

A HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE: PRAYERS BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT FOR THE GOSPEL OF LIFE

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

O salutaris Hostia
Quae coeli pandis ostium:
Bella premunt hostilia,
Da robur, fer auxilium

Uni trinoque Domino
Sit sempiterna gloria,
Qui vitam sine termino
Nobis donet in patria. Amen.

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Our Father, Hail Mary, Apostles Creed

On the Our Father Bead:

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 Each Hail Mary Bead:

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

Closing: (Repeat 3 times)

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Prayer:

O Blood and Water that gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fountain of mercy for us, I trust in You. 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.

Litany for Life

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

God of all creation. **Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, through whom all things were made. Lord, have mercy.

Spirit of life and truth, Lord, have mercy.

On each child just conceived Lord, have mercy.

For their safety and health Lord, have mercy.

For nine months of growth Lord, have mercy.

That an angel may protect them Lord, have mercy.

For peace and for hope Lord, have mercy.

On all new fathers, Lord, have mercy.

On fathers who are alone, Lord, have mercy.

On fathers unemployed, Lord, have mercy.

On fathers addicted, Lord, have mercy.

On fathers who are abusive, Lord, have mercy.

On young fathers who are afraid, Lord, have mercy.

On fathers who've run away, Lord, have mercy.

On all new mothers, Lord, have mercy.

On mothers who are alone, Lord, have mercy.

On mothers unemployed, Lord, have mercy.

On mothers addicted, Lord, have mercy.

On mothers who are abusive, Lord, have mercy.

On young mothers who are afraid, Lord, have mercy.

On mothers who are in pain, Lord, have mercy.

On those who defend life, Lord, have mercy.

On those who love the child in the womb, Lord, have mercy.

On those who pray for the unborn child, Lord, have mercy.

On all who work to change unjust laws, Lord, have mercy.

On all who live the Gospel of Life, Lord, have mercy.

On Congressmen who work for life, Lord, have mercy.

On our President, Lord, have mercy.

On the members of the House, Lord, have mercy.

On the members of the Senate, Lord, have mercy.

On all who little to vote or persuade, Lord, have mercy.
On all who work for life, Lord, have mercy.
On doctors of life and of truth, Lord, have mercy.
On residents who love the little child, Lord, have mercy.
On doctors who gaze on life's mysteries, Lord, have mercy.
On physicians who see into the womb, Lord, have mercy.
On surgeons who heal the unborn child, Lord, have mercy.
On all who defend the child in the womb, Lord, have mercy.
On nurses who love little babies, Lord, have mercy.
On nursing students, Lord, have mercy.
On those who first hear the heartbeat, Lord, have mercy.
On those who first feel a kick, Lord, have mercy.
On nurses who cradle the newborn, Lord, have mercy.
On nurses who foster the unborn, Lord, have mercy.
On all who protect defenseless life, Lord, have mercy.
On judges who struggle with justice, Lord, have mercy.
On lawyers who seek to speak truth, Lord, have mercy.
On judges who love life, Lord, have mercy.
On the judges of our Supreme Court, Lord, have mercy.
On those who argue before them, Lord, have mercy.
On the unborn child who rests in their hands, Lord, have mercy.
On all victims of abortion, Lord, have mercy.
On the woman whose memories cause her to cry, Lord, have mercy.
On those whose pain nags and holds on, Lord, have mercy.
On the unborn who rest with God, Lord, have mercy.
On all who seek mercy, Lord, have mercy.
On all who seek peace, Lord, have mercy.
On all who seek healing, and mercy and perfect peace, Lord, have mercy.

All: God our loving Father,
grant wisdom to those who govern us,
compassion and courage
to those who work to defend human life,
and safety and care to every human being.
For you alone who formed us in our mother's wombs,
and who call us home to heaven,
are God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Tantum ergo Sacramentum
Veneremur cernui,
Et antiquum documentum
Novo cedat ritui;
Praestet fides supplementum
Sensuum defectui.

Genitori Gentiouque
Laus et jubilatio,
Salus, honor, virtus quoque
Sit et benedictio;
Procedenti ab utroque
Compar sit laudatio. Amen.

Priest/Deacon: You have given them Bread from heaven

ALL: Having all sweetness within it

Priest/Deacon: Lord Jesus Christ, you gave us the Eucharist as the memorial of your suffering and death. May our worship of this sacrament of your body and blood, help us to experience the salvation won for us and the peace of the kingdom, where you live with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

ALL: Amen.

Blessed be God.

Blessed be his holy name.

Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true man.

Blessed be the name of Jesus.

Blessed be his most Sacred Heart.

Blessed be his most Precious Blood.

Blessed be Jesus in the most holy sacrament of the altar.

Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete.

Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most holy.

Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception.

Blessed be her glorious Assumption.

Blessed be the name of Mary, virgin and Mother.

Blessed be St. Joseph, her most chaste spouse.

Blessed be God in his angels and in his saints.

Amen.

**Holy God, we praise thy name;
Lord of all, we bow before thee;
All on earth they scepter claim;
All in heaven above adore thee.
Infinite they vast domain,
Everlasting is thy reign!**

**Hark, the loud celestial hymn;
Angel choirs above are raising;
Cherubim and Seraphim,
In unceasing chorus praising,
Fill the heavens with sweet accord:
"Holy, holy, holy, Lord!"**