



Prayer Resources

Week 6

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October



**This Sunday's Gospel Reading**  
**27th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C**  
**(Luke 17: 5-10)**

**The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" And the Lord said, "If you had faith as a grain of mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be rooted up, and be planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.**

**"Will any one of you, who has a servant ploughing or keeping sheep, say to him when he has come in from the field, 'Come at once and sit down at table'? Will he not rather say to him, 'Prepare supper for me, and gird yourself and serve me, till I eat and drink; and afterward you shall eat and drink'? Does he thank the servant because he did what was commanded? So you also, when you have done all that is commanded you, say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty.'"**

**This is the Gospel of the Lord**

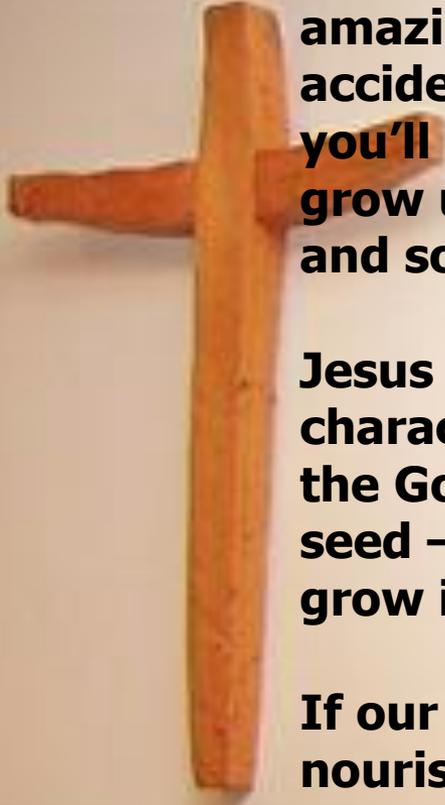


# Prayer One

## The Sign of the Cross

**Let us remember that everything we do is  
In the name of the Father, and of  
the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen**

***Reflection: In this week's Gospel  
reading Jesus talks about Mustard  
seeds and it's from these passages that  
we get our theme of faith.***



**The transformation of a seed into a tree or a bush is an amazing thing, but it's not something that just happens by accident. If you were paying attention in primary school, you'll remember that more often than not a seed won't grow unless it has things like good soil, nutrition, sunlight and so on...**

**Jesus compares our faith to a seed, and the main characteristic of seeds is that they grow. In other parts of the Gospels, Jesus talks about his Kingdom as being like a seed – something which may seem small, but which will grow into something wonderful, and fruitful.**

**If our faith is going to grow though, it is going to need the nourishment and care that young plants need. If it's left alone then it might well get into trouble.**

**Rather than water and sunlight and so on, our faith needs to be practiced and remembered. It needs to be evident in what we do and say. It needs to be watered and fed by prayer and it needs to be allowed to grow by being open to what God wants of us, and who God wants us to be.**



# **Final Prayer**

**Loving Father,**

**God our Father, help us to look after and care for our faith and help us to see its beauty as it grows and blossoms.**

**Give us the food of your guidance and help us to always sit in the sunlight of your love.**

**We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

# Prayer Two

## The Sign of the Cross

Let us remember that everything we do is  
In the name of the Father, and of  
the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

*Reflection: 12<sup>th</sup> October is the Feast of  
Saint Wilfrid, the patron of our community.*



S. WILFRID.  
Bp of Selwby 681-709  
Apostle of the South Saxons





**Most of us will know about the story of Saint Wilfrid, and when you look at his life a lot of things stand out. One of those things that stands out is passion. Wilfrid had a passion for people, a passion for the Gospel, a passion for doing things properly.**

**Maybe that's why it's such a good idea that schools are named after Wilfrid. After all, in a way schools exist to help people to discover what they are passionate about and to give them the tools to pursue those passions.**

**This week, have a think about the things that are important to you... What do you want to do in life? How do you want to make a difference in the world?**

**As you're thinking about these things, ask Saint Wilfrid to pray with you and for you.**





# Final Prayer

**LOVING FATHER...**

**Help our community to be guided and enriched by the life and passion of Saint Wilfrid, and help us as individuals to discover what we are passionate about and to pursue our passions with integrity and with love**

**IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON, AND OF THE HOLY SPIRIT. AMEN.**

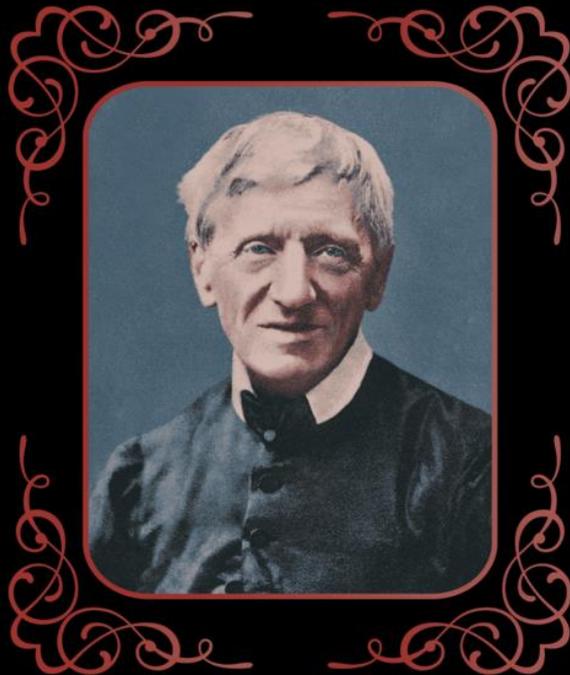


# Prayer Three



## The Sign of the Cross

Let us remember that everything we do is  
In the name of the Father, and of  
the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen



***Reflection:***  
***All over the world, people are  
preparing to celebrate the  
canonisation of Blessed John  
Henry Newman on Sunday 13th  
October.***



This is a time of special grace for us to join together and form links in a great chain of prayer, where we call upon the soon-to-be-Saint to crown our prayers with his intercession in heaven.

We encourage you to form links in that chain by joining in our Novena with Newman - nine days of prayerful preparation for the canonisation, starting on Friday 4th October and finishing on Saturday 12th October on the eve of the canonisation.

You may use the link below to find out more and pray the novena in tutor time:

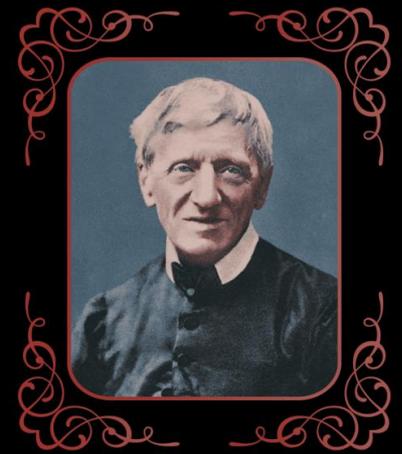
<https://www.newmancanonisation.com/novena>

You are also welcome to join us break 1 in the Chapel all week when we will pray the "Novena with Newman" each day

**Novena** with  
**Newman**

# Final Prayer

**O God our heavenly Father,**

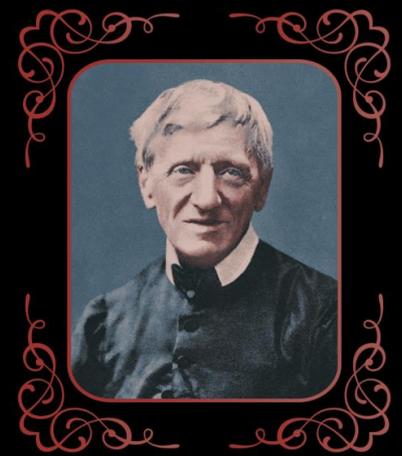


**We thank you for the life and holiness of John Henry Newman. In him You give us an inspiring example**

**Blessed John Henry Newman  
Pray for us**

**AMEN.**

**Novena** with  
**Newman**



**Join us for prayer in the Chapel break 1 all this week.**

**We will form a great chain of prayer around the world, where we call upon this soon-to-be-Saint to intercede for us**

**Novena** with  
**Newman**

# Final Thought...



*Next weeks theme: **Healing***