



# 15 Thanksgiving Prayers

## GIVE THANKS

O God, when I have food,  
help me remember the hungry;  
When I have work,  
help me remember the jobless;  
When I have a home,  
help me remember those  
who have no home at all;  
When I am without pain,  
help me remember those who suffer,  
And remembering,  
help me to destroy my complacency;  
bestir my compassion,  
and be concerned enough to help;  
By word and deed,  
those who cry out for what we take for granted.  
Amen.

-Samuel F. Pugh

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Gracious God,  
so much has been bestowed upon us.  
We lack for little and yet yearn for so much.  
Continue to teach us to appreciate  
what has come to us as blessing and gift.  
Keep on urging and challenging us  
to share what we have.  
Help us to give generously and freely of our bounty.  
We offer thanks for all that has been granted to us,  
and we express our oneness as we pray together  
the prayer that Jesus taught us....

Our Father who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
And lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil,  
For thine is the kingdom and the Power  
and the Glory forever and ever.  
Amen.



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For beauty in nature, Your glory we see  
For joy and for health, friends and family,  
For daily provision, Your mercy and care  
These are the blessings You graciously share.  
So today we offer this repsonse of praise  
With a promise to follow You all of our days.

-Mary Fairchild

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O God, of Whose mercies there is no number,  
and of Whose goodness the treasure is infinite;  
we render thanks to Your most gracious majesty  
for the gifts You have bestowed upon us,  
evermore beseeching Your clemency, that  
as You grant the petitions of them that ask You,  
You will never forsake them, but will prepare for  
the reward to come. Through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

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O Lord, that lends me life,  
Lend me a heart replete with thankfulness!

-Shakespeare

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Holy Father, give us, each  
A thankful mind.  
Make us more like Jesus,  
Gentle, pure and kind.

-William H. Parker



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Almighty God, whose loving hand hath given us all that we possess; Grant us grace that we may honour thee with our substance, and remembering the account which we must one day give, may be faithful stewards of thy bounty; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

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What God gives, and what we take,  
is a gift for Jesus' sake;  
Be the meal of beans or peas  
We thank God for those, and these.  
-Adapted from a poem by Robert Herrick

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For each new morning with its light,  
For rest and shelter of the night,  
For health and food,  
For love and friends,  
for everything Thy goodness sends.

-Ralph Waldo Emerson

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Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest,  
And may our meal by you be blest.  
And may there be a godly share  
on every table everywhere.

-Martin Luther



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For rosy apples, juicy plums,  
And yellow pears so sweet,  
For hips and haws on bush and hedge,  
And flowers at our feet,  
For ears of corn all ripe and dry,  
And colored leaves on trees,  
We thank you, heavenly Jesus Christ,  
For such good gifts as these.

-Anonymous

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Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, you heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

-Thomas Ken

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Give thanks to the Lord, because he is good;  
his love is eternal.

-1 Chronicles 16:34, GNT

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Oh come, let's sing to the Lord. Let's shout  
aloud to the rock of our salvation! Let's come  
before his presence with thanksgiving.  
Let's extol him with songs.

-Psalm 95:1-2, NHEB



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Thank you, Father, for having created us and given us to each other in the human family. Thank you for being with us in all our joys and sorrows, for your comfort in our sadness, your companionship in our loneliness. Thank you for yesterday, today, tomorrow and for the whole of our lives. Thank you for friends, for health and for grace. May we live this and every day conscious of all that has been given to us.

-From The Catholic Prayer Book, compiled by Msgr. Michael Buckley

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May you have a blessed  
Thanksgiving holiday!

