

PRAYERS FOR SPECIAL INTENTIONS

PRAYER FOR DEPARTED LOVED ONES

O Almighty God, who by the love which you have for men, have deigned to take our humanity, to live a life of hard work, to suffer a most cruel passion and finally to die on the Cross. I beseech Thee, by the infinity merits purchased for us with your precious Blood, look mercifully on the suffering, which is endured by the holy souls in Purgatory. Accept, O merciful God, the prayers which I offer for them, and call them to the glory of Heaven. I recommend to you the souls of my relations, friends and benefactors, and in a special manner of those to whom I may have been an occasion of sin by my bad example. Most Holy Virgin, Mother of mercy, Comforter of the Afflicted, intercede for those souls that by Your powerful intercession they may be admitted to enjoy that Kingdom which is prepared for them. Amen.

CONSECRATION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

MOST sweet Jesus, Redeemer of the human race, look down upon us, humbly kneeling before thy altar, We are Yours and Yours we wish to be; but to be more surely united with You, each one of us freely consecrates himself today to Your most Heart.

Many have never known You; many too, have rejected You. Have mercy on them all, most merciful Jesus, and draw them to Your Sacred Heart. May You be recognized as Saviour by all those who are still in the darkness of disbelief. Draw them into the light and Kingdom of God.

Grant, O Lord, to Your Church freedom and immunity from harm; give peace and order to all nations, and make the earth resound from pole to pole with one cry: praise to the divine Heart that wrought our salvation; to it be glory and honour forever. Amen.

PRAYER FOR FAMILIES

God, Our Father, loving and merciful, bring together and keep all families in perfect unity of love and mutual support. Infuse in each member the spirit of understanding, forbearance, and affection for each other.

Keep quarrels, bitterness and pettiness far from them, and for their occasional failures instill forgiveness and peace.

May the mutual love and affection of parents be a source of loving obedience and discipline, May their chastity and fidelity be an inspiration to their children.

Instill in children such self-respect that they may respect others, obey their parents and those in authority and grow in mature independence and the tender joys of friendship.

Make the mutual affection and respect of families a sign of Christian life here and hereafter, through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour. Amen.