

Nafl Prayers

Every muslim should know that [Nafl prayers](#) that are linked to obligatory prayers should be performed after the beginning of their due times. In this regard we would like to quote **Sheikh Ahmad Kutty**, a senior lecturer and Islamic scholar at the Islamic Institute of Toronto, Ontario, Canada, who stated:

There are certain recommended prayers to be done before and after certain prescribed Prayers and they are separate from the obligatory ones: Let me list them as follow:

two *rak`ahs* are recommended before the Fajr Prayer; two or four *rak`ahs* are recommended before Zhuhr and two after, and two are recommended before `Asr; two are recommended after Maghrib, and two are recommended before `Ishaa' and two or four are recommended after Ishaa'. Then there are three *rak`ahs* of Witr Prayer to be performed after `Ishaa': It can be done either immediately after the recommended *rak`ahs* mentioned above or later at night; but it should be done before Fajr time.