

## QUOTES

I'm often asked, 'What do monks and nuns do?' The most important job of a monk or nun is to pray. While we are at school and at work, or playing in the back yard, monks and nuns make sure that praise is always offered to God. Day or night, a monk or a nun somewhere in the world is singing to God or praying silently. That means the Church is always at prayer. Monks and nuns pray for us. They pray in our place when we are doing something which keeps us from saying our own prayers, and they pray on our behalf by asking God to grant salvation and health to every Christian. (They do this every day, even if we don't pray ourselves because we're too young or too sick - or just too lazy.) Because of monks and nuns, we are always remembered before God. What a great gift!

- Nichola Toda Krause

Our mission, to undermine the kingdom of self and establish the kingdom of God, is a covert operation...Prayer is subversive activity.

- Eugene Peterson

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the streets; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice.

- Isaiah