

## *Litany of Saints for Priests*

The following is a Litany of Saints for priests, to be prayed by priests and those who are praying for priests. Holy men and women are invoked in seven groups. First, Our Lady, Saint Joseph, Saint John the Baptist, and Saint Michael followed by the priests of the ancient covenant who point to Christ. Next, the apostles and evangelists are invoked, followed by martyred priests, then bishops. The Litany then asks for the prayers of priests renowned for holiness of life through their preaching, pastoral labors, and teaching. Finally the litany asks the intercession of holy women who, throughout the ages, have been intercessors for priests through prayer and material assistance. Some saints may seem obscure, yet each is a model of priestly virtue or care for the priesthood. We ask them to pray with us for a renewal of the priesthood.

Try singing this litany interiorly as you pray for your priest. It is beautiful, peaceful, enjoyable, and God loves hearing our songs.

Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, have mercy.  
Lord, have mercy.  
Christ, graciously hear us.  
God, the Father of heaven, have mercy on us.  
God, the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy on us.  
God, the Holy Spirit, have mercy on us.

**R** Pray for Father \_\_\_\_\_

Mary, Queen of Apostles, **R**  
Mary, Queen of the Clergy,  
St. Joseph,  
Saint John the Baptist,  
Saint Michael the Archangel,  
Saint Melchizedek,  
Saint Aaron,  
Saint Zechariah,  
**All you Priests of the Ancient  
Covenant, R**

Saint Peter, **R**  
Saint Paul,  
Saint Andrew,  
Saint Matthew,  
Saint Thomas,  
Saint Philip,  
Saint Bartholomew,  
Saint John,  
Saint James,  
Saint Simon,  
Saint Jude,  
Saint James the Less,  
Saint Matthias,  
Saint Barnabas,  
*Saint Mark,*  
Saint Luke,  
**All you Holy Apostles and  
Evangelists, R**

Saint Meinrad, **R**  
Saint Peter of Verona,  
Saint John Nepomucene,  
Saint John of Gorkum,  
Saint Cuthbert Mayne,  
Saint Edmund Campion,  
Saint Isaac Jogues,  
Saint John de Brebeuf,  
Saint Andrew Dung-Lac,  
Saint Peter Chanel,  
Saint Andrew Kim Taegon,  
Saint Theophane Venard,  
Saint Mateo Correa Magallanes,  
Saint Toribio Romo Gonzalez,  
Saint Pedro de Jesus Maldonado  
Lucero,  
Saint Maximilian Kolbe,  
Blessed Stanley Rother,  
**All you Priest Martyrs, R**

Saint Ignatius of Antioch, **R**  
Saint Basil the Great,  
Saint Gregory Nanzianzus,  
Saint Ambrose,  
Saint Martin of Tours,  
Saint John Chrysostom,  
Saint Augustine,  
Saint Patrick,  
Saint Gregory the Great,  
Saint Anselm,  
Saint Norbert,  
Saint Hugh of Lincoln,  
Saint Bonaventure,  
Saint Antoninus,  
Saint John Fisher,  
Saint Thomas of Villanova,  
Saint Pius V,  
Saint Charles Borromeo,  
Saint Toribio Alfonso de  
Mogrovejo,  
Saint Francis de Sales,  
Saint Josaphat,  
Saint Alphonsus Liguoro,  
Saint John Neumann,  
Saint Anthony Mary Claret,  
Saint Pius X,  
Saint John XXIII,  
Saint John Paul II,  
Blessed Paul VI,  
**All you Holy Bishops, R**

Saint Jerome, **R**  
Saint Bernard of Clairvaux,  
Saint Dominic,  
Saint Anthony of Padua,  
Saint Thomas Aquinas,  
Saint Raymond of Penafort,  
Saint Ignatius of Loyola,  
Saint Francis Xavier,  
Saint John of the Cross,  
Saint Philip Neri,  
Saint Peter Claver,  
Saint Vincent de Paul,  
Saint John Eudes,  
Saint Louis de Montford,  
Saint John Baptist de Rossi,  
*Saint John Marie Vianney, Cure  
of Ars,*  
Saint Joseph Cafasso,  
Saint Peter Julian Eymard,  
Saint John Bosco,  
Saint Damien of Moloka'i  
Saint Charles of Mount Argus,  
Saint Leopold Mandic,  
Saint Albert Hurtado Cruchaga,  
Saint Gaetano Catanoso,  
Saint Pio of Pietrelcina,  
Saint Andre Bessette,  
Blessed Solanus Casey,  
**All you Holy Priests and  
Preachers, R**

Saint Mary Magdalene, **R**  
Saint Lydia Purpuraria,  
Saint Monica,  
Saint Clare of Assisi,  
Saint Catherine of Siena,  
Saint Teresa of Avila,  
*Saint Margaret Clitherow,*  
Saint Margaret Ward,  
Saint Anne Line,  
Saint Frances de Chantal,  
Saint Louise de Marillac,  
Saint Therese of Lisieux,  
Saint Teresa of Calcutta,  
Saint Faustina,  
**All you Holy Women,  
intercessors for priests, R**

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