

**UNIVERSAL PRAYER
OPENINGS and CLOSINGS**

SUNDAY, JULY 1, 2018

- O: With trust in God's providential love for his people, let us offer these prayers and petitions.
- 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.

Monday, July 2, 2018

- O: Let us now turn to our heavenly Father, who lovingly provides for our needs and the needs of the Church.
- C: Almighty and merciful God, please hear our prayers, both spoken here and in the silence of our hearts. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Tuesday, July 3, 2018

- O: Following in the footsteps of Saint Thomas and all the Apostles, we put our faith in God as we bring forth our petitions.
- C: Heavenly Father, with deep faith and trust in your mercy, we place our prayers before you, confident that you know what we need. We ask this through your son, Jesus Christ.

Wednesday, July 4, 2018

- O: With complete trust in our loving God, we humbly stand before him and offer our needs.
- C: God of justice and love, you continually call us to yourself that we might live by your truth and justice. Hear our prayers that one day we might live forever with you in your kingdom, through Christ our Lord.

Thursday, July 5, 2018

- O: With faith in our merciful God, let us now join in prayer for the needs of our assembly, the Church and the world.
- C: Heavenly Father, these are the prayers of your people. Grant us what we need to bring forgiveness and healing to our world, through your son, Jesus Christ.

Friday, July 6, 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.

Saturday, July 7, 2018

- O: Seeking to become aware of the gifts God provides, let us join in offering our prayers to our loving Father in heaven.
- C: God our Father, receive our prayers which we offer for ourselves and for others. We ask this through your son, Jesus Christ.

SUNDAY, JULY 8, 2018

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

Monday, July 9, 2018

- O: Mindful of the presence of God at work in our lives, we place our needs before the Lord.
- C: Gracious God, envelop us with your loving mercy and hear our prayers. This we pray through Christ our Lord.

Tuesday, July 10, 2018

- O: Confident in his loving mercy, let us ask our heavenly Father to hear our prayers.
- C: Heavenly Father, we lay our petitions at your feet, confident that you will answer our prayers, which we offer in the name of your son, Jesus Christ.

Wednesday, July 11, 2018

- O: Seeking to join our voices to those of the Apostles, let us offer our prayers to our heavenly Father.
- C: Heavenly Father, hear these prayers offered by your children as we put our trust in you. We offer these in the name of your son, Jesus.

Thursday, July 12, 2018

- O: With our brothers and sisters in Christ, we present our needs to God, our Father.
- C: God of endless mercy, you are our hope and our salvation. Have pity on us and make us one with you, we pray. We ask that you hear and answer us through our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Friday, July 13, 2018

- O: Together, let us offer our prayers for our needs and those of the Church and the world to our merciful Father.
- C: Father in heaven, we bring our petitions to you, trusting in your loving care. We pray through your son, Jesus Christ.

Saturday, July 14, 2018

- O: Trusting that God provides all good things, let us offer him our prayers for those gathered here today and for the needs of others.
- C: Lord, we proudly profess our faith in you. We trust you to answer our prayers in accordance with your will. Through Christ our Lord.

SUNDAY, JULY 15, 2018

- O: Let us bring our prayers and petitions before our loving Father.
- C: Lord, you bring healing into the brokenness of our lives. Please hear and answer these prayers, for we ask them through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Monday, July 16, 2018

- O: Confident that the Father will hear our prayers, let us offer him our needs and the needs of all God's people.
- C: Father, in faith we lift our voices to you, asking that you answer these and all our prayers in the name of Jesus, your son.

Tuesday, July 17, 2018

- O: Isaiah reminds us to trust God at all times. With this deep trust, we offer to God the needs of our world and our community.
- C: Good and gracious God, you call us to trust in your providence. Hear the prayers we entrust to you, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Wednesday, July 18, 2018

- O: Gathered in the name of Jesus, we now present the needs of our community to our heavenly Father, who is gracious and powerful.
- C: Heavenly Father, we know that your hand is upon us during times of trial and times of joy. Help us to trust you in all things. We ask this through your son, Jesus Christ.

Thursday, July 19, 2018

- O: Let us turn now to our loving God with our prayers and petitions.
- C: God of perfect peace, receive our prayers from the gentle and humble places of our hearts. Grant all good things in your great glory, through Christ our Lord.

