



# Weekday Prayer Sheet

28 April – 3 May 2025

Second Week of Easter - YEAR C

**MONDAY 28 April 2025**

**St Peter Chanel**

## **Entrance Antiphon**

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings glad tidings of peace, bearing good news, announcing salvation.

## **First Reading - Acts 4:23-31**

### **Responsorial Psalm Ps 2:1-9**

Why this tumult among nations,  
among peoples this useless murmuring?  
They arise, the kings of the earth,  
princes plot against the Lord and his Anointed.

'Come, let us break their fetters,  
come, let us cast off their yoke.'

He who sits in the heavens laughs;  
the Lord is laughing them to scorn.  
Then he will speak in his anger,  
his rage will strike them with terror.  
'It is I who have set up my king  
on Zion, my holy mountain.'

I will announce the decree of the Lord:  
The Lord said to me 'You are my Son.  
It is I who have begotten you this day.  
Ask and I shall bequeath you the nations,  
put the ends of the earth in your  
possession. With a rod of iron you will break  
them, shatter them like a potter's jar.'

## **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

If then you have been raised with Christ,  
seek the things that are above,  
where Christ is seated at the right hand of  
God. Alleluia!

## **Gospel - John 3:1-8**

### **Communion Antiphon**

Unless a grain of wheat falls into the ground  
and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat;  
but if it dies, it produces much fruit,  
alleluia.

**TUESDAY 29 April 2025**

**St Catherine of Siena**

## **Entrance Antiphon**

Here is a wise virgin, from among the  
number of the prudent,  
who went forth with lighted lamp to  
meet Christ, alleluia.

## **First Reading - Acts 4:32-37**

### **Responsorial Psalm - Ps 91:1-2, 5**

The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed;  
the Lord has robed himself with might,  
he has girded himself with power.

The world you made firm, not to be  
moved;  
your throne has stood firm from of old.  
From all eternity, O Lord, you are.

Truly your decrees are to be trusted.  
Holiness is fitting to your house,  
O Lord, until the end of time.

## **Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Son of Man must be lifted up  
so that all who believe in him  
may have eternal life.  
Alleluia!

## **Gospel - John 3:7-15**

### **Communion Antiphon**

If we walk in the light, as God is in the  
light,  
then we have fellowship with one  
another,  
and the blood of his Son Jesus Christ  
cleanses us from all sin, alleluia.

**WEDNESDAY 30 April 2025**  
**Wednesday of the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of Easter**

**Entrance Antiphon**

I will praise you, Lord, among the  
nations;  
I will tell of your name to my kin, alleluia.

**First Reading – Acts 5:17-26**

**Responsorial Psalm - Ps 33:2-9**

I will bless the Lord at all times,  
his praise always on my lips;  
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.  
The humble shall hear and be glad.

Glorify the Lord with me.  
Together let us praise his name.  
I sought the Lord and he answered me;  
from all my terrors he set me free.

Look towards him and be radiant;  
let your faces not be abashed.  
This poor man called; the Lord heard  
him and rescued him from all his  
distress.

The angel of the Lord is encamped  
around those who revere him, to rescue  
them.  
Taste and see that the Lord is good.  
He is happy who seeks refuge in him.

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
God loved the world so much, he gave  
us his only Son, that all who believe in  
him might have eternal life.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel – John 3:16-21**

**Communion Antiphon**

I have chosen you from the world, says  
the Lord, and have appointed you to go  
and bear fruit, fruit that will last, alleluia.

**Thursday 1 May 2025**  
**Thursday of the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of Easter**

**Entrance Antiphon**

O God, when you went forth before your  
people,  
marching with them and living among  
them,  
the earth trembled, heavens poured  
down rain, alleluia.

**First Reading – Acts 5:27-33**

**Responsorial Psalm - Ps 33:2, 9, 17-20**

I will bless the Lord at all times,  
his praise always on my lips.  
Taste and see that the Lord is good.  
He is happy who seeks refuge in him.

The Lord turns his eyes to the just  
and his ears to their appeal.  
They call and the Lord hears  
and rescues them in all their distress.

The Lord is close to the broken-hearted;  
those whose spirit is crushed he will  
save.  
Many are the trials of the just man  
but from them all the Lord will rescue  
him.

