

Monday, Week IV  
Daytime Prayer

**Begin with this while making the sign of the cross:**

God, + come to my assistance.  
– Lord, make haste to help me.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now,  
and will be for ever. Amen.

**Psalm 119:129-136**

**Antiphon:** As I live, says the Lord, I do not wish the sinner to die, but to turn back to me and live.

Your will is wonderful indeed;  
therefore I obey it.  
The unfolding of your word gives light  
and teaches the simple.

I open my mouth and I sigh  
as I yearn for your commands.  
Turn and show me your mercy;  
show justice to your friends.

Let my steps be guided by your promise;  
let no evil rule me.  
Redeem me from man's oppression  
and I will keep your precepts.

Let your face shine on your servant  
and teach me your decrees.  
Tears stream from my eyes  
because your law is disobeyed.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now,  
and will be for ever. Amen.

**Silent Prayer**

*Take a minute or two of silence for prayer, using the above psalm as a starting point.*

**Psalm Prayer**

You are just, Lord God, and righteous are your judgments.  
Deliver those who cry to you in their affliction; give them  
peace and calm to reflect on your commands.

**Antiphon:** As I live, says the Lord, I do not wish the sinner to die, but to turn back to me and live.

**Scripture Reading - Ezekiel 18:23**

Do I indeed derive any pleasure from the death of the wicked? says the Lord God. Do I not rather rejoice when he turns from his evil way that he may live?

**Intercessions**

- Help us to work with you in making all things new in Christ, and in spreading justice and peace throughout the world. (*If praying with others, add: We pray to the Lord.*)
- God of compassion and healing, watch over those who are ill and their caregivers, especially COVID-19 patients, may they be granted your strength. (*If praying with others, add: We pray to the Lord.*)
- Forgive us for failing to see Christ in the poor, the distressed and the troublesome, and for our failure to reverence your Son in their persons. (*If praying with others, add: We pray to the Lord.*)

**The Lord's Prayer**

Our Father. . .

**Concluding Prayer**

Father, creator,  
you give the world new life by your sacraments.  
May we, your Church, grow in your life  
and continue to receive your help on earth.  
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.  
– Amen.