

An AXIOM Liturgy for Daily Prayer

Jesus Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me.

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Daily Prayers for April 16

O Lord, let my soul rise up to meet you
as the day rises to meet the sun.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Come, let us bow down and bend the knee : let us kneel before the Lord our Maker.

Save us and make us small, O God : small enough to walk your little way.

Psalm 79:1, 9 – 13

Exodus 32:1–20, 1 Thessalonians 3:1–13

Therese of Lisieux, a nineteenth-century Carmelite who sought to follow Christ's "little way," wrote, "The only way to make rapid progress along the path of divine love is to remain very little and put all our trust in Almighty God."

Prayers for Others / intercessory prayer

Our Father

Lord, teach us to dwell in the corners and crevices, to find an abundance of your love in those pockets of our lives where the poverty of our abilities crowds out our pride and ego. Amen.

Silence for meditation / centering prayer

Draw us into your love, Christ Jesus : and deliver us from fear.

May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you : wherever he may send you;
may he guide you through the wilderness : protect you through the storm;
may he bring you home rejoicing : at the wonders he has shown you;
may he bring you home rejoicing : once again into our doors.

Prayer of St. Francis

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.
O Divine Master, grant that I may not
so much seek to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive,
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

The Beatitudes

Blessed are the poor,
for theirs is the Kingdom of God.
Blessed are the hungry,
for they shall be filled.
Blessed are the meek,
for they shall inherit the earth.
Blessed are the pure in heart,
for they shall see God.
Blessed are those who mourn,
for they shall be comforted.
Blessed are the merciful,
for they shall be shown mercy.
Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they are the children of God.
Blessed are those who are persecuted for
righteousness and justice,
for great is their reward.

Come, Holy Spirit. We pray that your fruit would be
in us: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness,
faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

Dear Jesus, help us to spread your fragrance
everywhere we go.

Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, sanctify me;
body of Christ, save me;
blood of Christ, inebriate me;
water from the side of Christ, wash me;
passion of Christ, strengthen me.
O good Jesus, hear me;
within your wounds hide me;
suffer me not to be separated from you;
from the malicious enemy, defend me;
in the hour of my death, call me,
and bid me come to you
that with your saints I may praise you
forever and ever. Amen.

Psalm 23

Prayer for Grace

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, You
have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve
us with your mighty power, that we may not fall
into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we
do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your
unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all
your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all
whom you have made. We bless you for our
creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this
life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the
redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your
mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may
show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in
our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and
by walking before you in holiness and righteousness
all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to
whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and
glory throughout all ages. Amen.

**Through our lives and by our prayers: may your
Kingdom come!**