

UNIVERSAL PRAYER OPENINGS AND CLOSINGS

Wednesday, January 1, 2020

- O: Let us bring our prayers before our God who promises us blessing and peace.
C: Almighty and living God, we praise and glorify you for your steadfast and eternal mercy as we make these prayers through Christ, our Lord.

Thursday, January 2, 2020

- O: Let us turn now to our merciful Father with our prayers.
C: O loving Father, in your love and compassion, hear our prayers, through your Son, Jesus our Lord.

Friday, January 3, 2020

- O: As God's beloved children, let us entrust our prayers to him.
C: Almighty God, you became one of us to express your unconditional love for us. Hear our prayers today and grant them according to your will. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Saturday, January 4, 2020

- O: We offer our prayers to God, trusting that he listens and attends to the requests of his beloved children.
C: Father, we are your adopted and beloved children. We lift these prayers to you through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2020

- O: Recognizing God's generous gift to us in his Son, Jesus, let us bring before him our prayers for the world.
C: Father of us all, we ask that you hear these prayers we offer in the name of your Son, Jesus.

Monday, January 6, 2020

- O: We place our petitions into God's hands, with great confidence in his goodness.
C: God, you know our hearts better than we know ourselves. We lift these and all our prayers into your loving hands, through Christ our Lord.

Tuesday, January 7, 2020

- O: We now offer our petitions to God, who is love.
C: Father, you made your love for us known by the Incarnation. Hear the prayers we bring before you today, through your Son, Christ our Lord.

Wednesday, January 8, 2020

- O: The Lord hears us when we cry out to him. In faith, let us now bring our prayers and petitions to him.
C: Merciful Father, hear and grant these petitions according to your holy will. We ask this through your Son, Christ our Lord.

Thursday, January 9, 2020

- O: In love, let us offer our needs, and the needs of our brothers and sisters, to the God who first loved us.
C: God of Love, hear these prayers and petitions of your children, and answer them according to your gracious will. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Friday, January 10, 2020

- O: Let us bring our needs to the Lord with confidence and faith.
C: God of intimate love, hear our prayers today, we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Saturday, January 11, 2020

- O: As his faithful children, we turn to the Father in prayer to present our petitions to him.
C: Heavenly Father, we ask that you hear our prayers, presented to you with confidence that you always take care of our needs. We offer them in the name of Jesus, your Son.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12, 2020

- O: Gathered as a family united in faith and baptism, let us with confidence bring our needs and prayers before our loving God and Father.
- C: Heavenly Father, look with favor on us, your children, and hear the prayers we ask this day. Through your Son, Christ our Lord.

Monday, January 13, 2020

- O: We offer our prayers to God with faith in his promises.
- C: Father, we offer these prayers to you, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Tuesday, January 14, 2020

- O: Let us bring to God our needs, and the needs of all the world.
- C: Heavenly Father, we ask you to hear our humble prayers this day as we bring them all to you through your Son, Christ our Lord.

Wednesday, January 15, 2020

- O: As servants, let us approach the Lord with patience, humbly presenting our needs and intentions.
- C: Loving Father, we offer our desires, needs and hopes, and ask that you hear and answer our prayers, through your Son, Christ our Lord.

Thursday, January 16, 2020

- O: Remembering that prayer is a call to respond to God's intimate love, we bring our needs and our concerns to our merciful Father.
- C: God of mercy, we come before you seeking your will. We ask that you hear our prayers, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Friday, January 17, 2020

- O: Together, we join our hearts and minds in the presence of the Father, and having complete faith in him, we offer these petitions.
- C: Heavenly Father, we ask that you hear our prayers. We offer them with our love and belief that you will take care of our needs. We ask this in the name of your Son, Jesus.

Saturday, January 18, 2020

- O: The Lord calls us to follow him as his friends and his disciples. Let us offer the prayers of this community to the one who knows what we need.
- C: Father of mercy, you call us into communion with you and with each other. We ask that you hear our prayers, and graciously grant what we ask in faith, through your Son, Christ our Lord.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19, 2020

- O: Called to be disciples, let us bring our needs before the Lord.
- C: Heavenly Father, hear us this day as we place our needs before you. We ask this through your Son, Christ our Lord.

