

December Daily Family Virtue Prayers

12/1	<p>The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Loyalty</p> <p><u>Today let us pray:</u> That we remain loyal to each other in our family. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p><u>Let us pray:</u> Dear Jesus, help us to be steadfast in our relationships and faithful to the duties those relationship entail, even when this may be difficult.</p> <p><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>
12/2	<p>The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Loyalty</p> <p><u>Today let us pray:</u> That we remain faithful to God and to the Church. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p><u>Let us pray:</u> Heavenly Father, we offer you our praise, our love, and our devotion. May we always love you and you love us. May we always be true to you and believe all that you teach.</p> <p><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>
12/3	<p>The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Loyalty</p> <p><u>Today let us pray:</u> For those who do not trust in God's love, that their hearts and minds be open to the Holy Spirit. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p><u>Let us pray:</u> Lord, giver of life and source of all love, it is just to give you thanks and praise. May we remain true to you through attending Sunday Mass.</p> <p><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>

12/4	<p style="text-align: center;">The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Loyalty</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Today let us pray:</u> For the intercession of Sts. Basil and Gregory Nazianzen, may we follow their example and accept the call of Jesus Christ to our vocation. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Let us pray:</u> Dear Jesus, when Bishop St. Basil asked his friend St. Gregory Nazianzen to become a Bishop for a diocese that was not faithful, even though he did not wish to become a Bishop, out of loyalty to his friend, to You and to Your Church he accepted his call. May we accept the call that You send us as we live our life.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>
12/5	<p style="text-align: center;">The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Loyalty</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Today let us pray:</u> For the intercession of St. Polycarp, who was a loyal disciple of John, and who was loyal to Jesus. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Let us pray:</u> Heavenly Father, St. Polycarp refused to swear an oath to pagan gods, even though his life would have been spared. May we be strong in our faith and bold in our belief in You.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>
12/6	<p style="text-align: center;">The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Obedience</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Today let us pray:</u> For the gift of obedience, when we give our assent to the authority of God and the leaders of the Church. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Let us pray:</u> Dear Holy Spirit, guide us so that we are obedient to the commandments of God the Father and the beatitudes from Jesus His Son. May we learn to be obedient to God without hesitation or resistance.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>

12/7	<p>The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Obedience</p> <p><u>Today let us pray:</u> That children obey their parents. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p><u>Let us pray:</u> Dear Jesus, You are God, and yet You were obedient to Mary and Joseph. Help me to do all that my parents, teachers, or employers ask of me – promptly, joyfully, and completely.</p> <p><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>
12/8	<p>The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Obedience</p> <p><u>Today let us pray:</u> That as the Blessed Mother said ‘yes’ to God, so may we also say ‘yes’ to the Lord. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p><u>Let us pray:</u> Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.</p> <p><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>
12/9	<p>The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Obedience</p> <p><u>Today let us pray:</u> For government leaders, that they enact just laws that follow the teachings of Christ. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p><u>Let us pray:</u> Lord, I desire that in all things, your will be done, because it is your will, and I desire that all things be done in the manner that you will them. Grant that I may always esteem whatsoever is pleasing to you, despise what you abhor, avoid what you forbid, and do what you command. My God, make me prudent in my undertakings, courageous in danger, patient in trials, and humble in success. (Pope Clement XI)</p> <p><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>

12/10	<p>The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Obedience</p> <p><u>Today let us pray:</u> That we cooperate with just authority to bring about harmony and peace. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p><u>Let us pray:</u> Holy Spirit, we pray that our national, state, and local leaders are open to your guidance. May they enact laws that spread peace and justice in our land.</p> <p><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>
12/11	<p>The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Obedience</p> <p><u>Today let us pray:</u> For the intercession of St. Catherine Laboure' who was faithful to Mary, may we also follow the guidance of our Blessed Mother. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p><u>Let us pray:</u> Jesus, Son of God and Son of Mary, your Holy Mother instructed St. Catherine Laboure' to have the Miraculous Medal made. Many resisted St. Catherine, but she was obedient to Mary's request. May we too follow Mary who guides all to you, her Son and our Savior.</p> <p><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>
12/12	<p>The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Obedience</p> <p><u>Today let us pray:</u> That we obey the will of God. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p><u>Let us pray:</u> Heavenly Father, you are the way, the truth, and the life. My we always follow your guidance as we make decisions in our days.</p> <p><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>

