

EMILIANI INTERCESSORS FOR RENEWAL

CHURCH, FAMILY AND PERSONAL REFORM TO THE HOLINESS OF APOSTOLIC TIMES

SAINT JEROME EMILIANI'S PRAYER FOR CHURCH RENEWAL

Our sweet Father, Lord Jesus Christ, we pray that, in your infinite goodness, you reform Christianity to the state of sanctity that was characteristic of the time of your apostles.

Hear us, O Lord, because you are kind and merciful, and in your bountiful compassion look upon us.

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, have mercy on us. Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, have mercy on us. Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, have mercy on us.

May the power of God the Father, the wisdom of his Son and the strength of the Holy Spirit, and also the glorious Virgin Mary, guide and protect me on the way toward peace, love, and prosperity. And may the Angel Raphael, who always assisted Tobias, be with me in every place I stay and on every road I travel.

My dear Jesus, my dear Jesus, my dear Jesus, my love and my God, I trust in you; let me never regret it.

Here follows the recommendation to implore for a true trust in the Lord.

Let us have confidence in our Most Benign Lord and have true hope in him alone because those who hope in him will never be disenchanted, but will be firmly established upon the solid rock. In order to obtain such a divine grace, let us invoke the Mother of all Graces by saying: *Hail Mary*.

Let us again thank our Lord, God and heavenly Father, for all the gifts and graces he has bestowed and continues to bestow on us. Let us pray that in the future he may help us in all our spiritual and material needs: *Our Father*.

O Most Sweet Jesus, do not be my Judge but be my Saviour.

Help me, O Lord, and I will be Yours.

PRAYER FOR THE RENEWAL OF FAMILIES

Merciful Father, we consecrate the renewal of families to the pierced Sacred Heart of your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ Crucified, where we contemplate the perfect image of your countenance, and through the intercessions of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Mother of Orphans and Saint Jerome Emiliani, Father of Orphans, through whom we are given your benign consolation that you will never leave us orphaned.

We pray for renewed families that worship together, placing the Eucharist as the source of love and sign of the intimacy to which they are called. Lord, send your Spirit of Piety and Fear of the Lord to inspire family worship at Sunday Mass, on Holy Days and as often as possible. Move families to seek regular sacramental confessions to seek your forgiveness, healing and grace so that they might continually be renewed in your vision of communal love. Inflame families' active participation in parish life – as a spiritual extension of their home – and stir in them a restless desire to be the loving, hospitable community that they are called to be.

We pray for renewed families that pray together as a 'domestic church', who continually and humbly ask you to teach them, as families, what it means to love as you love. Lord, send your Spirit of Love and Knowledge to guide families in daily prayer, in thanksgiving and petition, that they may seek your will first in their lives, that they may discover new ways of loving their family members with an open, vulnerable and sacrificial love, that they may grow in the practice of virtue and live each day of family life as a gift, and for the needs of the entire Family of God.

We pray for renewed families who put family first, accepting that family relationships are the primary vehicle you use to challenge and perfect us in becoming everything that you have created us to be. Lord, send your Spirit of Counsel and Understanding to help families to intentionally prioritise each family member, to demonstrate tender concern for individual needs, especially where there is disunity or distress, and to value the sanctity of the family above all other work, activities and interests that would seek to compete with them. We pray for renewed families as a witness and sign of holiness, intentionally aware that you want to change the world through them. Lord, send your Spirit of Wisdom and Fortitude, strengthening families to be part of your plan to renew the face of the earth, by their daily testimony to familial love, forgiveness and intimacy, and by extending this in service to the poor, through the practice of the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. May they live out your mercy within the home and outside of it, demonstrating that true love is found in holiness and it is a possibility worth striving for.

We pray for the renewal of our own families and humbly present to you our personal intentions...

[mention your family's needs here]

and the intentions from families who have specifically requested our prayers and support in their time of need.

Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us. Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us. Saint Joseph and Saint Jerome Emiliani, pray for us.

PRAYER FOR RENEWAL OF SAINT JEROME'S PARISH

Heavenly Father, you love us with an everlasting love and you choose us to share your love with others. We ask that you rekindle in our hearts a new spirit of faith, of prayer, and of reconciliation. Inspire us through work, devotion and charity, to search out and find new ways of bringing one another closer to you. We pray for all who form our parish community, that together we may be renewed and transformed. Through the intercession of Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, we ask this in the name of your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, and by the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

PSALM 51 FOR PERSONAL PARDON AND RENEWAL

Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness. In your compassion blot out my offense. O wash me more and more from my guilt and cleanse me from my sin.

My offenses truly I know them; my sin is always before me. Against you, you alone, have I sinned; what is evil in your sight I have done.

That you may be justified when you give sentence and be without reproach when you judge. O see, in guilt was I born, a sinner was I conceived.

Indeed you love truth in the heart; then in the secret of my heart teach me wisdom. O purify me, then I shall be clean; O wash me, I shall be whiter than snow.

Make me hear rejoicing and gladness, that the bones you have crushed may revive. From my sins turn away your face and blot out all my guilt.

A pure heart create for me, O God, put a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, nor deprive me of your holy spirit.

Give me again the joy of your help; with a spirit of fervor sustain me, that I may teach transgressors your ways and sinners may return to you. O rescue me, God, my helper, and my tongue shall ring out your goodness. O Lord, open my lips and my mouth shall declare your praise.

For in sacrifice you take no delight, burnt offering from me you would refuse; my sacrifice, a contrite spirit. A humbled, contrite heart you will not spurn.

In your goodness, show favor to Zion: rebuild the walls of Jerusalem. Then you will be pleased with lawful sacrifice, holocausts offered on your altar.

Glory 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, world without end. Amen.

For the Holy Father's intentions and for the sanctification of priests, deacons and religious:

Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory Be...

MEMORARE

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly to thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to thee do I come; before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

DAILY ROSARY INTERCESSORY PRAYERS FOR SOMASCAN VOCATIONS

SUNDAY

God Our Loving Father, confirm in their vocation those who have left everything to follow you,

- grant that they may be living Gospel and authentic proof of the holiness and charity of the Church

MONDAY

God Our Loving Father, send out labourers to your harvest, - so that in every place your name may be known and sanctified

TUESDAY

God Our Loving Father, help our somascan religious to give an authentic evangelical witness,

- so that many young people may be inspired to consecrate themselves to you

WEDNESDAY

God Our Loving Father, you who have called to consecrate their lives to love you with undivided hearts,

- grant that the religious in the world may be always numerous and a sign of radical fidelity to your love

THURSDAY

God Our Loving Father, your Son said, 'The harvest is abundant but the labourers are few,'

- grant that many young people may answer with generosity and responsibility to your call

FRIDAY

God Our Loving Father, stir up in young people the desire to imitate Jesus Christ more closely,

- grant that they may carry in their life the mystery of your Son

SATURDAY

God Our Loving Father, you called religious to live in fullness their baptismal consecration on the example of Our Blessed Mother Mary,

- grant that our somascan communities, apostolates and parishes be good soil for an increase in vocations

PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in our hour 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, cast into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

SOLEMNITIES

27 September | BV Mary, Mother of Orphans 8 February | Saint Jerome Emiliani

EMILIANI RENEWAL INTERCESSORS

6pm | First Friday of every month Saint Jerome's Parish, Munster

Please send your prayer requests to: renewal@somascan.org.au

