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BLESSINGS FOR THE DYING WHEN THE SOUL IS DEPARTING.



FIRST BLESSING.

May God + the Father,
Who has created all things
and given thee
thy body and soul, bless thee.

May God + the Son,
thy Lord and Saviour,
Who died on the cross for thee
and Who has redeemed thee
with His precious blood
and bitter death, bless thee.

May God + the Holy Ghost, Who
through His grace has sanctified thee
in holy Baptism, bless thee,
and preserve thee in His grace
to the end of thy life.

The peace of Our Lord Jesus
+ be with thee.

May His five sacred wounds
with the blood that flowed therefrom
be to thee an invincible wall
against all temptations now
and at the last moment of thy life.

In the name of + the Father,
and of + the Son, and
of the + Holy Ghost, Amen.

SECOND BLESSING.

Go forth, Christian soul,
in the name of the Father,
+ Who created thee after His own
image and likeness;
in the name of the Son,
+ Who redeemed thee with
His precious blood;
in the name of the Holy Ghost
+ Who sanctified thee.

Behold, the divine Saviour comes;
go forth to meet Him.

Go now, Christian soul,
in the name of the Most Holy Trinity;
+ the Father, Whose omnipotence
will protect thee;

+ the Son, Whose mercy
will accompany thee;
+ the Holy Ghost,

Whose sanctifying grace
will not forsake thee!

May the cross of Christ
+ be thy shield against all the assaults
of the wicked enemy.

Go forth, in the name of Jesus,
before Whom every knee must bow
in heaven, on earth;

in the name of Jesus,

before Whom hell is trembling;

in the name of Jesus,

in Whom all find their salvation.

+ May the wounds of Jesus

be thy strength in the passage to eternity;

the cross of Christ thy staff;

the merits of Christ thy riches;

the body of the Lord thy Viaticum;

thy holy angel guardian

the companion of thy journey,

and Mary thy helper and mediator.

May the power of the Father

+ strengthen thee;

the wisdom of the Son

+ govern thee;

the comfort of the Holy Ghost

+ refresh thee.

Depart then, Christian soul,

in the name of the Most Holy Trinity, +

the Father, + the Son,

and + the Holy Ghost.

The blessing + of the Most Holy Trinity
be with thee and remain with thee forever.

Amen.

THIRD BLESSING.

Go forth in peace,
Christian soul!

May the blessing + of Our Lord Jesus
Christ replenish thee;
+ the power of His bitter suffering
and death strengthen thee;
the victorious sign of the holy cross
shield thee; +
the protection of the Immaculate Virgin
cover thee;
+ the choir of the angels
screen thee;
St. Michael, the archangel,
fight for thee.
The intercession of all the elect and
saints assist thee.
May the protection and blessing
of God the Father,
+ Who created thee out of nothing,
accompany thee;
the power of Jesus Christ
+ Who shed all His blood for thee,
preserve thee;
may the Holy Ghost,
Who made thee His sanctuary,
replenish and + bless thee.
Go forth, Christian soul,
to thy God and Father,
Who, through love of thee, vouchsafed
to send His Son down upon the earth.
May Jesus be with thee,
and favor thee with His merits.
May the Holy Ghost be with thee
and enrich thee with His love.
May God have mercy on thee
and bless + thee.

May the God of Israel send thee help
from His holy dwelling-place.
May the Lord be gracious unto thee,
pardon thee thy sins
and heal thy wounds.
Let Him bless thy going out
of this world +
and thy entrance into eternity +.
May the almighty, merciful God, the
Father + and the Son + and the Holy
Ghost + vouchsafe to grant thee
this grace. Amen.

1. Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ! Thou Son of God
and Son of the Virgin Mary, God and
Man, Thou who in fear sweated blood
for us on the Mount of Olives in order to
bring peace, and to offer Thy Most Holy
Death to God Thy Heavenly Father for
the salvation of this dying person...
If it be, however, that by his sins, he
merits eternal damnation, then may it be
deflected from him. This, O Eternal
Father through Our Lord Jesus Christ,
Thy Dear Son, Who liveth and reigneth
in union with The Holy Spirit now and
forever. Amen

2. Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ! Thou Who meekly
died on the trunk of the Cross for us,
submitting Thy Will completely to Thy
Heavenly Father in order to bring peace
and to offer Thy Most Holy Death to
Thy Heavenly Father in order to
free... (this person) ...and to hide from
him what he has earned with his sins;
grant this O Eternal Father! Through

Our Lord Jesus Thy Son, Who liveth
and reigneth with Thee in union with the
Holy Spirit now and forever. Amen.

3. Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ! Thou Who remained
silent to speak through the mouths of the
Prophets: I have drawn Thee to me
through Eternal Love, which Love drew
Thee from Heaven into the body of the
Virgin, which Love drew Thee from the
body of the Virgin into the valley of this
needful world, which Love kept Thee 33
years in this world, and as a sign of
Great Love, Thou hast given Thy Holy
Body as True Food and Thy Holy Blood
as True Drink, as a sign of Great Love,
Thou hast consented to be condemned to
death, and hast consented to die and to
be buried and truly risen, and appeared
to Thy Holy Mother and all Thy
Apostles and the hearts of all who hope
and believe in Thee. Through Thy Sign
of Eternal Love, open Heaven today and
take this dying person ...and all his
sins into the Realm of Thy Heavenly
Father, that he may reign with Thee now
and forever. Amen.

