

Blackrock College Prayer eBook

Sunday

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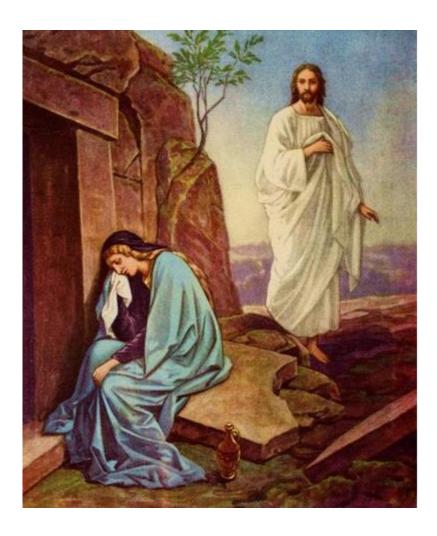
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Sunday Prayer

Leader. Our Father, You live in our hearts.

All. Help us to realise this, always.

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All. Help us to do our best.

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All. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Opening Hymn

Sing a new song unto the Lord; let your song be sung from mountains high. Sing a new song unto the Lord, singing Alleluia.

Rise, O children, from your sleep your Saviour now has come. He had turned your sorrow to joy, and filled your soul with song.

Ant: "This is my Son the Beloved, Listen to him." (Mark 9: 6 - 7)

- **Leader.** We will bless you, Heavenly Father, at all times; Your praise shall continually be in our mouths.
 - All. We make our boast in you. If we are humble we will find joy.
- **Leader.** Our Father, we praise and honour you together, We sought you, and you answered us, and took away all our fears.
 - All. We will look to you Heavenly Father and be joyful. We will look to you so we shall never be ashamed.
- **Leader.** Let us deeply respect you, Father, We who are your children; For those who respect you want for nothing.
 - All. Let us listen to your Spirit and learn a deep and loving respect for you our God, our Father, You who love us.
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Prayer

Leader. Help us always, O Lord, to worship you in spirit and in truth. May all we say and do worship you, through Jesus our Lord. Amen.

<u>Scripture</u> (John 20:27 - 29)

Reader. Then Jesus said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Do not be unbelieving anymore but believe.' Thomas replied 'My Lord and my God.' Jesus said to him. 'You believe because you can see me. Blessed are those who have not seen but believe.'

All. 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. Amen.

Prayer

Leader. Father, as we begin a new week, help us to love you above all and love all those we encounter in our lives. We make this prayer through Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Closing Hymn

All. When creation was begun, God had chosen you to be the mother of his blessed son, Holy Mary full of Grace. Ave, Ave, Ave Maria

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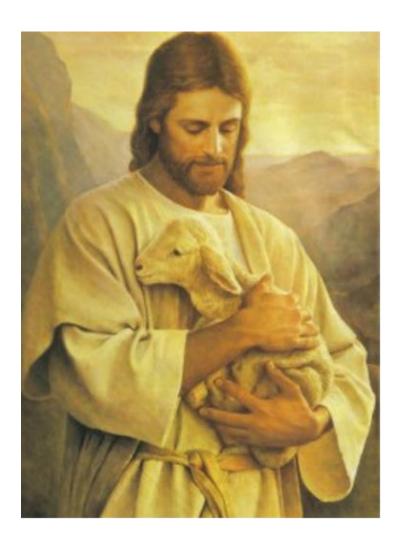
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Ant: A new commandment I give you: love one another as I have loved you." (John 13:34)

- **Leader.** How lovely is your dwelling place, Heavenly Father! Our hearts long, indeed thirst for your presence;
 - All. Our hearts and bodies sing for joy to you, O living God.
- **Leader.** Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young at your altars, O God our Father
 - All. Blessed are those who live in your presence, ever singing your praise
- **Leader.** Blessed are those who find their strength in you
 - All. Blessed are those who follow your paths
 They go from strength to strength.
- **Leader.** Almighty God, hear our prayer; listen to us, God our Father. You are our shelter, we are your children.
 - All. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen Ant: A new commandment I give you: love one another as I have loved you." (John 13:34)

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Leader. O God, our heavenly Father, may we constantly thank you in prayer and loving actions, as we walk the winding-paths of our lives. Amen

Scripture (Luke 19: 37, 39)

Reader. "The whole group of disciples joyfully began to praise God at the top of their voices for all the miracles they had seen... Some Pharisees in the crowd said to him, 'Master reprove your disciples,' but he answered, 'I tell you, if these keep silence, the stones will cry out."

