

NATIONAL NIGHT OF PRAYER FOR LIFE—First Hour

ENTRANCE HYMN: Espíritu Santo Ven

Espíritu Santo ven, ven
Espíritu Santo ven, ven
Espíritu Santo ven, ven, En el Nombre del Señor.

Acompáñame, ilumíname toma mi vida,
Acompáñame, ilumíname Espíritu Santo ven

Espíritu Santo ven, ven...

Santifícame y transfórmame, Tu cada día
Santifícame y transfórmame Espíritu Santo ven.

Espíritu Santo ven, ven...

LEADER: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

All: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Thy faithful and enkindle in them the fire of Thy love. Send forth Thy Spirit, and they shall be created and Thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

Leader: Let us pray. O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit didst instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that in the same spirit we may be truly wise and ever rejoice in His consolation. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER BEFORE THE ROSARY FOR UNITY

All: Blessed Mother, come stay with me. Celestial, holy, and heavenly family, come pray with me, and offer all the Rosaries that ever were and ever will be to our heavenly Father for all worthy humanity. Let its power conquer hate and iniquity. Fill the world with peace and harmony, crush the head of Satan, who lies in wait so stealthily. The Almighty Majesty promised this would come to be. Lord, let my lowly Rosary add strength in unity so the power of the devotion in their Lady's Rosary will spread universally, and God's will be done on earth as it is in eternity. For these graces we humbly thank Thee.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

O Salutaris

O Salutaris Hostia,
Quae coeli pandis ostium
Bella premunt hostilia,
Da robur fer auxilium.

Uni trinoque Domino
Sit sempiterna gloria!
Qui vitam sine termino
Nobis donet in patria. Amen.

PRAYERS TO THE BLESSED SACRAMENT (By St. Alphonsus Liguori)

Leader: O most lovely, most sweet, and dearest Jesus! Life, hope, treasure and only love of my soul! Oh, how much has it not cost Thee to remain with us in this sacrament. It was necessary for thee to die in order to remain afterwards upon our altars; and how many injuries has Thou not been made to suffer, in consequence of this presence among us! But Thy loves, and Thy desire to be loved by us, have surmounted all. Come then Lord, come and occupy my heart, and afterwards close the gate to it forever, so that no creature may ever enter again to take away a part of this love which belongs entirely to Thee, and which I am unwilling to give to any other. Do Thou alone, my dear Redeemer, reign over me! Do Thou alone possess me entirely, and if at any time I should not obey Thee perfectly, punish me severely, that for future I may be more careful to please Thee, according to Thy desire. Let me no more desire not seek for any other pleasure than to please Thee, to visit Thee often at Thine altar, to converse with Thee, and to receive Thee in Holy Communion. Let them look for other goods who will! For me, I love only, I desire only the treasure of Thy love. The only favor that I ask at the foot of this altar is that I may forget myself altogether, to remember only Thy goodness. Blessed Seraphs, I do not envy you your glory! But by thy love which you bear to your God and mine, oh, teach me what I must do to love Him and please Him like you!

O my Lord and King, hidden in this sacrament, since Thou dost invite me to converse with Thee, I will open my heart with confidence, and speed. O my Jesus, ardent lover of souls, I know too well the injustice and ingratitude of men toward thee. Thou lovest them, and they do not love Thee; Thou dost confer benefits on them, and they return Thee insults; Thou wouldst have them hear Thy voice, and they will not listen; Thou dost offer them graces and they refuse them. Ah! my Jesus, I, too, was once among the number of these ungrateful souls. O my God, it is only too true. But I desire to amend, and I wish to compensate for the injuries I have done to Thee, by doing all I can to please Thee for the remainder of my life. Tell me, O Lord, what Thou dost require of me. I will do it without the least reserve. Make known to me Thy will by the way of holy obedience, and I hope to accomplish it. My God, I firmly promise never to leave undone any act which I know to be agreeable to Thee, although the performance of it should cost me the loss of all things--of relation, friends, character, health and even life itself. Let me lose all, if only I may do Thy will! Happy loss, when all is sacrificed to content Thy heart. O God of my soul! I love Thee, O Sovereign God, above all gods worthy of my love, and in loving I unite my feeble heart with the hearts of all the Seraphim. I unite it with the heart of Mary and with the heart of Jesus. I love Thee with my whole soul; I wish to love Thee alone, now and forever.