Friday, July 20, 2018

- O: Having listened to God's Word, let us now with courage and faith bring our prayers and petitions to the Father.
- C: Almighty and eternal Father, through your Word you bring forth life and even more marvelously redeem it. Hear our prayers and answer them according to your holy will. We make our prayer through your son, Christ our Lord.

Saturday, July 21, 2018

- O: With grateful hearts, we come to the Lord in prayer for the needs of the world and our community.
- C: God we thank you for hearing these prayers and those we hold in the silence of our hearts. We bring these all to you in the name of Christ our Lord.

SUNDAY, JULY 22, 2018

- O: Let us bring our needs before the Lord in confidence that he will hear and answer them according to his will.
- C: Heavenly Father, we thank you for your loving care, keep us close to you as we learn to rest in your peace, through your son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Monday, July 23, 2018

- O: With confidence and trust, we humbly present our petitions to our merciful Father.
- C: God our Father, please hear our prayers and grant them according to your will. Through Christ our Lord.

Tuesday, July 24, 2018

- O: Trusting in God's mercy and compassion, we present him with our needs.
- C: Heavenly Father, you love and provide for your people. Please hear and answer our prayers this day according to your will. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, your son.

Wednesday, July 25, 2018

- O: Searching for divine help to be Christ's disciples, let us bring our prayers to our heavenly Father.
- C: Gracious God, bless these prayers we offer on behalf of your children throughout the world, and grant them according to your will. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Thursday, July 26, 2018

- O: As we open our hearts to the Lord, let us offer our prayers to the one who gives us all that is good.
- C: Grateful for your loving mercy, patient Father, we ask that you hear our petitions. Through Christ our Lord.

Friday, July 27, 2018

- O: Let us humbly present our petitions to our heavenly Father.
- C: Hear us, O God, and grant what is in your divine plan for us. We pray through Christ our Lord.

Saturday, July 28, 2018

- O: Gathered here as God's people, let us join our hearts and voices, lifting up our needs and those of the whole world.
- C: We thank you, Father, for your steadfast love, and ask you to hear and answer these prayers according to your holy will. Through your son Jesus Christ, our Lord.

SUNDAY, JULY 29, 2018

- O: With confidence in the God of miracles and blessings, we place before him our needs.
- C: Loving God, you provide us with all good things. Hear our prayer and help us to reflect your love by sharing what we have with others. We pray all these things through Christ our Lord.

Monday, July 30, 2018

- O: Let us now offer our petitions as we pray for the needs of our parish, our Church and our world.
- C: Gracious God, we trust in your boundless love, mercy and compassion. Hear our prayers and enable us to do your will. Through Christ our Lord.

Tuesday, July 31, 2018

- O: Heavenly Father, we turn to you with gratitude and ask that you consider our petitions according to your will.
- C: We thank you Lord for our Church and our parish family, and ask for your grace as you hear our prayers, through Christ our Lord.

Wednesday, August 1, 2018

- O: With faith in his loving mercy, let us bring to our Father all our prayers and petitions.
- C: Heavenly Father, you walk with us through all of the challenges we face in this life. In the midst of these trials, let us be your light in the world. We ask this through your son, Jesus Christ.

Thursday, August 2, 2018

- O: Seeking to trust God's work in and through our lives, let us offer our prayers to our loving Father in heaven.
- C: God our Father, receive our prayers that we offer for ourselves and for all those who need your presence in their lives. We ask this through your son, Jesus Christ.

Friday, August 3, 2018

- O: As people of faith, let us unite our hearts and voices in one accord to our heavenly Father.
- C: God of mercy and love, please hear these prayers offered on behalf of your children. We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

Saturday, August 4, 2018

- O: Striving to live our baptismal call each day, let us present our prayerful petitions to our merciful Father.
- C: Loving God, we offer these prayers with confidence in your mercy and goodness. Through Christ our Lord.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 5, 2018

- O: Since our gracious God provided manna and quail in the desert to feed the Israelites, we now trust that he will also provide for the needs we present to him.
- C: God of Abundance, you who heard the prayers of your people in the desert, hear our prayers today and answer them according to your will. We ask this in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Monday, August 6, 2018

- O: With confidence in the risen Christ, let us offer our prayers to the Father.
- C: Almighty Father, you allow us to see the glory of your Son each time we gather here. Grant what we need this day so we might share our faith with the people we encounter along the way. We pray this through your son, Christ our Lord.

