

Morning of Grace™

PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests. Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments. Help our priests to be strong in their vocation. Set their souls on fire with the love of your people. Grant them the wisdom, understanding and strength they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom. Allow them to experience joy in their ministry. Help them to become instruments of your divine grace. We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as your Eternal Priest. Amen.

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CLOSING PRAYER

Litany for the Poor Souls in Purgatory

O Jesus, Thou suffered and died that all mankind might be saved
and brought to eternal

happiness. Hear our pleas for further mercy on the souls of:

My dear parents and grandparents,

Response after each petition, (Jesus have Mercy)

My brothers and sisters and other near relatives, My godparents
and sponsors of Confirmation, My spiritual and temporal bene-
factors,

My friends and neighbors,

All for whom love or duty bids me pray,

Those who have suffered disadvantage or harm through me,

Those who have offended me,

Those whose release is near at hand,

Those who desire most to be united to Thee,
Those who endure the greatest sufferings,
Those whose release is most remote,
Those who are least remembered
Those who are most deserving on account of their services to
the Church, The rich, who are now the most destitute,|
The mighty, who are now powerless,
The once spiritually blind, who now see their folly
The frivolous, who spent their time in idleness,
The poor who did not seek the treasures of heaven,
The tepid who devoted little time to prayer,
The indolent who neglected to perform good works,
Those of little faith, who neglected the frequent reception of the
Sacraments, The habitual sinners, who owe their salvation to a
miracle of grace,
Parents who failed to watch over their children,
Superiors who were not solicitous for the salvation of those en-
trusted to them, Those who strove for worldly riches and plea-
sures,
The worldly minded, who failed to use their wealth and talent for
the service of God, Those who witnessed the death of others, but
would not think of their own,
Those who did not provide for the life hereafter,
Those whose sentence is severe because of the great things en-
trusted to them,
The popes, kings, and rulers,
The bishops and their counselors,
My teachers and spiritual advisors,
The priests and religious of the Catholic Church,
The defenders of the Holy Faith, Those who died on the battle-
field, Those who fought for their country, Those who were buried
in the sea, Those who died of apoplexy,
Those who died of heart attacks,
Those who suffered and died of cancer,
Those who died suddenly in accidents,
Those who died without the last rites of the Church,

**Those who shall die within the next twenty-four hours,
My own poor soul when I shall have to appear before Thy judgment seat,**

PRAYER Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them: For evermore with Thy Saints, because Thou art gracious.

**May the prayer of Thy suppliant people, we beseech Thee, O Lord, benefit the souls of Thy departed servants and handmaids: that Thou mayest both deliver them from all their sins, and make them to be partakers of Thy redemption. Amen.
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine on them. Amen.**

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen. (With Ecclesiastical Approval)

Closing Song: For Such a Time as This...

**Now, all I have is now
To be faithful
To be holy
And to shine
Lighting up the darkness
Right now, I really have no choice
But to voice the truth to the nations
A generation looking for God
For such a time as this
I was placed upon the earth
To hear the voice of God
And do His will
Whatever it is
For such a time as this
For now and all the days He gives
I am here, I am here and I am His
For such a time as this
You, Do you ever wonder why**

Seems like the grass is always greener
Under everybody else's sky
But right here, right here for this time and place
You can live a mirror of His mercy
A forgiven image of grace
For such a time as this
I was placed upon the earth
To hear the voice of God
And do His will Whatever it is
For such a time as this
For now...

