

## **UNIVERSAL PRAYER OPENINGS AND CLOSINGS**

### **Wednesday, April 1, 2020**

O: The Lord hears the cries of his people. Let us now bring our prayers and petitions before him.

C: Lord God, receive these prayers that we bring to you in the name of Christ our Lord.

### **Thursday, April 2, 2020**

O: Trusting in God's providence as did Abraham, our father in faith, we offer our prayers to the Lord.

C: God of Covenants old and new, hear our prayer and grant all we need, we ask through Christ our Lord.

### **Friday, April 3, 2020**

O: Trusting in the Lord of hosts, let us gather our needs and petitions and offer them to him.

C: Heavenly Father, you are the source of all that is good. With confidence, we ask you to look favorably on the prayers we bring you in the name of Jesus, your Son.

### **Saturday, April 4, 2020**

O: As sons and daughters of God, we offer him our prayers this day.

C: Gracious God, we ask that you receive our prayers and answer them according to your perfect will, through Christ our Lord.

### **SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 2020 PALM SUNDAY**

O: With confidence, let us bring our needs and petitions to the Father.

C: Almighty and eternal God, as we recall and give thanks for the Paschal mystery, we ask you to hear the prayers we ask today, through Christ our Lord.

### **Monday, April 6, 2020**

O: Let us offer our prayers to the Lord, who journeys with us and knows the needs of our hearts.

C: Gracious Father, we ask that you generously respond to these, our needs and intentions, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Tuesday, April 7, 2020**

O: Trusting in the God who walks with us always, we bring our needs to our Lord and Savior.

C: God of love and tenderness, we know that you carry us in our struggles. Hear our prayers today and give us all we need to do your will. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

### **Wednesday, April 8, 2020**

O: As we remember the passion of Christ during this Holy Week, we turn to the Father to present our prayers to him.

C: Heavenly Father, as our hearts mourn the pain and suffering of Jesus, we trust that you will hear our prayers. We offer them in the name of your Son, Jesus, our Lord.

### **Thursday, April 9, 2020**

O: Tonight, as we begin our three-day celebration of our redemption, we approach our saving God with the needs of our world.

C: Heavenly Father, you always have at heart the salvation of your people. Hear our prayers and the needs they represent and answer them as you will, through your Son, Christ our Lord.

### **Friday, April 10, 2020 - GOOD FRIDAY**

### **Saturday, April 11, 2020**

O: God is the source of all light and life and every good thing. Let us turn to him and offer our prayers.

C: Lord of eternal life, you conquered death so all may have life with you. Hear the prayers of your people and answer them according to your will. Through Christ our Lord.

### **SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 2020 – EASTER SUNDAY**

O: As we give thanks for the risen Christ living among us, we petition the Father to hear our prayers.

C: Loving and merciful God, who raised your Son to new life, we ask that you hear the prayers we offer, through Christ our Lord.

**Monday, April 13, 2020**

O: In faith and hope in the good news of Christ's resurrection, let us turn to God as we give voice to our prayers.

C: Heavenly Father, confident in your mercy and filled with faith and hope in the promise of Easter joy, we ask that you hear our prayers, through your Son, Christ our Lord.

**Tuesday, April 14, 2020**

O: With confidence that God is always with us, let us offer him our prayers.

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

**Wednesday, April 15, 2020**

O: With hope in the Resurrection, we offer our prayers to the Lord.

C: Heavenly Father, we confidently bring all our needs to you in love and hope. We ask that you answer them according to your will. Through your Son, Christ our Lord.

**Thursday, April 16, 2020**

O: One in faith, united in baptism, we offer our needs and the needs of the world to God, our Father.

C: Loving God, we thank you for humbly hearing our prayers. Accept our petitions in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

**Friday, April 17, 2020**

O: Gathered as one people, we place our needs and desires before God our Father.

C: Almighty and ever-powerful God, you showed us the way of salvation through your holy Son. Hear and answer the prayers we offer today, through Christ our Lord.

**Saturday, April 18, 2020**

O: Like the disciples, we are called to spread the Good News of Jesus. Let us now offer our prayers of petition to the Father.

