



# Spring 2023 – Week 5

## Morning Prayers



### Dates of Interest this week – 3<sup>rd</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> February

- 1<sup>st</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> February – LGBT History Month ([info](#))
- 2<sup>nd</sup> February – Presentation of the Lord ([info](#)) Candlemas ([info](#))
- 2<sup>nd</sup> February – World Wetlands Day ([info](#))
- 3<sup>rd</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> February – National Apprenticeship Week ([info](#))
- 3<sup>rd</sup> February – St Dunstan ([info](#))
- 3<sup>rd</sup> February – St Blaise ([info](#))
- 4<sup>th</sup> February – World Cancer Day ([info](#))
- 4<sup>th</sup> February – International Day of Human Fraternity ([info](#))
- 5<sup>th</sup> February – St Agatha ([info](#))
- 6<sup>th</sup> February – St Paul Miki and Companions ([info](#))
- 8<sup>th</sup> February – St Josephine Bakhita ([info](#))
- 9<sup>th</sup> February – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ([info](#))

### Chaplaincy on Social Media

["From a School Chaplain" on Facebook](#)

["RC Chaplaincy" on Twitter](#)

["Prayerful Pause" on YouTube](#)

["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, [www.richardchalloner.com/chaplaincy](http://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 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb to 7<sup>th</sup> Feb

### Theme for the week – For those in Education

#### **Question for Day 1:**

How can I develop my knowledge of the truth of Jesus Christ?

#### Bible Quote for Day 1:

“Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be still wiser; teach a righteous man, and he will increase in learning.”

Proverbs 9:9

#### **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:**

What gifts have I received from the Holy Spirit and can I make them grow?

#### Bible Quote for Day 2:

“These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you.”

John 14:25-26

#### **Prayer for Day 2:**

Lord,

We ask for your blessing on all the young people in our school.

We ask you to give them the gifts of knowledge and wisdom and understanding.

What we pray for, may they be determined to work at,

so that they may develop an open mind,

a thirst for knowledge,

and a wisdom that makes good use of their knowledge and experience.

We know that gifts are useless

without compassion and concern for others,

and so we ask you

to inspire our young people

to live a life for others that is worthwhile Amen

(Nicholas Hutchinson)

#### **Question for Day 3:**

How can I use my gifts to contribute to the school community?

#### Bible Quote for Day 3:

“And they devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. And all who believed were together and had all things in common.”

Acts 2:42-44

**Prayer for Day 3:**

Father,

We thank you for our school community, knowing that we can learn from each other and grow in faith. We pray for all involved in our school, that all of us may grow as the people you call us to be.  
Amen

(Nicholas Hutchinson)

**Question for Day 4:**

What words can I use to encourage and inspire my peers?

**Bible Quote for Day 4:**

“But God has so composed the body, giving greater honor to the part that lacked it, that there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, helping, administrating, and various kinds of tongues.”

1 Corinthians 12:24-28

**Prayer for Day 4:**

May we explore together the territory of knowledge;  
may we learn together the mysteries of truth;  
may we share together the experience of beauty;  
may we inspire in each other the spark of creativity;  
may we always remember that you,  
the author of all knowledge,  
delight to share all experience with us. Amen

(Kathleen A. Goodacre)

**Question for Day 5:**

Am I thankful for the gift of receiving a free education in a spiritual community?

**Bible Quote for Day 5:**

“Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you.”

**Luke 6:37-38**

**Prayer for Day 5:**

We pray for our school.  
Help us to value the experience of studying for its own sake.  
Bless our life together as a learning and teaching community,  
and make us generous in a world  
where greed and ruthlessness often prevail.  
In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord Amen

(Angela Ashwin)



## 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

