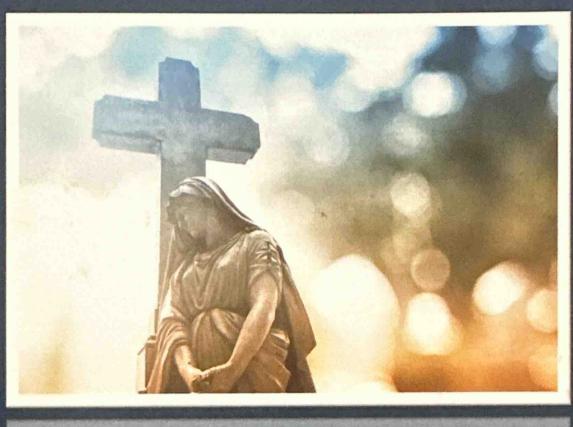


# Beneath His Cross

"Standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother..."

John 19: 25





### Beneath His Cross is a love letter through the heart of Mary to every priest.

We are a Lay Apostolate of men and women who love our priests through the Immaculate Heart of Our Blessed Mother. We stand with Our Lady beneath the Cross of Jesus, in prayer, sacrifice, and reparation for our priests.

#### Patrons of Beneath His Cross



Dur Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament May 13th



Saint Joseph March 19th



Blessed James Kern October 20th



Saint Jacinta Marto February 20th



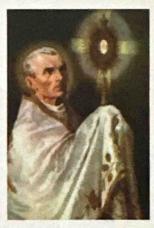
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Saint Maximilian Kolbe August 14th



Saint Peter Julian Eymard August 2nd



Saint John Vianney August 4th



Saint Catherine of Siena April 29th



SOG- Father John A. Hardon, S.J.

December 30th



SOG- Catherine Doherty
December 14th

#### Please Kneel

(All) O Sacrament Most Holy. O Sacrament Divine, all praise and all thanksgiving be every moment Thine! O Sacrament Most Holy. O Sacrament Divine, all praise and all thanksgiving be every moment Thine! O Sacrament Most Holy. O Sacrament Divine, all praise and all thanksgiving be every moment Thine!

(Leader) As Beneath His Cross we come together united as mothers and fathers for our sons who are Alter Christus (another Christ).

(Leader) By your grace Lord may we be committed to you in the Blessed Sacrament with our Holy Hours. We offer this particular holy hour for the Sanctification of all Priests. Dear Jesus by your power and grace give us the capacity to love priests more and see you in every priest through Our Lady's eyes.

(All) O my God, poor, weak and miserable as I am, I have come to spend this hour alone with You, in reparation for the priests who have forgotten that they are Your chosen souls. Especially, dear God, do I offer this holy hour for the priest who at the moment needs it most. In praying for consecrated souls, help me to remember my own utter weakness, misery, and nothingness. Were it not for Your grace, I would be far worse than those for whom I pray.

(All) O my God, help those priests who are faithful, to remain faithful: to those who are falling, stretch forth Thy Divine Hand that they may grasp it as their support. And for those unfortunate souls who have fallen, lift them up in the great ocean of Your Mercy, that being engulfed therein, they may receive the grace, to return to Your Great Loving Heart. Amen.

