



PRAYER DURING THE DAY FOR NOVEMBER 2020

*Text in **bold** may be said by all, if saying it with others.*

O God, make speed to save us. **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

Make me a clean heart, O God, **and renew a right spirit within me.**

Psalm 51.11

PRAISE

A hymn, song, poem, freeform praise or

Look, the trees
are turning
their own bodies
into pillars

of light,
are giving off the rich
fragrance of cinnamon
and fulfillment,

the long tapers
of cattails
are bursting and floating
away over
the blue shoulders

of the ponds,

and every pond,
no matter what its
name is, is

nameless now.
Every year
everything
I have ever learned

in my lifetime
leads back to this: the fires
and the black river of loss
whose other side

is salvation,
whose meaning
none of us will ever know.

To live in this world

you must be able
to do three things:
to love what is mortal;
to hold it

against your bones knowing
your own life depends on it;
and, when the time comes to
let it
go,
to let it go.

Mary Oliver, In Blackwater Woods

THE WORD OF GOD

Read the whole selection or a portion.

Each psalm or group of psalms may end with

**Glory to the Father and to the Son and to
the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is
now and shall be for ever. Amen.**

<i>Day</i>	<i>Week 1</i>	<i>Week 2</i>
Monday	4	10
Tuesday	34	44
Wednesday	57	65
Thursday	88	100
Friday	103	113
Saturday	138	141

READINGS

Monday

Know then in your heart that the Lord your God has been disciplining you just as a father disciplines his children. Keep the commandments of the Lord your God by walking in his ways and by fearing him, because the Lord your God is bringing you to a wonderful land, a land with streams of water, springs, and wells that gush up in the valleys and on the hills; a land of wheat and barley, vines, fig trees, and pomegranates; a land of olive oil and honey; a land where you will eat food without any shortage—you won't lack a thing there—a land where stone is hard as iron and where you will mine copper from the hills. You will eat, you will be satisfied, and you will bless the Lord your God in the wonderful land that he's given you.

Deuteronomy 8.5-10

Tuesday

Everyone should give whatever they have decided in their heart. They shouldn't give with hesitation or because of pressure. God loves a cheerful giver. God has the power to provide you with more than enough of every kind of grace. That way, you will have everything you need always and in everything to provide more than enough for every kind of good work. As it is written, He scattered everywhere; he gave to the needy; his righteousness remains forever. The one who supplies seed for planting and bread for eating will supply and multiply your seed and will increase your crop, which is righteousness. You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous in every way. Such generosity produces thanksgiving to God through us. Your ministry of this service to God's people isn't only fully meeting their needs but it is also multiplying in many expressions of thanksgiving to God.

2 Corinthians 9.7-12

Wednesday

On the way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten men with skin diseases approached him. Keeping their distance from him, they raised their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, show us mercy!"

When Jesus saw them, he said, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." As they left, they were cleansed. One of them, when he saw that he had been healed, returned and praised God with a loud voice. He fell on his face at Jesus' feet and thanked him. He was a Samaritan. Jesus replied, "Weren't ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? No one returned to praise God except this foreigner?" Then Jesus said to him, "Get up and go. Your faith has healed you."

Luke 17.11-19

Thursday

Therefore, the Lord God, the holy one of Israel, says: In return and rest you will be saved; quietness and trust will be your strength—but you refused. You said, "No! We'll flee on horses"—therefore, you will indeed flee—"and we'll ride off; on swift steeds we will ride"—therefore, your pursuers will be swift. One thousand will flee at the threat of one, and at the threat of five you will flee, until you are left like a flagstaff on a mountaintop, like a flag on a hill. Nonetheless, the Lord is waiting to be merciful to you, and will rise up to show you compassion. The Lord is a God of justice; happy are all who wait for him.

Isaiah 30.15-18

Friday

Be glad in the Lord always! Again I say, be glad! Let your gentleness show in your treatment of all people. The Lord is near. Don't be anxious about anything; rather, bring up all of your requests to God in your prayers and petitions, along with giving thanks. Then the peace of God that exceeds all understanding will keep your hearts and minds safe in Christ Jesus.

From now on, brothers and sisters, if anything is excellent and if anything is admirable, focus your thoughts on these things: all that is true, all that is holy, all that is just, all that is pure, all that is lovely, and all that is worthy of praise. Practice these things: whatever you learned, received, heard, or saw in us. The God of peace will be with you.

Philippians 4.4-9

Saturday

Jesus replied, "The most important one is Israel, listen! Our God is the one Lord, and you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your being, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this, You will love your neighbor as yourself. No other commandment is greater than these."

The legal expert said to him, "Well said, Teacher. You have truthfully said that God is one and there is no other besides him. And to love God with all of the heart, a full understanding, and all of one's strength, and to love one's neighbor as oneself is much more important than all kinds of entirely burned offerings and sacrifices." When Jesus saw that he had answered with wisdom, he said to him, "You aren't far from God's kingdom." After that, no one dared to ask him any more questions.

Mark 12. 29-34

RESPONSE

Silence, study, reading, or song. Then these words:

We will sing forever of your love, O Lord. **Our lips shall proclaim your faithfulness.**

PRAYERS

Let your prayers be guided by these concerns, and may your heart be led to even more:

Heavenly Father, you have promised to hear when we pray in the name of your Son. Almighty God, enliven the Church for its mission that we may be salt of the earth and light to the world. **Breathe fresh life into your people.**

Creator of all, lead us and every people into ways of justice and peace. That we may respect one another in freedom and fidelity. Awaken in us a sense of wonder for the earth and all that is in it.

God of truth, inspire with your wisdom those whose decisions affect the lives of others that all may act with integrity and courage. May we serve Christ in one another, and love as he loves us.

God of hope, comfort and restore all who suffer in body, mind or spirit. **May they know the power of your healing love.**

Make us willing agents of your compassion. **Strengthen us as we share in making people whole.**

We remember with thanksgiving those who have died in the faith of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone. Father, into your hands we commend them. Bring peace to those who mourn. We praise you for (N and) all your saints who have entered your eternal glory.

Lord, you have called us to serve you. Grant that we may walk in your presence: your love in our hearts, your truth in our minds, your strength in our wills; until, at the end of our journey, **we know the joy of our homecoming and the welcome of your embrace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

One (or more) of the following prayers are said to collect the intentions

Bountiful God, giver of all gifts, who poured your Spirit upon your companions, and gave them grace to encourage others: help us, by their example, to be generous in our judgements and unselfish in our service; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son came not to be served but to serve: Bless all who, following in his steps, give themselves to the service of others; that with wisdom, patience, and courage, they may minister in his Name to the suffering, the friendless, and the needy; for the love of him who laid down his life for us, your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

OTHER COLLECTS AND PRAYERS (*IF DESIRED*)

THE LORD'S PRAYER *is said in whatever language is closest to your heart*

THE CONCLUSION

Make me a clean heart, O God, **and renew a right spirit within me.**

This follows the outline of Prayer During the Day from CoE, readings focusing on Wholeheartedness, generosity and gratefulness.

Readings are from the CEB translation of the Bible.

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'Bountiful God' Collect adapted from collect for Barnabas, CoE

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