PRAYER TO THE TRINITY

All: Hail to You, Eternal Ruler, living God, forever existing, terrible and just Judge, always kind and merciful Father! To You be anew and forever adoration, praise, honor and glory through Your sun-clad daughter, our wonderful Mother!

Hail to You, sacrificed Man and God, bleeding Lamb, King of Peace, Tree of Life, our Master, Gateway to the heart of the Father, born eternally from the Living One, ruling in eternity with Him Who is pure Being! To You be anew and forever power and glory and greatness and adoration and reparation and praise through your immaculate parent, our Wonderful Mother!

Hail to You, Spirit of Eternal One, forever giving forth holiness, acting from all eternity in God! O stream of fire from the Father to the Son! O raging storm blowing strength and light and fervor into the members of the body eternal; unending fire of love, creative spirit of God in the living ones, red stream of fire from the Ever-Living One to the mortals! To You be anew and forever power and glory and beauty through Your star-crowned bride, our Wonderful Mother!

PRAYER FOR LIFE

All: Heavenly Father, source of all life, who desires not the death of your children, but wishes that they may grow into the fulfillment of the personhood that you placed in them from the moment of conception, shower Your blessings upon the unborn, protect them from all evil and bring them forth into the world to walk in Your ways.

Bestow Your particular love upon those privileged by motherhood that they may be supported at this most special time in their lives. Turn the hearts of the fathers toward You that they, too, may be filled with abundant grace.

I offer You my special prayer for all your children, for my life itself, for all the blessings You have bestowed on me, and ask finally to be brought into Your presence when You see fit to end my earthly sojourn.

PRAYER OF THE ROSARY FOR UNITY

Opening prayers of the Rosary - Apostles' Creed, etc. (**Note:** 20 decades are said during the night, Hail Holy Queen said at the end of the 20 decades. A short meditation or Scriptural Rosary may be used.)

THE JOYFUL MYSTERIES OF THE HOLY ROSARY

SILENT MEDITATION for the remainder of the hour.

NATIONAL NIGHT OF PRAYER FOR LIFE—Second Hour

Second Hour Hymn: Immaculate Mary

1. Immaculate Mary our hearts are on fire, That title so wondrous fills all our desire. (*Chorus*)
2. We pray for God's glory may His kingdom come, We pray for his Vicar, our father in Rome. (*Chorus*)
3. We pray for our mother the church upon earth and bless sweetest lady, the land of our birth. (*Chorus*)
4. O Mary! O Mary! Reign o'er us once more. Be all lands thy dowry as in days of yore. (*Chorus*)

Chorus: *Ave, Ave, Ave Maria! Ave, Ave, Ma-ri-a!*

PRAYER IN REPARATION FOR ABORTION

All: Eternal Father, You alone are the Master of life and death. So precious in Your sight is the soul of each person that you sent Your only begotten Son to Redeem us through the Cross and Resurrection. His coming was attended by the slaughter of the Innocents, the first Martyrs of Christ's Kingdom. Death at the outset of their earthly life gave them the beginning of eternal joy.

Today we are the sad witnesses of a new slaughter of the Innocents—the voluntary destruction of unborn children—and the suffering of these children's post-abortive parents. We seek to make reparation for these offenses which attack Your sole dominion over life and death and ask you to bring healing and hope to all those who suffer abortion's aftermath. Let not Your just punishment fall upon us. We ask too, that all who facilitate these crimes, whether from ignorance, weakness of fear, or even from malice, may be given the grace of repentance.

Lord, have mercy on us, spare us from the punishment we deserve: “deal with us not according to our sins, or requite us according to our crimes.” Grant us “the abundant life” promised to all who live according to Your law. Amen.

PRAYER FOR AMERICA

All: Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mary Immaculate, heavenly Missionary to the New World, with your sweet enchantment you attract and enrapture the hearts of your people. And from your sanctuary at Tepeyac where for more than four centuries you have shown Yourself to be the Mother and teacher of our peoples in the Faith, continue still to be our protector, defender and shield. Sweet Mother to your Immaculate Heart we consecrate our republics, our presidents, and all the peoples of our continent. O ever virgin Mother of God, our Queen and Mother, see that we always walk in the path of duty and of moral and material well-being, so that, spiritually united, there may be realized in each and all, the sublime ideal of Christian progress, the social kingdom of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, your most beloved Son, the only true governor of all nations.

