

The Australian Board of Missions.

A WEEK OF DAILY Missionary Collects



Sunday

For THE AUSTRALIAN BOARD OF MISSIONS

O HOLY and Merciful Father, Who willest not that any of Thy little ones should perish, and Who didst send Thy Blessed Son to gather into one Thy children scattered abroad: Look down with Thy continual favour and blessing upon the Australian Board of Missions, prosper, we pray Thee, its work in preaching the Gospel of peace to them that are far off, and to them that are nigh. Strengthen the hands of all who are sharing in its tasks, whether at home or in the Mission Field; and grant that through their labours the people that know Thee not may be called out of darkness into Thy marvellous light, and be made one with us in the Fellowship of Thy Holy Church. Through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Monday

For THE DIOCESE OF NEW GUINEA

BLESS, O Lord, we beseech Thee, with Thy special favour those whom Thou hast called to extend Thy Kingdom in Papua and New Guinea. Endue them with Thy Holy Spirit, watch over them in the hour of danger, keep them close to Thy side, enable them continually to do Thy will.

Touch the hearts of those who shall hear the message delivered in Thy Name, and grant that all who accept it may rise to newness of life.

And upon all of us in this favoured land pour out the spirit of prayer and almsgiving, that many more labourers may go forth to gather in the harvest of the souls for whom Thou hast died, Who with the Father and the Holy Ghost livest and reignest one God for ever and ever. Amen.

Tuesday

For THE DIOCESE OF MELANESIA

ALmighty God, for Whom the Isles do wait; send down Thy blessing on the Melanesian Mission; the Bishop, Priests, and Deacons; the Sisters of the Cross, the Native Brothers, medical and other workers, those on missionary vessels; and all who teach or are taught in the schools. Guide them, O Lord, in every difficulty; protect them in every danger; strengthen them in every temptation; and gladden them with the sense of Thy Presence.

Lord of the Harvest, send forth labourers into Thine Harvest. Guide by Thy Holy Spirit those who are fitted for this work, that they may willingly offer themselves unto Thee, and by Thee be enabled to set forth Thy glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Wednesday

For THE ABORIGINES
and TORRES STRAIT ISLANDERS

O LORD Jesus Christ, Who wast filled with compassion towards the downcast and oppressed, bless the remnant of Aborigines wandering in our land. Save them from their sins and superstitions and from the destroying influence of civilization. Frustrate the callous treatment of any who

would oppress or ill-treat them. In the Mission and other reserves may efforts for their greater welfare be crowned with success.

Protect, we beseech Thee, the children of the Northern Isles from all evil and keep them steadfast in Thy faith and fear. Perfect that good work which Thou hast begun in them, that they may grow up into the fulness of the measure of the stature of Christ. Raise up from their midst those who shall carry to others the Gospel of salvation, to the advancement of Thy Church and the glory of Thy Holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Thursday

For CHINA AND JAPAN

O GRACIOUS and everliving Lord, unto Whom is given all authority in Heaven and on earth, at Whose infant feet the children of the East laid their richest treasures: send forth, we beseech Thee, Thy Light and Thy Truth to the peoples of China and Japan, that they may bring their tribute of love and service to Thy Holy Church. Strengthen the hands of the Bishops, Priests, and Missionaries of the Church, and grant that all who there confess Thy Holy Name may shine as lights in the darkness and adorn the doctrine of God their Saviour in all things. Raise up from among them able and devoted leaders, who shall guide their life in ways of truth, righteousness

and peace; and grant that the peoples of these lands may work out their common salvation in loyalty to Thy most holy will; Who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost one God for ever and ever. Amen.

Friday

For THE DIOCESE OF POLYNESIA

O GOD, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, have compassion upon all who dwell in the far-flung isles of the Pacific. Bless the Bishop in Polynesia, and all who share with him the task of carrying the eternal Gospel to the peoples of the islands in his charge.

Strengthen especially the hands of those who labour amongst the Indians and Chinese in Fiji, and enable them to fulfil their ministry of healing and enlightenment. Send forth, we beseech Thee, labourers into this wide field, that none may lack the means of grace, and all, divided by ocean barriers, may yet be knit together into one fellowship in the Name and by the power of Thy Son Jesus Christ, Who with Thee and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth One God, world without end. Amen.

And for

THE JERUSALEM AND THE EAST MISSION

O GOD our Father, from Whom cometh every good and perfect gift: Prosper, we pray Thee, the Bishop in Jerusalem and all who labour with him in Eastern lands; that by their teaching and example they may strengthen their brethren, promote the unity of the Church, and commend the Gospel of Thy Son to the children of Islam, Thine ancient people the Jews, and all who have not known Thy redeeming love; through the same Thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Saturday

For THE DIOCESE OF SINGAPORE

ALMIGHTY God our Heavenly Father, have mercy, we beseech Thee, upon all peoples of the far-flung Diocese of Singapore; bless the Bishop and Clergy and their fellow-workers; and grant that Thy Church may be a living witness to Thy way and Thy truth and to the life that comes from Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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