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Prayer will change the World

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The Call to Pray

The Promise from our Father

The words that I am sharing come forth from my father, through the gifts of the Holy Spirit. For all my children who ask for the Holy Spirit and take up the cross of Love every day, will be transformed from one glory to the next and receive their full inheritance as children of God!

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Preface

Apostles of Prayer has been set up to help you grow in your love and devotion for Jesus, Our Savior, calling us to immerse ourselves in his Life and Passions through the word of God, as you pray the 14 Passions of The Cross daily and pray **The Life and Passions of Jesus** from conception to resurrection, every Saturday as devotion for the **Gift of Life** and the **salvation of souls**.

The **Apostles of prayer** is calling you to spend every morning in prayer before you begin every day, and to pray every evening, even if it is only a short prayer before bedtime. I can promise one thing, if you take on this vow of obedience to pray and serve others, God will surely transform your Life! We are all called to be apostles, for we all are different and we all have our own special gifts. God made us and Love's us. Remember you are perfect today and exactly where God wants you today; when you are seeking and walking today in the will of God to Love your brothers and your sisters and to give freely to others what God has given to you through **grace**, the gift of **Love** for the Salvation of souls.

The interior life is the vital principal, the force, and the flame of the apostolate. When a soul is fired with zeal for the apostolic life, its very desire to win other souls for God impels it to devote itself with greater generosity to prayer, giving of ones' self with no regard for self, only for the love of God and for the salvation of souls, with the intention of making itself more capable of a fruitful apostolate. Thus, the interior life is the soul of the apostolate, to bring many souls on to union with God, to seek perfection, to be a servant to all for the love of God and neighbor, to bring us the Kingdom of Heaven.

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven: (Mt 5: 3)

Complete poverty of spirit is when we seek only God, when we empty our selves of all our desires, wants, and needs, poverty of material things, spiritual things, moral things, which empties us to poverty of self, to die to our own will, to rest in the divine will of God.”

“Heaven on Earth”

God calls us to come home to his divine union and intimacy with the sacred heart of Jesus; the chamber of love, to be prayer warriors to lift our voices in prayer for the salvation of souls. In other words, by the gift of Grace through Jesus, God's infinite mercy is ready to be poured out into our hearts, but will not be poured out unless we sing out with praise and prayer; lifting our voices to heaven asking for it. If prayer does not ascend to the throne, of the Most High, grace will not be granted. This explains the absolute necessity for apostolic prayer and its great efficacy. There is no substitute for prayer, because prayer draws grace directly from its source, God. Our activity, our words and works can prepare the ground for grace, but if we do not pray, it will not come down to refresh souls.

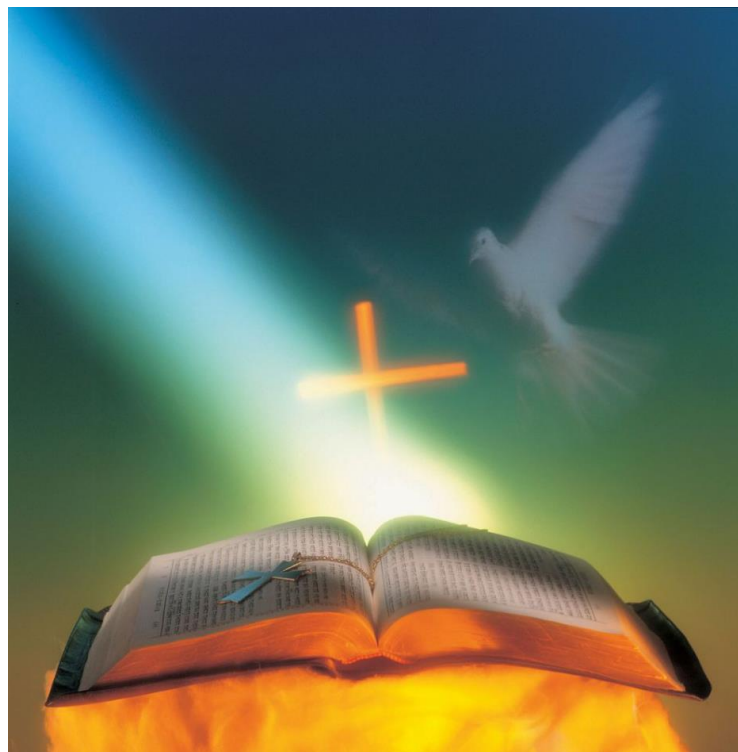


Take up your cross and follow me, the gift of Love, the Holy Spirit will lead you on the path of righteousness and reveal to you the living word of God; which will sustain you and comfort you as you journey to do God's will. The truth shall set you free, for man does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

