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THE LITANY OF SAINT BENEDICT



Lord, have mercy on us,
Christ, have mercy on us.
Lord, have mercy on us,

God the Father of Heaven,
Have mercy on us.

God the Son,
Redeemer of the world,
God, the Holy Spirit,
Holy Trinity, One God,

Holy Mary, *Pray for us.*
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
Holy Virgin of virgins,

Holy Father, Saint Benedict,
Father most reverend,
Father most renowned,
Father most compassionate,
Man of great fortitude,
Man of venerable life,
Man of the most holy
conversation,
True servant of God,
Light of devotion,
Light of prayer,
Light of contemplation,

Star of the world,
Best master of an austere
life,
Leader of the holy warfare,
Leader and chief of monks,
Master of those who die
to the world,
Protector of those who cry
to thee,
Wonderful worker of
miracles,
Revealer of the secrets of
the human heart,
Master of spiritual
discipline,
Companion of the
patriarchs,
Equal of the prophets,
Follower of the Apostles,
Teacher of Martyrs,
Father of many pontiffs,
Gem of abbots,
Glory of Confessors,
Imitator of anchorites,
Associate of virgins,
Colleague of all the Saints,

Pray for us.

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

Spare us, O Lord.

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

Graciously hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, Who takes away
the sins of the world,

Have mercy on us.

V. Intercede for us, O holy
father Saint Benedict,

R. *That we may be made worthy of
the promises of Christ.*

Let Us Pray:

O God, Who hast called us
from the vanity of the world,
and Who dost incite us to the
reward of a heavenly vocation
under the guidance of our holy
patriarch and founder, Saint
Benedict, inspire and purify our
hearts and pour forth on us Thy
grace, whereby we may
persevere in Thee. Through
Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

Prayer to Saint Benedict

Admirable Saint and Doctor of
Humility, you practiced what
you taught, assiduously praying
for God's glory and lovingly
fulfilling all work for God and
the benefit of all human beings.
You know the many physical
dangers that surround us today,
often caused or occasioned by
human inventions. Guard us
against poisoning of the body as
well as of mind and soul, and
thus be truly a 'Blessed' one for
us. Amen.

Another Prayer to Saint Benedict

Glorious Saint Benedict,
sublime model of virtue,
pure vessel of God's grace!
Behold me humbly kneeling at
your feet. I implore you in your
loving kindness to pray for me
before the throne of God.
To you I have recourse in the
dangers that daily surround me.
Shield me against my selfishness
and my indifference to God and
to my neighbor.

Inspire me to imitate you
in all things.

May your blessing be with me
always, so that I may see and
serve Christ in others and work
for His kingdom.

Graciously obtain for me from
God those favors and graces
which I need so much in the
trials, miseries and afflictions of
life. Your heart was always full
of love, compassion and mercy
toward those who were afflicted
or troubled in any way.

You never dismissed without
consolation and assistance
anyone who had recourse to
you. I therefore invoke your
powerful intercession, confident
in the hope that you will hear
my prayers and obtain for me
the special grace and favor
I earnestly implore.

(mention your petition)

Help me, great St. Saint
Benedict, to live and die as a
faithful child of God, to run in
the sweetness of His loving will,
and to attain the eternal
happiness of heaven. Amen.