

# Spring 2023 – Week 10 Morning Prayers



# Dates of Interest this week – 13th to 17th March

- 12<sup>th</sup> March 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent
- 13<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> March Neurodiversity Celebration Week
- 14<sup>th</sup> March International Day of Mathematics
- 15<sup>th</sup> March International Day to Combat Islamophobia
- 17<sup>th</sup> March St Patrick
- 19<sup>th</sup> March 4<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday)
- 19<sup>th</sup> March Mothering Sunday

# **Chaplaincy on Social Media**

"From a School Chaplain" on Facebook

"Prayerful Pause" on YouTube

"RC Chaplaincy" on Twitter

"RCChaplaincy" on Instagram

Each morning an act of worship should be made. This can be led by yourself or a pupil and can be made up of prayers from this booklet, <u>www.richardchalloner.com/chaplaincy</u>, or both.

Guidance on best practice for Morning Prayer can be found here.

A selection of Catholic Prayers to use in Morning Prayer can be found here.

## Prayers for Morning Worship – 13th to 17th March

### **Theme for the week – Prayers for Mothering Sunday**

#### Lord Jesus,

Nine months before the day we celebrate as Christmas, your father's message to Mary of Nazareth and the presence of the Holy Spirit, began your human life within her. She formed you, educated you, cared for you. At the foot of the cross Mary witnessed your loving sacrifice for us. You cared so much for her that your dying act was to commend her to the care of your apostle John. May we continually thank the Father for our mothers who have formed us, educated us and cared for us.

#### (Anthony Castle)

Please God,
bless our mothers
wherever they are.
Help us to appreciate how selfless they are
day after day.
Let us make time
to tell our mothers
how much we love them
as our actions do not always make this clear. Amen

#### (Author Unknown)

God, we know that no sentimentality on this day – no material gifts, no flowers or boxes of chocolates – can make up for the neglect during the rest of the year. So in the days ahead, may our love speak to the heart who knows us best: by kindness, compassion, by simple courtesy and daily thoughtfulness.

Bless our mothers and keep them in your perfect peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

#### (Peter Marshall)

Mother of God, We turn to you for protection. Listen to our prayers and help us in our needs. Save us and our loved ones from every danger. Remember most loving Mary, never was it said that anyone who turned to you for help was left unaided. Be merciful and hear my prayer. Amen

#### (Victor Hoagland)

God of Love, Thank you for my mother. Sometimes she's angry, sometimes disappointed, but she never stops believing in me. She never stops seeing the potential even I don't recognise. What she has done for me, how she has worked and sacrificed...I don't even know how much, but I am grateful for the warmth, the hug, the person I know is always there for me. Thank you God for my mother. Bless her always. Amen

(Author Unknown)



### **Bishop Richard Challoner**

During his lifetime and after his death, he was considered not only as a model of every virtue but as a saint. We are asked to pray that our Blessed Lord, through the Pope, may reward him further, by raising him to the altars of the Church as a Saint.

### Prayer for the Beatification of Bishop Richard Challoner

O God who made your servant Richard, a true and faithful pastor of your little flock in England, raise him, we beseech you, to the altars of thy Church, that we, who have been taught by his word and example may invoke his name in heaven, for the return of our country to belief in the Gospel, and to the unity of all Christians in the one Church of Jesus Christ. We ask this through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Bishop Richard Challoner Pray for us