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Leader. Father, as we begin a new week, help us to give of our best and never give up in our efforts to love you above all and love everyone we meet day by day. We make this prayer through Jesus our Lord. Amen.

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Opening Hymn

All. Christ be our Light, shine in our hearts, shine through the darkness. Christ be our light shine in your church gathered today. Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to you. Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see.

Ant: And Jesus said, "It is by your love for one another, that everyone will recognise you as my disciples" (John 13: 35).

Leader. O God, You are my God, For You I long. For You my soul thirsts.

All. For You my body pines, like a dry weary land without water.

Leader. Your love is more than life itself.

All. My voice will proclaim your praise. I will bless you all my life.

Leader. Through the night I remember you; You're the one who has helped me.

All. In the shadow of your wings I rejoice.

Leader. My whole being clings to you. Your right hand keeps me safe.

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Leader. Heavenly Father, being with you gives peace and happiness. Being with you changes the way we view life. Being with you is so important for us your children. May we keep on trying our best to be with you in our everyday lives. We make this prayer through Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

Scripture The First Letter of St John (I John 3: 1 – 2)

Reader. See what love the Father has given us that we should be called children of God, and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is.

All. Thanks be to God

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Prayer

Leader. Father, as we continue this week, help us to continue giving of our best, never giving in to weakness, and always getting up when we fall. We make this prayer through Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Closing Hymn

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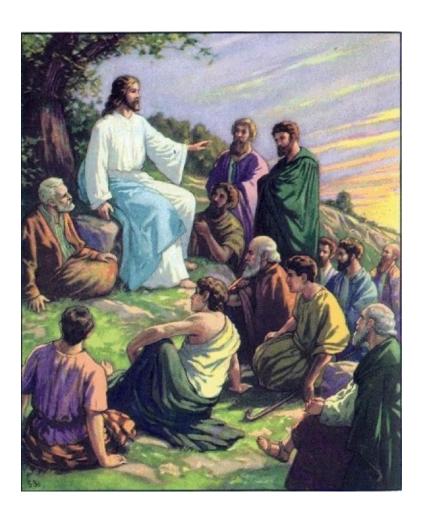
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Opening Hymn

You shall cross the barren desert, but you shall not die of thirst You shall wander far in safety though you do not know the way You shall speak your words in foreign land and all will understand You shall see the face of God and live.

Be not afraid I go before you always.

Come follow me, and I will give you rest.

Ant: "Think of the ravens. They do not sow or reap; they have no storehouses and no barns; yet God feeds them. And how much more you are worth than the birds!" (Luke 12: 23-24)

Leader. I lift up me eyes to the mountains; Where is my help to come from?

All. Our help comes from God our Father Who made heaven and earth.

Leader. May He save our feet from stumbling; May He, our Guardian, not fall asleep!

All. Never - our Guardian neither sleeps nor slumbers.

Leader. Yes, God our Father is our guardian, our shade, He is always at our side.

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Leader. Father, it is sometimes difficult to believe that you watch over us all the time especially when we experience suffering and sadness. But we know that your care and love are beyond our understanding; you are God the Creator. We make this prayer in Jesus name. Amen

A Reading for the Gospel of St Matthew (5: 3 - 10)

Reader. How blessed are the poor in spirit: the kingdom of Heaven is theirs.

How blessed are the gentle: they shall have the earth as inheritance.

Blessed are those who mourn: they shall be comforted.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for uprightness: they shall have their fill

Blessed are the merciful: they shall have mercy shown them.

Blessed are the pure in heart: they shall see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers: they shall be recogised as the children of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted in the cause of uprightness: the kingdom of Heaven is theirs.

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Prayer

Leader. Father, help us to understand the full messages of the Beatitudes as they apply to our lives. And understanding them, may we constantly strive to make them a reality in our lives. We make this prayer through Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

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Opening Hymn

Here I am, Lord. Is it I Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin My hand will save.
I, who make the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Ant: Jesus said: 'Do not worry about tomorrow; tomorrow will take care of itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.' (Matthew 6: 34)

Leader. I will give thanks to you, O God, with all my heart. I will recount your wonderful deeds.

All. I will rejoice and delight in you.

I will sing your praise, O God our Father.

Leader. O god you are a refuge in times of trouble. Those who know you put their trust in you.

All. For you, O God, have not forsaken those who seek you.

Leader. I sing your praises and tell of your deeds among the peoples.

