



Summer 2024 – Week 9

Morning Prayers



Dates of Interest this week – 17th to 21st June

- 16th June – 11th Sunday of Ordinary Time ([info](#))
- 16th June – Day of Prayer for Life ([info](#))
- 16th June – Father's Day ([info](#))
- 17th June – World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought ([info](#))
- 18th June – International Day for Countering Hate Speech ([info](#))
- 19th June – International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict ([info](#))
- 20th June – St Alban ([info](#))
- 20th June – World Refugee Day ([info](#))
- 21st June – St Aloysius Gonzaga ([info](#))
- 21st June – World Peace & Prayer Day ([info](#))
- 22nd June – St John Fisher ([info](#)) & St Thomas More ([info](#))
- 22nd June – World Rainforest Day ([info](#))
- 22nd June – Windrush Day ([info](#))
- 23rd June – 12th Sunday of Ordinary Time ([info](#))

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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, www.richardchalloner.com/chaplaincy, 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 – 17th to 21st June

Theme for the week – Prayers for Creation

Question for Day 1:

Do I take time to look at the creation that surrounds me?

Bible Quote for Day 1:

“And God said, “Let the waters swarm with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the heavens.””

Genesis 1:20

Prayer for Day 1:

For the earth and all its richness;

For rocks, mountains and islands, signs of your power;

For fruits, nuts and berries, signs of your bounty towards us;

For wind, clouds, stars and galaxies, signs of your infinite mystery;

For birds, fish and all animals that walk on land, signs that you trust us not to abuse earth's creature;

For varieties of language and differences in culture, signs of the wealth of gifts that we share;

For similarities between peoples and our dependence on each other, signs that we are made in your image,

We praise you Lord.

Give us generous eyes, thankful hearts and open hands so that we may praise you in all that we do.

(Angela Ashwin)

Question for Day 2:

What can I do to make a positive impact on the environment around me?

Bible Quote for Day 2:

“For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him.”

Colossians 1:16

Prayer for Day 2:

Eternal Father, God of all creation, source of all life, may we praise you by our words and our works. Grant that we may be worthy of our place in the creation that you have given us. Through Christ our Lord, Amen

(James Tolhurst)

Question for Day 3:

Do I praise and thank God for the things that he has made visible for me to see?

Bible Quote for Day 3:

“For anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, “Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.””

Ephesians 5:14

Prayer for Day 3:

“Ever since God created the world, His everlasting power and deity – however invisible – have been there for the mind to see in all of the things that he has made.”

(Adapted from Romans 1: 20)

Question for Day 4:

What position do I play in God’s kingdom on earth?

Bible Quote for Day 4::

“Therefore you are great, O Lord God. For there is none like you, and there is no God besides you, according to all that we have heard with our ears.”

2 Samuel 7:22

Prayer for Day 4:

Lord, our God and king,
Your greatness is seen throughout the earth.
When I gaze at the heavens which your fingers have formed,
and look at the moon and the stars which you have set there,
I realise how small we are in the majesty of your creation.
Yet you treasure us above all that you have made,
and you give us control over all of the works of your hand:
animals both wild and tame,
birds in the air and the creatures of the sea.
Lord, our God and our King,
Your greatness is seen throughout the earth.

(Adapted from Psalm 8)

Question for Day 5:

Do I hear God call my name?

Bible Quote for Day 5:

“Nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.” Romans 8:39

Prayer for Day 5:

God our Father, amid the vastness of space
You treasure mankind and you call each of us by name.
You so love our world that you sent Jesus, your son, to live among us.
Inspire us each day to live in wonder and appreciation
of all that is around us, and may your love,
surround us this day and ever. Amen

(Nicholas Hutchinson)



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