Monday, January 20, 2020

- O: My sisters and brothers, let us now bring our concerns for ourselves and for the world before the Father, who knows the stirrings of our hearts.
- C: God of salvation, in your goodness you draw us to yourself. Please listen to the prayers we have made for the salvation of the world. We ask through Christ our Lord.

Tuesday, January 21, 2020

- O: Trusting in the Lord's mercy, let us bring before him our prayers and petitions.
- C: Merciful Lord, hear the prayers of your people and answer them in accordance with your divine will. We make this prayer in the name of Christ, our Lord and Savior.

Wednesday, January 22, 2020

- O: Placing our trust in our Father who sees the good in each of us, let us offer our prayers.
- C: Almighty God, listen to our needs as a Father who takes delight in his children, and grant all that is good. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Thursday, January 23, 2020

- O: God wills what is the best for all of us. Let us approach him with the needs of our world, confident of his love and concern.
- C: Loving God, you know our needs and the needs of the world more than we do. Please hear our prayers, which we make in the name of Jesus, your Son and our Lord.

Friday, January 24, 2020

- O: Trusting in the goodness of the same God to whom Saint Francis de Sales dedicated his life, let us bring our petitions to him.
- C: Almighty and merciful Father, look kindly upon these petitions we bring before you today. We ask this in the name of your Son, Jesus, who is Christ the Lord.

Saturday, January 25, 2020

- O: With trust in God who calls us to salvation and healing, let us offer our petitions this day.
- C: We thank you Lord, that as you called Saul on the road to Damascus, you call each of us. We ask you to hear our prayers this day, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26, 2020

- O: As followers of Jesus, let us bring our prayers before our Father today.
- C: Father in heaven, we ask that you hear and answer these prayers today, and we trust that you do so in your time and according to your perfect plan. In your Son Jesus' name we pray.

Monday, January 27, 2020

- O: We come before the Lord with humble hearts, trusting him with our needs.
- C: We give you thanks and praise, Father, for hearing our prayers. We ask that you respond to our needs, through your Son, Christ, our Lord.

Tuesday, January 28, 2020

- O: Like the crowd in today's Gospel, we have gathered to listen to Jesus' teaching. Having heard the call to do God's will, we now offer our petitions.
- C: Father, we thank you for the opportunity to gather in your holy presence. We ask that you hear our prayers through your Son, Christ our Lord.

Wednesday, January 29, 2020

- O: Let us turn now to our loving and merciful Lord, bringing before him our needs.
- C: Loving God, hear these prayers we offer to you today. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Thursday, January 30, 2020

- O: We come before the Lord with prayers for our needs and those of others.
- C: Lord God, you have given us ears to hear your Word. Hear us now and grant our petitions according to your holy will, through Christ our Lord.

Friday, January 31, 2020

- O: As a community of faith, firmly trusting in God, we present our petitions to the Father.
- C: Heavenly Father, we offer these prayers, trusting that you know what we need. Through your Son, Christ our Lord.

Saturday, February 1, 2020

- O: Let us turn to our loving Father with our prayers and petitions.
- C: Merciful Father, we humbly ask you to accept our prayers in the name of your Son, Jesus, our Lord.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2020

- O: Our God, who is always faithful to his promises, invites us to bring before him our needs and hopes.
- C: Almighty and eternal God, you sent your only Son into the world to enlighten our hearts and fill us with hope and faith. Hear our prayers, we ask through Christ our Lord.

Monday, February 3, 2020

O: Let us now turn to God, who hears our prayers and acts with mercy.

C: God of love, we ask that you hear and answer our prayers. Through Christ our Lord.

Tuesday, February 4, 2020

O: Let us turn to our heavenly Father with these petitions, knowing he loves us and hears our prayers.

C: Merciful Father, we ask that you hear our petitions and answer them according to your perfect will. We ask this through your Son, Christ our Lord.

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

O: Entrusting ourselves to the care of the Father and the intercession of Jesus, we offer these prayers.

C: God our Father, with humble hearts we bring our needs before you, in the name of Jesus, your Son.

