

# COMMUNION OF SAINTS

## **PRAYER TO ST. PEREGRINE** (Patron of those who suffer from cancer)

O God, in Saint Peregrine You gave us an outstanding example of faith and patience. We humbly ask You that, by imitating him and by the help of his prayers, we may believe more fully in Your healing help, bear the suffering of this life without wavering, and come with joy to the peace of heaven. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen

## **PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL**

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in our day of battle, protect us against the deceit and wickedness of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray.

And you, O prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God banish into hell Satan and all of the evil spirits who roam through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

## **PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH**

O Blessed Saint Joseph, tenderhearted father, faithful guardian of Jesus, chaste spouse of the Mother of God, I pray you join with me in praising God the Father through His divine Son, who died on the cross and rose again to give us sinners new life. Through the holy Name of Jesus, pray with me, that we may obtain from the eternal Father the favor we ask for (*state your intentions*),

We have been unfaithful to the unfailing love of God the Father; beg of Jesus mercy for us, His brothers and sisters. Amid the splendors of God's loving presence, do not forget the sorrows of those who weep. By your prayers and those of your most holy spouse, our Blessed Lady, may the love of Jesus answer our call of confident hope. Amen.

## **PRAYER TO ST. LUCY** (patron of diseases of the eye)

Relying on Your goodness, O God, we humbly ask You, by the intercession of Your servant, Saint Lucy, to give perfect vision to our eyes, that they may serve You for Your greater honor and glory. And we pray for the salvation of our souls in this world, that we may come to the enjoyment of the unfailing light of the Lamb of God in heaven.

St. Lucy, virgin and martyr, hear our prayers and answer our petitions. Amen.

## **PRAYER TO ST. JUDE** (patron of hopeless causes)

Saint Jude, glorious apostle, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the name of the traitor has caused you to be forgotten by many, but the true Church invokes you universally as the patron of things despaired of. Pray for me, who am so downcast. Pray for me, that finally I may receive the consolations and help of heaven in all my necessities, tribulations, and sufferings, particularly (*make your request here*), and that I may bless God with the elect throughout eternity. Amen.

Saint Jude, Apostle, martyr and relative of our Lord Jesus Christ, of Mary and of Joseph, intercede for us. Amen.

## **PRAYER TO ST. ALPHONSUS** (patron of arthritis sufferers)

Saint Alphonsus loving Father of the poor and sick, all your life you devoted yourself with charity towards those who suffer sickness. I invoke you as the patron of those who suffer with arthritis, since you were afflicted with this disease in your lifetime. Look with compassion on me in my suffering. Full of confidence in your intercessions, I come to you for help in my present need... (*mention here*). Amen.

## **PRAYER TO ST. GERARD**

### *For Motherhood*

O good Saint Gerard, powerful intercessor before the throne of God, wonder-worker of our day, I call upon you and seek your help. While on earth, you always fulfilled God's designs. Help me to always do God's holy will. Beseech the master of life, from whom all parenthood proceeds, to bless me with offspring, that I may raise up children to God in this life, and heirs to the kingdom of God's glory in the life to come. Amen.

## **PRAYER TO ST. ANTHONY**

O Holy St. Anthony, through your teaching and preaching you bore witness to the loving presence of God in all of creation.

Now that you have come into the fullness of the kingdom, pray for us, that our lives might also proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ to all humanity.

Pray for us, St. Anthony

Help us become worthy of the promises of Christ.

Almighty, eternal God, You have given your people St. Anthony as an outstanding preacher and intercessor in times of need. Grant that with his help we may follow in the example of Christian living and experience Your support in all adversities. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **PRAYER TO ST. ANDREW**

O Glorious St. Andrew, you were the first to recognize and follow the Lamb of God. With your friend St. John you remained with Jesus for that first day, for your entire life. and now throughout eternity. As you led your brother St. Peter to Christ and many others after him, draw us also to him. Teach us to lead others to Christ solely out of love for Him and dedication to his services. Help us to learn the lesson of the Cross and to carry our daily crosses without complaint so that they may carry us to Jesus. Amen.

## **PRAYER TO ST. AGATHA (patroness against breast diseases)**

Lord God, You showered heavenly gifts on the virgin Agatha. Hear the prayers of those who recall her devoted life and who ask her to intercede for them in their necessity. (mention your petition). Help us to imitate her virtues during our earthly life and enjoy eternal happiness with her in heaven, Amen.

## **PRAYER TO ST. TERESA OF AVILA**

Let nothing disturb you; nothing frighten you. All things are passing. God never changes. Patience obtains all things. Nothing is wanting to him who possesses God. God alone suffices. Amen

## **PRAYER TO ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY (patron of widows/ers)**

Dear Saint, you were always poor in spirit, most generous toward the poor, faithful to your husband, and fully consecrated to your Divine Bridegroom. Grant your help to widows and widowers and keep them faithful to their heavenly Lord. Teach them how to cope with their loss and to make use of their time in the service of God our Lord. Amen.

**PRAYER TO ST. ANNE** (to obtain some special favor)

Glorious St. Anne, filled with compassion for those who invoke you and with love for those who suffer, heavily burdened with the weight of my troubles, I cast myself at your feet and humbly beg you to take the present affair which I recommend to you under your special protection,.

Vouchsafe to recommend it to your daughter, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and lay it before the throne of Jesus, so that He may bring it to a happy issue. Cease not to intercede for me until my request is granted. (*here ask for favor you wish to obtain*)

Above all, obtain for me the grace of one day beholding my God face to face, and with You and Mary and all the saints, praising and blessing Him though all eternity. Amen,

Good St. Anne, mother of her who is our life, our sweetness and our hope, pray to her for us and obtain our request.

(Pray this prayer three times)

**PEACE PRAYER OF SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI**

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.  
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;  
Where there is injury, pardon;  
Where there is doubt, faith;  
Where there is despair, hope;  
Where there is darkness, light;  
And where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;  
to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;  
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

**PRAYER TO ST. DYMPHNA (for the mentally afflicted)**

O God, we humbly beseech you through your servant, Saint Dymphna, who sealed with her blood the love she bore you, to grant relief to those who suffer from mental afflictions and nervous disorders, especially (*name*). Saint Dymphna, helper of the mentally afflicted, pray for us. (Glory be to the Father..., 3 times)

**PRAYER OF ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA**

Dearest Lord, teach me to be generous; teach me to serve you as you deserve: to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward except that of knowing that I am doing your will.