



Notre Dame Morning Prayer September 2-6, 2019

+ = In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit

Monday, September 2, 2019 - Labour Day

Tuesday, September 3, 2019 - Professional Activity Day

Wednesday, September 4, 2019 - first day of classes

Let us pray. + Heavenly Father, You are the Giver of all that is good. We thank you for the summer that has ended and the beginning of a new school year, with the blessing of a fresh start. We thank you for the renewal of friendships and for new friends we will meet. Please guide our studies and all our other activities this year. Bless our teachers and staff with creativity and patience and our students with maturity and good judgement. May we may face challenges with courage, be granted wisdom and understanding, and be a support to those around us who may be in need. We offer our prayers in faith and with the words You gave us: *Our Father*. Mary, Mother of God, pray for us. + Amen.

Thursday, September 5, 2019 - Saint Mother Theresa of Calcutta

Today is the feast day of Saint Mother Theresa of Calcutta. Mother Theresa was born in eastern Europe and was a nun who worked among the poor in India, establishing the Missionaries of Charity who work now in over 125 countries. She was a woman of small stature who relied on God to do great things. She once said: I used to pray that God would feed the hungry, or do this or that, but now I pray that he will guide me to do whatever I'm supposed to do, what I can do. I used to pray for answers, but now I'm praying for strength. I used to believe that prayer changes things, but now I know that prayer changes us and we change things.

Let us pray. + Lord, may we be inspired by Mother Theresa to face new challenges this year by looking to You for strength. Teach us how to hear Your voice so that we may know the paths we should take. We ask this as we pray with the words You gave us: *Our Father*. Mary, Mother of God, pray for us. + Amen.

Friday, September 6, 2019

Let us pray. + Lord, our God, in this new school year, help us to rekindle former friendships and to be open to building new friendships. Teach us to maintain balance in our lives, to know when to work and when to play. Remind us to be of service to others, sharing our gifts of talents and time. And most importantly, God, show us how to recognize You in the ordinary events and people of every day. We pray this together with the words that You taught us: *Our Father*. Mary, Mother of God, pray for us. + Amen.