



PATH TO HEAVEN: JANUARY

We honour, the Mysteries of Infancy—Holy Childhood; Epiphany; Most Holy Name;

Novena for the Purification of the BVM; The Angelus Domini—Incarnation

January: Holy Childhood - Epiphany - Holy Name

The Mysteries of the Sacred Infancy

To be used during the Novena and Octave of Christmas, or at any other time.

V. O come to my aid, O God.

R. O Lord, make haste to help me.

Glory be to the Father, &c. Our Father, &c.

I. The Incarnation.

O most sweet infant Jesus, who for our salvation did descend from the bosom of the eternal Father into the womb of the Virgin Mary, where, conceived by the Holy Ghost, thou did take upon thee, O Incarnate Word, the form of a servant: have mercy upon us.

V. Have mercy upon us, O Lord.

R. Have mercy upon us.

Hail Mary, &c.

II. The Visitation.

O most sweet infant Jesus, who by means of thy Virgin Mother did visit St. Elizabeth, and filling thy forerunner, St. John Baptist, with the Holy Spirit, did sanctify him from his mother's womb: have mercy upon us.

V. and R. Have mercy, &c.

III. The Expectation of the Birth.

O most sweet infant Jesus, who for nine months enclosed in the womb did wait for the time of thy birth, and did meantime inflame the heart of the Virgin Mary and St. Joseph with most ardent longings, and did offer thyself to God the Father for the salvation of the world: have mercy upon us.

V. and R. Have mercy, &c.

IV. The Holy Nativity.

O most sweet infant Jesus, born of the Virgin Mary in Bethlehem, wrapped in poor swaddling clothes, laid in the manger, glorified by angels, and visited by shepherds: have mercy upon us.

V. and R. Have mercy, &c.

O Jesu! born of Virgin bright,
Immortal glory be to thee;
Praise to the Father infinite,
And Holy Ghost eternally.

V. Christ is at hand. R. O come, let us worship him.
Our Father, &c.

V. The Circumcision.

O most sweet infant Jesus, circumcised when eight days old, and called by the glorious name of Jesus, and proclaimed, both by thy name and by thy blood, to be the Saviour of the world: have mercy upon us.

V. and R. Have mercy, &c.

VI. The Adoration of the Kings.

O most sweet infant Jesus, who were manifested to the three kings, who worshipped thee as thou did lie on Mary's breast, and offered to thee the mysterious presents of gold, frankincense, and myrrh: have mercy upon us.

V. and R. Have mercy, &c.

VII. The Presentation.

O most sweet infant Jesus, presented in the Temple by the Virgin Mary, embraced by the holy old man, Simeon, and revealed to the Jews by Anna the prophetess: have mercy upon us.

V. and R. Have mercy, &c.

VIII. The Flight into Egypt.

O most sweet infant Jesus, whom Herod sought to slay, carried by St. Joseph with thy Mother into Egypt, saved from death by flight, and glorified by the blood of the holy innocents: have mercy upon us.

V. and R. Have mercy, &c.

O Jesu! born of Virgin bright,
Immortal glory be to thee;
Praise to the Father infinite,
And Holy Ghost eternally.

V. Christ is at hand. R. O come, let us worship him.
Our Father, &c.

IX. The Sojourn in Egypt.

O most sweet infant Jesus, who did dwell as an exile in Egypt for seven years, where thou uttered thy first words, and, loosed from thy swathing hands, did first begin to walk upon this earth, and, in the destruction of the idols, did work in a hidden manner thy first miracles: have mercy upon us.

V. and R. Have mercy, &c.

X. The Return from Egypt.

O most sweet infant Jesus, who when Herod was dead wast recalled out of Egypt into the land of Israel, and did in the journey suffer many fatigues and hardships, and were carried back by Mary and Joseph to the city of Nazareth: have mercy upon us.

V. and R. Have mercy, &c.

XI. The Life in the Holy House.

O most sweet infant Jesus, who in the holy house of Nazareth did dwell most holily, and did pass thy life in obedience, poverty, and toil, and as thou increased in years did manifest to God and men signs of wisdom and of grace: have mercy upon us.