(Leader) Especially this hour we dedicate to Pope Francis, Emeritus Pope Benedict, Archbishop Jose Gomez, Archbishop Samuel Aquila, Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone, Bishop David O'Connell, Bishop Thomas J. Olmsted, Bishop Alex Aclan, Bishop Alberto Rojas, Bishop Eduardo Nevares, Bishop Michael C. Barber, All Bishops and Cardinals throughout the world. All Vicar of Clergies. Father Bill Casey CPM, The Fathers of Mercy, Father Peter Cipriani, Father Rodolfo Lopez, Father Larry Dowdel, Father Michael Nufable, Father Jacob Hsieh, D. Praem, The Norbertine Fathers, Father Cassian Di Rocco. Father Robert McGowan, Father Humberto Marquez, Father Daniel Ciucci, Msgr. James C. Gehl, Fr. Alden Sison, Father Stanley Onwuegbule, Father Francis Gloudeman, D. Praem, Father Anthony Le, Father Erick Villa, Father Quang Dong, Father Arturo Bazan, Very Rev. Fr. John Lankeit, Father Rafael Umana, Fr. John Nahrgang, Fr. Andrew McNair, for the repose soul of Father Louis Marx, Father Tom Sullivan and Father Flavian. Deacon Sargon Younan, Deacon Mike Perez, Deacon Mike Berens, Deacon Jose Rodriguez, Deacon Albert Dizon, Deacon Dave Holland, Deacon John Kortuem, Deacon Candelario Jimenez, Deacon Leland DeFrates, Deacon Paul Abenoja, Deacon Ron Horan, Deacon Doug Bogart, Deacon Tim McCann, Deacon Roy Drapeau, and Deacon Tony Smith.

For every religious, seminarian, deacon and priest that have asked us to pray for them and all throughout the world. We pray for an uprising of holy vocations to the Holy Priesthood and Religious life. For those priests that have left the holy priesthood we humbly ask blessed mother that you bring them back to us; be it the will of God through your Most Immaculate Heart. At this time, please mention either in the silence of your hearts or out loud those priests you would like us to remember during this holy hour.

Leader: We pray to the Lord

All: Lord hear our prayer

The Litany of Humility was written by Rafael Cardinal Merry del Val (1865-1930), the secretary of state for Pope Saint Pius X. It is a very good daily prayer, especially when recited in front of a crucifix so that we can recall the humility of Christ. Rafael Cardinal Merry del Val recited the Litany of Humility every day after celebrating Mass.

(Leader) We pray the Litany of Humility for every priest that they may be graced with the virtue of humility, and we pray that we too may be graced with the same virtue.

O Jesus, meek and humble of heart. Make my heart like yours. From self-will, deliver me. O Lord. From the desire of being esteemed, deliver me, O Jesus. From the desire of being loved, deliver me, O Jesus. From the desire of being extolled, deliver me, O Jesus. From the desire of being honored, deliver me, D Jesus. From the desire of being praised, deliver me, O Jesus. From the desire of being preferred to others, deliver me, O Jesus. From the desire of being consulted, deliver me, O Jesus. From the desire of being approved, deliver me, O Jesus. From the fear of being humiliated, deliver me, O Jesus. From the fear of being despised, deliver me, O Jesus. From the fear of suffering rebukes, deliver me, O Jesus. From the fear of being calumniated, deliver me, O Jesus. From the fear of being forgotten, deliver me, D Jesus. From the fear of being ridiculed, deliver me, D Jesus. From the fear of being wronged, deliver me, O Jesus. From the fear of being suspected, deliver me, O Jesus.



That others may be loved more than I, O Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.

That others may be esteemed more than I, O Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.

That, in the opinion of the world, others may increase and I may decrease, O Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.

That others may be chosen and I set aside, O Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.

That others may be praised and I unnoticed, O Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.

That others may be preferred to me in everything, O Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.

That others may become holier than I.

provided that I may become as holy as I should, O Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it.



Prayer to Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament

(All Together)

Most Immaculate Most Holy Most Pure Beautiful Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament I give myself to you this day as a gift for the salvation of all priests. Pray for me Blessed Mother that I may have the understanding and knowledge that first and foremost I am a daughter/son of God, loved into life with a specific mission and purpose. Obtain for me the grace to imitate your virtues especially that of purity, holy obedience and the willingness to do God's will. Blessed Mother, you carried the Word in your womb. Nourish my heart so that I too may carry the word of God in my daily life; persevering always to the very end. Open my heart so that Your Son may speak His Truth, Love and Will to me. Blessed Mother, in my times of happiness and sorrow may I never forget to run to your motherly love. I give you my sufferings, my joys, my family, and my life. Ory my tears and hold me as you did your son Jesus. Beautiful Lady how I long to be a reflection of you. Guide and teach me to live out my baptismal promises and the dignity that was given to me at my conception. Unveil to me Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament that I may have a deeper understanding, love and devotion to Him. Mother of the Most Blessed Sacrament hold close to your Most Immaculate Heart all priests throughout the world. Give them the grace of your consolation, fidelity, zeal, hope and strength in time of trial, discouragement, temptation and loneliness. Raise among us holy consecrated priests after your own heart, who will preach and defend the Gospel in its fullness to the very end. Allow me to assist you beautiful Queen of Heaven my mother, in bringing my brothers and sisters to your Son. Our Eucharistic Lord, where He resides in Tabernacles all over the world. Amen.

