

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

THE LUMINOUS MYSTERIES



EVERY FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

9:00 A.M.

SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA CATHOLIC CHURCH
KENNESAW, GA

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The Rosary begins....

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. On the third day He arose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from whence 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.

Our Father, Hail Mary (3), Glory be to the Father.....

1. The Baptism of Jesus

During that time, Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized in the Jordan by John. Immediately upon coming up out of the water, He saw the sky rent in two and the Spirit descending upon him like a dove. Then a voice came from the heavens: *"You are My Beloved Son. On You My favor rests."*

Intention: Let us pray that all Christians may become aware of their baptismal call to bring the Good News to others.

Our Father, Hail Mary (10), Glory Be, O My Jesus...

Send, O Lord, holy Apostles to your Church.

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2. The Wedding at Cana

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and His disciples had likewise been invited to the celebration. At a certain point the wine ran out, and Jesus' mother told Him, *"They have no more wine."* Jesus replied, *"Woman, how does this concern of yours involve Me? My hour has not yet come."* His mother instructed those waiting on tables, *"Do whatever He tells you."*

Intention: Let us pray that parents live their vocation to marriage and encourage their children to be open to the call of Jesus.

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3. The Proclamation of the Kingdom

4. When the book of the prophet Isaiah was handed to Jesus, He unrolled the scroll and found the passage where it was written: *"The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me; therefore, He has anointed Me. He has sent Me to bring glad tidings to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives, recovery of sight to the blind, and release to prisoners, to announce a year of favor from the Lord."*

Then He began by saying to them, *"Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing."*

Intention: Let us pray that the Lord will send us many holy priests, religious, and dedicated lay people to proclaim the good news of the kingdom.

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4. The Transfiguration

While He was praying, His face changed in appearance and His clothes became dazzlingly white. Suddenly two men were talking with Him—Moses and Elijah. They appeared in glory and spoke of His passage, which He was about to fulfill in Jerusalem. Peter and those with him had fallen into a deep sleep; but awakening, they saw His glory and likewise saw the two men who were standing with Him. When these were leaving, Peter said to Jesus: *“Master, how good it is for us to be here.”*

Intention: Let us pray for the grace to live our lives with our eyes fixed on the things of heaven.

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5. The Institution of the Eucharist

Then, taking bread and giving thanks, He broke it and gave it to them, saying: *“This is My Body to be given for you. Do this as a remembrance of Me.”* He did the same with the cup after eating, saying as He did so, *“This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which will be shed for you.”*

Intention: Let us pray for numerous and holy priests that the gift of the Eucharist may never be lacking to God’s people.

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PRIEST: The Gospel says: *The Lord appointed a further seventy-two and sent them in pairs before Him to every town and place He intended to visit. He said to them: "The Haroest is rich but the workers are few; therefore, ask the harvest master to send workers to his harvest. Be on your way and remember, I am sending you as lambs in the midst of wolves."*

In adoration we turn to God, the Harvest Master, and say:

ALL: Good and gracious God, through Baptism You have called us to discipleship with Your Son, Jesus Christ, and have sent us to bring the Good News of salvation to all people. We pray You to grant us more priests and religious to build up your Church. Inspire young men and women to give themselves totally to the work of Christ and His Church. Amen.

PRIEST: Thinking of the people exhausted and like sheep without shepherds, we raise our prayer to God, saying:

ALL: Lord, send holy vocations to your Church.

PRIEST: To You, Lord, I lift up my soul. My God, I trust in You. May I not be disappointed! May the enemies not triumph over me! That all those who hope in You may not be confused.

ALL: Lord, send holy vocations to your Church.

PRIEST: Lord, let me know Your ways, teach me Your paths. Guide me in your truth and instruct me because You are the God of my salvation.

ALL: Lord, send holy vocations to your Church.

PRIEST: Remember Your love, Your eternal fidelity. Protect me and give me Your salvation. Under Your protection I will not be confused.

ALL: Lord, send holy vocations to your Church.

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THE OUR FATHER FOR VOCATIONS

PRIEST: Our Father, Who art in heaven,

ALL: You have promised not to leave us orphans. Send Your holy ministers of salvation to give us the Spirit's life through the food of faith and charity.

PRIEST: Hallowed by Thy Name,

ALL: Through Your chosen ministers filled with Your Holy Spirit, may You be made known and loved by all people on earth.

PRIEST: Thy Kingdom come,

ALL: And may it be built by Your faithful ministers through the sanctity of their lives, their burning zeal for Your glory, and the salvation of all.

PRIEST: Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.

ALL: Eternal Father, do not cease to provide Your Church with Your holy ministers who teach all people Your holy law.

PRIEST: Give us this day our daily bread,

ALL: ...the bread of grace which nourishes us through Your sacraments. Enrich Your Church with chosen ministers who bring Your Sanctifying Grace to all men and women.

PRIEST: And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us,

ALL: Send to Your people, Lord, chosen and faithful priests who, by the Sacrament of Reconciliation, bring back to You numerous hearts in need of Your forgiveness.

PRIEST: And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

ALL: Lord, if our sins have deprived us of Your friendship, we ask You to send Your ministers of mercy among us. With personal zeal and sacrifice, may they keep our souls from sin and lead us to sanctification and eternal salvation. Amen

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PRIEST: Let us pray in adoration to Mary for Priestly and Religious Vocations.

ALL: O Mother! Awaken among the young generation a willingness to serve God alone. Implore for us numerous vocations for the priesthood and the religious life. O Mother! Confirm the faith of all our lay brothers and sisters that in every area of social, professional, cultural and political life, they may work according to the truth and the law, which Your Son has proclaimed to humanity in order to lead all to eternal salvation and, at the same time, to make life on earth more human and more worthy of man. Amen.

A PRAYER OF THE SICK FOR VOCATIONS

Lord, You know my condition...

You know my sickness and pain.

You know, too, Lord, the hurt and pain of all the world.

Your healing Presence is shown in a special way through the lives of priests, brothers and sisters.

But we need many, many more.

We need priests, brothers and sisters...

- to visit the sick,
- to cherish the elderly,
- to comfort the dying,
- to be with the poor and suffering,
- to teach in our schools,
- To be compassionate and sincere, loving and holy.

Call many young men and women today, O Lord. Share with them Your concern for us.

Share with them Your healing Love, that they might know it in their lives and share it with all the people they touch.

Call many young men and women today, O Lord.

Amen.

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*“One kneels in the
consciousness of one’s
nothingness and rises a
priest forever”*

St. John Vianney

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*“Christ has no body but yours, no hands but
yours, no feet but yours.*

*Yours are the eyes through which Christ’s
compassion must look upon the world.*

*Yours are the feet with which He is to go about
doing good.*

*Yours are the hands with which He is to bless us
now.”*

St. Theresa of Avila

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