

**Midday Prayers 2009: Cost of Relationship
July**

Our Father who art in heaven...

[Love the Lord your God with all your heart soul strength and mind](#)

Monday: Love the Lord your God

We bring our prayers in the quiet of the moment.
We affirm our desire to love the Lord our God with all our heart and with
all our soul and with all our strength and with all our mind.
Amen

As we marvel at creation and worship the creator
We love because he first loved us.

As we revel in provision and worship the provider
We love because he first loved us.

As we reach out for his healing touch and worship God as healer
We love because he first loved us.

As we value our salvation and worship God as saviour
We love because he first loved us.

Grant, most gracious God, that we may love and seek you always and
everywhere, above all things, and for your sake, in the life present and at
length find you and forever hold you fast in the life to come. Grant this for the
sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Thomas Bradwardine

Tuesday: Love God with all your heart

We lift up our prayers in the quiet of the moment.

We affirm our desire to love the Lord our God with all our heart and with all our soul and with all our strength and with all our mind.

Amen

Here is my heart O God, here it is with all its secrets;
look into my thoughts O my hope, and take away all my wrong feelings;
let my eyes ever be on you and release my feet from the snare.

St. Augustine

For the times when we have held back a part of our heart, choosing to give our love to a cause unworthy of you.

Lord, forgive us, and fill us with your love.

For the times when we have been afraid to give you our whole heart, uncertain what demands you may make on our love.

Lord, forgive us, and fill us with your love.

For the times when we have been half-hearted in our love for you, holding back out of apathy and the desire to choose comfort rather than zeal.

Lord, forgive us, and fill us with your love.

O Lord our God, grant us grace to desire you with our whole heart, that so desiring, we may seek and find you; and loving you we may hate those sins from which you have redeemed us; for the sake of Jesus Christ.

St. Anselm

Wednesday: Love God with all your soul

We lift up our prayers in the quiet of the moment.

We affirm our desire to love the Lord our God with all our heart and with all our soul and with all our strength and with all our mind.

Amen

Find rest, O my soul, in God alone;
my hope comes from him.
He alone is my rock and my salvation;
he is my fortress, I will not be shaken.
My salvation and my honour depend on God
he is my mighty rock, my refuge.
Trust in him at all times, O people;
pour out your hearts to him,
for God is our refuge.

Psalm 62:5-8

This is my desire, to honour You,
Lord with all my heart,
I worship You,
All I have within me, I give You praise,
All that I adore, is in You,

Lord I give You my heart,
I give You my soul,
I live for You alone,
Every breath that I take,
Every moment I'm awake,
Lord have Your way in me.

Reuben Morgan

Thursday: Love God with all your strength

We lift up our prayers in the quiet of the moment.

We affirm our desire to love the Lord our God with all our heart and with all our soul and with all our strength and with all our mind.

Amen

Loving Lord,

May we pour the same intensity of strength, power and passion into loving you as we do in loving our causes, our families and ourselves.

O God who hast so greatly loved us, long sought us, and mercifully redeemed us, give us grace that in everything we may yield ourselves, our wills and our works, a continual thank offering to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

From the Westminster Confession

Loving God,

Have mercy on us.

Renew us in heart and mind and spirit,
strengthen our wills and deepen our faith,
and send us out once more as your people,
forgiven and restored
to live and work for you, in the name of Christ.

Amen

Friday: Love God with all your mind

We lift up our prayers in the quiet of the moment.

We affirm our desire to love the Lord our God with all our heart and with all our soul and with all our strength and with all our mind.

Amen

Test me, O Lord, and try me,
examine my heart and my mind;
for your love is ever before me,
and I walk continually in your truth.

Psalm 62:2-3

Enlarge our minds, Lord that we would be able to understand with greater clarity the wondrous simplicity and endless complexity of your love for us. Then, may we be able to reflect back, in some small measure, the love for you that fills our hearts, our minds and our very being.

Amen

Gracious God,

Open our hearts this day to the living reality of Christ.

Open our minds to the sweeping breath of the Holy Spirit.

Open our souls to all that you would do and say.

And so, assured of your mercy and renewing power,
help us to live truly as your people.

In the name of Christ.

Amen

Saturday: Love God with an undivided heart

We lift up our prayers in the quiet of the moment.

We affirm our desire to love the Lord our God with all our heart and with all our soul and with all our strength and with all our mind.

Amen

Teach me your way, O Lord,
and I will walk in your truth;
give me an undivided heart,
that I may fear your name.

I will praise you, O Lord my God, with all my heart;

I will glorify your name forever.

Psalm 86:11

Set our hearts on fire with love to you, O Christ our God, that in its flame we may love you with all our heart, with all our mind, with all our soul and with all our strength and our neighbours as ourselves, so that, keeping your commandments, we may glorify you the giver of all good gifts.

Eastern Orthodox Church

Wave of Prayer for Mothers' Union

Today we pray for the people and the work of:

- 1 – 5 **Congo:** Kindu; **Nigeria:** Ikalé-Ilaje;
Australia: Canberra & Goulburn; **Central Africa:** Lake Malawi &
Southern Malawi; **Canterbury:** Rochester
- 6 – 10 **Australia:** Grafton & Armidale; **Central Africa:** Lusaka; **Nigeria:**
Akoko; **Southern Africa:** Christ the King;
Canterbury: St Albans
- 11 – 15 **Uganda:** Mbale, North Mbale & Bukedi;
Australia: Riverina & Newcastle; **Wales:** St Asaph
- 16 – 20 **Australia:** Wangaratta & Melbourne; **Nigeria :** Egbu; **Southern**
Africa: Grahamstown;
Uganda: Kinkizi; **Wales:** St Davids
- 21 – 25 **Kenya:** Mount Kenya Central, Mount Kenya West,
Mount Kenya South & Kirinyaga;
West Indies: Windward Islands; **Australia:** Ballarat;
Canterbury: St Edmundsbury & Ipswich
- 26 – 31 **Sudan:** Mundri, Bor, Khartoum,
Kadugli & Nuba Mountains, Rumbek & Wau;
Kenya: Nakuru; **Australia:** Bendigo & Gippsland;
Canterbury: Salisbury

A moment of silence is kept.

We bring before God our prayers for the world and ourselves.

Intercessions

Final Blessing

The grace of God thrill your hearts,
the mercy of God transform your minds,
the peace of God flood your souls,
and the love of God flow through your lives,
to the honour of his name.

Amen