Written by Islanda Rodrigae.

### **Beneath His Cross**

Luminous Mysteries of the Most Holy Rosary for Priests

Meditations written by Yolanda Rodriguez and edited by Father Larry Dowdel

I believe in God, the Father Almighty.

Creator of Heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ,

His only Son Our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit.

born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into Hell: the third day He rose again from the dead:

He ascended into Heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father almighty;

from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church,

the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.

Our Father, Who art in heaven.

Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come.

Thy Will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses.

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. Amen.

#### Hail Mary

Leader: For an increase in the theological virtues of faith, hope, and charity.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee;

Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

GLORY BE to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.



#### The First Luminous Mystery

#### The Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan

(Leader) My brother priest, when you were ordained, you were set apart-chosen by Christ among men. Souls were entrusted to you in need of healing, the truth and reconciliation with God. May you hold fast to the graces given at your baptism and ordination which we pray will continually transform and strengthen you to persevere in this great ministry entrusted to you. It is through you that we hear Christ at times when we feel scared, unworthy, ashamed, unforgiving or distrustful of God's mercy.

We pray that your heart may be invigorated with the gifts of the Holy Spirit, bringing to souls Christ's compassion, love and merciful heart.

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"The priest is a marked man, the
"special" target of the devil's malice.
Don't pray for priests superficially,
pray fervently. We priests need your
prayers and sacrifices."
Father Bill Casey, CPM

### The Second Luminous Mystery The Wedding Feast at Cana

(Leader) Meditating upon Our Lady's words, "Do whatever He tells you," we see how she assists Christ in the work of Redemption. My brother priest, Our Lady knows Christ's gift of priesthood imprinted on your heart and soul. Through her prayers she will always guide you showing you how to become more like Jesus her Son, Our Eternal High Priest. Her powerful intercession will assist you in overcoming the challenges, temptations, and spiritual dangers you will meet in your priestly ministry. Born of the Holy Eucharist let us reflect on what Pope Saint John Paul II stated, "Who more than Mary can help us taste the greatness of the Eucharistic mystery? She more than anyone can teach us how to celebrate the sacred mysteries with due fervor and to commune with her Son, hidden in the Eucharist. I pray to her, then, for all of you, and I entrust to her especially the elderly, the sick, and those in difficulty. I gladly repeat to each of you the gentle and consoling words of Jesus: "Behold vour Mother"

We pray that your heart may always know the loving embrace of Our Lady and the graces Our Eucharistic Lord bestows upon you.

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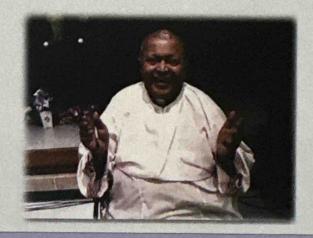
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"...As often as the sacrifice of the cross by which "Christ our Pasch is sacrificed" is celebrated on the altar, the work of our redemption is carried out..."

Lumen Gentium #3

## The Third Luminous Mystery Jesus Proclaims the Kingdom

(Leader) Saint Paul stated, "I hardly deserve the name apostle; but by God's grace that is what I am, and the grace he has given me will not be fruitless." Like him, my brother priest, you are a "wounded healer," with God showing his greatness in your struggle with your own weaknesses giving you the power to persevere. Through your being, words, and example you influence us. May you continue to inspire us to live lives of faithful service through your example. May you continually be educated, challenged, and formed by the Word of God, enabling you to preach the Truth fearlessly, for we need to be nourished by the same Truth.