Thursday, February 6, 2020

O: With reliance on our good and gracious God, let us bring him our concerns.

C: Eternal Father, all goodness comes from you. Look with kindness upon the prayers brought before you, which we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus.

Friday, February 7, 2020

O: We call upon the name of our Most High God as we present our petitions before him.

C: God Most High, you blessed David when he called upon your name. We, too, seek your blessing in answer to our prayers, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Saturday, February 8, 2020

O: As Solomon trusted God with his humble request, we, too, now submit our prayers to our loving God.

C: Almighty Father, in your wisdom grant our prayers according to your holy will. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Shepherd and King.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2020

O: Because God is our stronghold in times of need, we petition him with our prayers.

C: Father of Light, hear our prayers as we seek the grace to remain strong in our faith in the face of the challenges of this life. We ask this through your Son, Christ our Lord.

Monday, February 10, 2020

O: We acknowledge the healing presence of the Lord, and ask for his help as we lift up our petitions.

C: Lord God, we thank you and praise you for your holy presence. Receive these prayers and grant them according to your holy will.

Tuesday, February 11, 2020

O: Let us now offer our prayers to the Lord, for ourselves and the world.

C: Good and gracious God, if it is pleasing to you, grant the prayers we have offered. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Wednesday, February 12, 2020

O: Trusting in the mercy and compassion of the Lord, let us bring before him our prayers and petitions.

C: Loving God, we thank you for hearing our prayers, and ask that you answer them in accordance with your divine mercy. We make this prayer in Christ's name.

Thursday, February 13, 2020

O: With earnest hope, we bring our needs to the Lord, trusting that he hears and answers our prayers.

C: Loving Father, taking to heart our needs and concerns, grant us these prayers we place before you. We ask this through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Friday, February 14, 2020

- O: With faith that God desires only our good, we come to him with our prayers and petitions.
- C: Heavenly Father, in your mercy we ask that you hear our prayers today. Through your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Saturday, February 15, 2020

- O: We entrust our lives to God's care, and so let us offer our prayers to him,
- C: Heavenly Father, we entrust our prayers to you in the holy name of your Son, Jesus Christ.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2020

- O: Together, we bring our prayers to God and ask him to hear our petitions.
- C: Father, hear these prayers of your sons and daughters, we ask through your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Monday, February 17, 2020

- O: We raise our voices in prayer to God and lift up our petitions for ourselves and for others.
- C: Lord God, we bring these petitions before you in hope for the good things that you wish to bestow upon us. Hear and answer them, we ask through Christ our Lord.

Tuesday, February 18, 2020

- O: In gratitude for the new life we received at our baptism, we offer our prayers to the Father.
- C: Father, giver of every perfect gift, we humbly ask that you would hear our prayers and answer them according to your will. Through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Wednesday, February 19, 2020

- O: Let us now join together in prayer as we bring our needs before God.
- C: Loving God, we humbly ask that in your compassion and mercy you hear the prayers of your people. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Thursday, February 20, 2020

- O: Trusting that God hears and answers all our prayers, let us join in offering him our petitions.
- C: God of life, our courage and our inspiration, hear our prayers we ask today, through Christ our Lord.

Friday, February 21, 2020

- O: Confident of God's providence, let us bring him our prayers.
- C: Loving God, we bring our needs before you, knowing that you care for us with the love of a Father. We ask that you hear our prayers, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Saturday, February 22, 2020

- O: With confidence, we bring our prayers and needs before our loving God.
- C: Lord God, as you guided Peter in his ministry, hear the prayers we offer today in service to you, through Christ our Lord.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2020

- O: The Lord calls us to imitate his love and holiness. With trust in God's goodness, let us offer our prayers this day.
- C: Father, please hear and answer our prayers this day according to your holy will. Through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Monday, February 24, 2020

- O: Together, let us lift our prayers and petitions to the Lord.
- C: Loving God, source of all wisdom, we humbly share our prayers with you and ask that you hear them, through Christ our Lord.

