

¶ Prayer During the Day - Lent

Monday, 21 March 2022

Thomas Cranmer, Archbishop of Canterbury, Reformation Martyr, 1556 [Lesser Festival]

Preparation

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Hear my prayer, O Lord, and give ear to my cry;

hold not your peace at my tears.

Psalm 39.13

Praise

Jesus, like a mother you gather your people to you;
you are gentle with us as a mother with her children.

Despair turns to hope through your sweet goodness;
through your gentleness we find comfort in fear.

Your warmth gives life to the dead,
your touch makes sinners righteous.

Lord Jesus, in your mercy heal us;
in your love and tenderness remake us.

In your compassion bring grace and forgiveness,
for the beauty of heaven may your love prepare us

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The Word of God

Psalmody

Psalm 51.1-10

- 1 Have mercy on me, O God, in your great goodness; *
according to the abundance of your compassion blot out my offences.
- 2 Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness *
and cleanse me from my sin.

- 3 For I acknowledge my faults *
and my sin is ever before me.
- 4 Against you only have I sinned *
and done what is evil in your sight,
- 5 So that you are justified in your sentence *
and righteous in your judgement.
- 6 I have been wicked even from my birth, *
a sinner when my mother conceived me.
- 7 Behold, you desire truth deep within me *
and shall make me understand wisdom in the depths of my heart.
- 8 Purge me with hyssop and I shall be clean; *
wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.
- 9 Make me hear of joy and gladness, *
that the bones you have broken may rejoice.
- 10 Turn your face from my sins *
and blot out all my misdeeds.

**Glory to God, Creator, Word, Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

Short reading

Monday

Yet even now, says the Lord, return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning rend your hearts and not your clothing. Return to the Lord, your God, for God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and relents from punishing. Who knows whether God will not turn and relent, and leave a blessing behind him, a grain-offering and a drink-offering for the Lord, your God? *Joel 2.12-14*

Response

Blessed are the merciful,
for they will receive mercy.

Matthew 5.7

Prayers

Prayers may include these concerns:

¶ Those preparing for baptism and confirmation

¶ Those serving through leadership

¶ Those looking for forgiveness

¶ Those misled by the false gods of this present age

¶ All who are hungry

The Collect of the day

Father of all mercies,
who through the work of your servant Thomas Cranmer
renewed the worship of your Church
and through his death revealed your strength in human weakness:
by your grace strengthen us to worship you
in spirit and in truth
and so to come to the joys of your everlasting kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Mediator and Advocate,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

The Disciple's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

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.

**For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Conclusion

May God bless us and show us compassion and mercy.

Amen.

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