

**Do not  
let your hearts  
be troubled**

**JOHN 14:1**

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**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell.**



On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is stead at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen

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P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus,  
and for all people according to their needs.

P: Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

P: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we  
pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus  
Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen**

### The Lord's Prayer

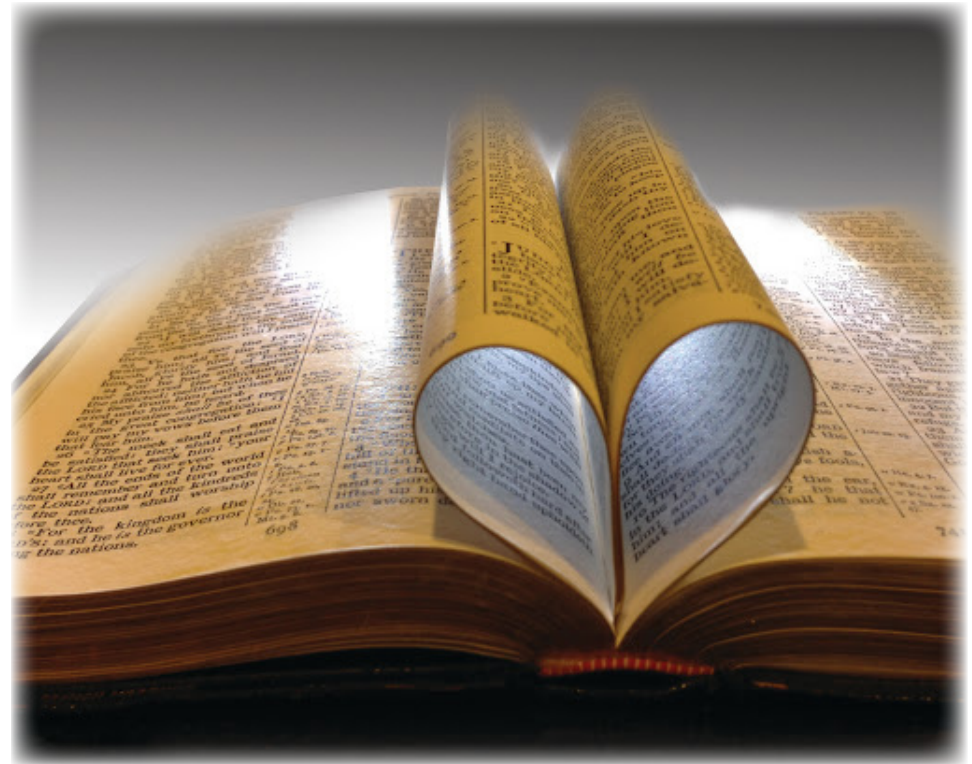
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**C: Our Father, who art in heaven,**  
hallowed by thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen

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# Today's Readings

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## Prayer of the Day

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## First Reading

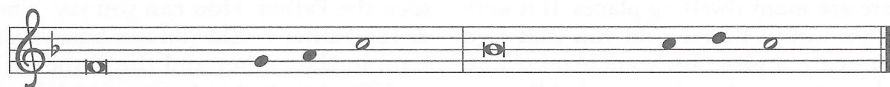
Acts 7:55-60

Filled with the Holy Spirit, [Stephen] gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. <sup>56</sup>"Look," he said, "I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!" <sup>57</sup>But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all rushed together against him. <sup>58</sup>Then they dragged him out of the city and began

to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. <sup>59</sup>While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." <sup>60</sup>Then he knelt down and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." When he had said this, he died.

## Psalm

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16; tone 4



In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge;  
let me never be <sup>1</sup> put to shame;  
deliver me <sup>1</sup> in your righteousness.  
<sup>2</sup>Incline your <sup>1</sup> ear to me;  
make haste to de- <sup>1</sup> liver me.  
<sup>3</sup>Be my strong rock,  
a castle to keep me safe,  
for you are my crag  
and my stronghold;  
for the sake of your name,  
lead <sup>1</sup> me and guide me.  
<sup>4</sup>Take me out of the net  
that they have secretly <sup>1</sup> set for me,  
for you are my tow- <sup>1</sup> er of strength.

<sup>5</sup>Into your hands  
I com- <sup>1</sup> mend my spirit,  
for you have redeemed me,  
O LORD, <sup>1</sup> God of truth.  
<sup>15</sup>My times are <sup>1</sup> in your hand;  
rescue me  
from the hand of my enemies,  
and from those  
who <sup>1</sup> persecute me.  
<sup>16</sup>Let your face shine  
up- <sup>1</sup> on your servant;  
save me in your <sup>1</sup> steadfast love.

## Second Reading

1 Peter 2:2-10

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation—<sup>3</sup>if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

<sup>4</sup>Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and <sup>5</sup>like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. <sup>6</sup>For it stands in scripture:

"See, I am laying in Zion a stone,  
a cornerstone chosen and precious;  
and whoever believes in him will not  
be put to shame."

<sup>7</sup>To you then who believe, he is precious;  
but for those who do not believe,

"The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the very head of the  
corner,"

<sup>8</sup>and

"A stone that makes them stumble,  
and a rock that makes them fall."

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

<sup>9</sup>But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

<sup>10</sup>Once you were not a people,  
but now you are God's people;  
once you had not received mercy,  
but now you have received mercy.

## Gospel

John 14:1-14

[Jesus said to the disciples:] "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. <sup>2</sup>In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? <sup>3</sup>And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. <sup>4</sup>And you know the way to the place where I am going." <sup>5</sup>Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" <sup>6</sup>Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. <sup>7</sup>If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

<sup>8</sup>Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." <sup>9</sup>Jesus

said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? <sup>10</sup>Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. <sup>11</sup>Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. <sup>12</sup>Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. <sup>13</sup>I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. <sup>14</sup>If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

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