

The Congregation at Prayer

A Guide for Daily Meditation and Prayer beginning Sunday, May 17 (Easter 6/Rogate)

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Invocation

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

Psalm of the Week: 80

Verse: John 14:2-3

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Catechism: Ten Commandments—1-10 (Primary Texts); Table of Duties— To Employers and Supervisors: Ephesians 6:9; To Youth: 1 Peter 5:5-6

As the head of the family should teach them in a simple way to his household

1. You shall have no other gods.	Pre+
2. You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.	Pre+
3. Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.	Pre+
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TO EMPLOYERS AND SUPERVISORS: Masters, treat your slaves in the same way. Do not threaten them, since you know that he who is both their Master and yours is in heaven, and there is no favoritism with Him. (Ephesians 6:9)	3rd+
TO YOUTH: 5 Young men, in the same way be submissive to those who are older. All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another because, "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."	1st+
6 Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that He may lift you up in due time. (1 Pet 5:5-6)	2nd+

Daily Readings

	Bible Narrative	2 nd Reading
Sun	Easter 6: "Whatever you ask in My name..."—John 16:23-33	
Mon	The Commission to Baptize and Teach All Nations—Mt. 28:16-20	Daniel 7:9-14
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Devotional Reading (Portals of Prayer, Higher Things Daily Devotion)

Hymn: LSB 532 "The Head That Once Was Crowned" (stanzas 1, 5-6)

Apostles' Creed

Collect for Rogate

O God, the Giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Daily Themes for Prayer

- Sunday: *For the joy of the Resurrection; for the faithful preaching and hearing of God's Word; for the fruit of faith nourished by the Word and Sacraments.*
- Monday: *For faith to live in the promises of Holy Baptism; for vocations and daily work; for the unemployed; for the salvation and well-being of our neighbors; for our schools, our home schools, our colleges and seminaries; for good government and peace.*
- Tuesday: *For deliverance against temptation and evil; for the addicted and despairing; for the tortured and oppressed; for those struggling with sin.*
- Wednesday: *For marriage and family, that husbands and wives, parents and children live in ordered harmony according to the Word of God; for parents who must rear their children alone; for our communities and neighborhoods.*
- Thursday: *For the Church and her pastors; for missionaries, teachers, deaconesses, and other servants of Christ and His Church; for the fruitful and salutary use of the blessed Sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood.*
- Friday: *For the preaching of the holy cross of our Lord Jesus Christ; for its spread throughout the whole world; for the persecuted; for the sick and dying.*
- Saturday: *For faithfulness to the end; for the renewal of those who are withering in the faith or have fallen away; for pastors as they prepare to administer Christ's holy gifts; for receptive hearts and minds on the Lord's Day.*

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