

# POCKET BOOK of CATHOLIC PRAYERS

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## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

**W**E enter now into the Eucharistic sacrifice itself, the Supper of the Lord. We are God's new people, the redeemed brothers and sisters of Christ, gathered around His table.

### PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

**T**HE bread and wine for the Eucharist, with our gifts for the Church and the poor, are brought to the altar. These are a symbol of our inner readiness to give God all of ourselves with our hopes and disappointments, our work and leisure, and our whole everyday lives. We prepare our hearts by chant or in silence as the Lord's table is set.

### THE INVITATION TO PRAYER

#### We ask God to Accept Our Sacrifice

**W**E pray that our sacrifice will give glory to God and bring help to us and to the whole Church.

### THE PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

#### We Pray for God's Grace

**T**HE Priest, speaking in our name, asks the Father to bless and accept these offerings, and we give our assent to this prayer.

## DAILY PRAYERS

### The Sign of the Cross

**I**N the name of the Father, and of the Son, ✠  
and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

### The Lord's Prayer

**O**UR Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed  
be Thy name; Thy kingdom come, Thy  
will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give  
us this day our daily bread, and forgive us  
our trespasses, as we forgive those who tres-  
pass against us; and lead us not into tempta-  
tion, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

### The Hail Mary

**H**AIL, Mary, full of grace! The Lord is  
with thee; blessed art thou among  
women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb,  
Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us  
sinners now and at the hour of our death.  
Amen.

### Glory Be to the Father

**G**LORY be to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the  
beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.



## **JESUS TOLD US TO PRAY DAILY**

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus told us to pray to the Father in secret. On another occasion, He urged us to pray always, that is, daily.

## **PRAYERS TO OUR BLESSED MOTHER**

*(See also pp. 37, 40-42)*

### **We Fly to Your Patronage**

**W**E fly to your patronage, O holy Mother of God; despise not our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

### **The “Memorare”**

**R**EMEMBER, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help or sought your intercession was left unaided.

Inspired with this confidence, I fly to you, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to you do I come, before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in your mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

### **How to Say the Rosary**

1. Begin on the crucifix and say the Apostles' Creed.
2. On the 1st bead, say 1 Our Father.
3. On the next 3 beads, say Hail Mary.
4. Next say 1 Glory Be. Then announce and think of the first Mystery and what it means, and say 1 Our Father.
5. Say 10 Hail Marys and 1 Glory be to the Father.
6. Announce the second Mystery and continue in the same way until each of the five Mysteries of the selected group or decade is said.