



# Autumn 2021 – Week 13

## Morning Prayers



### Dates of Interest this week – 6<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> December

- 5<sup>th</sup> December – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent
- 6<sup>th</sup> December – St Nicholas
- 8<sup>th</sup> December – The Immaculate Conception of Mary
- 10<sup>th</sup> December – Our Lady of Loreto
- 9<sup>th</sup> December – International Anti-corruption Day
- 9<sup>th</sup> December - International Day of Commemoration and Dignity of the Victims of the Crime of Genocide and of the Prevention of this Crime
- 9<sup>th</sup> December – International Human Rights Day
- 12<sup>th</sup> December – International Choral Day
- 12<sup>th</sup> December – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday)

### 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 – 29<sup>th</sup> Nov to 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec

### Theme for the week – Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Hail holy queen, mother of mercy; hail our life, our sweetness and our hope.  
To you do we cry, poor banished children of Eve.  
To you do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears.  
Turn then, most gracious advocate, your eyes of mercy towards us;  
and after this our exile show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus.  
O clement, O loving, O sweet virgin Mary. Pray for us O holy mother of God,  
That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

(Traditional Catholic Prayer)

Lord Jesus, nine months before the day we celebrate as Christmas, your father's message to Mary of Nazareth and the presence of the Holy Spirit, began your human life within her. She formed you, educated you, cared for you. At the foot of the cross Mary witnessed your loving sacrifice for us. You cared so much for her that your dying act was to commend her to the care of the apostle John. May we continually thank the father for our mothers who have formed us, educated us and cared for us.

(Anthony Castle)

"Blessed are you among women and blessed is the child that you will bear! But why am I so favoured that the mother of My Lord should come to me? As soon as the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy. Blessed is she who has believed that what the Lord has said to her will be accomplished!"

(From Luke 1: 42 –45)

Hail Mary, Lady of grace!  
God's love is shining in your face. Guide your children, hear our prayer,  
Be always there.  
Holy Mary, mother of God,  
The child you carried is our Lord. Keep all families in your care,  
Be always there.  
Lady of sorrows, upon the hill  
You stood with Jesus: stand there still, For our pain is yours to bear  
Be always there  
Hail, Mary, God's chosen one  
Rejoicing with your risen son, May your joy be ours to share  
Be always there.

(Michael Ainscough and Kathryn Reddy)

Oh Mary, gentle one,	Teach us to love your son.
Oh Mary, humble one,	Help us to serve him.
Oh Mary peaceful one,	Help us to know your son.
Oh Mary, hopeful one,	Teach us to trust him.
Oh Mary, grateful one,	Teach us to thank your son.
Oh Mary, joyful one,	Help us to praise him.

(Francesca Leftley)



## **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