C: Lord God, hear the prayers we present to you today. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2020**

O: This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad as we bring our prayers before our merciful and loving Lord.

C: Almighty and eternal God, as we celebrate this Divine Mercy Sunday, we ask you to hear our prayers through Christ, our risen Lord.

**Monday, April 20, 2020**

O: As we offer our prayers to our heavenly Father, let us be mindful of the needs of the Church and the world.

C: God our Father, maker of heaven and earth, we ask you to hear the prayers of your family gathered here today. We ask in the name of your Son, Jesus.

**Tuesday, April 21, 2020**

O: As sisters and brothers in Christ, we gather our prayers and petitions and offer them to our heavenly Father.

C: Father of all goodness, we ask that you listen to our prayers, and answer them according to your will. Through your Son, Jesus, our Lord.

**Wednesday, April 22, 2020**

O: God gave his only Son to the world, so that we might be saved through him. With faith in his saving power, we offer our prayers to the Father.

C: Father of love and mercy, we ask that you hear and answer our prayers. Through your Son, Christ our Lord.

**Thursday, April 23, 2020**

O: Together we join our voices as we turn to the Father, in complete faith and trust, to present our needs.

C: Heavenly Father, hear our petitions, which we offer in faith and trust that you will take care of our needs, in the name of Jesus, your Son.

**Friday, April 24, 2020**

O: Together as the people of God, we bring him our prayers and petitions, trusting in his perfect love for us.

C: Father, hear our prayers today we ask through your Son, Christ our Lord.

**Saturday, April 25, 2020**

O: Knowing of the Father's great love for us, we offer our prayers with confidence and trust.

C: God of mercy, you have asked us to lift our prayers to you. We ask that upon hearing them, you may respond in mercy and love, through Christ our Lord.

**SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2020**

O: With complete faith in God, we join together in the presence of the Father to offer these petitions.

C: Loving Father, we ask that you hear our prayers. We offer them knowing that you will take care of all our needs. Through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Monday, April 27, 2020**

O: Let us offer our prayers and petitions to our almighty Father.

C: Father of all goodness, we thank you for hearing our prayers and ask that you answer them according to your will. Through your Son, Christ our Lord.

**Tuesday, April 28, 2020**

O: Mindful that the Lord is gracious with his bounty, let us present our needs and petitions.

C: Loving and merciful God, we offer these prayers, knowing in faith that you will answer them according to your will. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Wednesday, April 29, 2020**

O: Knowing that God the Father wills the best for all people, we come to him now with our needs and those of our neighbors.

C: God of compassion, you will eternal life for all of your children here on earth. Listen to our prayers and grant what is best, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Thursday, April 30, 2020**

O: Trusting in the generous and unconditional love of the Father, let us offer these petitions for ourselves and for the needs of the world.

C: Heavenly Father, we bring these petitions, knowing that your love surpasses our understanding. We ask that you hear and answer our prayers according to your will, through your Son, Jesus Christ.

**Friday, May 1, 2020**

O: In this month of Mary, we ask our Blessed Mother to intercede for us as we present our petitions to our Lord.

C: Father of mercy and love, hear and answer these and all our prayers through our risen Lord and Savior, your Son, Jesus Christ.

**Saturday, May 2, 2020**

O: Following the example of Saint Athanasius, who faithfully served the Lord and trusted in him throughout his life, we now bring our needs to God.

C: Eternal Father, we trust in your infinite goodness and love. Kindly hear our prayers which we ask in the name of Jesus, your Son, who lives and reigns forever.

**SUNDAY, MAY 3, 2020**

O: Together with one voice, we place our trust in our loving God and offer him our prayers.

C: Father, your Son, our Good Shepherd, bids us to follow his voice. Hear the prayers we offer this day, we ask through Christ our Lord.

**Monday, May 4, 2020**

O: Striving to lead lives that bear witness to God's kingdom, we offer our prayers and petitions to the Father.

C: Merciful Father, we thank you for your unconditional love and care for us. We present our needs to you through your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ.

**Tuesday, May 5, 2020**

O: As we seek to be trusting sheep of God's flock, 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.

