in prayerful petition for our needs and for the needs of the world.

C: Heavenly Father, thank you for answering our every need according to your will. Through your son, Christ our Lord.

SUNDAY, MAY 27, 2018

O: With trustful hearts, we offer our prayers to our loving God.

C: Father, you have called us to be your people, your holy Church. Please hear and answer our prayers this day according to your will, through your son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Monday, May 28, 2018

O: Joined together as a community of faith, let us place before the Lord our needs.

C: Almighty Father, hear the prayers we bring to you with humble hearts and complete faith in your will for us. We pray through your son, Christ our Lord.

Tuesday, May 29, 2018

O: Setting our hopes on God's promise, let us entrust our needs, and the needs of the world, to his loving care.

C: Holy God, look with favor on these needs we place before you with hopeful hearts. We ask this in the name of Jesus our Lord.

Wednesday, May 30, 2018

O: With one voice, let us offer our prayers to God for those in need.

C: Merciful Father, in faith we ask that you grant these and all prayers that we offer in the name of Jesus, your son.

Thursday, May 31, 2018

O: Following the example of Mary who put her faith in the Father, let us join our voices as we place our needs before him.

C: God our Father, please hear the prayers of your children on behalf of all those in need as you open our hearts to your will. We ask this in the name of Jesus, your son.

Friday, June 1, 2018

O: With confidence and trust, let us bring our prayers and petitions before our merciful Father.

C: Almighty and eternal God, our salvation comes from you alone. As you watch over the lives of your people, let us once again experience the transforming and strengthening power of your Holy Spirit. We make our prayer through Christ our Lord.

Saturday, June 2, 2018

O: Heavenly Father, we ask with humble hearts that you grant our petitions according to your will and instill in us gratitude for your many gifts, especially the gift of the Holy Spirit.

C: God of power and might, we believe all things are possible through you. Hear and grant our petitions according to your will. Through Christ our Lord.

SUNDAY, JUNE 3, 2018

O: As we prepare to receive the Lord in Eucharist, let us bring our needs before our heavenly Father.

C: Gracious Father, we ask you to grant the things we need and help us always to live by faith. We ask this through your son, Christ our Lord.

Monday, June 4, 2018

O: As we seek to be faithful stewards of God's gifts, let us offer our prayers to our Father in heaven.

C: Father, we entrust our prayers to you in the holy name of your son, Jesus Christ.

Tuesday, June 5, 2018

O: Trusting in the Lord's promise to hear every prayer, we present our requests and petitions in faith.

C: Father of all creation, we pray these prayers with confidence, in your son Jesus' name.

Wednesday, June 6, 2018

O: Our all-powerful and all-loving God knows our needs before we do, so with courage we bring before him the concerns of our world.

C: God of all compassion, hear the prayers we place before you in deep trust. This we ask through Christ our Lord.

Thursday, June 7, 2018

O: Let us gather our prayers for all those in need and offer them to our merciful God.

C: Compassionate God, you know our innermost needs before we offer them to you. Pour out your mercy on us and fill us with your love. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Friday, June 8, 2018

O: Confident that the Father hears and answers our prayers, let us bring our petitions to him.

C: Merciful Father, whose love knows no bounds, hear these prayers and grant what will bring us closer to you. We ask these and all things through your son, Jesus Christ.

Saturday, June 9, 2018

O: Placing our trust in God, we bring him our prayers and petitions.

C: Merciful Father, hear these prayers and grant them according to your will. We ask in the name of Jesus, your son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit.

SUNDAY, JUNE 10, 2018

O: Following the will of the Father, let us join our voices in prayer as we present our petitions to God.

C: Heavenly Father, accept our petitions on behalf of your children and in your infinite mercy, grant them as you will. We offer these in the name of your son, Jesus Christ.

Monday, June 11, 2018

O: As we strive to live our lives in accordance with God's will, let us offer him our prayers.

C: Merciful God, hear the prayers of your people. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Tuesday, June 12, 2018

O: As we gather together to be fed and forgiven, let us bring our prayers and concerns to our heavenly Father.

C: Almighty Father, we thank you for your unending love and ask that you look kindly upon these petitions brought to you today, in the name of your son, Jesus Christ.

Wednesday, June 13, 2018

O: Loving God, we humbly stand before you and express our needs.

C: O just God, you sent us your Son to teach us to live the spirit of your law. Rain down your grace upon us and lead us in your ways. Through Christ our Lord.

Thursday, June 14, 2018

O: Father in heaven, we thank you for the gift of your Son, and we come to you knowing of your great love for us. Hear the prayers we bring before you this day.