V. and R. Have mercy, &c.

XII. The Disputing with the Doctors.

O most sweet infant Jesus, who were taken to Jerusalem when twelve years old, were lost by thy parents, and sought for by them with sorrow, and after three days were found, to their exceeding joy, with the doctors in the Temple: have mercy upon us. V. and R. Have mercy, &c.

O Jesu! born of Virgin bright,
Immortal glory be to thee;

Praise to the Father infinite,
And Holy Ghost eternally.

V. Christ is at hand. R. O come, let us worship him.
Our Father, &c.

During the Year:

V. The Word was made flesh.

R. And dwelt amongst us.

At Christmas and during the Octave add, Alleluia.

At the Epiphany and during the Octave:

R. Christ hath manifested himself unto us. Alleluia. V. O come, let us worship him. Alleluia.

O almighty and everlasting God, Lord of heaven and earth, who did reveal thyself to little ones, grant, we beseech thee, that while we duly celebrate and honour the most holy mysteries of thy Son, the infant Jesus, and worthily strive to imitate them, we may arrive at that heavenly kingdom which thou has promised to little children; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. Amen.

Say, Eternal rest give to them, &c., three times for the souls in purgatory who were devout to the infant Jesus, and one Hail Mary for the intention of the promoter of this devotion.

A Plenary Indulgence on the 25th day of every month to those who, being truly contrite and having confessed and communicated (Received Holy Communion), should recite, in any church or public oratory where the exercise in honour of the infant Jesus is practised, the above prayers, venerating at the same time the twelve mysteries of the Sacred Infancy, and praying for the intention, of his Holiness; and 300 days, once a day, for reciting the same in private. Both applicable to the souls in purgatory.

The Holy Name of Jesus

CHAPLET OF OUR LORD.

This is called the Chaplet of our Lord, because it is said in honour of Jesus Christ, and is composed of thirty three Pater nosters (Our Fathers), in remembrance and veneration of the thirty-three years which he lived on the earth; to these are added five times Ave Maria (Hail Marys) in honour of his five most holy wounds; the first three of which are said, one at the

beginning of each of the three sets of ten Pater noster, and of the two remaining, one is said previous to reciting the three concluding Pater noster, and the other after them. The Chaplet finishes with the Credo in honour of the holy Apostles, its composers, and which itself contains an epitome of the Birth, Life, Passion, and Death of our Divine Lord Jesus Christ.

Every one saying the Chaplet must, according to his capacity, meditate on the mysteries of the life of our Lord Jesus Christ; but it is not necessary to use these reflections, which are only added as a help.

An Ant of Contrition, with good Resolutions.

O my God, how little have I served thee in time past! how greatly have I sinned against thee! I acknowledge my iniquity, and my sin is always before me. But I repent, O Lord, I repent. I am heartily sorry that I have lost that time in offending thee which thou gave me to be employed in thy service, in advancing the good of my own soul, and obtaining everlasting life. I detest all the sins which I have committed against thy divine Majesty, and I resolve never to commit them any more. I am sorry, above all things, that I have offended thee, because thou art infinitely good, and sin is infinitely displeasing to thee. I love thee with my whole heart,—at least I desire so to do; and I firmly purpose, by the help of thy grace, to serve thee more faithfully for the time to come.

Receive, I beseech thee, the offering I now make to thee of the remainder of my life. I renew the vows and promises made in my baptism. I renounce the devil, and all his works; the world, and all its pomps. I now begin, and will Endeavour to spend this day according to thy holy will, performing all my actions so that they may be pleasing unto thee. I will take particular care to avoid the failings I am so apt to commit, and to exercise the virtues most agreeable to my state and employment. Amen.

FIRST DECADE.

The Archangel Gabriel makes known to the Blessed Virgin Mary the Incarnation of the Divine Word in her pure womb. Hail Mary.

1. The Son of God made man is born of Mary the Virgin in a stable. Our Father.
2. The angels rejoice, and sing Gloria in Excelsis Deo.

Our Father.

3. The shepherds hear the angels' tidings, and come and adore him. Our Father.
4. He is circumcised the eighth day, and called by the most holy name of Jesus. Our Father.
5. Is adored by the Magi with offerings of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Our Father.
6. Is presented in the Temple, and foretold to be the Saviour of the world. Our Father.
7. Flies from the persecution of Herod, and is carried into Egypt. Our Father.
8. Herod finds him not, and murders the innocents. Our Father.
9. He is carried hack by Joseph and his Mother into Nazareth his home. Our Father.
10. Disputes in the Temple with the doctors, being twelve years old. Our Father.