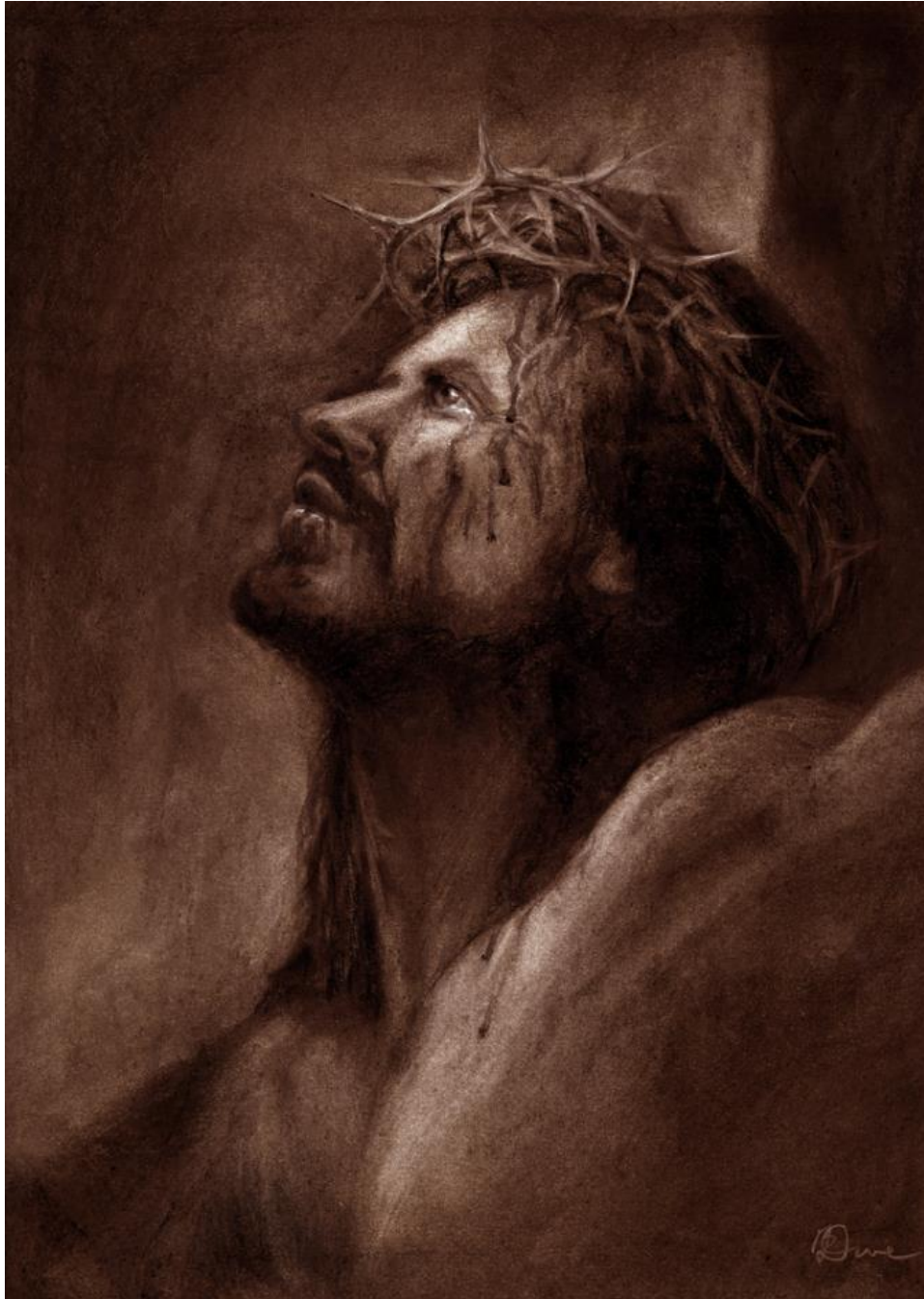
**“Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied:
(Mt 5: 6)**

The gift of love, the Holy Spirit dispensed through grace; puts us on the path of light, seeking truth, righteousness, and the call to be a servant to all. Hence, filling that void in us; to love God and our brothers and sisters as our self. Nothing on earth can fill that void in our souls, only Grace, the gift of love from God!”

