



Spring 2025 – Week 1

Morning Prayers



Dates of Interest this week – 6th to 10th January

- 4th January – World Braille Day ([info](#))
- 5th January – The Epiphany ([info](#))
- 7th January – St Raymond of Penyafort ([info](#))
- 12th January – The Baptism of Jesus ([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 – 6th to 10th January

Theme for the week – Feast of the Epiphany

Question for Day 1:

How do I develop my knowledge and recognition of the truth?

Bible Quote for Day 1:

“You crown the year with your bounty; your wagon tracks overflow with abundance.”
Psalm 65:11

Prayer for Day 1:

Eternal God, bless all schools, colleges, and universities, that they may be lively centres for sound learning, new discovery, and the pursuit of wisdom; and grant that those who teach and those who learn may find you to be the source of all truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord
Amen

(Author Unknown)

Question for Day 2:

In what ways, can I ignite the light of Christ in me to enable others to see it?

Bible Quote for Day 2

“Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”
John 8:12

Prayer for Day 2:

Heavenly Father, we celebrate with the wise men
the heavenly light and the discovery of the Light of the World- Jesus the Christ.
God of Light, make us faithful. Give us light, O God, sufficient for each step of the way.
Help us to spread the light you have given us.
Help us to live with what you give us and to give away what we have in abundance;
in Christ's name.
Amen

(Author Unknown)

Question for Day 3:

Where do I seek Jesus and how do my peers seek Jesus in me?

Quote for Day 3:

The Visitors from the East left Jerusalem, and on their way, they saw the same star that they had been following from the East. When they saw it how happy they were! It went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. They went into the house and when they saw the child with his mother, Mary, they knelt down and worshipped him. They brought out gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh and presented them to him.

(Adapted from Matthew 2:1 – 12)

Prayer for Day 3:

God of surprises and gifts, you revealed yourself as a newborn baby and, with a star, you led the peoples of earth to worship Jesus, your only Son: lead us to see you face-to-face, and help us to discover our gifts and talents so that we may offer them up to you and your service. Let us be Jesus's light in the world today.

Amen.

(Jennifer Gamber and Timothy J. S. Seamans)

Question for Day 4:

How do I show my appreciation to those who are part of my life?

Bible Quote for Day 4:

"And going into the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh."

Matthew 2:11

Prayer for Day 4:

The Visitors from the East brought gifts of Gold Frankincense and myrrh to the baby Jesus.

Lord, I give thanks for all that is 'gold' in my life: for the people who are precious to me, for the happy memories that I treasure, and for all that has been good over the years. May all that has been 'gold' for me, remind me always to appreciate those who are part of my life. Inspire me Lord, to give in such a way that I help to bring out the best in others.

Amen.

(Nicholas Hutchinson)

Question for Day 5:

Am I able to trust in Jesus when difficulties come my way?

Bible Quote for Day 5:

"And he said to all, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me."

Luke 9:23

Prayer for Day 5:

For those who seek a Saviour, we lead them to the stable,
to the One who was born to bring freedom, forgiveness, liberty.

For those who seek assurance, we lead them to the Light,
to the One who opens eyes to understanding God's Word, Truth.

For those who seek forgiveness, we lead them to a Grace beyond comprehension:
to wholeness, healing, peace.

Lord, make us channels of your light, love and peace – signs of your Presence, we pray.

Amen.

(Liturgies from Lindisfarne by Ray Simpson)



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