Tuesday, February 25, 2020

- O: Let us present our prayers to our loving Father, and ask his blessing on our world.
- C: Loving Father, we thank you for your faithfulness. Look kindly, we pray, upon these petitions we bring before you, in the name of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Wednesday, February 26, 2020

- O: We thank our heavenly Father for this season of Lent to repent and turn back to him. Together, let us humbly offer our prayers today.
- C: Lord, we trust that in your time and according to your plan, you will hear and answer these and all of our prayers, which we bring to you in Jesus' name.

Thursday, February 27, 2020

- O: Trusting that God hears and answers all of our prayers, we turn to him now with our petitions.
- C: God of strength and joy, we bring these prayers and needs before you today, trusting in your strength and help. Answer them, we ask, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Friday, February 28, 2020

- O: As we seek to draw nearer to God this Lent, we bring our needs before him, resting in the certainty of his strength and help.
- C: God of Strength, we come before you in humility today, knowing you can give us all we need to celebrate this season worthily. We ask that you hear our prayers, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Saturday, February 29, 2020

- O: As Jesus invites us to follow him, we turn our hearts and minds to the Father and present our petitions before him.
- C: Heavenly Father, as we use this Lenten season to grow closer to you, we put these prayers before you and ask you to answer them according to your will. Through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 2020

- O: As we begin our Lenten journey, let us turn to God for help in this season of grace.
- C: Loving Father, we turn to you with humble hearts. We ask that you hear these prayers we have offered, in the name of Jesus, your Son.

Monday, March 2, 2020

- O: Let us now offer our prayers and petitions to our merciful Father.
- C: Heavenly Father, we implore you to hear these prayers and those we hold in our hearts. We pray this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ.

Tuesday, March 3, 2020

- O: With trust in our merciful God, we offer our prayers to him.
- C: God our Father, you know the needs of your children. Hear the prayers we offer today in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Wednesday, March 4, 2020

- O: My sisters and brothers, let us offer our prayers to the Lord, who is gracious and merciful.
- C: Good and gracious God, in your mercy, you wash us free from sin. Listen to these prayers that we have placed before you, we ask, through Christ our Lord.

Thursday, March 5, 2020

- O: Trusting in the Lord's goodness and mercy, let us bring before him our prayers and petitions.
- C: Lord God, hear these prayers and petitions that we bring before you with humble hearts, and answer them in accordance with your holy will. Through Christ our Lord.

Friday, March 6, 2020

- O: Let us present our needs, and those of the world, to our most gracious God.
- C: Father of mercies, accept our prayers, which we present with humility and hope through your Son, Christ our Lord.

Saturday, March 7, 2020

- O: We come together as God's people, bringing our needs before him.
- C: Heavenly Father, hear the prayers we offer to you today, through your Son, Christ our Lord.

SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 2020

- O: Rejoicing in the glory of Jesus, we place before the Father our needs this day.
C: Gracious Father, hear the prayers we ask this day through your Son, Christ our Lord.

Monday, March 9, 2020

- O: With hope in the abundant goodness of our loving God, we bring to him our cares and concerns.
C: Merciful Father, every good gift comes from you. We humbly ask you to look upon these prayers and those we hold in our hearts, through your Son, Jesus Christ.

Tuesday, March 10, 2020

- O: We bring our prayers to the Lord, confident in his promise to meet our every need.
C: Father, hear the prayers of your people, we ask through your Son, Jesus Christ.

Wednesday, March 11, 2020

- O: We bring our prayers before the Lord today, confident in his gracious mercy toward us.
C: Loving God, we entrust these petitions into your care and ask that you answer them, through Christ our Lord.

Thursday, March 12, 2020

- O: Trusting that the word of the Lord is Spirit and Life, we offer our prayers and petitions to our loving Father in heaven.
C: Father, you alone understand the human heart. We ask you to hear our prayers, through your Son, Christ our Lord.

Friday, March 13, 2020

- O: Confident in God's grace, let us turn to him with our prayers.
C: Lord God, there is nothing more powerful than your grace and mercy. We ask that you hear our prayers and grant them according to your holy will, through Christ our Lord.