ACT OF CONSECRATION

All: O Most Holy Virgin Mary, Mother of God, I (NAME) although most unworthy of being thy servant, yet moved by thy wonderful mercy and by the desire to serve thee, consecrate myself to thy Immaculate Heart and choose thee today, in the presence of my Guardian Angel and the whole heavenly court, for my special Lady, Advocate and Mother, under the title of “Our Lady of Guadalupe”, the name given to the heavenly image left us as a pledge of thy motherly kindness. I firmly resolve that I will love and serve thee always, and do whatever I can to induce others to love and serve thee. I pray thee, Mother of God and my most kind and amiable Mother, that thou wilt receive me into the number of thy servants for thy child and servant forever. Assist me in all my thoughts, words and actions at every moment of my life, that every step and breath may be directed to the greater glory of God; and through thy most powerful intercession obtain for me that I may never more offend my beloved Jesus, that I may glorify Him in this life, and that I may also love Thee, in the company of the Blessed Trinity through eternity in holy Paradise. In order to live this consecration as another Juan Diego, I promise to renew it frequently, especially on the twelfth day of each month, and mindful of thy messages to us at Lourdes and Fatima, I will strive to lead a life of prayer and sacrifice, of fidelity to thy Rosary and reparation to thy Immaculate Heart. Amen.

PRAYER TO OUR LADY QUEEN OF ANGELS

All: August Queen of heaven, Sovereign Mistress of the Angels, thou who from the beginning hast received from God the power and mission to crush the head of Satan, we humbly beseech thee to send thy holy Legions that under thy command, and by thy power, they may pursue the evil spirits, encounter them on every side, resist their bold attacks and drive them hence into the abyss of eternal woe. Amen.

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL

All: St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle; be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust down to hell Satan and all the wicked spirits, who roam through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

INVOCATION TO THE HOLY ANGELS

Leader: Almighty, eternal and Triune God, before we implore your servants, the holy angels, and call upon them for help, we fall on our knees and adore You, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. May You be honored and praised for all eternity and may all Angels and men whom You have created adore, love and serve You, the Holy, Mighty and Immortal God! Amen

We implore you also, Mary, Queen of all the Angels, accept the supplications we address to your servants.. We beg of you, Mediatrix of all Graces and all powerful intercessor, bring these, our petitions, to the throne of the Most High that we may find grace, salvation and help. Amen.

You great holy Angels, you have been given us by God for our protection and help.

Leader: We implore you in the name of the triune God,

All: †*Hasten to help us.* (Repeat after each invocation.)

- (L): We implore you by the all-powerful name of Our Lord Jesus Christ, †
- (L): We implore you by the most sacred wounds of our Lord Jesus Christ, †
- (L): We implore you by all the sufferings of Our Lord Jesus Christ, †
- (L): We implore you by the Holy Word of God, †
- (L): We implore you by the Sacred Heart of Our Lord Jesus Christ, †
- (L): We implore you in the name of the love of God for us in our need, †
- (L): We implore you in the name of the faithfulness of God to us in our need, †
- (L): We implore you in the name of the mercy of God to us in our need, †
- (L): We implore you in the name of Mary the Mother of God and our Mother, †
- (L): We implore you in the name of Mary, Queen of Heaven and earth, †
- (L): We implore you by your own happiness, †
- (L): We implore you by your own fidelity, †
- (L): We implore you by your warfare for the kingdom of God, †

Leader: †We implore you. (Leader repeats after each invocation.)

- All:** Cover us with your shield, †
- (A): Protect us with your sword, †
- (A): Illumine us with your light, †
- (A): Save us under the sheltering mantle of Mary, †
- (A): Guide us safely to our heavenly Father's house, †
- (A): Hide us in the heart of Mary, †
- (A): Place us in the hands of Mary, †
- (A): Show us the way to the gate of life, the open heart of Our Lord, †

Leader: All you choirs of blessed spirits

All: † *Hasten to help us.* (Repeat after each invocation.)

- (L): You angels of life, †
- (L): You angels of the power of the word of God, †
- (L): You angels of love, †
- (L): You our personal companions especially given us by God, †

LEADER: Hasten, help us, **ALL:** We implore you!

Leader: Since we are privileged to have the Precious Blood of Our Lord and King as an inheritance,

All: Hasten to help us, we implore you.

