



June Daily Prayer & Reflections

17th June 2020

Our prayer, with the Pope in both his monthly and his new daily Intentions, is always oriented towards changing our own hearts, preparing ourselves for mission in whatever life-situation we are in. This month, we pray to the sacred heart of Jesus. Take time each day of June to pray the sacred heart prayer. Take time out of your day to attend live streamed mass and pray. Throughout these unprecedented times, we need to remember that just because the building of the church is closed, the Church community is well and truly alive

and flourishing.

During the month of June, we take time of devotion for the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The devotion to the Sacred Heart is one of the most widely practiced and well-known Catholic devotions, taking Jesus Christ's physical heart as the representation of his divine love for humanity. We are loved and truly known by God so we take this time for devotion.

Sacred Heart Prayer:

O most holy heart of Jesus, fountain of every blessing, I adore you, I love you, and with lively sorrow for my sins I offer you this poor heart of mine. Make me humble, patient, pure and wholly obedient to your will. Grant, Good Jesus, that I may live in you and for you. Protect me in the midst of danger. Comfort me in my afflictions. Give me health of body, assistance in my temporal needs, your blessing on all that I do, and the grace of a holy death. Amen

On the @BC_Chaplaincy Twitter Page, we upload daily reflections and prayer ideas which we invite you to look at with readings of the day also posted. We post small reflections so we can keep God's word active throughout the day and accessible.

We also have our sway page where we post chaplaincy resources for prayer and reflection.

Gospel Reading of the Day

Your Father who sees all that is done in secret will reward you

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Be careful not to parade your good deeds before men to attract their notice; by doing this you will lose all reward from your Father in heaven. So, when you give alms, do not have it trumpeted before you; this is what the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets to win men's admiration. I tell you solemnly, they have had their reward. But when you give alms, your left hand must not know what your right is doing; your almsgiving must be secret, and your Father who sees all that is done in secret will reward you.

'And when you pray, do not imitate the hypocrites: they love to say their prayers standing up in the synagogues and at the street corners for people to see them; I tell you solemnly, they have had their reward. But when you pray, go to your private room and, when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who is in that secret place, and your Father who sees all that is done in secret will reward you.

‘When you fast do not put on a gloomy look as the hypocrites do: they pull long faces to let men know they are fasting. I tell you solemnly, they have had their reward. But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, so that no one will know you are fasting except your Father who sees all that is done in secret; and your Father who sees all that is done in secret will reward you.’

Reflection:

Take time each day to pray and reflect each day. Do not be outward about this to gloat but take yourself to a space where you can best reflect and have an open conversation between you and God and take that time to really focus on what’s on your heart and offer it up to the Lord in Prayer

Prayer:

Lord,

We pray for an open heart in our conversation with You. Let the Holy Spirit guide us in our prayer and reflection.

Amen

Diocesan Information

Masses are live streamed up and down the diocese and are daily. If you want to watch mass, follow this link select a church and the mass times are listed so you can plan Mass Live stream in to your day:

<https://www.mcnmedia.tv/cameras/county/west-midlands>

Praise and Worship Playlist: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F8umfBRIwW8>

Kenelm Youth Trust @ Home Resources: <http://www.kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk/home-resources.html>

Twitter: @bc_chaplaincy

Pause for Prayer Blog: <https://bishopchalloner.org.uk/blog/category/catholic-life-blog>

One Life Music Weekly Worship: https://youtu.be/bs36zxL_EE8