Add Eternal rest, &c. if said for the departed.

SECOND DECADE.

Jesus is most obedient to the Blessed Virgin his Mother, and to St. Joseph. Hail Mary.

1. When thirty years old, he is baptized by John in Jordan. Our Father.
2. Fasts forty days in the desert, and overcomes the tempter. Our Father.
3. Practises and preaches his own holy law, whereby is life eternal. Our Father.
4. Calls his disciples, who forthwith leave all and follow him. Our Father.
5. Works his first miracle of changing water into wine. Our Father.
6. Heals the sick, makes the lame to walk, gives hearing to the deaf, sight to the blind, life to the dead. Our Father.
7. Converts sinful men and sinful women, and pardons their sins. Our Father.
8. When the Jews persecute him even unto death, he chastises them not, but sweetly chides them. Our Father.

9. Is transfigured on Mount Tabor, in the presence of Peter, James, and John. Our Father.

10. Enters triumphant into Jerusalem sitting on an ass's colt, and drives the profaners from the Temple. Our Father.

Add Eternal rest, &c. if said for the departed.

THIRD DECADE.

Jesus takes leave of his most holy Mother before he goes to die for our salvation. Hail Mary.

1. Celebrates the Last Paschal Supper, washes the Apostles' feet. Our Father.

2. Institutes the most holy Sacrament of the Eucharist. Our Father.

3. Prays in the garden, sweats blood, and is comforted by an angel. Our Father.

4. Is betrayed by Judas with a kiss, is taken and bound as a malefactor. Our Father.

5. Is falsely accused, is buffeted and spit upon, and shamefully used before four tribunals. Our Father.

6. Looks tenderly on Peter after he had thrice denied him, and converts him; while Judas despairs, hangs himself, and is lost. Our Father.

7. Is cruelly scourged at the pillar, and receives innumerable blows. Our Father.

8. Is crowned with thorns, shown to the people, who cry, Crucify him! crucify him! Our Father.

9. Is condemned to die, carries the heavy cross with grievous pain upon his shoulders to Mount Calvary. Our Father.

10. Is crucified between two thieves, dies after three hours' most painful agony, is wounded in the side with a lance, and is buried. Our Father.

Add Eternal rest, &c. if said for the departed.

Jesus rises the third day, and visits first of all his most holy Mother, Mary. Hail Mary.

1. Appears to the three Marys, and bids them tell the disciples they have seen him risen from the dead. Our Father.

2. Appears to the disciples, shows them his most holy wounds, makes Thomas touch them. Our Father.

3. The fortieth day after his resurrection blesses most holy Mary his Mother and all his disciples; then ascends into heaven. Our Father.

Let us pray to the most holy Virgin to obtain for us also the blessing of her Divine Son Jesus Christ, now and at the hour of our death. Hail Mary.

Add Eternal rest, &c. if said for the departed.

Let us say "I believe," &c. in honour of the holy Apostles.

End with the prayer said to be St. Augustine's:

O merciful Redeemer and God of infinite patience, great is my confusion at appearing in thy divine presence, because I have an frequently preferred contemptible creatures before thee, the Almighty Creator of the universe. I utterly detest my presumption in sinning in thy most pure sight. I acknowledge that I am a criminal, and I plead guilty at the bar of thy dread tribunal. Thou might have been glorified in thy justice, by striking me suddenly dead, and by condemning me to eternal flames for the base indignities I have offered thee; but thou was pleased to be glorified in the high prerogative of thy mercy, by recalling me to repentance. I abhor all my crimes of thought, of word, and of deed, not merely for the fear of punishment and for the hope of reward, but chiefly for thy sake, and because thou do infinitely detest them. O God of majesty and mercy, look upon the sacred marks in thy hands, feet, and side, which thou do still retain in thy glorified body, that they may plead in my behalf. By that tender love which induced thee to create, to redeem, and to sanctify me, unite thy infinite merits to my profound misery. Strengthen my weakness, confirm this my resolution of never more offending thee; rather let me lose every thing, even life itself, than lose thy favour by mortal sin. My heart was created for thee, and I love thee better than myself. Every day of my life, and especially that on which I shall expire, I will strive to love and to serve thee for thy own sake, my God and my Creator. O Saviour of perishing mankind, who opens thy hand, and fills every creature with benediction, give me now such a blessing as thou did bestow on thy beloved disciples, when ascending in triumph from the mountain of Olives, that I may live and die in these happy dispositions. Amen.