(L): Since we are privileged to have the Sacred Heart of Our Lord and King as our inheritance,

(L): Since we are privileged to have the Immaculate Heart of Mary the most pure, your Queen, as an inheritance,

hasten to help us,

(A): We implore you.

THE SORROWFUL MYSTERIES OF THE HOLY ROSARY
SILENT MEDITATION for the remainder of the hour.

NATIONAL NIGHT OF PRAYER FOR LIFE—Third Hour

Third Hour Hymn: Hail Holy Queen Enthroned Above

1. Hail holy Queen enthroned above, O Maria!
Hail Mother of mercy and of love, O Maria! (Ch)
2. Turn them most gracious advocate, O Maria!
Towards us thine eyes compassionate, O Maria! (Ch)

Chorus: Triumph, all ye Cherubim; Sing with us, you Seraphim, Heav'n and earth resound the hymn; Salve, salve, salve Regina!

PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH PATRON OF THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH

All: O Glorious St. Joseph, you were chosen by God to be the reputed father of Jesus, the most pure spouse of Mary, ever virgin, and the head of the Holy Family. You have been chosen by Christ's vicar as the heavenly Patron and protector of the Church founded by Christ. Therefore, with the greatest confidence I implore your powerful assistance for the whole Church Militant. Protect in a special manner, with true fatherly love, the Sovereign Pontiff and all bishops and priests in communion with the See of Peter. Be the protector of all who labor for souls amid the trials and tribulations of this life, and grant that all the nations of the earth may submit with docility to that Church outside of which there is no salvation. Dearest St. Joseph, accept the offering I now make of myself to you. I dedicate myself to your service that you may ever be my Father, my Protector and my Guide in the way of salvation. Obtain for me great purity of heart and a fervent love for the interior life. Grant that after your example, all my actions may be directed to the greater glory of God, in union with the divine Heart of Jesus, the Immaculate Heart of Mary and your own paternal heart. Finally, pray for me that I may share in the peace and joy of your holy death. Amen.

A PRAYER FOR THE UNBORN

All: St. Joseph, Chaste Spouse of the Ever-Virgin Mother of God, by the anguish you once endured when you became aware of Mary's pregnancy before you were assured by the angel that she had conceived God's own Son through the power of the Holy Spirit, and by your sorrow when you saw the Savior of the world rejected even before His birth so that He had to be housed in a wretched stable - protect the unborn and their parents who are in danger of death through abortion.

By humble flight and prolonged exile, you saved Jesus from the slaughter which befell the Holy Innocents. Help us to fly from sin as from the face of a serpent and to endure this earthly exile patiently and with sweet submission to God's will.

Obtain for us from the Sacred Heart of the Divine Infant through the Immaculate Heart of Mary the defeat of Satan's evil designs and the salvation, through birth and baptism, of the legions of helpless little ones who are yet to be born. We ask this through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

PUBLIC APOLOGY

Leader: Now for our apology. When we have insulted or offended a friend—or even a stranger—an apology is called for. Jesus, Son of God, is our friend—our very best Friend. He is being insulted and offended by friends and enemies alike. This demands a public apology. Let us now offer to Jesus, Our Lord, who will one day be our judge, the sincere expression of our sorrow and regret at the way we and others are treating Him.

(After each invocation, please answer, * *Jesus I apologize*’.)

Leader: For the poor way we have returned Your love for us, Lord accept our apology,*

Leader: For our failure to keep Your commandment of love of neighbor and even of our enemies, Lord accept our apology, *

Leader: For our indifference to the needs of the poor and the underprivileged, Lord, accept our apology, *

Leader: For the ingratitude which wounds Your loving heart, Lord, accept our apology, *

Leader: For our lack of generosity in Your service, Lord, accept our apology, *

Leader: For the times we and others have missed Mass through our own fault, Lord, accept our apology, *

Leader: For the many Communion we have missed, and the visits to You in the Blessed Sacrament that we have failed to make, Lord, accept our apology, *

Leader: For the profanation of Sundays and Holy Days, through unnecessary work and shopping, Lord, accept our apology, *

Leader: For the blasphemies, cursing, swearing and taking of Your Holy Name in vain, Lord, accept our apology, *

Leader: For the bad examples of parents and teachers who never speak about Your love and mercy to those under their care, Lord, accept our apology, *

