

PRAYERS FOR ST.ANDREW'S DAY

Almighty God, who hast made Thy mercies known to our fathers in every age, and hast granted them anew to us, their children hallow this day with Thy heavenly presence, and protect us in Thy tender care; and so we beseech Thee to hold in Thine arms, our kith and kin who are now beyond the seas, or far from our native shores, that they may draw near to us in spirit, and that together with them, we may call upon Thee in faith, and kneel before Thee in adoration, trusting that our prayers and praises - with theirs - may be a worthy and acceptable sacrifice in Thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

AMEN

Most merciful heavenly Father, we humbly confess that we are neither faithful disciples of Thy truth, nor trusting stewards of Thy Kingdom's treasures; and that even if Jesus has called us o'er the tumult of our life's wild restless sea, and that day by day his voice is sounding, saying, 'Christian, follow me', we have turned from the power of his Gospel to other doctrines of our own imagination, and followed other prophets who are without Thy blessing.

O Lord Jesus Christ, by Thy mercies, Saviour, make us hear Thy call; give our hearts to Thy obedience, that we may serve and love Thee best of all; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

AMEN

O Lord our God, who hast given us a noble inheritance in the Scottish name, and who didst give such grace to Thy apostle Saint Andrew, that he turned from the fish of the sea to become a fisher of men; enable us to hold fast the faith of our fathers, and to cherish the Church of our land and birth; and in the footsteps of Thy humble servant Andrew, let us leave the shelter of the lakeside for the challenge of the world, that we may readily obey the calling of our living Saviour; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end.

AMEN

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