



DAILY PRAYERS for FCJ Schools

Week beginning Monday March 15th 2021

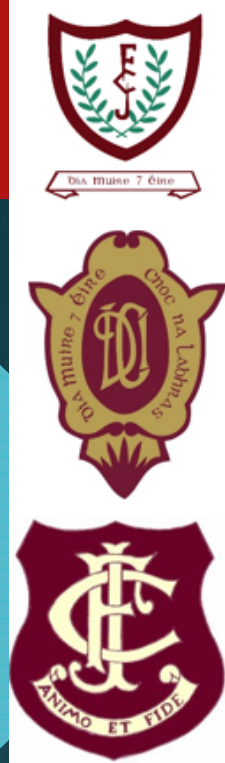


PRAYER THEME FOR THIS WEEK

WE REMEMBER AND PRAY FOR ALL GOD'S PEOPLE.

FOR THEIR **SALVATION** - SAVING
RECONCILIATION -
BEING RECONNECTED AND
FORGIVEN. EXTENDING FORGIVENESS
TO OTHERS.

GRACE - BEING BLESSED BY GOD'S
ABUNDANT LOVE



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Monday 15th March: Sunday Gospel: John 3: 14-21

Jesus said to Nicodemus:

'The Son of Man must be lifted up as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.

Yes, God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved. No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son.

On these grounds is sentence pronounced: that though the light has come into the world men have shown they prefer darkness to the light because their deeds were evil. And indeed, everybody who does wrong hates the light and avoids it, for fear his actions should be exposed; but the man who lives by the truth comes out into the light, so that it may be plainly seen that what he does is done in God.'

Nicodemus is an influential man. He has something to lose by coming to Jesus, the man who overturned the tables in the Temple, a man who brings miracles and causes conflict wherever he goes. Not yet ready to risk coming to see Jesus in the light of day, Nicodemus instead comes at night. Jesus desires friendship with us, yet this will have consequences.

Is there anything you'd rather hide? What would happen if this came to light?
Talk to Jesus about this.



Monday 15th March

Lord, I offer you this Lent, all the generosity I have. I give you each day, every decision and challenge I meet.

Generosity

Help me during Lent to choose the path of love and to know and trust that you are by my side every step of the way. Amen.

Tuesday 16th

Lord, I come as myself.
Just as I am this moment.
I bring my feelings,
my fears, my joys,
my sadness's.



You see me as I really am...
You know me through and
through.
You see all that I am and all I
ever have been... And still you
love me. Thanks!

Tuesday 16th March

Song: Blinded by your grace (Stormzy), 3:50 mins





Wednesday
March 17th



Happy
St. Patrick's Day

An Irish Prayer
attributed to St. Patrick
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4eSfhF9DR3E>
(2:14 mins)

Wednesday 17th March

Irish Blessing (1:50 mins)



Irish Blessing

MAY THE ROAD
rise up to meet you.

MAY THE WIND
be always at your back.

MAY THE SUN
 *shine warm
upon your face;
the rains fall soft
upon your fields
and until we meet again,
MAY GOD HOLD YOU
in the palm of
His hand.* 

Thursday
18th March

‘For God Loved the world so much that he gave His only Son.’ John 3:16

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JBOW4Sz0jC0>

‘The Traveller’ by Clifford T. Ward (5 mins)

Lord teach me to
value kindness
and to share it at
every possible
opportunity.

Amen.



Thursday 18th March

The Mizen family from London who following the murder of their son, Jimmy, now work to promote peace and non-violence. "For me forgiveness is about not wanting revenge and not being angry" ~ Margaret Mizen



The **WEAK**
can never
forgive.
Forgiveness
is the attribute
of the **STRONG**.
Mahatma Gandhi

" **There is**
no love
without
forgiveness,
and there
is no forgiveness
without
love. "

Bryant H. McGill

Is there anyone you need forgiveness for or maybe someone has wronged you?
How do you feel about these quotes and situations?
Ask God to help you.



St. Pope John Paul II forgave the man, Mehmet Ali Agca who shot him in 1981. He said, 'Pray for my brother, whom I have sincerely forgiven.' He later visited him in prison

March 19th

Feast of St Joseph

A man who was known **not for his words but for his ACTIONS.**

Lord, I pray for gifts and talents that will help me to help others.

As I pray for these gifts I know too, that I will need to work hard to develop them;

- to become more patient,
- to grow in wisdom,
- to be faithful in friendship.

I pray Lord that I may be a person of kind action like St. Joseph. **Amen.**



Friday 19th March

EXAMEN

Be silent and place yourself in God's loving presence.

Take a moment to look back over your week.

Think about the good things that have happened and give thanks.

What have the challenges been?

In the quiet of your heart, tell God about your experiences this week.

Ask the Lord to guide you in all you do.

Is there something for which you would like to ask God – perhaps to help you grow close to Him during LENT?

Place all your cares into His hands

AMEN.



Thought for the Weekend:



We should always believe that our small efforts will make a difference to someone