Leader: For the scandal given by certain priests and religious, especially by those who attack the teaching authority of the Holy Father, Lord, accept our apology, *

Leader: For the exclusion of prayer and Your teachings from so many schools and for the “watering down” or false interpretations of Your teaching in some Catholic schools, Lord, accept our apology, *

Leader: For the murders, through “legalized” abortions, of millions of innocent babies throughout the United States and the world, and for the apathy of so many Americans to this wholesale “slaughter of the innocents”, Lord, accept our apology, *

Leader: For all promoters of abortion and euthanasia, such as legislators, doctors, nurses, anti-life groups and others, Lord, accept our apology, *

Leader: For all those who, refusing to trust in Your providence, promote or practice contraception, Lord, accept our apology, *

Leader: For all promoters of pornography, and for those who purchase such material to the detriment of their souls, Lord, accept our apology, *

Leader: For all religious and civic leaders who fail to speak out for the Culture of Life, Lord, accept our apology, *

Leader: For all the widespread immodesty in dress on the part of Christian people, especially in church, Lord, accept our apology, *

PRAYER FOR THE SOULD IN PURGATORY

All: O divine Heart of Jesus, grant, I pray Thee, eternal rest to the souls in purgatory, the final grace to those who are about to die this day, true repentance to sinners, the light of faith to pagans, and Thy blessing to me and to all who are dear to me. To Thee, therefore, O most loving Heart of Jesus, I commend all these souls, and in their behalf I offer unto Thee all Thy merits in union with the merits of Thy most blessed Mother and all the Angels and Saints, together with all the Masses, Communions, prayers and good works, which are this day being offered throughout Christendom. Amen.

THE GLORIOUS MYSTERIES OF THE HOLY ROSARY

SILENT MEDITATION for the rest of the Hour

NATIONAL NIGHT OF PRAYER FOR LIFE—Fourth Hour

Third Hour Hymn: THE ANGELUS (*Start with the Angelus at Midnight*)

Leader: The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.

All: And she conceived of the Holy Spirit. HAIL MARY...

Leader: Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

All: Be it done unto me according to Thy Word. HAIL MARY...

Leader: And the word was made Flesh.

All: And dwelt among us. HAIL MARY...

Leader: Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

All: That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

LET US PRAY: (All) 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.

HYMN OUR LADY OF THE AMERICAS (IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE)

(Melody: America the Beautiful)

Upon the hill of Tepeyac

Our Blessed Lady came.

To Juan Diego she appeared

And called to him by name.

O Lady of the Americas

Your portrait we revere.

Enfold us in your loving arms,

Our Queen and Mother dear.

She bade Juan fill his tilma then

With roses of Castille

As sign for which the Bishop asked

Her presence to reveal.

And on the cloth she had impressed

Her portrait bright and clear

That all who see may be convinced

That she is ever near.

And Juan Diego's picture, too

She kept within her eyes

That future generations might

Her knowledge realize.

This proof of love she gave to us

That we might never fear.

Discouragement, anxiety,

All flee when she is near.

We thank You, Father and the Son
And Holy Spirit, too,
That You have sent Our Lady here
To draw us close to You.
O Lady of the Americas
Your portrait we revere
Enfold us in your loving arms
Our Queen and Mother dear.

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LITANY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN
MARY

Leader: Lord, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

Leader: Lord, have mercy. Christ, hear us.

All: Christ, graciously hear us.

Leader: God, the Father of Heaven,

All: Have mercy on us.

Leader: God, the Son, Redeemer of the world,

All: Have mercy on us.

Leader: God the Holy Spirit,

All: Have mercy on us.

Leader: Holy Trinity, One God.

All: Have mercy on us.

Leader: Holy Mary.

All: * Pray for us. (Repeat this after each...)

