ST. CALLISTUS PRAYERS

BEFORE MORNING MASS - T, TH

LEADER: Good morning, everyone! We now invite you to pray with us the Divine Mercy prayers with the following intentions: In thanksgiving for all the blessings and graces we received, for the intentions of the Holy Father, our Bishop Barber, clergy and religious, especially Fr. Dante and Fr. Lucius, and all the priests who minister to our St. Callistus Church. We also pray for our St. Callistus parish community, especially those suffering and in need of healing. Finally, we include the souls in purgatory and the conversion of sinners.

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

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

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, 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.*

Apostles' Creed: 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, is seated 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.

LEADER: Eternal Father, we offer You the Body and

Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ,

ALL: in atonement for our sins and

those of the whole world.

LEADER: For the sake of His sorrowful passion,

ALL: have mercy on us and on the whole world.

ALL: **Holy God. Holy Mighty One. Holy Immortal One.** have mercy on us and on the whole world. (3x)

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. *Amen*.

A PRAYER FOR DIVINE MERCY (ALL): O Greatly Merciful God, Infinite Goodness, today all mankind calls out from the abyss of its misery to Your mercy - to Your compassion, O God, and it is with its mighty voice of misery that it cries out, Gracious God, do not reject the prayer of this earth's exiles! O Lord, Goodness beyond our understanding, Who are acquainted with our misery through and through and know that by our own power we cannot ascend to You, we implore You, anticipate us with Your grace and keep on increasing Your mercy in us, that we may faithfully do Your holy will all through our life and at death's hour. Let the omnipotence of Your mercy shield us from the darts of our salvation's enemies, that we may with confidence, as Your children, await Your final coming – that day known to You alone. And we expect to obtain everything promised us by Jesus in spite of all our wretchedness. For Jesus is our Hope: through His merciful Heart as through an open gate, we pass through to heaven. Amen. [Diary, 1570]

MERCY FOR POOR SINNERS PRAYER BY ST. FAUSTINA

Jesus, eternal Truth, our Life, we call upon You and we beg Your mercy for poor sinners.

- O sweetest Heart of our Lord, full of pity and unfathomable mercy, we plead with You for poor sinners.
- O Most Sacred Heart, Fount of Mercy from which gush forth rays of inconceivable graces upon the entire human race, we beg of You light for poor sinners.
- O Jesus, be mindful of Your own bitter Passion and *do* not permit the loss of souls redeemed at so dear a price of Your most precious Blood.
- O Jesus, when we consider the great price of Your Blood, we rejoice at its immensity, for one drop alone would have been enough for the salvation of all sinners. Although sin is an abyss of wickedness and ingratitude, the price paid for us can never be equalled.

Therefore, let every soul trust in the Passion of the Lord, and place its hope in His mercy. God will not deny His mercy to anyone. *Heaven and earth may change, but God's mercy will never be exhausted.*

Oh, what immense joy burns in our hearts when we contemplate Your incomprehensible goodness, O Jesus! We desire to bring all sinners to Your feet that they may glorify Your mercy throughout endless ages.

PRAYER FOR THE GRACE TO BE MERCIFUL TO OTHERS

OLORD, we want to be completely transformed into Your mercy and to be Your living reflection. May the greatest of all divine attributes, that of Your unfathomable mercy, pass through our heart and soul to our neighbor.

Help us, O Lord, that our eyes may be merciful, so that we may never suspect or judge from appearances, but look for what is beautiful in our neighbors' souls and come to their rescue.

Help us, O Lord, that our ears may be merciful, so that we may give heed to our neighbors' needs and not be indifferent to their pains and moanings.

Help us, O Lord, that our tongues may be merciful, *so* that we should never speak negatively of our neighbor, but have a word of comfort and forgiveness for all.

Help us, O Lord, that our hands may be merciful and filled with good deeds, so that we may do only good to our neighbors and take upon ourselves the more difficult and toilsome tasks.

Help us, O Lord, that our feet may be merciful, *so that* we may hurry to assist our neighbor, overcoming our own fatigue and weariness. Our true rest is in the service of our neighbor.

Help us, O Lord, that our hearts may be merciful so that we, ourselves, may feel all the sufferings of our neighbor.

We will refuse our hearts to no one. We will be sincere even with those who, we know, will abuse our kindness. *And we will lock ourselves up in the most merciful Heart of Jesus. We will bear our own sufferings in silence.*

May Your mercy, O Lord, rest upon us. Amen.

| St. Faustina, | pray for us and int | tercede for us. |
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| Mary, Mother of Mercy | /, | pray for us. |
| St. Joseph, protector of | f Holy Church, | pray for us. |
| St. Callistus, | | pray for us. |
| St. Pope John Paul II, | | pray for us. |
| St. Francis of Assisi, | | pray for us. |
| [Other Saint names lea | der wish to add], | pray for us. |
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May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. *Amen.*

THE DIVINE MERCY PRAISES

Response for each below: We trust in You.

Divine Mercy, gushing forth from the bosom of the Father.

Divine Mercy, greatest attribute of God.

Divine Mercy, incomprehensible mystery.

Divine Mercy, fountain gushing forth from the mystery of the Most Blessed Trinity.

Divine Mercy, unfathomed by any intellect, human or angelic.

Divine Mercy, from which wells forth all life and happiness.

Divine Mercy, better than the heavens.

Divine Mercy, source of miracles and wonders.

Divine Mercy, encompassing the whole universe.

Divine Mercy, descending to earth in the Person of the Incarnate Word.

Divine Mercy, which flowed out from the open wound of the Heart of Jesus.

Divine Mercy, enclosed in the Heart of Jesus for us, and especially for sinners.

Divine Mercy, unfathomed in the institution of the Sacred Host.

Divine Mercy, in the founding of Holy Church.

Divine Mercy, in the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

Divine Mercy, in our justification through Jesus Christ.

Divine Mercy, accompanying us through our whole life.

Divine Mercy, embracing us especially at the hour of death.

Divine Mercy, endowing us with immortal life.

Divine Mercy, accompanying us every moment of our life.

Divine Mercy, shielding us from the fires of hell.

Divine Mercy, in the conversion of hardened sinners.

Divine Mercy, astonishment for Angels, incomprehensible to Saints.

Divine Mercy, unfathomed in all the mysteries of God.

Divine Mercy, lifting us out of every misery.

Divine Mercy, source of our happiness and joy.

Divine Mercy, in calling us forth from nothingness to existence.

Divine Mercy, embracing all the works of His hands.

Divine Mercy, crown of all of God's handiwork.

Divine Mercy, in which we are all immersed.

Divine Mercy, sweet relief for anguished hearts.

Divine Mercy, only hope of despairing souls.

Divine Mercy, repose of hearts, peace amidst fear.

Divine Mercy, delight and ecstasy of holy souls.

Divine Mercy, inspiring hope against all hope.

Jesus, King of Divine Mercy, we trust in You! (3x)

IN THANKSGIVING - ALL:

Jesus, eternal God, we thank You for Your countless graces and blessings. Let every beat of our heart be a new hymn of thanksgiving to You, O God. Let every drop of our blood circulate for You, Lord. Our soul is one hymn in adoration of Your mercy. We love You, God, for Yourself alone [1794].

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

LEADER: The Divine Mercy devotional prayers are now finished. We invite you now to be in quiet contemplation with the Lord until the Mass begins. Thank you.