

*Day Six*  
*Ursuline Jubilee Novena*  
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**Angela and Prayer**

Opening Hymn

Introduction: **Prayer** -: Angela defined prayer as a relationship with God. She said it is the all important relationship of our life. She had a special relationship with Jesus. He was truly the center of her life.

Reading: “Always let your principal recourse be, to gather at the feet of Jesus Christ, to offer most fervent prayers. For in this way, without doubt, Jesus Christ will be in your midst, and as a true and good master, he will enlighten and teach you what you have to do.”

“Let them have Jesus Christ for their only treasure, and they will find love, which is to sought not here in this world, but above, in the high heaven.”

Beg God to enlighten you, direct you, teach you what you have to do for love of Him. For you must know this and hold it for certain: that He will never fail to provide for your needs, material as well as spiritual, so long as nothing is lacking on your part.

Reflection: Jesus modeled deep prayer.....In the desert, on the mountain, alone, with others in the Synagogue, before important decisions, before healing the sick, before suffering his passion and death. His prayer was sometimes Praise, Thanksgiving, Petition, but ordinarily it was a combination of all three. He said in hard cases, you should add **fasting**. Angela fasted and prayed all her life. And I, who call myself a follower of Jesus and Angela, what is my prayer like?; what is my fasting like?  
Is Jesus truly the center of my life? How deep is the relationship? What are the inward and outward signs? What are my plans for improvement?

Prayer to St. Angela: St. Angela, I want to be a woman of deep and true prayer. Enlighten me to see what changes in my life are necessary that this desire can be a reality. I desire a deep relationship with Jesus who first loved me and called me into the Ursuline family.  
Obtain for me the strength and courage to be open to the Gospel message about prayer and faithfully put it into practice.

Closing Hymn