Say thrice every day, with a desire of obtaining a good death for all members of the congregation, the Lord's Prayer and Hail Mary, and once the following prayer: "Lord, into thy hands I commend my spirit, and all

those who are or shall be in the agony of death. Mary, Mother of grace, Mother of mercy, defend us from the enemy, and receive us at the hour of death. Amen."

Plenary Indulgence (1) once a year on any one day to any one who, after Confession and Communion, shall have made a practice of saying it at least four times a week; (2) once a month to any one who shall have said it every day for a month, and shall then, being penitent, after Confession and Communion, pray for the usual intentions; (3) in the article of death to any one who, being penitent and having confessed, shall then invoke, at least with his heart if he cannot do so with his lips, the most holy name of Jesus, provided he has said the above-mentioned Chaplet once during his illness with the intention of gaining this indulgence.

THREE ASPIRATIONS: "JESU," &c.

In order to increase the devotion of the faithful to Jesus and Mary by invoking their most holy names, together with the name of St. Joseph, for the purpose of recommending to them the last moments of this life, on which our eternity depends, Pius VII., by a decree of the S. Congregation of Indulgences, dated April 28, 1807, granted an indulgence of 300 days to any one, as often as he says devoutly, and with a contrite heart, the three following aspirations:

Jesus, Joseph, Mary, I offer you my heart and my soul.

Jesus, Joseph, Mary, assist me in my last agony.

Jesus, Joseph, Mary, may I breathe forth my soul with you in peace.

If but one of the above is recited, .then the same Pope granted to the reciter 100 days' Indulgence.

ANOTHER ASPIRATION.

Indulgence (1) fifty days every time any one says the following aspiration of St. Jerome Emiliani; (2) plenary to any one who says it at least once a day for a year, to be gained once only, on the feast of the saint, July 20, or during its octave, provided that, after Confession and Communion, he visit some church, and pray there according to the intention of his Holiness.

My sweetest Jesus, be not to me a Judge, but a Saviour.

Novena

IN PREPARATION FOR THE FEAST OF THE PURIFICATION.

(Beginning Jan. 24.)

Veni Sancte Spiritus

Holy Spirit! Lord of light!
From thy clear celestial height,
Thy pure beaming radiance give:

Come, thou father of the poor!
Come, with treasures which endure!
Come, thou light of all that live

Thou, of all consolers best,
Visiting the troubled breast,
Do refreshing peace bestow;

Thou in toil art comfort sweet;
Pleasant coolness in the heat;
Solace in the midst of woe.

Light immortal! light divine!
Visit thou these hearts of thine.
And our inmost being fill:

If thou take thy grace away,
Nothing pure in man will stay;
All his good is turn'd to ill.

Heal our wounds—our strength renew;
On our dryness pour thy dew;
Wash the stains of guilt away;

Bend the stubborn heart and will;
Melt the frozen, warm the chill;
Guide the steps that go astray.

Thou, on those who evermore
Thee confess and thee adore,
In thy sevenfold gifts, descend:

Give them comfort when they die;
Give them life with thee on high;
Give them joys which never end. Amen

1. Most holy Mary, bright mirror of all virtues, the forty days after thy delivery were no sooner past than thou, though the purest of all virgins, didst will to be presented in the Temple to be purified; oh, help us, then, by imitating thee, to keep our hearts unstained by sin, that so we too may be made worthy one day to be presented to our God in heaven. Hail Mary.

2. Virgin most obedient, at thy Presentation in the Temple thou did willingly offer the accustomed sacrifice of women; enable us so to follow thy example, that we may make ourselves a living sacrifice to God, by practising every virtue. Hail Mary.

3. Virgin most pure, thou did despise the reproach of men whilst observing the precept of the law; ask for us grace always to keep our hearts pure, whatever the world may think us. Hail Mary.

4. Virgin most holy, by offering thy Son, the Divine Word, to his eternal Father, thou did make heaven glad; present our poor hearts to God, that by his grace they may be kept free from mortal sin. Hail Mary.