C: Father, we trust in your ways. Hear and answer these and all of our prayers according to your time and will. We ask this through your son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Friday, June 15, 2018

O: With trust and confidence in God, the Author of Life, we offer our prayers this day.

C: Loving Father, we offer you these prayers and those we hold in the silence of our hearts. We pray in the name of Jesus, your son.

Saturday, June 16, 2018

O: Trusting in the infinite love and mercy of our God who calls us by name, we bring our prayers to him.

C: Merciful Father, look kindly upon the prayers of your people gathered in worship. We ask this through your son, Jesus Christ.

SUNDAY, JUNE 17, 2018

O: We walk with faith and not by sight. In faith, let us bring our prayers and petitions to God our Father.

C: God our Father, through Jesus Christ you invite us to share in the eternal life of your kingdom. By your grace and holiness, may our efforts and witness bring others to share in that life. We ask this through your son, Christ our Lord.

Monday, June 18, 2018

O: God watches over us, pouring out his grace and mercy upon us. Let us turn to him now and offer these petitions.

C: Heavenly Father, as we turn to you in prayer, putting forth our immediate needs, we ask that you hear and answer them according to your will. Through Christ our Lord.

Tuesday, June 19, 2018

O: Entrusting ourselves to our heavenly Father, who makes the sun shine and rain fall on good and bad alike, let us pray for our needs and the needs of the whole world.

C: Heavenly Father, your loving mercy goes beyond anything we can understand. Hear the prayers we place before you and grant us these requests in accordance with your will. Through your son, our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Wednesday, June 20, 2018

O: Impelled by the Spirit who intercedes for us, we bring these petitions before God.

C: God of mercy, your Spirit intercedes for us and for the world. Hear our prayer as we lift up those in need, and bring your strength to those who need it most. Through Christ our Lord.

Thursday, June 21, 2018

O: With confidence, we approach the Lord of Hosts with our prayers and concerns.

C: God of mercy, you know what we need even before we do. Forgive us our trespasses and deliver us from evil, we implore you. We ask this through your son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Friday, June 22, 2018

O: As we stand in the shadow of the cross, the symbol of God's love for us, let us petition our God for what we truly need.

C: Gracious God, help us to walk humbly before you as great witnesses of your love to every person we encounter this day. We pray through Christ our Lord.

Saturday, June 23, 2018

O: With trust in our heavenly Father, we ask him to provide for us as we pray for our needs and the needs of the world.

C: Loving Father, you generously provide us with everything we need, according to your will. We ask that you hear these prayers, through your son, Jesus Christ our Lord

SUNDAY, JUNE 24, 2018

O: Grateful for your plan of salvation and seeking to do your will, we bring before you, Lord, these and all of our prayers this day.

C: Father, we ask that you hear and answer these prayers and all of the prayers we hold in the silence of our hearts. We ask this through your son, our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Monday, June 25, 2018

O: Grateful for God's mercy, we offer our prayers to the Lord.

C: God of mercy and compassion, hear our prayers and open our hearts to your saving grace. We ask this through Christ our Lord and the work of the Holy Spirit.

Tuesday, June 26, 2018

O: Let us pray to the Father for the needs of the Church, and for all those concerns we hold in our hearts.

C: Almighty God, renew our faith and strengthen our resolve so that we may live in you. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Wednesday, June 27, 2018

O: With confidence and trust, let us bring our prayers and petitions before the eternal Father.

C: Almighty and eternal God, our salvation comes from you alone. As you watch over the lives of your people, let us once again experience the transforming and strengthening power of your Holy Spirit. We make our prayer through Christ our Lord.

Thursday, June 28, 2018

O: Let us humbly place our needs, and the needs of the world, before the Father.

C: Good and gracious God, hear the prayers we bring to you, and in your mercy provide for all that we need. We pray through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Friday, June 29, 2018

O: With confidence and trust, let us come together and ask our heavenly Father to hear our prayers.

C: Heavenly Father, hear and answer the prayers of your faithful gathered here. Through your son Christ our Lord.

Saturday, June 30, 2018

O: Let us turn to our heavenly Father with our prayers and petitions.

C: All-good and all-powerful Father, please hear and answer these prayers and petitions, for we ask them through your son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

SUNDAY, JULY 1, 2019

O: Father in heaven, you ask us for generosity and faith. We bring our prayers before you with confidence that you hear and answer them.

C: God our Father, we bring all of our intentions to you this day, trusting that you hear and answer us, through your son, Christ our Lord.