My brother priest, we are here for you. You may not know our names or who we are, but we deeply appreciate you. We pray daily that you may be renewed in your purpose and vocation. As Saint Paul stated, "I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling which you have received, with all lowliness and meekness, with patience, forbearing one another in love."

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"If I saw an Angel and a priest, I would bend my knee first to the priest and then to the Angel."

Saint Francis of Assisi

#### The Fourth Luminous Mystery

#### The Transfiguration

(Leader) And behold a voice out of the cloud said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to Him!" My brother priest, can you hear God saying this to you? He has chosen you and entrusted the spiritual care of many souls to you. Do you feel unworthy at times? Do you feel afraid from time to time? May you not be afraid, my brother, remembering what Peter said to Jesus, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord, "and how Jesus responded to him: "Do not be afraid; henceforth you will be catching men."

We continually support you through prayer. May Christ transform you more fully into His own image and likeness. May your heart be open to the transforming power of the Holy Spirit. May the Lord bless you and keep you; The Lord make his face to shine upon you.

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"O, how great is the priest! ... If he realized what he is, he would die. Without the priest, the passion and death of our Lord would be of no avail. It is the priest who continues the work of redemption here on earth..."

Saint John Vianney

### The Fifth Luminous Mystery The Institution of The Eucharist

(Leader) "Offer your body as a living sacrifice holy and acceptable to God; do not conform yourself to this age but be able to judge what is God's will, what is good, pleasing, and perfect." My brother priest, for all eternity God has known you, and like the prophet Jeremiah, has dedicated you. Christ has given you the precious gift of priesthood as a sign for all of us of His presence and a means of sanctification through your prayers, example, teaching work, and sacramental ministry. May the Eucharist be truly for you the source and summit of all your power-the center point of your life-the focus of your ministry. May you remember what Pope Saint John Paul II said, "The priesthood and the Holy Eucharist were born together, and their destiny indissolubly linked until the end of the world."

My brother, we pray that your heart may desire Christ in the Blessed Sacrament daily. We pray that you will inspire among the people a strong desire for reverence, adoration and reception of the sacraments more often especially, the Holy Eucharist.

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"If we had faith, we would see God hidden in the priest like a light behind glass, like wine mixed with water." Saint John Vianney

#### **Closing Prayers:**

(All) Hail, Holy Queen Mother of mercy, our life, our sweetness, and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve, to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us; and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of Thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

(Leader) Pray for us. O Holy Mother of God. (All) That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ. (Leader) Let us pray:

(All) O God, whose only begotten Son, by His life, death, and resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life. Grant, we beseech Thee that in meditating upon these mysteries of the most Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **Prayer for Priests**

(All) O Almighty and Eternal God, look upon the Face of Thy Christ, and for love of Him Who is the Eternal High-Priest, have pity on Thy priests. Remember. O most compassionate God, that they are but weak and frail human beings. Stir up in them the grace of their vocation which is in them by the imposition of the Bishop's hands. Keep them close to Thee, lest the enemy prevail against them, so that they may never do anything in the slightest degree unworthy of their sublime vocation.

O Jesus, I pray Thee for Thy faithful and fervent priests; for Thy unfaithful and tepid priests; for Thy priests laboring at home or abroad in distant mission fields; for Thy tempted priests; for Thy lonely and desolate priests; for Thy young priests; for Thy aged priests; for Thy sick priests; for Thy dying priests; for the souls of Thy priests in Purgatory.

But above all I commend to Thee the priests dearest to me: the priest who baptized me; the priests at whose Masses I assisted and who gave me Thy Body and Blood in Holy Communion; the priests who taught and instructed or helped me and encouraged me; all the priests to whom I am indebted in any other way, particularly (say your priest's name in silence of your heart). O Jesus, keep them all close to Thy heart, and bless them abundantly in time and in eternity. Amen. Mary, Queen of the clergy, pray for us; obtain for us many and holy priests. Amen.

