

## Dates of Interest this week - 5<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> December

- 4<sup>th</sup> December 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent
- 4<sup>th</sup> December World Wildlife Conservation Day
- 5<sup>th</sup> December World Soil Day
- 6<sup>th</sup> December St Nicholas
- 7<sup>th</sup> December St Ambrose
- 8<sup>th</sup> December The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 9<sup>th</sup> December St Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin
- 9th December International Day of Commemoration of the Victims of

and Prevention of Genocide

- 10<sup>th</sup> December Our Lady of Loreto
- 10<sup>th</sup> December International Human Rights Day
- 11<sup>th</sup> December 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent

## **Chaplaincy on Social Media**

<u>"From a School Chaplain" on Facebook</u> <u>"Prayerful Pause" on YouTube</u>

"RC Chaplaincy" on Twitter "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, <a href="https://www.richardchalloner.com/chaplaincy">www.richardchalloner.com/chaplaincy</a>, 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.

# <u>Prayers for Morning Worship – 5<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> December</u> <u>Theme for the week – Advent</u>

#### God our Father,

May all our life experiences lead us to grow as people who always put love into all that we do. May we live in such a way that our attitude and words and actions reflect to all people their own value, dignity and self-worth, helping people to feel wanted and appreciated for who they are. Amen

#### (Nicholas Hutchinson)

Dear Father in heaven,

Let us be peacemakers:

more ready to call people friends than enemies,

more ready to trust than to mistrust,

more ready to love than to hate,

more ready to respect than despise,

more ready to serve than be served,

more ready to absorb evil than to pass it on.

Dear father in heaven,

let us be more like Christ.

Amen

(The Mother's Union Anthology of Public Prayers)

#### Lord Jesus.

You have taught us that we can only be forgiven as we ourselves forgive:

help us to bear continually in mind our own shortcomings and our many failings.

If we remember the injuries we suffer and never deserved, help us to remember the kindness we received and never earned, and the punishments we did deserve and never suffered.

Help us to be thankful for your unfailing mercies and those of other people.

Amen

#### (Eric Milner White and G.W. Briggs)

Give us a sense of humour Lord and also things to laugh about.

Give us the grace to take a joke against ourselves,

and to see the funny side in the things that we do.

Save us from annoyance, bad temper and resentfulness against our friends.

Help us to laugh in the face of trouble.

Fill our minds with the love of Jesus; for his name's sake

Amen

#### (A. G. Bullivant)

#### O God.

you have bound us together in this bundle of life:

Give us grace to understand how our lives depend upon the courage,

the industry, the honesty and integrity of others:

that we may be mindful of their needs,

grateful for their faithfulness and faithful in our responsibilities towards them.

Amen

#### (Reinhold Niebuhr)





## **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