The soul that truly loves God does not resign itself to waiting for heaven in order to be united to Him, we can have Heaven on Earth. This is a gift from God the grace that comes forth through his beloved Son, the Holy Spirit that will lead us and sustain us as we call out and proclaim our “yes” speak Lord your servant is listening; to seek and do your will. Only thru God can we have a taste of Heaven on Earth; God wants to give you this gift of grace. Is it possible? Yes, Jesus has said: “If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him; and we will come to him and will make our abode with him”. Our Lord himself tells us in these words the condition for living united to him: **Love**. “He that abideth in charity abideth in God and God in him.” Love is the great power which unites us to God even in this life. **“Heaven on Earth”**



The Call to Pray



Jesus died for all the sins of the world and calls you by name, can you hear the call within.

Sacred Heart of Jesus



The Call to Pray

This is a brief introduction to the prayer book **The Sacred Heart of Jesus, order of Apostles of Prayer for the Laity**. For all the common, ordinary people, the Laity who form the body of the church in our Community. The Apostlet was set up to help us grow our love for the Father and Son; who sends fourth the gift of love, the Holy Spirit for all. We must seek everyday to: **“be perfect just as our heavenly father is perfect”** (Matthew 5:48), **“be holy just as our heavenly father is holy”** (Leviathan 19:2), **“be merciful just as our heavenly father is merciful”** (Luke 6:36). For we are all children of God, we must emulate our heavenly father through his beloved son Jesus. **The Order of the Apostles of Prayer for the Laity is not to be governed by man, but by the Holy Spirit within each one of us. The Order of the Apostles of Prayer is only suggested prayers and guide lines that were put together under the inspiration and guidance of the Holy Spirit. Personally, I seek and want nothing more than to share my love for my heavenly Father with all of my brother and sisters. So that you may grow in your love and services; as you receive the gift of love everyday, through the Holy Spirit! This Aposlet was put on my heart seven years ago and only now; I come forth by the guidance of the Holy Spirit to share “The Call to Pray,” so that all may grow and learn the power of prayer! With that being said the rule and formation of the Apostles of Prayer is just a starting point for all. For prayer takes on many forms and everybody has different gifts; for what we have received freely we are to give freely to others. So pray everyday and listen to the Holy Spirit everyday and your life will never be the same; for you will be a prayer warrior for our Heavenly Father. “Prayer will change the world!” For we are all called to be apostles of prayer. By asking for the Holy Spirit and breathing in the gifts of the Holy Spirit everyday, and taking up the cross of love everyday, we are giving God what is his, our love and “returning love for love.”**

For our Father will lead the blind on their journey, “By paths unknown I will guide them. I will turn darkness into light before them, and make crooked ways straight. These things I do for them, and I will not forsake them! You who are deaf listen; you who are blind look and see! Who is blind but my servant, or deaf like the messenger I send?” (Isaiah 42:16, 18, 19) **“For all my children that hope in the Lord and ask, they shall receive. They will renew their strength, they will soar as with eagles wings; they will run and not grow weary, walk and not grow faint.”** (Isaiah 40:31) For all those who feel called to deeper prayer and contemplative prayer; you will become **prayer warriors** for The Sacred Heart of Jesus; who sends forth the **Gifts of the Holy Spirit**.

Let us put on our spiritual armor, as **prayer warriors**. Put on the Armor of God, stand firm in the truth, and let righteousness be your breast plate, hold faith as your shield from God, to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one; with the helmet of salvation from his beloved Son; Jesus, and the mighty sword; the word of God that is revealed through the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Let the Father, Son, and

Holy Spirit be a light to your feet as you walk in the world on the path of righteousness; to love and help lead others to the Kingdom of God.

Let's go out today and battle the things of the flesh, as you walk in the spirit to seek and do the will of God. Live and walk in your faith and others will follow. Prayer is the spiritual backbone of the church, **Pray, Pray, Pray**, for **Prayer will change the world**.

The **Apostles of Prayer** is an answer to "The Call to Pray", giving the laity the opportunity to embrace the word of God through **study, piety**, and putting **action** to their faith on a daily basis. The laity are like lost sheep, wanting to respond to "The Call to Pray". People will always respond and embrace some kind of structure that helps them clearly know what they must do in order to ground themselves in the word of God and prayer. So, like red hot coals in a fire, that put forth the greatest amount of heat, then fire comes forth; in the same fashion we ground ourselves in the word of God and prayer, we fortify and sanctify ourselves in the body and blood of Christ. We become those red-hot coals, we catch on fire, with the flames of the Holy Spirit, to go forth in our daily lives, loving our brothers and sisters and sharing the **Gift of Love** for the salvation of souls.

When you take the vow to embrace "The Call to Pray", grounding yourself in prayer and the study of the word of God daily. God will truly transform your life putting action to your faith, for God truly is calling us to be prayer warriors. To go out as **Apostles of Prayer** for the salvation of souls; to embrace the gifts of life, to help lead others to eternal life in the Kingdom of God, with the **Father, Son**, and **Holy Spirit**.

