



## 2021 Lenten Study ~ Let Us Pray . . .

### Week Five Prayers – March 14 – March 20

**Sunday ~** My loving Lord, it's so hard to love the world sometimes, and to love it the way Jesus did seems impossible. Help me to be inspired by his love and guided by his example. Most of all, I want to accept that I can't do it alone, and that trying is an arrogance of self-centeredness. I need you, dear God, to give me support in this journey. Show me how to unlock my heart so that I am less selfish. Let me be less fearful of the pain and darkness that will be transformed by you into Easter Joy. **AMEN.**

**Monday ~** God of love, I know that you are the source of all that is good and graced in my life. Help me to move from the life of sin to which I so often cling, into the new life of grace you offer me. You know what I need to prepare for your kingdom. Bless me with those gifts. **AMEN.**

**Tuesday ~** Loving God, you have heard my complaints, my impatience. Sometimes I become frightened when I move away from you. Guide my heart back to you. Help me to think beyond my own wants and to desire only to do your will. Thank you for the many blessings in my life and for the ways I feel your presence. **AMEN.**

**Wednesday ~** Loving Creator, I know in your great love for me, you see the deep sorrow in my heart. Hear my prayers which are offered with such trust in you. Be with me in both mind and heart as I renew my life in your spirit. **AMEN.**

**Thursday ~** Lord, all I want is to be faithful to you in my life, but so often I fail. Free me from my many sins and guide me to the life I will share with you. I wait for your promise to be fulfilled with great hope in my heart and your praise on my lips. **AMEN.**

**Friday ~** Most forgiving Lord, again and again you welcome me back into your loving arms. Grant me freedom from the heavy burdens of sin that weigh me down and keep me so far from you. **AMEN.**

**Saturday ~** Loving God, your eternal watchfulness keeps me safe from harm. I am filled with a great happiness when I feel your endless love for me. Thank you for your care for me, one of your children. I ask you to protect from harm those who will soon be your children, joined in the joy of your church. Please continue to pour out your blessings on all of us who have been given the lifegiving waters of baptism. **AMEN.**

## **ZOOM Discussion Review – Monday, March 15<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm**

Questions:

- What have I discovered in this time of prayer?
- What have I discovered about myself and prayer?

### ***A Lenten Note: Preparing for Spiritual Growth - The Conditions of Forgiveness***

“Whenever you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against anyone; so that your Father in heaven may also forgive you your trespasses.”. Mark 11:25-26