Written by Richard Cardinal Cushing

Leader: For the Intentions of Our Holy Father Pope Francis: Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be







#### Saint Michael the Archangel

(All) St. Michael the Archangel defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

#### Prayer for the Healing of the Church

(All) D God in heaven, we beg you to hear us as we come to you in this time of crisis and pain in the Church. Please heal the survivors and protect the innocent. May your Holy Spirit comfort us, give us clarity, and bring light to this darkness and evil. Guide us in the path that will end this abuse and our gravest sins as your church. Come into each of our hearts, because each of us truly is your Church. Show us what we must do. Guide our steps and give us your words of wisdom and love. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Memorare Prayer

(All) Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to thee do I come; before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

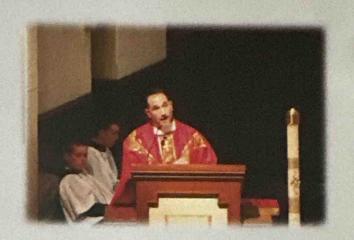
#### (Leader) For the leaders of the Church:

that they may be given wisdom and a sense of justice to speak the words of life to a world overshadowed by a culture of death; We pray to the Lord: (All) Lord hear our prayer

#### (Leader) For the bishops and priests of our Church:

that by their commitment to the innocent child, the Gospel of Life might be preached in each of our churches;

We pray to the Lord: (All) Lord hear our prayer



#### (Leader) For bishops who seek to guide Catholic politicians in the ways of truth:

that by their example and their words they might witness the Gospel of Life;

We pray to the Lord: (All) Lord hear our prayer

#### (Leader) As Beneath His Cross we spiritually adopt all sons throughout the world, in doing so we pray:

(All) "D God, grant that one of my sons may become a priest! I myself want to live as a good Christian and want to guide my children always to do what is right, so that I may receive the grace. D God, to be allowed to give you a holy priest! Amen."

Prayer of Mothers of the Village of Lu, Italy

(Taken from," Eucharistic Adoration for the Sanctification of Priests and Spiritual Maternity.")



## "I AM HERE"

"I Am Here" represents us saying, "I am here" praying, loving, sacrificing, and offering reparation for your priesthood **through** Our Lady's Most Immaculate Heart.

Leader: When you think you cannot go on

AII: I AM HERE

Leader: When you think you have no one praying for you

AII: I AM HERE

Leader: When you are feeling lonely or tempted

AII: I AM HERE

Leader: When you have lost hope or become discouraged

All: I AM HERE

Leader: When your health is depleted

All: I AM HERE

Leader: When you feel overwhelmed or stressed

All: I AM HERE

Leader: When you need to rest; rest knowing

All: I AM HERE

## The Chaplet of Reparation Offering of the Precious Blood for Priests

Taken from the book, "In Sinu Jesu."
This chaplet of reparation and intercession is meant to be prayed on an ordinary five-decade rosary.

(All) Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

#### On the Our Father beads:

Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Precious Blood of Thy Beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lamb without blemish or spot, in reparation for my sins and for the sins of all Thy priests.

#### On the Hail Mary beads:

By Thy Precious Blood, O Jesus, purify and sanctify Thy priests.

#### In place of the Glory be to the Father:

O Father, from whom all fatherhood in heaven and on earth is named, have mercy on all Thy priests, and wash them in the Blood of the Lamb.



### **Chaplet of Divine Mercy**

We offer for the souls of Priests and Religious in hospitals, purgatory and for those who will die today.