5. Virgin most humble, in consigning Jesus into the arms of the holy old man Simeon, thou did fill his sight full of heavenly joy; consign our hearts to God, that he may fill them full of his Holy Spirit. Hail Mary.

6. Virgin most diligent, in ransoming thy Son Jesus according to the law, thou did cooperate in the salvation of the world; ransom our poor hearts from the slavery of sin, that they may be ever pure in the sight of God. Hail Mary.

7. Virgin most meek, on hearing the prophecy of Simeon foretelling thy woes, thou did humbly resign thyself to the good pleasure of thy God; make us always resigned to the dispositions of his Providence, and enable us to bear all troubles with patience. Hail Mary.

8. Virgin most compassionate, when thou did fill the soul of Anna the prophetess with light, by means of thy Divine Son, thou did make her magnify the mercies of God in that she recognized Jesus for the Redeemer of the world; enrich our spirit too with heavenly grace, that we may joyfully reap in full measure the fruits of our Lord's redemption. Hail Mary.

9. Virgin most resigned, although thou did feel thine own soul transfixed with sorrow, foreseeing all the bitter Passion of thy Son, yet knowing the grief of Joseph thy spouse for all thy sufferings, thou did console him with holy words; pierce through and through our souls with true sorrow for our sins, that we may one day come to rejoice with thee in everlasting bliss, partakers of thy glory. Hail Mary.

Then the Litany of the B.T.M., and the following Responses, &c.

V. Simeon received answer from the Holy Spirit.

R. That he should not see death till he had seen the Christ of God.

Almighty, everlasting God, we humbly pray thy Majesty, that as thine only-begotten Son was presented in the Temple in the substance of our flesh, so thou would enable us to present ourselves before thee with, clean hearts. Through, &c.

O God, the Shepherd and Ruler of all the faithful, graciously look down upon thy servant Pius, -whom thou hast chosen to be the pastor of thy Church; and grant him, we beseech thee, both by word and example, so to direct those over whom thou has placed him, that, together with the flock entrusted to his care, he may attain eternal life.

O God, our refuge and strength, who art the author of all holiness, listen to the pious prayers of thy Church, and grant that what we ask in faith we may effectually obtain. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Christmas Season Litanies

(These Litanies can be used during the other season during the year of grace, especially when a person needs guidance or is in difficulty, these are wonderful prayers that beg God's mercy.)

Litany of the Incarnate Word

(abridged from "Paradisus Animae.")

Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy.

God the Father of Heaven, Have mercy on us.

God the Son, Redeemer of the world,

God the Holy Ghost,

Holy Trinity, one God,

Word made flesh,

Word full of grace and truth,

God by whom all things were made,

Lord God of Israel, blessed for evermore,

Only-begotten Son of God,

Saviour, Christ, and Lord,

Great God, Son of the Most High,

God with us, Emmanuel,

Only-begotten Son, who art in the bosom of the Father,

Well-beloved Son of God, in whom the Father is well

pleased,
Wisdom set up from all eternity,
Image of the invisible God,
Whose Name is above every name,
Who upholds all things by the word of thy power,
Beginning of the creation of God,
First-born of every creature,
First-born among many brethren,
Heir of all things,
Flower of the field, and Lily of the valleys,
Bud of justice,
Angel of the Lord,
Angel of the Testament,
Star arisen out of Jacob,
Lion of the tribe of Judah,
Rod of Jesse,
Son of David,
Son of man,
Jesus of Nazareth,
Meek and humble of heart,
Good Shepherd, who gives thy life for thy sheep,
Shepherd and Bishop of our souls,
Saint of saints,
Prince of pastors,
Great Prophet, mighty in word and work,
Who was sent to preach the gospel to the poor,
The Lord our lawgiver,
Light of the world,
True Light, which enlightens every man that comes into the world,
Key of David,
Ark of the testament.
Living Stone, elect of God,
Stone that art become the head of the corner,
Stone of foundation laid in the midst of Zion,
Prince of the kings of the earth,
Master and Lord,
King of kings and Lord of lords,
Man of sorrows, acquainted with infirmity,
Who has truly borne our infirmities,
By whose bruises we are healed,
Lamb without blemish,
Lamb slain from the beginning of the world,
Our Prince and Saviour,
Our Lord and our God,
Salvation of God sent to the Gentiles,
The Propitiation for our sins,
The Apostle and High Priest of our confession,
The one Mediator between God and man,
Mediator of the New Testament,
Author and Finisher of faith,
First-begotten of the dead,

