

# Prayer

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in the Baroque Hall

Prayer is common in most societies. People address God or the Divine. They plead, praise or give thanks, sometimes they lament or even curse.

Because it connects with another world, prayer comes to have a particular freedom of form. In rituals, conversely, it is highly structured and adheres to conventions such as the *amen*, with which almost every Christian prayer closes.

The Annual Exhibition of the Abbey Library illustrates the development of Christian prayer in its many different forms. It is complemented by Katharina Heigl's photographic exhibition entitled *Faces in Prayer*, which presents people of different religions praying.

**Opening hours**  
Monday to Sunday, 10 am – 5 pm |  
Open every first Thursday of the month  
until 7 pm | closed 8–23 November 2021

**Admission prices**  
Entire Abbey District  
CHF 18 | 16 | 12 | 10

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**Exhibition catalogue**  
Available from the shop or via our website

**Address**  
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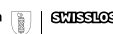
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Mary and Apostles praying at Pentecost (detail) in  
the prayer book of Ulrich Rösch, Abbot of St Gall,  
1472. Einsiedeln, Abbey Library, Codex 285, p. 217.