Tuesday, August 7, 2018

- O: With faith in our Lord's loving kindness, we come before him with our needs.
- C: Gracious God, you calm our fears and call us to a greater union with your Son. Hear our prayers that one day we might be with you in everlasting glory. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Wednesday, August 8, 2018

- O: Conscious that God is the source of all good things, let us present our petitions to him, trusting in his unending care for us.
- C: Holy God, we ask you to hear our petitions and grant us your providential assistance. We pray for these and all things through Christ our Lord.

Thursday, August 9, 2018

- O: With willing spirits and contrite hearts, we approach our God and present in confidence our prayers for ourselves and for the world.
- C: Creator God, by your Spirit you awaken us to new life in Christ. Increase in us the faith, hope and love we need so your peace will reign always in our hearts. Through Christ our Lord.

Friday, August 10, 2018

- O: With confidence, 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 and joyful in hope. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.

Saturday, August 11, 2018

- O: Trusting in our Lord's Word, let us now turn to him in prayer for the needs of our world.
- C: Heavenly Father, hear the prayers of your people gathered here today; grant us what we need to do your will. We ask this through your son, Jesus Christ.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 12, 2018

- O: With confidence and trust in God's providential love, we now turn to him and voice our needs.
- C: Lord our God, hear and answer the prayers we bring you today and every day. We ask this in Jesus' name.

Monday, August 13, 2018

- O: Trusting in God who gave his only Son for our salvation, let us present our needs and petitions to the Lord.
- C: Almighty God, you provide abundantly for us. Please accept these petitions and answer them according to your most holy will. Through Christ our Lord.

Tuesday, August 14, 2018

- O: Let us present our needs to the Lord, who loves us beyond all measure.
- C: Loving Father in heaven, we, your children, bring our needs before you. Please grant what we ask, according to your will. Through your son, Christ, our Lord.

Wednesday, August 15, 2018

- O: With faith in God's love and mercy, let us bring our needs to our heavenly Father.
- C: God our Father, draw all people to yourself and bestow your blessings upon us today. We ask all these things through your son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Thursday, August 16, 2018

- O: Let us now turn to our heavenly Father, who is the source of all mercy.
- C: God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, look with kindness upon our petitions presented here and in the silence of our hearts. Please grant them in accordance with your holy will. Through your son, Christ our Lord.

Friday, August 17, 2018

- O: Trusting in God's goodness, let us present our prayers to him.
- C: Loving God, hear our prayers and provide for our needs according to your will. We ask these things through Christ our Lord.

Saturday, August 18, 2018

- O: Let us present our prayers to God for the needs of our brothers and sisters throughout the world.
- C: Loving God, pour out your mercy upon us and all those in need. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19, 2018

- O: As we gather around the Eucharistic table, we offer our prayers and concerns to the Lord.
- C: Heavenly Father, hear our prayers and have mercy on us. We ask this through your son, Jesus Christ.

Monday, August 20, 2018

- O: With trust in God's promise to be with us always, we bring our prayers for ourselves and for those in need.
- C: God of compassion and mercy, hear the prayers we bring to you, both spoken and unspoken, and answer them according to your will. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Tuesday, August 21, 2018

- O: With trust in our Lord, we offer our prayers for our needs and the needs of the whole Church.
- 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.

Wednesday, August 22, 2018

- O: With confidence in his grace and mercy, we offer our prayers and petitions to our heavenly Father.
- C: Heavenly Father, you sent your only Son for our salvation. Continue to bless us with your mercy, and answer our prayers according to your will. We pray through your son, Christ our Lord.

Thursday, August 23, 2018

- O: Let us bring our needs to the Lord, with confidence that he will answer them according to his will.
- C: Heavenly Father, we turn to you, confident in the power of your love and help during our times of need. We ask that you hear and answer our prayers through your son, Jesus Christ.

Friday, August 24, 2018

- O: Trusting that God knows our needs before we ask, let us offer our prayers to our heavenly Father.
- C: God our Father, receive our prayers which we entrust to you. We ask this through your son, Jesus Christ.