**Wednesday, May 6, 2020**

O: We offer our needs to the Father, who always hears us.

C: Father, you sent us the words of eternal life in your Son. Hear now our prayers, which we ask in his holy name.

**Thursday, May 7, 2020**

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

C: Father, hear the prayers we offer today in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Friday, May 8, 2020**

O: We lift our needs to our heavenly Father, trusting that he will hear us.

C: We offer these prayers to you, God of mercy, with thanks and praise. Through Christ our Lord.

**Saturday, May 9, 2020**

O: United in faith and fortified by our Savior's love for us, let us present our petitions to the Father.

C: God our Father, your Son, Jesus, came to give us a share in your life. Hear the prayers we offer today, through Christ our Lord.

**SUNDAY, MAY 10, 2020**

O: As people called by God – a chosen race, a royal priesthood – let us present our needs to him with confidence.

C: Gracious God, you know our needs before we ask. Please hear and answer our prayers this day according to your will, we ask in Jesus' name.

**Monday, May 11, 2020**

O: We bring our needs before our almighty God with confidence that our prayers will be heard and answered.

C: Generous and merciful God, we ask that you listen to the prayers we have placed before you, through Christ our Lord.

**Tuesday, May 12, 2020**

O: Nourished by his Word, let us bring our prayers and petitions before God, who is merciful and rich in compassion.

C: Merciful God, hear these prayers we bring humbly before you and answer them in accordance with your holy will. In Christ's name we pray.

**Wednesday, May 13, 2020**

O: In confidence and trust, let us bring our needs and petitions to the Lord.

C: Heavenly Father, we entrust these our prayers knowing that you will hear them and grant them according to your holy will. Through your Son, Christ our Lord.

**Thursday, May 14, 2020**

O: The Lord calls us to himself. With faith and trust, let us bring our petitions before him.

C: Father, you know our hearts and you hear our prayers. Grant what we ask according to your holy will, through your Son, Christ our Lord.

**Friday, May 15, 2020**

O: Let us now offer our prayers and petitions to our merciful Father.

C: Heavenly Father, we implore you to hear these prayers. We ask through your Son, Jesus Christ.

**Saturday, May 16, 2020**

O: Taking comfort in the Lord's mercy, let us offer to him our prayers and petitions.

C: Heavenly Father, hear the prayers we bring to you, through your Son, Christ our Lord.

**SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2020**

O: To God the Father who has given us new life through the resurrection of his Son, let us offer our prayers for the needs of the Church and the world.

C: Loving God, hear and grant our prayers through Christ our Lord.

**Monday, May 18, 2020**

O: Let us offer our needs to the Lord, trusting in his goodness and mercy.

C: Heavenly Father, you met the needs of the first Apostles through the gift of the Holy Spirit. Answer the prayers we bring to you today, we ask, through your Son Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Tuesday, May 19, 2020**

O: Confident that God knows our every need, let us bring our prayers to him.

C: God, eternal source of all being, hear the prayers that your people bring before you on behalf of our brothers and sisters, through our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Wednesday, May 20, 2020**

O: Let us bring before God the prayers of our faith community today.

C: Loving God, your grace surrounds us. Hear the prayers we offer today, we ask through Christ our Lord.

**Thursday, May 21, 2020**

O: With confidence in our merciful God, let us present our petitions to him.

C: Heavenly Father, you remain with us through your Spirit. We ask that you hear the prayers of your witnesses gathered here, and answer them according to your will. Through your Son, Christ our Lord.

**Friday, May 22, 2020**

O: Trusting the Lord knows our grief and anguish, we present our needs to him.

C: God of wonder and might, we bring these prayers before you. Hear and answer them, we ask, through Christ our Lord.

**Saturday, May 23, 2020**

O: Jesus told his disciples that whatever they ask the Father in his name will be given. Knowing this, we have the confidence to bring him our needs.

C: Father of love and mercy, we ask you to look kindly upon these prayers, which we ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ.

**SUNDAY, MAY 24, 2020**

O: The disciples devoted themselves to prayer in the upper room. Let us, too, join together as disciples lifting our prayers to the Lord.

