# Midday Prayers 2022: Transformation – Now!

# April

# Praise and thanksgiving

**Monday**: **Praise and thanksgiving**

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope

through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade.

*1 Peter 1:3-4*

**Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!**

**We come before you with thanksgiving!**

God of Promise and God of Hope,
who through your great mercy
have granted us new birth
through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ,
**we praise your wonderful name!**

God of Glory and God of Might
who through your great power
have granted us new strength
to endure all things through faith in Christ our risen King,
**we praise your wonderful name!**

**Amen***© John Birch*

**Tuesday: Grace and peace**

Grace, mercy, and peace, which come from God the Father

and from Jesus Christ—the Son of the Father—will continue

to be with us who live in truth and love.

*2 John 1:3 (NLT)*

**Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!**

**We come before you with thanksgiving!**

Grace to you and peace

from him who is

and who was

and who is to come,

and from Jesus Christ,
**the faithful witness,**

**the firstborn of the dead,**

**and the ruler of the kings of the earth.**

**To him who loves us**

**and freed us from our sins by his blood,**

**made us to be a kingdom,**

**priests serving his God and Father,
to him be glory and dominion**

**forever and ever.**

**Amen**

*David Beswick*

**Wednesday: Praise and thanksgiving**

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

who has blessed us in the heavenly realms

with every spiritual blessing in Christ.

*Ephesians 1:3*

**Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!**

**We come before you with thanksgiving!**

Through Jesus Christ,

you have lavished on us every spiritual blessing

we could possibly imagine!

Before the world was created,

you already knew us and loved us.

You adopted us as your own children,

and redeemed us through the blood of Christ.

Even more, you have made us your heirs,

and given us your own Spirit as a sign and guarantee.

How we praise you!

**May our worship bring you honour and glory,**

**for you alone are worthy of our praise.**

**Amen**

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**Thursday: Grace and peace**

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ,

who gave himself for our sins to rescue us from the present evil age,

according to the will of our God and Father,

*Galatians 1:3-4*

**Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!**

**We come before you with thanksgiving!**

For peace beyond understanding –

*Shalom –*

your desire for all

that is good and fruitful,

all that makes us whole,

**we thank you.**

For grace

we do not deserve,

freedom,

forgiveness for all

that is wrong in our lives

that keeps us from you,

**we thank you.**

For life

poured out on a cross –

salvation –

That divine mystery

of love by which all

might know you as Abba,

Father,

**we thank you.**

**Amen**

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**Friday: Praise and thanksgiving**

Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort.

2 *Corinthians 1:3*

**Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!**

**We come before you with thanksgiving!**

Dear Heavenly Father,

thank you for the joy, peace, help and blessings

that you give to us each day.

Thank you for this wondrous world

filled with all the wonderful gifts

you have given to us.

Thank you for our families, friends

and the fellowship of your Church.

And we thank you for the most wondrous gift of all –

the forgiveness of our sins, bought for us by the love

of your most blessed Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

**Amen**

*Kilskeery & Trillick Mothers’ Union, Province of All-Ireland*

**Saturday: Lives of thankfulness**

Just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him,

rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught,

and overflowing with thankfulness.

*Colossians 2:6-7*

**Risen Lord,**

**You love us,**

**You call us,**

**You change us.**

Let us recognise your coming

however gently or dramatically you approach us.

Let us recognise your coming

whoever you use to make your coming known to us.

Let us recognise your coming

whatever time or situation you use to approach us.

Let us recognise your compassionate emergence

into the dark places of our lives,

Your generous summons which you constantly utter,

your transforming touch upon the bleak places of our world.

**Lord of Life, of hope, of resurrection,**

**we make our prayer in your name, Jesus.**

**Amen**

*Brentwood Diocesan Commission for Justice and Peace*

# Wave of Prayer for Mothers’ Union

Lord, we pray for Mothers’ Union worldwide.

 **1** Toamasina in Madagascar; Mukono in Uganda; Ikwerre & Ife East

 in Nigeria; Down & Dromore in All Ireland and Delhi in India

 **2 – 4** Umzimvubu in South Africa; Lweru in Tanzania; On the Niger in Nigeria;

 Cape Coast in Ghana; Ontario in Canada and Limerick & Killaloe in All

 Ireland

 **5 Mothers’ Union worldwide**

 **6 – 8** Cueibet in South Sudan; Gahini in Rwanda; Wusasa & Ibadan in Nigeria

 and Christchurch in New Zealand

 **9 – 11**  Nord Kivu in DR Congo; Kigali in Rwanda; Kiteto & Kubwa in Nigeria;

 Perth in Australia and Kuranagala in Sri Lanka

 **12 Mothers’ Union worldwide**

**13 – 15** Yirol in South Sudan; Ruvuma in Tanzania; Nike & Benin in Nigeria;

 Canberra & Goulburn in Australia and Dogura in Papua New Guinea

**16 – 18** Kindu in DR Congo; Mount Kenya West in Kenya; Egbu in Nigeria;

 Te Pihopatanga O Aotearoa in New Zealand; Cork, Cloyne & Ross in

 All Ireland and Eastern Himalayas in India

 **19 Mothers’ Union worldwide**

**20 – 22** Kinshasa in DR Congo; Victoria Nyanza in Tanzania; Ahoada & Warri in

 Nigeria; Oxford in England and Port Moresby in Papua New Guinea

**23 – 25** Kisangani in DR Congo; Kagera in Tanzania; Awka in Nigeria; Sunyani in

 Ghana; Manchester in England and Popondota in Papua New Guinea

 **26 Mothers’ Union worldwide**

**27– 29** Port Sudan in Sudan; Muhabura in Uganda; Niger Delta West & Yewa in

 Nigeria; The Northern Territory in Australia and Chennai in India

 **30** Aru in DR Congo; Kigezi in Uganda; Ikeduru in Nigeria; Ho in Ghana;

 York in England and Guyana & Suriname in Guyana

## Final Blessing

**As we are called and loved by God the Father**

**and kept safe by Jesus Christ,**

**may grace, mercy and peace be ours in abundance,**

**from God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

**Amen**