

# Litany for the Holy Souls in Purgatory

O Jesus, You suffered and died that all mankind might be saved and brought to eternal happiness. Hear our pleas for further mercy on the souls of:

For my dear parents and grandparents, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
My brothers and sisters and other near relatives, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
My godparents and sponsors of confirmation, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
My spiritual and temporal benefactors, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
My friends and neighbors, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
All for whom love or duty calls me to pray, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
Those who have suffered disadvantages or harm through me, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
Those who are especially beloved by you, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
Those whose release is near at hand, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
Those who desire most to be united with you, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
Those who endure the greatest sufferings, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
Those who are least remembered, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
Those whose release is most remote, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
Those who are most deserving because of their services to the Church, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
The rich, who now are the most destitute, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
The mighty, who now are powerless, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
The once spiritually blind, who now see their folly, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
The frivolous, who spent their time in idleness, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
The poor who did not seek the treasures of heaven, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
The tepid, who devoted little time to prayer, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
The indolent, who neglected to perform good works, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
Those of little faith, who neglected the frequent reception of the sacraments, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
The habitual sinners, who owe their salvation to a miracle of grace, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
Parents who failed to watch over their children, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
Superiors who were not solicitous for the salvation of those entrusted to them, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
Those who strove for worldly riches and pleasures, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
The worldly-minded, who failed to use their wealth and talents in the service of God, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
Those who witnessed the death of others, but would not think of their own, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
Those who did not provide for the life hereafter, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
Those whose sentence is severe because of the great things entrusted to them, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
The popes, kings, and rulers, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
The bishops and their counselors, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
My teachers and spiritual advisers, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
The priests and religious of the Catholic Church, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
The defenders of the holy faith, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
Those who died on the battlefield, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
Those who fought for their country, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
Those who were buried in the sea, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
Those who died of strokes, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
Those who died of heart attacks, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
Those who suffered and died of cancer or AIDS, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
Those who died suddenly in accidents, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
Those who died without the last rites of the Church, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
Those who shall die within the next 24 hours, **Jesus, have mercy!**  
My own poor soul when I shall have to appear before your judgment seat. **Jesus, have mercy!**

*- Closing Prayers -*

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.  
Let perpetual light shine upon them forever more  
with your saints in heaven because you are so gracious.

**LEADER:** The Lord be with you.

**RESPONSE:** And with your Spirit.

May the prayer of your suppliant people, we beseech you,  
O Lord, benefit the souls of your departed servants and handmaids.  
Deliver them from all their sins and make them partakers of your redemption.

Amen.