The Resurrection and the Life,
The Pasch and nourishment of our souls,
Who has the keys of death and hell,
Our Advocate with the Father,
The Temple and the Lamp of the holy city,
Hope of mortals,
Tree of life,
Light of life,
Fountain of life,
The Beginning and the End,
Judge of the living and the dead,
God blessed for ever,
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
Spare us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, Graciously hear us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, Grant us thy peace.
Christ Hear us. Christ graciously hear us.
Let us pray. O God, who, by thy co-eternal Wisdom, did make man when he was not, and mercifully restore him when he was lost; grant, we beseech thee, that by the inspiration of the same Wisdom, we may both love thee with our whole souls, and fly to thee with our whole heart. Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Litany of the Infant Jesus.

Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy.
Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy.
Infant Jesus, hear us.
Infant Jesus, graciously hear us.
God the Father of heaven, Have mercy on us.
God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
God the Holy Ghost,
Holy Trinity, one God,
Infant Jesus,
Infant, very God,
Infant, Son of the living God,
Infant, Son of the Virgin Mary,
Infant, begotten before the to morning star,
Infant, Word made flesh,
Infant, Wisdom of thy Father,
Infant, Purity of thy Mother,
Infant, only Son of thy Father,
Infant, Only-Born of thy Mother,
Infant, Image of thy Father,
Infant, Creator of thy Mother,
Infant, Splendour of thy Father,
Infant, Honour of thy Mother,
Infant, equal to thy Father,
Infant, subject to thy Mother,

Infant, Joy of thy Father,
 Infant, Riches of thy Mother,
 Infant, Gift of thy Father,
 Infant, Offering of thy Mother,
 Infant, precious Fruit of a Virgin,
 Infant, Creator of man,
 Infant, Power of God,
 Infant, our God,
 Infant, our Brother,
 Infant, perfect Man from thy Conception,
 Infant, ancient wisdom from thy Childhood,
 Infant, Father of ages,
 Infant of days,
 Infant, giving life, and nourished at the breast,
 Infant, Eternal Word, and making thyself mute,
 Infant, weeping in the crib,
 Infant, thundering in the heavens,
 Infant, Terror of hell,
 Infant, Joy of paradise,
 Infant, dreaded by tyrants,
 Infant, desired by the Magi,
 Infant, exiled from thy people,
 Infant, King in exile,
 Infant, Destroyer of idols,
 Infant, Vindicator of the glory of God,
 Infant, strong in weakness,
 Infant, powerful in abasement,
 Infant, Treasure of grace,
 Infant, Fountain of love,
 Infant, Author of the blessings of heaven,
 Infant, Repairer of the evils n of earth,
 Infant, Head of the Angels,
 Infant, Stem of the Patriarchs,
 Infant, Word of the Prophets,
 Infant, Expectation of nations,
 Infant, Joy of the shepherds,.
 Infant, Light of the Magi,
 Infant, Salvation of children,
 Infant, Hope of the just,
 Infant, Teacher of Doctors,
 Infant, First-fruits of the Saints, Have mercy on us.
 Be merciful. Spare us, O Infant Jesus.
 Be merciful. Graciously hear us, O Infant Jesus.
 From the bondage of the children of Adam, Infant Jesus,
 deliver us.
 From the slavery of the devil,
 From the corruption of the world,
 From the lust of the flesh,
 From the pride of life,
 From an immoderate desire of knowledge,
 From blindness of mind,
 From perversity of will,

