



# Title: Prayer

## Scripture

### **Luke 10:1-12**

After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them two by two ahead of him to every town and place where he was about to go. He told them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field. Go! I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Do not take a purse or bag or sandals; and do not greet anyone on the road. "When you enter a house, first say, 'Peace to this house.' If someone who promotes peace is there, your peace will rest on them; if not, it will return to you. Stay there, eating and drinking whatever they give you, for the worker deserves his wages. Do not move around from house to house. "When you enter a town and are welcomed, eat what is offered to you. Heal the sick who are there and tell them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But when you enter a town and are not welcomed, go into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town we wipe from our feet as a warning to you. Yet be sure of this: The kingdom of God has come near.' I tell you, it will be more bearable on that day for Sodom than for that town.

Jesus

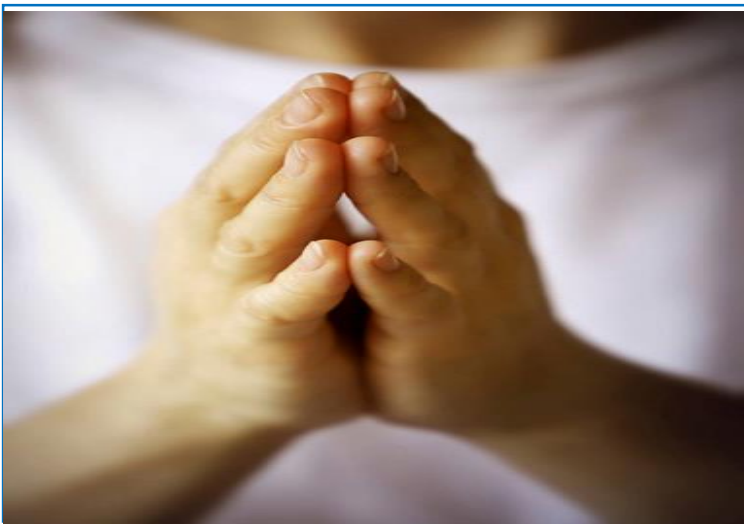
### **Prayer to St Julie Billiat**

Saint Julie, through your great devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, you were miraculously cured and favoured by many graces.

By your powerful intercession, obtain for us above all, a great trust in God in all the difficulties of life, the strength to accomplish in all things the adorable will of God, and the special grace we now ardently ask of you.

"We must have courage in the times we live in. Great souls are needed, souls having the interest of God at heart"

It is really important we know, or remind ourselves, that God has been with us through everything. Every day we have spent time in Collective Worship with God but He has been with each of us, ALL of the time. The way we consciously spend time with God is in prayer. Throughout this year you will have experienced different kinds of prayer with your form tutor, with your Year Group. There are so many different ways to pray but the important thing to remember is that it's about spending quality time with God—just like we need to spend quality time with all those other people in our lives that we want to have good relationships with. We have to put in a bit of effort and time, we have to take time to listen as well as talk, and we have to be open and honest. Prayer can make a massive difference to our lives, it helps to calm and focus us, it helps to get things off our chest, it helps us to work out what's really important. Don't give up on prayer - it works!



Focus on  
one each  
day

### **Pray for:**

- Those sitting their GCSE and A'Level exams.
- the confidence to pray!
- those who are unwell in mind , body or spirit.
- people who don't know how to pray.

### **Prayer in action this week:**

- Join in fully with Collective Worship.
- Smile - it can be the answer to someone's prayer!
- Be loving, it's what God made us for.
- Listen, don't just speak!

On the 13<sup>th</sup> May St Julie was beatified. Let us remember her in our prayers this week.

Let us take time today to remember and honour the life of St Julie.

May the seeds she planted continue to bear the fruit of love, justice, integrity and hope.

May we keep in our prayers this day, all those who labour to bring greater dignity and justice to the poor of this planet even in the face of grave danger and the possibility of death.

Amen



### **Prayers for different times...**

#### **The Hail Mary**

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee.

Blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now, and at the hour of our death.

Amen

#### **Glory Be**

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

#### **Eternal Rest (when someone has died)**

Eternal rest grant unto them (her/him) O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon

them (her/him).

May they (s/he) rest in peace.

Amen

### **FOOTPRINTS**

#### **A reflection**

I dreamed I was walking across the beach with the Lord, and across the sky flashed scenes from my life. For each scene I noticed two sets of footprints in the sand; one belonged to me, the other to the Lord. When the last scene flashed before us I looked back at the footprints in the sand. I saw that many times along the path of life there was only 1 set of footprints. I also noticed that it happened at the lowest and saddest times in my life. I questioned the Lord about it. "Lord you said that once I followed you, you would walk with me all the way, but I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why, at times when I need you most, you would leave me." The Lord replied, "My precious child, I would never leave you during your times of trial and suffering. When you only see one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you."

Dear Lord, make each moment of our lives a miracle; make us laugh at the utterly impossible, give us hope when all things seem hopeless, peace where no peace could be, love for the unlovable.

We ask this through Jesus Christ Our Lord,

Amen