Saturday, August 25, 2018

- O: Let us come before our loving God and humbly present our needs and wishes.
- C: God of our salvation, we bring you these prayers for our needs and the needs of the whole human family. We ask that you hear and answer them according to your will, through our Lord Jesus Christ.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26, 2018

- O: Having listened to God's Word, let us with courage and faith bring our prayers and petitions before him.
- C: Almighty and eternal Father, you call us to share in the eternal life of your kingdom. Trusting that your desire for us is mercy and steadfast love, we make our prayers with confidence and hope, through your son, Jesus Christ.

Monday, August 27, 2018

- O: With humble hearts, we approach God with our prayers for the needs of this assembly, our Church and the world.
- C: Heavenly Father, make us worthy of your calling. Hear our prayers and bring to fulfillment every good purpose and effort of our faith. We ask this through your son, Christ our Lord.

Tuesday, August 28, 2018

- O: Let us join our hearts and minds, and bring our prayers to our heavenly Father for the needs of the world.
- C: Gracious God, hear our petitions and grant what will help us draw closer to you. We ask these and all things through Christ our Lord.

Wednesday, August 29, 2018

- O: Prompted by our faith in Jesus Christ, we place our needs before our merciful Father.
- C: Heavenly Father, your love and mercy know no bounds. Grant our petitions according to your will. This we pray through your son, Christ our Lord.

Thursday, August 30, 2018

- O: Together, with one voice, let us turn our needs over to the Father, who hears all of our prayers.
- C: Loving Father, for our needs and those of others throughout the world, we ask you to provide according to your will. Through your son, Christ our Lord.

Friday, August 31, 2018

- O: As we strive to live in readiness for the Lord's coming, let us join our voices in offering our prayers to the Father.
- C: Our loving Father, we offer these prayers to you, knowing that your wisdom is far beyond our own and that you will take care of the needs of your children. We ask this in the name of Jesus, your son.

Saturday, September 1, 2018

- O: Inspired by God's sacred Word, let us call to mind the needs of others and offer them up to God.
- C: Loving Father, pour out your mercy on all your children. We ask this in the name of your son, Jesus Christ.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2018

- O: Searching for the best way to live out our call to discipleship, let us bring our prayers to our heavenly Father.
- C: Loving God, bless these prayers we offer on behalf of your children throughout the world, and grant them according to your will. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord.

Monday, September 3, 2018

- O: Trusting in the Lord's love and mercy, let us present our petitions.
- C: We pray these prayers in confidence to you, our heavenly Father, in the name of Jesus, your son.

Tuesday, September 4, 2018

- O: In the spirit of Christ, let us lift our petitions to our heavenly Father and ask for his mercy.
- C: Heavenly Father, we thank you for your continued mercy and grace and ask that you grant our petitions, through your son, Christ our Lord.

Wednesday, September 5, 2018

- O: Led forth by the Spirit, let us bring our prayers to our loving and merciful God.
- C: God of heaven and earth, you are our help and our shield. Hear us, we pray, and answer our prayers as is your will. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Thursday, September 6, 2018

- O: Gathered as people of faith, we rejoice in God's Word and sacrament. Let us bring our needs, and the needs of all God's children, before him.
- C: Loving Father, the joy you bring to each of our lives through your love and mercy sustains us. We ask that you hear and answer our prayers through your son, Jesus Christ.

Friday, September 7, 2018

- O: As servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God, we offer our petitions for the needs of our Church and the salvation of our world.
- C: Lord, you bring to light what is hidden in darkness. Hear our prayers and help us to do your will, we ask this through Christ our Lord.

Saturday, September 8, 2018

- O: As we gather together this day in celebration of our Holy Mother's birth, let us present our petitions to the Lord.
- C: Almighty Father, hear the prayers of your faithful gathered here before you and respond according to your will. We ask this through your son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2018

- O: We place before the Lord our needs and those of others.
- C: Lord God, we acknowledge you as the source of all love. Look kindly on your children as we present our needs. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Monday, September 10, 2018

- O: As a community of believers, striving to live in the presence of the Lord, let us join our voices in prayer to our heavenly Father.
- C: God of love and compassion, please hear our prayers which we offer with humility and love. We trust that you know what we need and will take care of us always. Through Christ our Lord.

Tuesday, September 11, 2018

- O: Let us place our needs before the Lord, with confidence in his providence and generosity.
- C: Almighty God, hear our petitions and grant us all that is good. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

- O: Trusting in God, who promises to feed the hungry and console the sorrowful, let us join our voices together in prayer.
- C: We thank you, Lord, for giving us Mary to be our mother, our model and our intercessor. Please hear the prayers we offer this day, through Christ our Lord.