From our sins,
 Through thy most pure Conception,
 Through thy most humble Birth,
 Through thy Tears,
 Through thy most painful Circumcision,
 Through thy most glorious Epiphany,
 Through thy most devout Presentation,
 Through thy most innocent Conversation in the world,
 Through thy most holy Life,
 Through thy Poverty,
 Through thy Sorrows,
 Through thy Labours and Travails,
 Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, Spare
 us, O Infant Jesus.
 Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, Gra-
 ciously hear us, O Infant Jesus.
 Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, Have
 mercy on us, O Infant Jesus.
 Infant Jesus, hear us.
 Infant Jesus, graciously hear us.
 Let us pray. O Lord Jesus, who did vouchsafe so to annihi-
 late the greatness of thy Incarnate Divinity and most Sacred
 Humanity, as to be born in time, and become a little child;
 grant that we may acknowledge Infinite Wisdom in the si-
 lence of a child, Power in weakness, Majesty in abasement;
 so that, adoring thy humiliations on earth, we may contem-
 plate thy glories in heaven. Who, with the Father and the
 Holy Ghost, lives and reigns, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Litany of the Life of Jesus Christ

Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy.
 Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy.
 Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy.
 Christ hear us.
 Christ graciously hear us.
 God the Father of Heaven, Have mercy on us.
 God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
 God the Holy Ghost,
 Holy Trinity, one God,
 Jesus, sent into the world by the Father,
 Jesus, conceived by the Holy Ghost,
 Jesus, who did put on the form of a servant,
 Jesus, born of the Virgin Mary,
 Jesus, adored by thy Mother,
 Jesus, wrapped in swaddling clothes,
 Jesus, cradled in a manger,
 Jesus, nourished at a virgin's breast,
 Jesus, manifesting thyself to shepherds,
 Jesus, submitting to the law of circumcision,
 Jesus, adored by the Magi,
 Jesus, presented in the Temple,
 Jesus, received into the arms of Simeon the just,

Jesus, exiled into Egypt,
 Jesus, persecuted by Herod,
 Jesus, brought up at Nazareth,
 Jesus, found in the Temple in the midst of the Doctors,
 Jesus, subject to thy Parents,
 Jesus, baptized by John,
 Jesus, tempted in the desert,
 Jesus, choosing for thy disciples the poor and ignorant,
 Jesus, assisting the afflicted,
 Jesus, transfigured on the mountain,
 Jesus, weeping over Jerusalem,
 Jesus, entering Jerusalem as King of peace,
 Jesus, driving the buyers and sellers from the Temple,
 Jesus, washing thy disciples' feet,
 Jesus, eating the Pasch with thy disciples,
 Jesus, giving thy Body for food, and thy Blood for drink,
 Jesus, praying in the Garden of Olives,
 Jesus, betrayed by Judas,
 Jesus, hated and despitefully treated,
 Jesus, scourged and crowned with thorns,
 Jesus, going up to Calvary,
 Jesus, crucified between two thieves,
 Jesus, made the scorn of men,
 Jesus, dying upon the cross,
 Jesus, after thy death, going down into hell,
 Jesus, rising again for our justification,
 Jesus, ascending into heaven,
 Jesus, sitting down at the right hand of the Father,
 Jesus, crowned with glory and honour,
 Jesus, sending down on thy disciples the Holy Ghost the
 Paraclete,
 Jesus, preparing for the just an eternal kingdom,
 Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, Spare
 us, O Lord Jesus.
 Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, Gra-
 ciously hear us, O Lord Jesus.
 Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
 Have mercy on us. O Lord Jesus.
 Christ hear us.
 Christ graciously hear us.
 Let us pray.
 O God, who willest not the death, but the conversion of sin-
 ners; look favourably on thy people, who, honouring the hu-
 miliations and the glories of thy holy life, fly to thy refuge
 with a contrite heart; and in thy merciful kindness turn from
 us war, famine, pestilence, and all the other scourges of
 thine anger. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

LITANY OF THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS

An Indulgence of three hundred days was granted by Re-
 script, dated April 28, 1863, to the faithful in England for
 the devout recitation of the Litany of the Most Holy Name,

by our Most Holy Father Pope Pius IX., who at the same time
 prohibited any form but that of which the following is a
 translation, authorized by the Bishops.

