

*Psalm 89:47–52*

Remember, LORD, how short life is : **how frail you have made all flesh.**  
Who can live and not see death? : **who can save himself from the power of  
the grave?**

Where, Lord, are your loving-kindnesses of old : **which you promised David  
in your faithfulness?**

Remember, Lord, how your servant is mocked : **how I carry in my bosom  
the taunts of many peoples,**  
the taunts your enemies have hurled, O LORD : **which they hurled at the  
heels of your anointed.**

Blessed be the LORD for evermore! : **Amen, I say, Amen.**

**Keep our frailty before us, Lord : that we might set our hearts on you.**

Genesis 11:1–9 Galatians 5:16–24

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Abba Anthony wrote, “From our neighbors is life and death. If we gain our brother, we gain God, but if we cause our brother to stumble, we sin against Christ.”

*Prayers for Others*

*Our Father*

Lord, we know that to live by the flesh is death, but to live by the Spirit is life. Still, you have redeemed the flesh of the world through your incarnation. Teach us how to be in the world but not of it. Amen.

**May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you : wherever he may send you;  
may he guide you through the wilderness : protect you through the storm;  
may he bring you home rejoicing : at the wonders he has shown you;  
may he bring you home rejoicing : once again into our doors.**

## **January 18**

In 1893 Lorrin Thurston, the grandson of Christian missionaries, convinced US President Benjamin Harrison of the urgent need to annex Hawaii in order to protect American lives and property. When US troops arrived on Hawaiian soil, Queen Liliuokalani surrendered her throne to prevent bloodshed. One hundred years later, US President Bill Clinton apologized to Native Hawaiians, calling the overthrow of Hawaii’s monarchy an illegal act.

O Lord, let my soul rise up to meet you  
**as the day rises to meet the sun.**



Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Come, let us bow down and bend the knee : let us kneel before the LORD our  
Maker.

*Song* “O Lord, Have Mercy”

**Judge your earth with mercy, Lord : and teach us to love justice.**

*Psalm 94:1-4*

O LORD God of vengeance : O God of vengeance, show yourself.  
Rise up, O Judge of the world : give the arrogant their just deserts.  
How long shall the wicked, O LORD : how long shall the wicked triumph?  
They bluster in their insolence : all evildoers are full of boasting.

**Judge your earth with mercy, Lord : and teach us to love justice.**

Genesis 11:27-12:8 Galatians 5:25-6:10

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Dorothy Day, co-founder of the Catholic Worker Movement, wrote, “We want no revolution; we want the brotherhood of men. We want men to love one another. We want all men to have what is sufficient for their needs. But when we meet people who deny Christ in His poor, we feel, ‘Here are the atheists.’ They turned first from Christ crucified because He was a poor worker, buffeted and spat upon and beaten. And now — strange thought — the devil has so maneuvered that the people turn from Him because those who profess Him are clothed in soft raiment and sit at well-spread tables and deny the poor.”

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Holy Spirit, guide us in the imprint of Christ’s footsteps to pursue justice,  
counting our neighbors’ welfare to be as important as our own. Amen.

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