C: Heavenly Father, please hear and answer our prayers in your wisdom, according to your plan for us. We ask through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Monday, May 25, 2020**

O: Let us now bring our petitions to God, who never leaves us.

C: God of all Creation, hear our prayers and answer them in your goodness. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**Tuesday, May 26, 2020**

O: Joined together in faith, we turn our hearts to God as we present our petitions to him.

C: Father, hear our prayers which we offer with confidence and faith. We ask this through Jesus, your Son.

**Wednesday, May 27, 2020**

O: We bring our prayers before God, who invites us to unity with him.

C: Heavenly Father, we ask that you hear and answer the prayers we offer today. Through you Son, Jesus Christ our Lord..

**Thursday, May 28, 2020**

O: Seeking to lead lives that give glory and praise to God, let us offer our prayers to the Father.

C: Most gracious God, hear the prayers we offer this day, we ask through Christ our Lord.

**Friday, May 29, 2020**

O: With confidence in our God who hears us, let us bring our needs before him.

C: Almighty and eternal God, hear our prayers and answer them according to your holy will. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**Saturday, May 30, 2020**

O: Let us bring our prayers before the Lord.

C: Heavenly Father, we thank you for hearing the needs we have brought before you today. Answer them according to your will, we ask through Christ our Lord.

**SUNDAY, MAY 31, 2020**

O: Transformed by the Holy Spirit, we pray now for the needs of the Church and of the world.

C: Loving Father, hear the prayers we bring before you, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Monday, June 1, 2020**

O: Acknowledging our neediness, we turn to God and offer him our prayers.

C: Heavenly Father, hear and answer the prayers we make with one accord. We pray through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Tuesday, June 2, 2020**

O: Our Lord made us for himself and knows our needs. In confidence, let us bring our petitions to him.

C: Lord God, we are yours and we thank you for graciously hearing our prayers. Grant them according to your holy will, through Christ our Lord.

**Wednesday, June 3, 2020**

O: Recognizing that God always works for goodness beyond our imagination, we bring our needs to him.

C: God of infinite goodness, hear our prayers today we ask through Christ our Lord.

**Thursday, June 4, 2020**

O: Our merciful Father hears the prayers of all who call upon his name. Let us bring our prayers before him.

C: God of mercy and justice, you have shown us that you will honor all covenants and keep all promises. Hear the prayers we lift to you today, through Christ our Lord.

**Friday, June 5, 2020**

O: Let us now turn to the Father with confidence as we present our prayers of petition.

C: Lord God, you sent your Son to bring us life. Hear the prayers we place before you today. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**Saturday, June 6, 2020**

O: Confident in our most merciful Lord, let us bring our prayers before him.

C: Ever-loving and gracious Father, we humbly offer these petitions to you today, through your Son, Christ our Lord.

**SUNDAY, JUNE 7, 2020**

O: As we celebrate the mystery of the Holy Trinity, let us bring our prayers before the Lord.

C: All Holy God, great and beyond our imaginings, we rejoice to call ourselves your sons and daughters. Hear the prayers we offer this day, through Christ our Lord.

**Monday, June 8, 2020**

O: My sisters and brothers, let us now offer our prayers to our heavenly Father.

C: Good and gracious God, hear the prayers we offer with confidence and answer them according to your holy will. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**Tuesday, June 9, 2020**

O: Trusting in God's goodness and mercy, let us humbly bring our prayers and petitions before him.

C: Gracious Lord, hear the prayers of your people which we offer with sincere hearts, and answer them in accordance with your divine will. In Christ's name we pray.

**Wednesday, June 10, 2020**

O: Let us bring our prayers before God, who gives us everything we need.

C: Ever-living God, hear our prayers and grant all that we ask in your mercy. We ask this through Christ, our Lord.

**Thursday, June 11, 2020**

O: Called to bring healing and peace in our world, we bring our gifts to the Father and ask him to hear our prayers.

C: Heavenly Father, we place our petitions before you, knowing that your mercy is abundant and you will take care of your children. We offer this through Jesus, your Son.