Lord have mercy on us.
 Lord have mercy.
 Christ have mercy on us.
 Christ have mercy.
 Lord have mercy on us.
 Lord have mercy.
 Jesus hear us.
 Jesus graciously hear us.
 God the Father of heaven, **Have mercy on us.**
 God the Son, Redeemer of the world, Have, &c.
 God the Holy Ghost,
 Holy Trinity, one God,
 Jesus, Son of the living God,
 Jesus, splendour of the Father,
 Jesus, brightness of eternal light,
 Jesus, King of glory,
 Jesus, Sun of justice,
 Jesus, Son of the Virgin Mary,
 Jesus, most amiable,
 Jesus, most admirable.
 Jesus, mighty God,
 Jesus, Father of the world to come,
 Jesus, Angel of great counsel,
 Jesus, most powerful,
 Jesus, most patient,
 Jesus, most obedient,
 Jesus, meek and humble of heart,
 Jesus, lover of chastity,
 Jesus, lover of us,
 Jesus, God of peace,
 Jesus, Author of life,
 Jesus, example of virtues,
 Jesus, zealous lover of souls,
 Jesus, our God,
 Jesus, our refuge,
 Jesus, Father of the poor,
 Jesus, treasure of the faithful,
 Jesus, Good Shepherd,
 Jesus, true light,
 Jesus, eternal wisdom,
 Jesus, infinite goodness,
 Jesus, our way and our life,
 Jesus, joy of Angels,
 Jesus, King of Patriarchs,
 Jesus, Master of Apostles,
 Jesus, Teacher of Evangelists,
 Jesus, strength of Martyrs,
 Jesus, light of Confessors,

Jesus, purity of Virgins,
 Jesus, crown of all Saints,
 Be merciful unto us,
 Spare us, O Jesus.
 Be merciful unto us,
 Graciously hear us, Jesus.
 From all evil, **Jesus deliver us.**
 From all sin,
 From thy wrath,
 From the snares of the devil,
 From the spirit of uncleanness,
 From everlasting death,
 From the neglect of thy inspirations,
 Through the mystery of thy holy Incarnation,
 Through thy Nativity,
 Through thine infancy,
 Through thy most divine life,
 Through thy labours,
 Through thine agony and passion,
 Through thy Cross and dereliction,
 Through thy faintness and weariness,
 Through thy death and burial,
 Through thy resurrection,
 Through thine ascension,
 Through thy joys,
 Through thy glory,
 Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, Spare us, O Jesus.
 Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, Graciously hear us, O Jesus.
 Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, Have mercy on us, O Jesus.
 Jesus hear us. Jesus graciously hear us.
 Let us pray. O Lord Jesus Christ, who has said: Ask, and you shall receive; seek, and you shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you; give, we beseech thee, to us who ask, the grace of thy most divine love, that with all our heart, words, and works, we may love thee, and never cease to praise thee. Make us, O Lord, to have perpetual fear and love of the Holy Name, for thou never fail to govern those whom thou do solidly establish in thy love. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Angelus Domini **Angelus in Latin**

V. Angelus Domini nuntiavit Mariam, et concepit de Spiritu Sancto. V. Ecce ancilla Domini, fiat mihi secundum verbum tuum. Ave Maria, gratia plena, Dominus tecum; benedicta tu in mulieribus, et benedictus fructus ventris tui, Jesus. Sancta Maria, mater Dei, ora pro nobis peccatoribus, nunc et in hora mortis nostrae. Amen.

V. Ecce ancilla Domini, fiat mihi secundum verbum tuum. Ave Maria.

V. Et verbum caro factum est, et habitavit in nobis. Ave Maria.

V. Ora pro nobis, Sancta Dei Genitrix.

R. Ut digni efficiamur promissionibus Christi.

Oremus.

Gratiam tuam, quaesumus Domine, mentibus nostris infunde: ut qui, angelo nuntiante, Christi Filii tui Incarnationem cognovimus, per Passionem ejus + et Crucem ad resurrectionis gloriam perducamur. Per eundem Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

The Angelus in English

To be said morning, noon, and night, in memory of the adorable mystery of the Incarnation of our blessed Saviour.

1. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary: and she conceived of the Holy Ghost. Hail, Mary, &c.
2. Behold the handmaid of the Lord: May it be done unto me according to thy word. Hail, Mary, &c.
3. And the word was made Flesh: And dwelt among us. Hail, Mary, &c.

V. Pray for us, Holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray:

Pour forth, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy grace into our hearts, that we, to whom the incarnation of Christ thy Son was made known by the message of an angel, may, by his passion and cross, be brought to the glory of his resurrection: through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

100 days indulgence when prayed kneeling, except on Sunday-standing, three times a day, morning, noon, and evening.

Prayers are copied from traditional prayer books, the treasure of the piety of the Catholic Church.

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FAITH CANADA

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