Saturday, March 14, 2020

- O: We remember God's great mercy and love, and entrust our prayers to him.
C: Father, we ask that you hear our prayers, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2020

- O: As we journey through Lent, let us seek the life that only Christ can give, bringing before God our prayers and needs.
C: Gracious and compassionate Lord, as you once answered the deepest needs and prayers of the woman Jesus encountered at the well, hear now our prayers, through Christ our Lord.

Monday, March 16, 2020

- O: Our God is one of healing and compassion, and so we turn to him now in our desire for wholeness, asking him to hear our prayers.
C: God of grace, our strength and our inspiration, hear the prayers of your Church gathered here in faith and hope, through Christ our Lord.

Tuesday, March 17, 2020

- O: Trusting in God's merciful and abundant love, we bring our prayers and petitions to God.
C: God of mercy, we trust in your love and seek your strength in all we do. We bring these prayers before you, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Wednesday, March 18, 2020

- O: As we strive for holiness by following God's commandments, we turn to him with our prayers.
C: God of Truth and Justice, we ask that you hear our prayers. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Thursday, March 19, 2020

- O: Following the example of Joseph who unfailingly trusted the Lord, we join our voices in prayer as we present our petitions to God.
- C: Heavenly Father, we offer these prayers in gratitude for all you have done. Hear them and answer us, we pray, through Jesus, your Son.

Friday, March 20, 2020

- O: With love of God and neighbor, let us approach the heavenly throne with our needs and the needs of our world.
- C: Lord God, you show your compassion and love to all who turn to you. Hear these prayers from your children, given in the name of Jesus, our Lord.

Saturday, March 21, 2020

- O: Let us present our petitions to the Lord our God, who desires our honest and open prayers.
- C: God of the Prophets, you call us back to you this Lent. In need of your healing and merciful love, grant these and all prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord.

SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 2020

- O: As the Father sent his Son to heal and redeem us, we now ask him to hear and answer these prayers that we may be comforted in any affliction.
- C: Merciful God, we know that you are the giver of all good things. Hear and answer these prayers that we bring you today through our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Monday, March 23, 2020

- O: We bring our needs before the Lord, as the royal official did, confident that we will be heard.
- C: Heavenly Father, you continue to work signs among us. Hear the prayers we offer today, through your Son, Christ our Lord.

Tuesday, March 24, 2020

- O: Trusting in God who heals our afflictions, let us offer our prayers this day.
- C: Heavenly Father, you are faithful and kind. Please hear and answer our prayers this day in your wisdom. We ask through Jesus, your Son.

Wednesday, March 25, 2020

- O: As we seek to follow the example of Mary's faith, let us entrust our petitions to our Father in heaven.
- C: Father, we entrust our prayers to you in the holy name of your Son, Jesus Christ.

Thursday, March 26, 2020

- O: As we continue our Lenten journey, we bring our needs to the Lord with trust and confidence.
- C: Almighty God, as you once heard the prayers of your Son, Jesus Christ, hear now our prayers and petitions. We make our prayer through Christ our Lord.

Friday, March 27, 2020

- O: Let us bring our needs, and those of our brothers and sisters in Christ, to our loving Father.
- C: Heavenly Father, our very breath is a gift from you. We humbly ask you to listen kindly to our prayers, in the name of Jesus, your Son.

Saturday, March 28, 2020

- O: The Lord has promised to hear the prayers of the faithful. In faith, we lift our hearts and intentions to him.
- C: Lord of hosts, hear these prayers which we give voice to today, and graciously grant all which we pray for according to your will. Through Christ our Lord.

SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 2020

- O: Trusting in the life-giving power of the Spirit, we lift up our prayers and petitions to our Father in heaven.
- C: Merciful Father, with humble confidence we ask you to hear these prayers in the name of Jesus Christ, your Son.

Monday, March 30, 2020

- O: Gathered as one, we lift our prayers to God.
- C: Almighty and ever-living God, we humbly place our prayers before you, and ask that you hear and answer them, through Christ our Lord.

Tuesday, March 31, 2020

- O: Let us lift our hearts and minds to God as we present our petitions.
- C: Lord God, hear and graciously accept the prayers we offer you, we ask this through Christ our Lord.