



# Summer 2025 – Week 3

## Morning Prayers



### Dates of Interest this week – 6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> May

- 1<sup>st</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> May – National Walking Month ([info](#))
- 4<sup>th</sup> May – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter ([info](#))
- 4<sup>th</sup> May – International Firefighter's Day ([info](#))
- 5<sup>th</sup> May – St Aspaph ([info](#))
- 10<sup>th</sup> May – St John of Avila ([info](#))
- 8<sup>th</sup> May – Day of Remembrance of those who died in WW2 ([info](#))
- 10<sup>th</sup> May – World Migratory Bird Day ([info](#))
- 10<sup>th</sup> May – World Fair Trade Day ([info](#))
- 11<sup>th</sup> May – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter (Good Shepherd Sunday) ([info](#))
- 11<sup>th</sup> May – World Day of Prayer for Vocations ([info](#))
- 12<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> May – Mental Health Awareness Week ([info](#))

### Chaplaincy on Social Media

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

["Prayerful Pause" on YouTube](#)

["RC Chaplaincy" on Twitter](#)

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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](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 – 6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> May

## Theme for the week – For Vocations

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

How do I listen to God's voice in my heart and mind?

### **Bible quote for Day 1:**

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light.  
(1 Peter 2:9)

### **Prayer for Day 1:**

Grant Lord, that those who you call to enter the priesthood and religious life may have the generosity to answer your call, so that those who need your help may always find it.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
Amen

(St Benedict's Prayer book)

### **Question for Day 2:**

In what areas of my life can I witness the love of Jesus to others?

### **Bible quote for Day 2:**

And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.  
(Matthew 24:14)

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

"May you be filled with the knowledge of God's will, in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, to lead a life worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing him, bearing fruit in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God".

(From Colossians 1: 9-10)

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

How do I deepen my friendship with Jesus and grow closer to His teaching?

### **Bible quote for Day 3:**

We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain, where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a high priest forever after the order of Melchizedek. (Hebrews 6:20)

### **Prayer for Day 3:**

God our father,  
We pray for those whom you have called to serve your people as priests.  
Every day, may they live in your presence  
and deepen their friendship with Jesus, your Son.  
Fill them with your Spirit, inspire them to be faithful in prayer  
and always place their trust in you.

May they grow in faith and compassion  
as they celebrate the sacraments of your love,  
bring good news to the poor and heal the broken hearted.  
Inspire then to live in such a way that they are credible witnesses  
of the transforming power of your love,  
as they share the hopes and the joys  
the sorrows and the frustrations  
of those entrusted to their care.  
Give them the gifts they need  
to accompany your people along the path of holiness.  
Amen

(Nicholas Hutchinson)

**Question for Day 4:**

When can I say a prayer today, in thanksgiving for the sacrifice that priests have given leaving their home and family to serve me and my community?

**Bible quote for Day 4:**

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.

(Matthew 28:19-20)

**Prayer for Day 4:**

Heavenly Father,

We pray for those who have gone to other countries with the good news of Jesus:

When their work is difficult and tiring, make them strong;

When they are lonely and homesick

Remind them that you are with them;

When they are uncertain what to do, guide them.

Keep them at all times loving you, for Jesus' sake.

Amen

(Michael Botting)



## 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