**Friday, June 12, 2020**

O: Uniting our minds and hearts as one, let us bring our prayers to the Lord.

C: Heavenly Father, you have commissioned us as your disciples to bring your Word to those we encounter. We ask that you hear and answer our prayers according to your will. Through your Son, Christ our Lord.

**Saturday, June 13, 2020**

O: With hope rooted in faith, we turn to almighty God with our prayers and petitions.

C: Merciful Father, kindly hear the prayers we bring to you today through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**SUNDAY, JUNE 14, 2020**

O: Knowing God's great love for all of us, we can confidently bring our needs before him.

C: God our Father, hear the needs of your people and respond with mercy and compassion. We ask through your Son and our Lord, Jesus Christ.

**Monday, June 15, 2020**

O: Let us offer the Father our petitions for our needs and the needs of our Church.

C: Heavenly Father, hear the petitions we offer, and grant them according to your holy will. This we ask through your Son, Christ our Lord.

**Tuesday, June 16, 2020**

O: Out of care and humble service to one another, let us offer these prayers to our heavenly Father:

C: Lord, our God, you are gracious in listening to our prayers. Hear and answer them, we ask through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Wednesday, June 17, 2020**

O: God knows the prayers written on our hearts. Trusting in his loving will for us, we now offer our petitions as one body.

C: Loving Father, hear 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.

**Thursday, June 18, 2020**

O: Let us humbly turn to God now with our needs.

C: Our Father in heaven, hear these prayers we have offered today, through your Son Christ, our Lord.

**Friday, June 19, 2020**

O: Knowing that we are loved by the Father, we bring before him our needs with the confidence that we will be heard.

C: Heavenly Father, hear our prayers and continue to answer them, giving us all that we need. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ.

**Saturday, June 20, 2020**

O: Knowing the Father's promise to hear our prayer, let us present our petitions to him.

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

**SUNDAY, JUNE 21, 2020**

O: Trusting in the kindness of our heavenly Father, let us offer our prayers this day.

C: We thank you, Father, for your steadfast love. Please hear and answer our prayers this day, according to your wisdom. We ask in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ.

**Monday, June 22, 2020**

O: Confident of the Father's providential care for us, let us present our petitions for our needs and those of others.

C: Almighty God, we bring you our prayers today trusting that you will hear and answer them according to your will. Through our Lord, Jesus Christ.

**Tuesday, June 23, 2020**

O: Let us bring our petitions to the Lord.

C: Merciful Father, hear and answer the prayers we bring before you, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Wednesday, June 24, 2020**

O: The Lord God calls each of us to share the gift of salvation. Let us turn to him in prayer.

C: God of love, you sent your Son to save us. Hear our prayers we ask through our Lord, Jesus Christ.

**Thursday, June 25, 2020**

O: With sincere and trusting hearts, let us bring our prayers and petitions before the Lord.

C: Good and gracious God, listen to the prayers of your people, which we bring to you trusting that you will answer them in accordance with your divine mercy. In Christ's name we pray.

**Friday, June 26, 2020**

O: With faith and trust, let us bring our needs before the Lord.

C: Lord God, we know that you see our needs and will our good. Answer these prayers according to your holy will, through Christ our Lord.

**Saturday, June 27, 2020**

O: We pour out our hearts in the presence of the Lord as we offer our prayers today.

C: Loving Father, hear the prayers we bring before you today, and grant them in your mercy. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 2020**

O: Confident in the abundance of the Father's love, we bring our prayers and petitions before him.

C: Heavenly Father, we rejoice in your Son, Jesus Christ, and in the gift of your Holy Spirit. Hear the prayers we offer this day, through Christ our Lord.

**Monday, June 29, 2020**

O: As we celebrate the great Apostles, Peter and Paul, we come forward as Church to offer prayers to our heavenly Father.

C: Loving God, hear the prayers of your Church and grant them according to your will. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Tuesday, June 30, 2020**

O: Trusting in the God whom the winds and the sea obey, we humbly turn to him with our prayers and petitions.

C: Eternal Father, we praise you for your kindness and ask you to hear the prayers of your family, which we ask through your Son Jesus Christ.