Thursday, September 13, 2018

- O: God calls on us to love all people, so out of concern for their needs, we bring these prayers to our loving God.
- C: God and Father of us all, hear the prayers we present on behalf of our brothers and sisters, and grant them in the way that will best reflect your will. We ask this through Jesus Christ, your son.

Friday, September 14, 2018

- O: Following the example of Jesus, let us humbly approach the Father with our needs and the needs of others.
- C: Lord our God, hear these petitions and, in your love and mercy, grant what we need. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Saturday, September 15, 2018

- O: Knowing the Father's love and his promise to hear us, let us present our prayers.
- C: Loving God, source of all healing, we come to you with our needs and ask that you hear our prayers. Through Christ our Lord.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2018

- O: Let us bring our needs to our heavenly Father and ask him to hear our prayers.
- C: Gracious Father, we bring all our prayers to you, asking you to turn our hearts and minds to the fullness of your truth. Grant us the courage and strength to live according to your word. We ask this through your son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Monday, September 17, 2018

- O: Our God is a protector and healer. Let us place our petitions before him in hope and trust.
- C: O faithful Father, you gave us your Son to show us how to love your people. Hear our prayers that one day we might enjoy the heavenly vision with you forever. We ask this through your son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Tuesday, September 18, 2018

- O: Trusting in God who knows our every need, and gives us more than we could ever ask for or deserve, let us bring our petitions before him.
- C: Heavenly 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 all of this through your son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Wednesday, September 19, 2018

- O: With eager hearts filled with love, we present our needs to God.
- C: Heavenly Father, you showed your love for us by sending your only Son to die on the cross. Help us to perfect ourselves in his love. Please answer our needs according to your will, through your son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Thursday, September 20, 2018

- O: In faith and with much love, let us present our needs and the needs of our brothers and sisters to our merciful God.
- C: O God, we believe in your unconditional love for each person. We ask that you show us your love and grant these prayers in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Friday, September 21, 2018

- O: Let us bring our petitions to the Father, trusting in his goodness and love.
- C: Holy God, hear these petitions, offered in humble reverence. Grant us what will bring us closer to you. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Saturday, September 22, 2018

- O: Trusting in the message and mission of Jesus, we present with confidence our needs and concerns to our loving God.
- C: God of abundance, lead us through the changing of the seasons and bless us with the grace to hear your Word and embrace it with generous hearts. This we ask through Christ our Lord.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2018

- O: Out of care and humble service to one another, let us offer these prayers to our heavenly Father.
- C: Loving Father, bless these prayers we offer on behalf of your children throughout the world and grant them according to your will. We ask this in the name of Jesus, your son and our Lord.

Monday, September 24, 2018

- O: With confidence and hope, let us present our petitions to the Father, trusting that he will grant what we truly need.
- C: Heavenly Father, we ask that you pour out your grace on us today and bring peace to our lives through your son, Jesus Christ.

Tuesday, September 25, 2018

- O: With generous and loving hearts, let us ask the Father to hear our needs and petitions.
- C: Heavenly Father, hear our prayers and give us all that we need. We ask this through your son, Jesus Christ.

Wednesday, September 26, 2018

- O: The Word of the Lord lights our path. Let us pray for the needs of our Church and people everywhere.
- C: Father, you prepare us for our journey. Hear our prayers and help us to be faithful on that journey, sharing the Good News of salvation. We ask this in the name of your son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Thursday, September 27, 2018

- O: As Jesus gives meaning to our lives and leads us to the Father, we turn to God with our needs and join our voices in prayer.
- C: Loving Father, we offer these petitions trusting in your goodness and generosity, and confident that you know what we need. Through Christ our Lord.

Friday, September 28, 2018

- O: Together, let us bring to God our prayers for ourselves and for our world.
- C: O God, you are our Rock in whom we trust. In your mercy, take notice of us, and listen to our prayers that we have made through Christ our Lord.

Saturday, September 29, 2018

- O: Let us offer the Father our petitions for our needs and the needs of our Church.
- 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 and joyful in hope. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

- O: With confidence, we bring our needs and the needs of others to the Father.
- C: Loving Father, as we place our needs before you this day, guide us in drawing ever closer to you. This we ask through your son, Jesus Christ our Lord.