



Summer 2025 – Week 6

Morning Prayers



Dates of Interest this week – 2nd to 6th June

- 1st to 30th June – Pride Month ([info](#))
- 1st June – 7th Sunday of Easter ([info](#))
- 1st June – World Communications Day ([info](#))
- 1st June – Global Day of Parents ([info](#))
- 2nd June – St Marcellinus & Peter ([info](#))
- 2nd to 6th June – Volunteers Week ([info](#))
- 3rd June – St Charles Lwanga & Companions ([info](#))
- 3rd June – World Bicycle Day ([info](#))
- 5th June – St Boniface ([info](#))
- 5th June – World Environment Day ([info](#))
- 7th June – World Food Safety Day ([info](#))
- 8th June – Pentecost Sunday ([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 – 2nd to 6th May

Theme for the week – Feast of the Ascension

Question for Day 1:

How does the feeling of separation that the apostles felt resonate with me?

Bible Quote for Day 1:

“Jesus said to her, “Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.”

(John 20:17)

Prayer for Day 1:

When Jesus ascended into heaven, according to the gospel account, he returned to his father to sit at his right hand in glory until the end of time. But he also promised not to leave us like orphans. He remains with us, more closely now because he is not just physically present in the world any longer: no space or time separates us from him. He is the Lord of all creation, and guides everything to fulfilment in the kingdom of God. In preparation of the feast of the Ascension, we pray for the power of God’s Spirit to fill out hearts and minds so that we can do his will and carry on the work of the Gospel.

(Cardinal Basil Hume)

Question for Day 2:

What hope do I receive from the resurrection of Jesus?

Bible Quote for Day 2:

“I came from the Father and have come into the world, and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father.”

(John 16:28)

Prayer for Day 2:

O Lord Jesus, who after your resurrection from the dead gloriously ascended into heaven: grant us the help of your loving kindness, that according to your promise your spirit will always be with us here on earth, and we with you in heaven, where with the father and the Holy spirit you live and reign one God for ever and ever.

(Gelasian Sacramentary)

Question for Day 3:

What does the power of the Holy Spirit mean to me?

Bible Quote for Day 3:

So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?” He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out

of their sight. And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes
(Acts 1:6-11)

Prayer for Day 3:

“The Ascension of Christ is his liberation from all restrictions of time and space. It does not represent his removal from earth, but his constant presence everywhere on earth.”

(William Temple, Archbishop of Canterbury 1942 – 44)

Question for Day 4:

How does the knowledge that Jesus takes care of me both on earth and in heaven?

Bible Quote for Day 4:

“And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also”

(John 14:3)

Prayer for Day 4:

Let us pray.

Gladden us with holy joys, almighty God, and make us rejoice with devout thanksgiving, for the Ascension of Christ your Son is our exaltation, and, where the Head has gone before in glory, the Body is called to follow in hope. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

(Collect prayer for the Feast of Ascension)

Question for Day 5:

What is my earthly task given to me today by God?

Bible Quote for Day 5:

“For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it”

(Hebrews 12:11)

Prayer for Day 5:

O Lord Jesus, I adore you, Son of Mary, my Saviour and my Brother, for You are God. I follow You in my thoughts, O first-fruits of our race, as I hope one day by Your grace to follow You in my person into heavenly glory. Until then, do not let me neglect the earthly task which You have given me. Let me labour diligently all my life with a greater appreciation for the present. Let me realize that only by accomplishing true human fulfilment can I attain Divine fulfilment and ascend to You at the completion of my work. Amen.



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