12/13	<p style="text-align: center;">The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Obedience</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Today let us pray:</u> That all Catholics will be obedient to the will of God and ‘keep Holy the Sabbath’ by attending Mass. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Let us pray:</u> O God, who sent your Son into the world as the true light, pour out, we pray, the Spirit he promised to sow seeds of truth constantly in people’s hearts and to awaken in them obedience to the faith, so that, being born to new life through Baptism, all may become part of your one people.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>
12/14	<p style="text-align: center;">The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Patriotism</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Today let us pray:</u> In thanksgiving for those who founded our country and guided it over the years. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Let us pray:</u> God our Father, guide us to pay due honor and respect to our country. May we seek to serve our country through faithful citizenship and active participation in voting and the many forms of service we can offer our nation.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>
12/15	<p style="text-align: center;">The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Patriotism</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Today let us pray:</u> For our nation and our government leaders. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Let us pray:</u> Dear Jesus, please bless my country and all those who work hard to lead it. May You always be King of this land. May You be glorified through its government and laws. Give me a heart of service. (Disciples of Christ)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>

12/16	<p>The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Patriotism</p> <p><u>Today let us pray:</u> That all people in our nation show respect for our country and learn about the liberty for which we stand. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p><u>Let us pray:</u> America, America, God shed Thy grace on thee, and crown thy good with brotherhood, from sea to shining sea. America, America, God mend thine every flaw. Confirm thy soul in self-control, Thy liberty and law.</p> <p><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>
12/17	<p>The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Patriotism</p> <p><u>Today let us pray:</u> That we appreciate the blessings of our country. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p><u>Let us pray:</u> Lord Jesus, we respect and honor you as your disciples should. May we be guided by you to show respect and honor for our country and work to align our nation with the truth of the Gospel.</p> <p><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>
12/18	<p>The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Patriotism</p> <p><u>Today let us pray:</u> For the safety of our military personnel and in thanksgiving for all our veterans. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p><u>Let us pray:</u> Let us pray for the intercession of St. Joan of Arc, patron saint of soldiers. May she guide our men and women in the military to follow God's law as they sacrifice for our protection.</p> <p><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>

12/19	<p>The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Patriotism</p> <p><u>Today let us pray:</u> That even though people may disagree in our politics, we may be united in seeking what is good and true for our country. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p><u>Let us pray:</u> We pray for the intercession of St. Josaphat, who sought to unite his native country of Ukraine under the authority of the pope and unite his people in the Church. We ask God for greater unity in our country.</p> <p><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>
12/20	<p>The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Prayerfulness</p> <p><u>Today let us pray:</u> That we deepen our family prayer life and make it a priority in our day. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p><u>Let us pray:</u> Heavenly Father, may we take time every day to pray as individuals and as a family. May we take time to talk with you through prayers and our words, and may we also listen to you for guidance and consolation in our day.</p> <p><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>
12/21	<p>The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Prayerfulness</p> <p><u>Today let us pray:</u> That we engage in daily prayer, even on days when it seems that our prayers are not heard or answered. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p><u>Let us pray:</u> Dear Jesus, I desire to have You as my best friend. Give me a desire to spend time with You each day, as I do with my friends. Help me always to put You first in my life, even when I am busy. (Diocese of Crookston)</p> <p><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>

