# Summer 2023 – Week 10 Morning Prayers

## Dates of Interest this week – 26<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> June

- 1<sup>st</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> June Pride Month (<u>info</u>)
- 25<sup>th</sup> June 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time
- 25<sup>th</sup> June Day of the Seafarer (<u>info</u>)
- 26<sup>th</sup> June International Day against Drug Abuse & Drug Trafficking (info)
- 26<sup>th</sup> June United Nations Day to support Victims of Torture (info)
- 27<sup>th</sup> June St Cyril of Alexandria
- 28<sup>th</sup> June St Irenaeus
- 29<sup>th</sup> June St Peter & St Paul
- 30<sup>th</sup> June International Asteroid Day (<u>info</u>)
- 1<sup>st</sup> July St Oliver Plunket
- 2<sup>nd</sup> July 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

## **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 – 26<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> June

#### Theme for the week – Feast of St Peter & St Paul

St Peter and St Paul are linked together in the Roman Catholic Church. Peter, once called Simon, was appointed leader of the apostles by Jesus. But he was often rash and denied Jesus at the passion. Even so, after the resurrection Jesus asked him three times for his love. Paul was a Jew who at first persecuted the Church, but was converted when travelling to Damascus. Both are seen as great protectors of the faith of the church. And we can say that the church is founded on them. St Paul is honoured as patron of public relations and St Peter is patron of fishermen.

(Jude Groden and Chris O'Donnell)

"When Jesus asked whom his disciples thought he was, Peter answered that Jesus was the Messiah, the Son of God. Jesus then said to Peter, "Good for you Simon, Son of John! For this truth did not come to you from any human being, but it was given to you directly by my father in heaven. So I tell you Peter: you are a rock and on this foundation I will build my church and not even death will be able to overcome it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven". He then said that what Peter bound on earth would be bound in heaven, and what Peter loosed on earth would be loosed in heaven."

(Adapted from Matthew 16: 13 – 19)

'May the Lord who built the church on Peter's faith bless us with a faith that never stumbles. May the keys of St Peter and the words of Paul lead us to our home in heaven.

Amen (Adapted from the Roman Missal)

God of mercy, we are as Peter; We lose our nerve and deny you in times of trail. Calm our anxiety, heal our cowardice, take away our shame and make us free.

(A New Zealand Prayer Book)

For those who love God, everything works out for good, because God has chosen us to bear the image of Jesus, his Son. With God on our side, who can be against us? Even if we face hard times or are threatened. God's love is greater still and nothing can ever separate us from his love. Through all difficulties we can never be failures or losers because of the power of God's love.

(Adapted from St Paul's letter to the Romans, 8: 28 – 39)





#### **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

