



# Catholic Schools Week 2013

Teacher, on the following pages are prayers and thoughts for the children to read. They are on the theme of Faith, which is the theme this year.

Each morning they will be read out on the intercom, and your class can silently/quietly read them at the same time by you having this up on the IWB. There are different prayers and thoughts for each day.



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**Monday:**

## **Prayer for the Day...**

This morning, as we begin our celebration of 'Catholic School's week', we ask God's blessing on all of us here in Talbot School and on all Catholic schools throughout the country.

Let us now bless ourselves and be quiet for a moment as we turn our thoughts and hearts to God.

(Short Pause)

Dear God, thank you for loving me.  
Help me to believe that your love for me is very special.

Thank you for caring for me through my family, teachers, SNAs and my friends.

Help me to remember that you will be with me all day long, to guide, protect and love me.

Amen



## **Thought for the Day...**

When Jesus talks about faith, he means first of all to trust fully that you are loved by God.

Let's remind ourselves more and more often that God loves us, that Jesus loves us, that the Holy Spirit loves us.



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**Tuesday:**

## **Prayer for the Day...**

Jesus, you are my friend, and I know you love and care about me:

about my health and happiness,  
about what I learn and what I achieve,  
about my friends, and the times we  
share together.

Be always near to guide me,  
to lead me into your ways,  
and to increase my faith in you,  
My Lord and my friend.  
Amen!

**I**   
**GOD**

## **Thought for the Day...**

I strengthen my faith when I pray.  
I weaken my faith when I don't pray.  
My faith needs my prayer:  
Let's all ask ourselves "do I pray enough? do I  
let God into my life enough?"



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## Wednesday:

Prayer for the Day... PRAYER TO ST. JOHN BOSCO

St. John Bosco,  
you are the friend of children  
and young people.  
As I grow older, please help me  
to also grow in love and wisdom.

Whenever you saw children suffering,  
you suffered too.  
Help me to notice when my friends are sad,  
or lonely, or have a problem.  
Show me what I can do to be kind  
and cheer them up.

Don Bosco, you always trusted in God,  
in Jesus, and in Mary, his mother;  
They gave you strength and courage  
to do wonderful things!  
Please ask God to make my trust in Him  
grow day by day.

Be my Friend.  
Lead me along the paths  
of the gospel to Jesus.  
Amen.

## Thought for the Day...

Science is great – we get to better understand everything  
God created.  
Religion is great – we get to better understand God and  
why he created us, why he created me.  
Science helps religion stay away from false thinking;  
religion helps people to use scientific discoveries only for  
good, not for bad.  
Let's get closer to the Truth, closer to God, by using religion  
and science together.





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**Thursday:**

**Prayer for the Day...**

Lord, you have created us out of love, and given us this world to live in.

I look at the wonder of your creation, its colour, design and purpose, and its constant renewal.

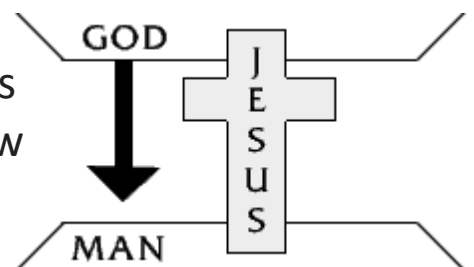
Help each of us to work together, to respect each other, to care for our earth.

Then we can all help to make our world a better place to live in.

Amen

**Thought for the Day...**

God amazes us. In fact us humans can't really understand just how amazing God is and how amazing his Creation is. We know his son Jesus better. By getting to know Jesus we get to know God. Let's do more to get to know Jesus better.





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## Friday:

### Prayer for the Day...

Loving God, we ask you today to bless our Grandparents.  
Keep them in your loving care.  
Give them good health, peace and happiness and  
Bless them for all they do for us.  
Amen!

### Thought for the Day...

Bad things do happen in this world, to good people and to bad people. When bad things happen to us, they wound us. But bad things don't have to damage us. Prayer helps us become stronger. It helps us accept the bad things. It guards us against becoming damaged.



Let's pray to God more and more often, telling him everything we feel.