

The Congregation at Prayer
A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer
For the Week of Quinquagesima
February 19 through February 25

The Order of Meditation and Prayer

Pray and confess out loud as much from the order of meditation and prayer as you are able, or as your family size and ages dictate. Learn by heart the verse, catechism, and hymn of the week.

Theme: God Approves of Our Vocation

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the Son ☩ and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and ☩ the life everlasting. Amen.

Verse: Ecclesiastes 9:7

**Go, eat your bread with joy,
 And drink your wine with a merry heart;
 For God has already accepted your works.**

Psalm 31 and/or the appointed daily psalms listed below.

Daily Psalm	Morning	Evening
Sunday	32	31
Monday	33	34
Tuesday	35	36
Wednesday	37	38
Thursday	40	39,41
Friday	42,43	44
Saturday	45	46,47

The Catechism:

Bishops, Pastors & Preachers

The overseer must be above reproach, the husband of but one wife, temperate, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, (1 Timothy 3:2) not given to drunkenness, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. He must manage his own family well and see that his children obey him with proper respect. 1 Timothy 3:3-4

He must not be a recent convert, or he may become conceited and fall under the same judgment as the devil. 1 Timothy 3:6

He must hold firmly to the trustworthy message as it has been taught, so that he can encourage others by sound doctrine and refute those who oppose it. Titus 1:9

Readings for the Week

Day	Reading
Monday	The Passover Is Instituted—Exodus 12:1-14
Tuesday	The Death of the Firstborn—Exodus 12:21-30
Wednesday	The Exodus—Exodus 12:31-42
Thursday	Israel Journeys to the Red Sea—Exodus 13:17-14:9
Friday	Catch Up on Readings or Look Ahead to Sunday
Saturday	Catch Up on Readings or Look Ahead to Sunday

Prayers: Collect for the Week, In Our Prayers at St. Paul

Collect for the Week of Quinquagesima:

O Lord, mercifully hear our prayers and having set us free from the bonds of our sins deliver us from every evil; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

In Our Prayers this Week

Missing: Ann Kelley.

Betty Boerger, Gloria Deke, Alyce Delozier, Lori Eckert, Leonard Esch, Katie Glorioso, Marge Hill, Tillie Hurtie, Robert Jensen, Helen Kolman, Maxine Kyles, Edwin Munsternann, Larry Nave, Berniece Pfingsten, Gracie Schulz.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Morning Prayer

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Evening Prayer

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Hymn of Week "Lord, to You I Make Confession" #608

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Hymns: 419, 418, 425, 440, 422, 431

Lessons: Genesis 3:1-21; 2 Corinthians 6:1-10; Matthew 4:1-11