

A Prayer for Priests

Lord Jesus, you have chosen your priests from among us and sent them out to proclaim your word and to act in your name. For so great a gift to your Church, we give you praise and thanksgiving.

We ask you to fill them with the fire of your love, that their ministry may reveal your presence in the Church. Since they are earthen vessels, we pray that your power shine out through their weakness.

In their afflictions let them never be crushed; in their doubts never despair; in temptation never be destroyed; in persecution never abandoned. Inspire them through prayer to live each day the mystery of your dying and rising.

In times of weakness send them your Spirit, and help them to praise your heavenly Father and pray for poor sinners. By the same Holy Spirit put your words on their lips and your love in their hearts, to bring good news to the poor and healing to the broken-hearted.

And may the gift of Mary your mother, to the disciple whom you loved, be your gift to every priest. Grant that she who formed you in her human image may, by her intercession, help to form them in your Divine Image by the power of the Holy Spirit, to the glory of God the Father.

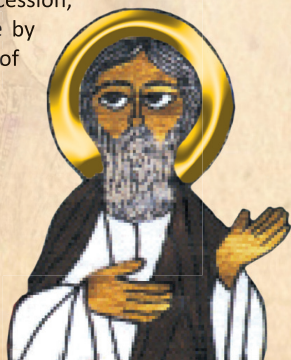
Amen.



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A Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood

Lord Jesus, you invite us to pray the Lord of the harvest that He send labourers into His harvest.

Lord and God of all, call to the priesthood men on fire with your divine love, who will be the voice of the Good Shepherd to the scattered sheep of the flock.

R. Lord of the harvest, send labourers into your harvest.

Lord and Saviour, bless us with holy priests. Through their ministry may your life-giving presence in the sacraments be always present in your Church.

R. Lord of the harvest, send labourers into your harvest.

Lord and Giver of Life, raise up men filled with your power and with great missionary zeal, so that all who dwell in darkness may come to live in the light of Christ.

*R. Lord of the harvest, send labourers into your harvest.
(Pause for silent personal prayer for vocations to the priesthood).*

Lord Jesus, you called chosen men to be with you: to preach the good news of salvation and to have authority over the powers of darkness. Send your Holy Spirit upon the men you have chosen for the priestly ministry. May they answer your call and follow you with generous hearts. Amen.

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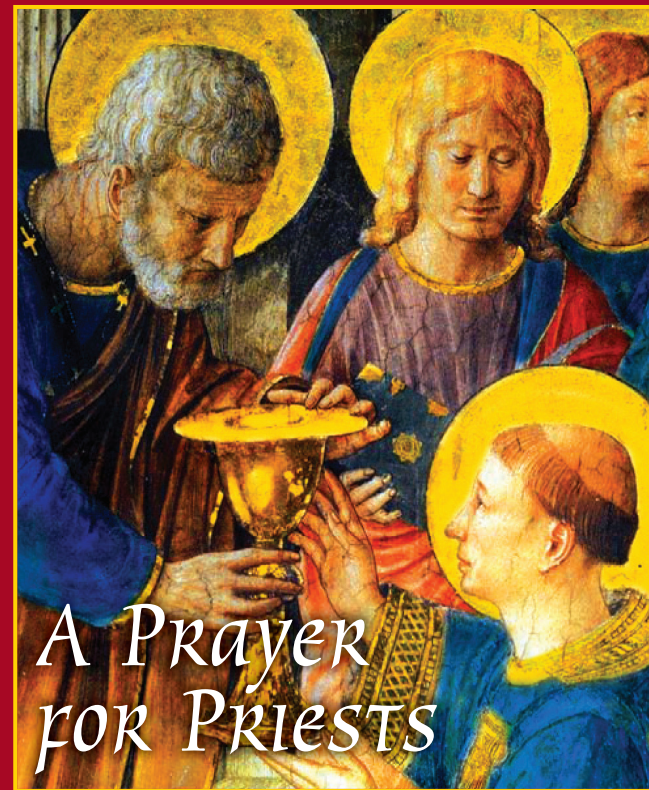
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Rosary for Intercession for Priests

V. Lord, open our lips.
R. And we shall praise your name.

V. O God, come to our aid.
R. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Scripture Reading: One of the following.

Matthew 9:35-38,	John 1:35-52,	Genesis 12:1-4,
Mark 10:28-30,	John 15:9-17	Exodus 3:1-6; 9-12,
Luke 5:1-11,	Corinthians 5:14-20,	Samuel 3:1-10,
Luke 14:25-33,	Hebrews 5:1-10,	Jeremiah 1:6-8.

The Joyful Mysteries:

We pray that every priest may:

- 1 The Annunciation *Hear and live God's word.*
- 2 The Visitation *Bear Christ to others.*
- 3 The Nativity *Proclaim Jesus as Saviour and Lord.*
- 4 The Presentation *Possess deep faith in the Sacraments.*
- 5 The Finding in the Temple ***We pray for our own bishop(s), priests and deacons.***

The Luminous Mysteries:

We pray that every priest may:

- 1 The Baptism of Jesus *Hear the voice of Jesus.*
- 2 The Wedding at Cana *Turn to Mary in times of need.*
- 3 The Proclamation of the Kingdom of God *Proclaim the truth of the Gospel.*
- 4 The Transfiguration *Witness to Jesus the Son of God.*
- 5 The Institution of the Eucharist ***We pray for our own bishop(s), priests and deacons.***

'Simon, Simon, behold Satan desired to have you that he might sift you like wheat, but I have prayed for you, that your faith may not fail; and when you have turned again, strengthen your brethren'
Luke 22:21



The Sorrowful Mysteries

We pray that every priest may:

- 1 The Agony in the Garden *Be steadfast in prayer.*
- 2 The Scourging at the Pillar *Bear suffering patiently for Christ.*
- 3 The Crowning with Thorns *Be faithful to priestly promises.*
- 4 The Carrying of the Cross *Experience the power of the Cross.*
- 5 The Crucifixion ***We pray for our own bishop(s), priests and deacons.***

The Glorious Mysteries:

We pray that every priest may:

- 1 The Resurrection *Be the bringer of peace and reconciliation.*
- 2 The Ascension *Be a witness of hope.*
- 3 The Descent of the Holy Spirit *Be on fire in the power of the Holy Spirit.*
- 4 The Assumption *Live the true devotion to Mary.*
- 5 The Coronation ***We pray for our own bishop(s), priests and deacons.***

Litany of Saints

V. Holy Mary, Mother of God.
R. Pray for our Bishops and Priests.

St. Michael St. Gabriel &
St. Raphael.

St. Joseph.

St. Peter and St. Paul.

St. Brigid & St. Patrick.

St. Francis and St. Clare.

St. Dominic.

St. Catherine of Siena.

St. Ignatius.

St. Vincent De Paul.

St. Margaret Clitherow.

All Holy Priests, Martyrs.

St. John Vianney.

St. John Bosco.

St. Thérèse of Lisieux.

St. Vincent Pallotti.

St. Pius X.

St. Edith Stein.

St. Maximilian Kolbe.

St. Faustina.

St. Pio of Pietrelcina.

St. John XXIII.

St. John Paul II.