All. You do not ignore the cry of the afflicted, You do not abandon the needy;

Leader. For you rule with justice, Now and forever, Heavenly Father.

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Praver

Leader. Thank you Heavenly Father for all Your care for us. We will, with Your help, strive our best to spread Your goodness and caring everywhere we go. Amen.

Scripture

Reader. And Jesus: 'Ask and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. Everyone who searches finds; everyone who knocks will have the door opened.

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Prayer

Leader. Heavenly Father, help us to be lovingly optimistic; looking for the good in everyone and everything. And, as we strive to follow you, help us never to be afraid to ask, to search and to knock. We make this prayer through Jesus our Lord. Amen.

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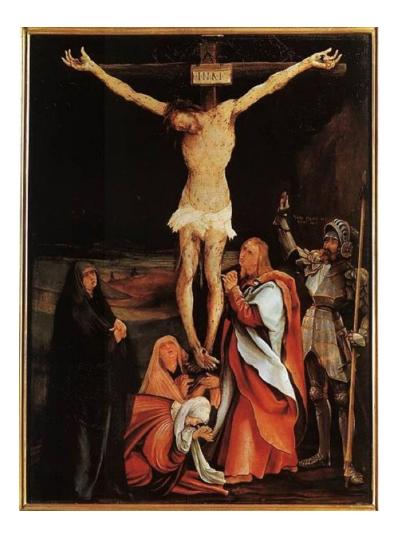
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Opening Song

Were you there when they crucified our Lord? (twice) Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when they crucified our Lord?

Were you there when He rose up from the dead? (twice) Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when he rose up from the dead?

Ant: The passers-by jeered at him...the chief priests and scribes mocked him among themselves... 'He saved others he cannot save himself.' (Mark 15: 29ff)

- **Leader.** My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? The words of my groaning do nothing to save me
 - All. Heavenly Father, I cry by day, but you do not answer; and by night, but I find no peace.
- **Leader.** Yet you, heavenly Father, are holy; enthroned on the praises of Israel. In you our ancestors trusted.
 - All. They trusted, and you delivered them. To you they cried, and were saved; in you they trusted, and were not put to shame.
- **Leader.** But I am a worm, not a man; scorned by others and despised by the people. All who see me jeer at me.
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Praver

Leader. We praise you, Jesus our Saviour, you never gave up or gave in despite facing an horrific death. Help us always to be strong and loving like You. Amen.

Scripture

Reader. Can anything cut us off from the love of Christ? Can hardships or distress, or persecution, or lack of food or clothing, or threats, or violence? No; we come through all these things triumphantly victorious, by the power of him who loved us.

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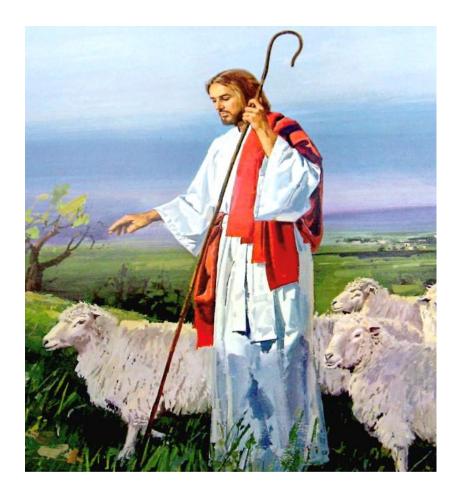
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Opening Song

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy, Whose trust ever childlike, no cares can destroy, Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray, Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

Lord of all kindliness, Lord of all grace, Your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace, Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray, Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.

Ant: "Anyone who loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make a home in him." (John 14: 23)

- **Leader.** O Lord, you have searched me and known me. You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
 - All. You discern my thoughts from far away. You search out my path and my lying down
- **Leader.** And are acquainted with all my ways. Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it completely.
 - All. Where can I go from your spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence?
- **Leader.** If I ascend to heaven, you are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there. If i take the wings of the morning and settle at the farthest limits of the sea, even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me fast.
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Prayer

Leader. Heavenly Father, You are the Creator of billions of galaxies and yet you love each and every one of us. Help us Father to realise this in our day to day living. We make this prayer in Jesus' name. Amen.

Scripture

Reader. Brothers and sisters, we wish you joy; try to grow perfect; encourage one another; be united and live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you.

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Leader. Heavenly Father, help us to be more and more like your son Jesus, always caring and there for others no matter how challenging the circumstances. We make this prayer in Jesus name. Amen

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