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
You believe in me, Thomas, because you  
have seen me; happy are those who  
have not seen me, but still believe!  
Alleluia!

**Gospel – John 3:31-36**

**Communion Antiphon**

Behold, I am with you always,  
even to the end of the age, alleluia.

**Friday 2 May 2025**  
**St Athanasius**

**Entrance Antiphon**

In the midst of the Church he opened his mouth,  
and the Lord filled him with the spirit of wisdom and understanding  
and clothed him in a robe of glory,  
alleluia.

**First Reading – Acts 5:34-42**

**Responsorial Psalm - Ps 26:1-4, 13-14**

The Lord is my light and my help;  
whom shall I fear?  
The Lord is the stronghold of my life;  
before whom shall I shrink?

There is one thing I ask of the Lord;  
for this I long,  
to live in the house of the Lord,  
all the days of my life,  
to savour the sweetness of the Lord,  
to behold his temple.

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness  
in the land of the living.  
Hope in him, hold firm and take heart.  
Hope in the Lord!

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
No one lives on bread alone,  
but on every word that comes from the  
mouth of God.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel – John 6:1-15**

**Communion Antiphon**

No one can lay a foundation other than  
the one that is there,  
namely, Jesus Christ, alleluia.

**Saturday 3 May 2025**  
**Sts Philip and James**

**Entrance Antiphon**

These are the holy men  
whom the Lord chose in his own perfect  
love; to them he gave eternal glory,  
alleluia.

**First Reading – 1 Corinthians 15:1-8**

**Responsorial Psalm - Ps 18:2-5**

The heavens proclaim the glory of God  
and the firmament shows forth the work  
of his hands.  
Day unto day takes up the story  
and night unto night makes known the  
message.

No speech, no word, no voice is heard  
yet their span extends through all the  
earth,  
their words to the utmost bounds of the  
world.

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
This is the day the Lord has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel – John 14:6-14**

**Communion Antiphon**

Lord, show us the Father, and that will  
be enough for us.  
Whoever has seen me, Philip, has seen  
the Father also, alleluia.

# Benediction Hymns and Prayer

## O SAVING VICTIM

O saving victim, op'ning wide  
The gate of heav'n to us below.  
Our foes press on from ev'ry side,  
Thine aid supply, thy strength bestow.

All praise and thanks to thee ascend  
For evermore, blest One in Three;  
O grant us life that shall not end,  
In our true native land with thee.  
Amen.

## HYMN OF ADORATION

Down in adoration falling,  
This great sacrament we hail;  
Ancient types have long departed  
Newer rites of grace prevail  
Faith for all defects supplying  
Where the feeble senses fail.

Glory let us give and blessing  
To the Father and the Son,  
honour, might and praise addressing  
while eternal ages run;  
Equal praise to him confessing  
who proceeds from both as one.  
AMEN  
V. You have given them bread from heaven  
R. Having in itself all delight.

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### PRAYER FOR PRIESTLY & RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS

**Celebrant:** At the sight of the crowds, Jesus' heart was moved.

**Response:** For they were like sheep without a shepherd.

**Celebrant:** Jesus said, 'The harvest is ready.'

**Response:** But the labourers are few.

**Celebrant:** Ask the Lord to send our labourers for the harvest.

**Response:** O Lord, we pray for more young people to answer the call to become priests and religious in your harvest.

**Celebrant:** And shepherd for your people.

**Response:** Amen.

## SOUL OF MY SAVIOUR

Soul of my Saviour, sanctify my breast;  
Body of Christ, be thou my saving guest;  
Blood of my Saviour, bathe me in thy tide,  
Wash me with water flowing from thy side.

Strength and protection may thy Passion be;  
O blessed Jesus, hear and answer me;  
Deep in thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me;  
So shall I never, never part from thee.

Guard and defend me from the foe malign;  
In death's dread moments make me only thine.

Call me and bid me come to thee on high,  
When I may praise thee with thy saints for aye.

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### PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

*Lord Jesus Christ at your last supper you prayed to the Father that all should be one. Send your Holy Spirit upon all who bear your name and seek to serve you.*

*Strengthen our faith in you and make us love one another in humility.*

*May we, who have been reborn in one baptism, be united in one faith under one shepherd.*

**Amen**

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