

# Prayers at Easter

Lord, breathe into our hearts, we pray, the love of Your truth, that we may draw near to You and become Your humble servants, obeying Your commandments in simplicity of heart. May we love You above all things, and Your truth for its own sake, that You may enter into us, and dwell in Your own with us forever. Amen.

O Lord Jesus Christ, we pray for the courage of our convictions. It is so easy for us, Lord to put verbal faith in You and so much more difficult for us to translate words into deeds. Help us, we pray, to learn to carry Your teachings into our daily lives, that we might become wise. To do this we need courage—courage to stand up against all the things that come between us and You, courage to face these squarely so we can overcome them, courage to live according to Your Word. Fill us with the confidence that You will give us this courage, as we need it, so that our lives become a continual quest for goodness. In this way, Lord, we take up our crosses to follow You. Your courage is a constant inspiration. Amen

O Lord, open to us the joyful truth of Easter. Lead us into its wonder and let us be inspired and encouraged. May Your victory strengthen our obedience to Your Word, Your resurrection move us to higher aims and hopes. Heal us and stir us to new efforts of charity and usefulness. At Easter let there be compassion and forgiveness, repentance and self-searching, as people with gladdened hearts remember Your victory. Amen.

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