

## ¶ The Great Litany of Saints

*This is the oldest litany in continuous use within the Church. We know that as early as the third century this prayer was used in the East. It is usually recited on All Saints Day but can be used throughout the year, particularly at times of trouble or when we need spiritual guidance, as it were. The Litany is associated with some of the most important events in the Christian life: at baptisms, sometimes at death and at ordinations. It is also traditionally sung in procession through the fields on the Rogation Days—the Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday before Ascension Day. Like all litanies, it is designed to be recited with the community, but it can be prayed by an individual just as well.*

Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ, have mercy on us.

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*Lord, have mercy on us.*

*Christ, have mercy on us.*

*Lord, have mercy on us.*

God, the Father,

God the Son, Redeemer of the world,

God the Holy Spirit,

Holy Trinity, one God,

*have mercy on us.*

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Holy Mary,

Holy Mother of God,

Holy Virgin of virgins,

*pray for us,*

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Holy Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael,

All Holy Angels,

*pray for us,*

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Holy Abraham,

Holy Moses,

Holy Elijah,

Holy St. John the Baptist,

Holy St. Joseph,

All Holy Patriarchs & Prophets,

Holy Saints Peter and Paul,

*pray for us,*

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Holy St. Andrew, *pray for us,*  
Holy Saints James and John, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Thomas, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Matthew, *pray for us,*  
All holy apostles, *pray for us.*

Holy St. Luke, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Mark, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Barnabas, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Mary Magdalene, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Philip, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Bartholomew, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Simon, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Jude, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Matthias, *pray for us,*  
All holy Disciples of the Lord, *pray for us,*  
All holy Innocents, *pray for us,*

Holy St. Stephen, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Ignatius of Antioch, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Laurence, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Vincent, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Polycarp, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Justin, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Cyprian, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Boniface, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Thomas Becket, *pray for us,*  
Holy Saints John Fisher and Thomas More, *pray for us,*  
Holy Saint Paul Miki, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. John de Brébeuf, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Isaac Jogues, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Antony Daniel, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Gabriel Lalemont, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Charles Garnier, *pray for us,*

Holy St. Noel Chabanel, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Rene Goupil, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. John Lalande, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Peter Chanel, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Charles Lwanga, *pray for us,*  
Holy Saints Perpetua and Felicity, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Maria Goretti, *pray for us,*  
All holy Martyrs, *pray for us,*

Holy St. Gregory, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Athanasius, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Ambrose, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Augustine, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Jerome, *pray for us,*  
Holy Saints Basil and Gregory Nazianzen, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. John Chrysostom, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Martin, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Patrick, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Cyril and Methodius, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Francis of Assisi, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Clare of Assisi, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Anthony of Padua, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Nicholas, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Benedict, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Bernard, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Charles Borromeo, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Francis de Sales, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Dominic, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Ignatius Loyola, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Sergius, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Seraphim, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Thomas Aquinas, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Francis Xavier, *pray for us,*  
Holy St. Vincent de Paul, *pray for us,*

Holy St. John Mary Vianney,	<i>pray for us,</i>
Holy St. John Bosco,	<i>pray for us,</i>
Holy St. Teresa of Avila,	<i>pray for us,</i>
Holy St. Lucy,	<i>pray for us,</i>
Holy St. Agnes,	<i>pray for us,</i>
Holy St. Cecilia,	<i>pray for us,</i>
Holy St. Monica,	<i>pray for us,</i>
Holy St. Catherine of Siena,	<i>pray for us,</i>
Holy St. David,	<i>pray for us,</i>
Holy St. Cuthbert,	<i>pray for us,</i>
Holy St. Elizabeth,	<i>pray for us,</i>
Holy St. Julian of Norwich,	<i>pray for us,</i>
Holy St. Alban,	<i>pray for us,</i>
Holy St. Amphibalus,	<i>pray for us,</i>
Holy St. John of the Cross,	<i>pray for us,</i>
All holy Saints of God,	<i>pray for us,</i>

Be merciful.	<i>Lord, deliver us,</i>
From all evil,	<i>Lord, deliver us,</i>
From all sin,	<i>Lord, deliver us,</i>
From the snares of the devil,	<i>Lord, deliver us,</i>
From anger, hatred and all ill-will,	<i>Lord, deliver us,</i>
From everlasting death,	<i>Lord, deliver us,</i>

By your Incarnation,	<i>Lord, deliver us,</i>
By your Nativity,	<i>Lord, deliver us,</i>
By your Baptism and holy fast,	<i>Lord, deliver us,</i>
By your Cross and Passion,	<i>Lord, deliver us,</i>
By your Death and Burial,	<i>Lord, deliver us,</i>
By your holy Resurrection,	<i>Lord, deliver us,</i>
By your wonderful Ascension,	<i>Lord, deliver us,,</i>
By the coming of the Holy Spirit,	<i>Lord, deliver us,</i>
By your glorious second coming,	<i>Lord, deliver us,</i>

Christ, Son of the living God,  
Who came into this world,  
Who hung upon the cross,  
Who accepted death for our sakes,  
Who lay buried in the tomb,  
Who arose from death,  
Who sent the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles,  
Who are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
Who will come to judge the living and the dead,

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That you might spare us,  
That you might bring us to repentance,  
That you might confirm in us your holy service,  
That you might grant all our  
    benefactors eternal reward,  
That you might grant us the fruits of the earth,  
That you might be patient with us,  
That you might lift our minds to heavenly things,  
That you might give rest to the departed,  
That you might keep the world from disease,  
    famine, plague and war,  
That you might give to all people peace and friendship,  
That you might be pleased to bless your holy Church,  
That you might be pleased to keep all Bishops,  
    Priests and all in holy orders,  
That you might give unity to all who believe in Christ,

*we ask you to hear us,  
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Lamb of God,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
Lamb of God,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
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*have mercy on us,  
  
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Christ, hear us,  
Christ, graciously hear us,

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Lord, have mercy,  
Christ, have mercy,  
Lord, have mercy,

Let us pray.

O God, our refuge and strength,  
hear the holy prayers of your Church and your people,  
and grant what we faithfully ask.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.