12/22	<p>The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Prayerfulness</p> <p><u>Today let us pray:</u> That we take time as a family to pray in adoration or at the tabernacle at least one time per month. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p><u>Let us pray:</u> Dear Jesus, you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. You are present in our tabernacle and You are before us during times of adoration. We pray that we are drawn to pray before You in the Blessed Sacrament. May we be drawn to family adoration or family prayer before the tabernacle at least one time per month. As we pray before your Body, may we as a family be drawn towards you and your Church.</p> <p><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>
12/23	<p>The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Prayerfulness</p> <p><u>Today let us pray:</u> That we stop the distractions of this world as we spend time in prayer. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p><u>Let us pray:</u> God our Father, we are so easily distracted by social media and the activities of the day. Guide us to stop thinking of the things of this world as we turn to You during prayer. May we, through the practice of daily prayer, grow stronger in our ability to stop the distractions of the world so that we focus on the glory of the life to come.</p> <p><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>
12/24	<p>The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Prayerfulness</p> <p><u>Today let us pray:</u> That on this Christmas Eve, we make our Christmas celebration a time of prayer in praise of the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p><u>Let us pray:</u> Jesus, you gave us the gift of the Lord's prayer. As we join together in this prayer today, may we be ever grateful for the gift of prayer.</p> <p><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>

12/25	<p>Today we pray for the gift of the virtues.</p> <p><u>Today let us pray:</u> In celebration of the joy of Christmas day, when Jesus was born of Mary in Bethlehem. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p><u>Let us pray:</u> Heavenly Father, today we give you thanks for the gift of the virtues you have given to us all. We thank you for the gifts of Faith, Hope & Love. We thank you for the gifts of Justice, Prudence, Fortitude, and Temperance. May we use these gifts to guide our life as missionary disciples of Your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ.</p> <p><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>
12/26	<p>The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Religion</p> <p><u>Today let us pray:</u> That our family worships God and is constant in the practice of our religion And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p><u>Let us pray:</u> God, creator of Heaven and Earth, you created the gift of religion so that we offer to You the worship that is due to You. You created religion, not because You need to be worshipped, but so that we offer our worship to You so that we grow closer to you as disciples of Jesus Christ.</p> <p><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>
12/27	<p>The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Religion</p> <p><u>Today let us pray:</u> That we continue to grow in the practice of our religion. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p><u>Let us pray:</u> Jesus our Savior, may our family grow closer to You through the practice of our religion. May the praise we offer You reflect our appreciation of the salvation You offer to each of us.</p> <p><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>

12/28	<p style="text-align: center;">The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Religion</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Today let us pray:</u> That we fully participate in the five actions of religion: Adoration, Prayer, Sacrifice, Promises to God, and Vows. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Let us pray:</u> Holy Spirit, guide us as we seek to live our religious call. May we grow in: Adoration: the worship of God, Prayer: The lifting up of our words as we listen for Your guidance, Sacrifice: offering of our time, talent, and treasure, Promises: the resolution we make to follow Your will, and Vows: a free promise we make to God.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>
12/29	<p style="text-align: center;">The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Religion</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Today let us pray:</u> For those who do not know God or who have rejected belief in God. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Let us pray:</u> God our Father, we pray for those who do not know of You and of the salvation found in Your Son, Jesus. We pray for those who have rejected Your love, truth and goodness. We pray that all Christians follow your divine teaching so that we all know of the goodness, beauty, and truth of Your Son, Jesus Christ.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>

12/30	<p style="text-align: center;">The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Religion</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Today let us pray:</u> That our family seeks to grow in religious devotion in our home and in our parish. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Let us pray:</u> We pray for the intercession of Sts. Louis and Zelig Martin, saintly parents of St. Therese of Lisieux. They sought to create a domestic church in their home. May we be inspired by these saintly parents to bring prayer and the praise of God into our home and the life of our family.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>
12/31	<p style="text-align: center;">The Virtue of Justice and the gift of Religion</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Today let us pray:</u> In thankfulness for the gift of religion. And for what else shall we pray on this day?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Let us pray:</u> We thank you Lord for the gift of religion, which allows us to offer to you what you justly deserve – our praise, thanks, gratitude and our prayer. May we seek to worship You in our homes, during our daily lives, and in the parish – especially during the Mass which is the source and summit of the Christian life.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Let us join our voices and pray:</u> Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name....</p>