(All) I fly to Your mercy, Compassionate God, who alone are good. Although my misery is great, and my offenses are many, I trust in Your mercy, because You are the God of mercy; and from time immemorial, it has never been heard of, nor do heaven or earth remember, that a soul trusting in Your mercy has been disappointed. O God of compassion, You alone can justify me, and You will never reject me when I, contrite, approach Your Merciful Heart, where no one has ever been refused, even if he were the greatest sinner. (Diary, 1730)

(Leader) "Today bring to me the souls of Priests and Religious and immerse them in my unfathomable mercy. It was they who gave me the strength to endure my bitter Passion. Through them, as though channels, my mercy flows out upon mankind." Most Merciful Jesus, from whom comes all that is good, increase Your grace in men and women consecrated to Your service that they perform worthy works of mercy, and that all who see them may glorify the Father of Mercy who is in Heaven. Eternal Father turn Your merciful gaze upon the company of chosen ones in Your vineyard - upon the souls of Priests and Religious - and endow them with the strength of Your Blessing. For the Love of the Heart of Your Son in which they are enfolded, impart to them Your Power and Light, that they may be able to guide others in the way of salvation, and with one voice sing praise to Your boundless Mercy for ages without end. Amen

#### Make the Sign of the Cross

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

#### **Opening Prayers**

(All) You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. D Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us.

(All) O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fountain of Mercy for us. I trust in You! (3x)

<u>Our Father</u>. Who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy Will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. Amen.

**Hail Mary**, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Creator of Heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ,
His only Son Our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into Hell; the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into Heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father almighty;
from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.

#### The Eternal Father

(All) Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

#### On the Ten Small Beads of Each Decade

(Leader) For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, (All) have mercy on us and on the whole world.

#### Conclude with Holy God

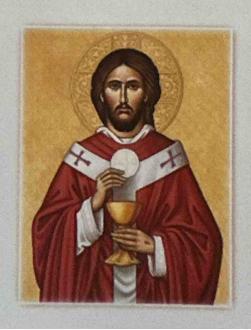
(All) Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world. (3x)

#### **Closing Prayer**

(All) Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion — inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself.

(All) Jesus I trust in You! (3x) Saint Faustina ..... Pray for us!

(All) O my Jesus, I beg You on behalf of the whole Church: Grant it love and the light of Your Spirit, and give power to the words of priests so that hardened hearts might be brought to repentance and return to You, O Lord. Lord, give us holy priests; You yourself maintain them in holiness. O Divine and Great High Priest, may the power of Your mercy accompany them everywhere and protect them from the devil's traps and snares which are continually being set for the souls of priests. May the power of Your mercy, O Lord, shatter and bring to naught all that might tarnish the sanctity of priests, for You can do all things. (Diary, 1052)





#### Saint Joseph Prayer

(All) To you St. Joseph we bring our broken hearts and all of the discouragement that weighs us down. Impurity and scandal have wounded our Church and have brought much shame, sorrow and tears. We ask you dearest St. Joseph, to be our guide along this very dark path, for you are the model of faith, purity and devotion that we need so desperately. May the Lord send forth the burning fire of the Holy Spirit, and renew the face of the Church, and the world. May all who bear the title "Father," whether by nature or by ordination, look to you as their model of virtue; that they may lovingly protect and nurture those in their care. Guide us to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, your beloved bride, and to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, the hope of all humanity. O St. Joseph, pray ceaselessly for the Church during this time of suffering and great mourning. May this current pain inflicted upon the Church be transformed by the power of Christ's cross, and lead to further renewal and continued purification. Amen.

~ Pedro de la Cruz



#### Closing of Cenacle Prayer

(All) Lord Jesus Christ, you ordained the apostles priests at the Last Supper to continue your mission of mercy to the end of time. We believe that every Catholic priest traces his ordination to that first ordination on Holy Thursday night. We know how much you expect of your priests and we also know how weak and human they are. Inspire us, dear Jesus, to pray and sacrifice for your priests who are also our priests that by their faithfulness to you in this life they may bring countless souls to you in the life to come. Mary, mother of priests, pray for priests that they may love your Divine Son, even as you did unreservedly, all the days of their lives. Amen.

~ Servant of God Father John A. Hardon, S.J.