Holy Mother of God, *

Holy Virgin of virgins, *

Mother of Christ, *

Mother of divine grace, *

Mother most pure, *

Mother most chaste, *

Mother inviolate, *

Mother undefiled, *

Mother most amiable, *

Mother most admirable, *

Mother of good counsel, *

Mother of our Creator, *

Mother of our Savior, *

Virgin most prudent, *

Virgin most venerable, *

Virgin most renowned, *

Virgin most powerful, *

Virgin most merciful, *

Virgin most faithful, *

Mirror of justice, *

Seat of wisdom, *

Cause of our joy, *

Spiritual vessel, *

Vessel of honor, *

Singular vessel of devotion, *

Mystical rose, *

Tower of David, *

Tower of ivory, *

House of gold, *

Ark of the covenant, *

Gate of Heaven, *

Morning star, *

Health of the sick, *

Refuge of sinners, *

Comforter of the afflicted, *

Help of the Christians, *

Queen of angels, *

Queen of patriarchs, *

Queen of prophets, *

Queen of Apostles, *

Queen of martyrs, *

Queen of confessors, *

Queen of virgins, *

Queen of all saints, *

Queen conceived without original sin, *

Queen assumed into Heaven, *

Queen of the most holy Rosary, *

Queen of peace, *

Leader: Lamb of God, Who takest away the sins of the world

All: Spare us, O Lord.

Leader: Lamb of God, Who takest away the sins of the world

All: Graciously hear us, O Lord.

Leader: Lamb of God, Who takest away the sins of the world

All: Have mercy on us.

Leader: Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

All: That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

PIUS XII PRAYER TO OUR QUEEN (Reign Prayer)

All: Out of the depths of this valley of tears, through which suffering humanity painfully struggles, up from the billows of this sea endlessly buffeted by the waves of suffering, we raise our eyes to you, most beloved Mother Mary, to be comforted by the contemplation of your glory and to hail you as Queen of Heaven and earth, Queen and Mother of mankind. With legitimate filial pride, we wish to exalt your queenship and to recognize it as due to the sovereign excellence of your entire being, O dearest one truly Mother of Him Who is King by right, by inheritance and by conquest.

Reign, O Mother and queen, by showing us the path of holiness, and by guiding and assisting us that we may never stray from it. In the heights of heaven, you exercise your primacy over the choirs of angels, who acclaim you as their sovereign, and over the legions of saints who delight in beholding your radiant beauty. So, too, reign over the entire human race above all by opening the path of faith to those who do not yet know your Divine Son.

Reign over the Church which acknowledges and extols your gentle dominion and has recourse to you as a safe refuge amid the calamities of our day. Reign especially over that part of the Church which is persecuted and oppressed; give it strength to bear adversity, constancy never to yield under unjust compulsion, light to avoid falling into the snares of the enemy, firmness to resist overt attack, and at every moment unwavering faithfulness to your kingdom. Reign over the minds of men, that they may seek only what is true; over their wills, that they may follow solely what is good; over their hearts, that they may love nothing but what you yourself love.

Reign over individuals and over families, as well as over societies and nations; over the assemblies of the powerful, the counsel of the wise, as over the simple aspirations of the humble. Reign in the streets and in the squares, in the cities and the villages, in the valleys and the mountains, in the air, on land and on the sea; hear the pious prayer of all those who recognize that yours is a reign of mercy; in which every petition is heard, every sorrow comforted, every misfortune relieved, every infirmity healed and which, at a gesture from your gentle hands, from death itself, there arises smiling life.

Obtain for us, that all who now, in every corner of the world, acclaim and hail you Queen and Mistress, may one day in heaven enjoy the fullness of your kingdom in the vision of your Divine Son, Who with the Father and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth forever and ever. Amen.

THE LUMINOUS MYSTERIES OF THE HOLY ROSARY

BENEDICTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT (Hymn A or B)

(A) DOWN IN ADORATION FALLING

Down in adoration falling
Lo, the Sacred Host we hail!
Lo, o'er ancient forms departing
Newer rites of grace prevail;
Faith for all defects supplying
Where our feeble senses fail.
To the everlasting Father,
And the Son who reigns on high;
With the Holy Ghost proceeding
Forth from each eternally,
Be salvation, honor, blessing
Might and endless majesty. Amen.

(B) TANTUM ERGO

Tantum ergo Sacramentum
Veneremur cernui
Et antiquum documentum
Novo cedat ritui.
Praestet fides supplementum
Sensuum defectui.
Genitori Genitoque
Laus et jubilatio,
Salus honor, virtus quoque,
Sit et benedictio:
Procedenti ab utroque
Compar sit laudatio. Amen

Priest: You have given them Bread from heaven (Alleluia).

All: Containing in Itself all delight (Alleluia).

Priest: Let us pray. O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament left us a memorial of Your Passion, grant, we implore You, that we may so venerate the sacred mysteries of Your Body and Blood as always to be conscious of the fruit of Your Redemption. You live and reign forever and ever. Amen.