The foundation of the **Apostle of Prayer** is sacrifice, prayer and the living word of God; reading the daily scriptures, meditating and praying on them to go out and live our faith in all of our daily duties.

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This apostolate of prayer was not set up to add additional burden to anyone's already busy daily schedule. All that is required is your love for Jesus, our Savior, and your "yes" to the gifts of the Holy Spirit; with a deep desire to pray and give back to others what you have received freely from God!

In order, not to be unfaithful to the grace of the apostolate, three cautions are particularly necessary. First of all, one must always seek and take great care for humility, defending oneself against the flattering voices of praise and success. If Lucifer, an Angel of God fell from heaven, it will be easy to believe an apostle too is subject to such a fall; being man and weighed down by sin and temptation. The second thing required would be constant vigilance which is necessary, to maintain intimate contact with God, for just as iron becomes red hot and glows only when it is in contact with fire, so the apostle radiates the divine light and warmth only if he keeps himself united to God who is their only source.

Lastly, it is of the greatest importance to persevere in perfect detachment from one's own will and judgment. In regard to this, St. John of the Cross warns us that among the many wiles used by the devil to deceive spiritual persons, the most ordinary is that of deceiving them under an appearance of what is good, not under an appearance of what is evil: for he knows that if they recognize evil, they will scarcely touch it".

Therefore, in order not to fall into his snare, Saint John of the Cross warns us never to undertake any action “however good and full of charity” it may seem to be, without the sanction of obedience and guidance of our spiritual director. This advice is good not only for religious but for all who work in the apostolate, because all should be submissive to the body of Christ our church and its authority.

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So, let me warn you about some of the traps of the evil one, “**The Devil**”. When you miss a prayer time, don’t punish yourself; just acknowledge to God that you need his help when things get very busy during the day. It is hard sometimes to stop at 3:00pm “The hour of passion for Jesus” or if you miss your morning or evening prayer or if you don’t have time; due to your work schedule on any given day, just pray to your self, “I Love you Jesus and I offer all I do today for the salvation of souls”. Through the years I found that setting my cellphone alarm for 12 noon and 3 pm really helped me during the work day. It never seems to fail, that I always seem to be my busiest around my prayer times. When my alarm goes off and I see that it is Jesus calling it brings great joy to my heart and soul. The greatest part about setting your cell phone alarm is that you will never forget to acknowledge your love for God throughout the day. People ask me when my phone rings and I don’t answer, who is calling? And I answer **Jesus**. Most times I get a smile, sometimes a blank stare; many times, it strikes up a conversation about God, faith, spirituality, and prayer. So, remember, it is in the small acts of faith we make on a daily basis that often bring the biggest impact to our life and others around us. Prayer will change you and the world around you. **For prayer is a spiritual response to a human condition.**

There is no doubt you will miss times to pray in fact, there has not been one week that I personally have completed all prayer times, I either missed the time, couldn’t complete due to distractions or I fell asleep. The key is to never get discouraged or give up, let this be a reminder; our flesh is weak, and we can do nothing without God, for all things are possible with God. Seek humility and service, for Jesus calls us to be a servant to all! **So always remember just your love, desire, and intentions to pray is a beautiful prayer in itself; that ascends to heaven for love and Glory of God and the salvation of souls. For we are of the flesh and not perfect; but our hearts can be perfect with the Love and Desire to praise and Love God and all our brothers and sisters in service and prayer.** God knows your intentions and your heart so don’t let the “devil” use **Guilt** to stop you from praying. Remember, your faith belongs to you, it is a gift from God and nobody can take your faith, so rejoice and **always rely on God!**

The next one would be **Envy** the devil loves this one. Wanting what someone else has or comparing your spirituality with someone else’s spirituality, remember we are all different but we all have our own gifts, embrace what God has given you, and always remember you are exactly where God wants you today, so go out and **love and serve God today.**

The next would be **Pride**; you must always be on watch; for pride can go undetected. Make sure you are praying everyday, reading and meditating on the word of God. Pray everyday for a heart of love and service, seek humility, obedience to God, and for Gods will to be done in your daily life today as you go out into the world to **work and serve God.**

Christian prayer is to be uniquely bold and courageous! It is to be persistent in the face of what may seem like God’s lack of response. We are never to lose heart, but be ever-confident and trusting that

the Father hears and answers all who come to him. And he grants the extraordinary gifts and the help of the Holy Spirit, to those who ask him. Make sure you put on your spiritual armor and pray for God's divine assistance everyday, to seek his beloved Son Jesus, that you may see Jesus; in all things and all people today. Give freely to others what God has given to you!

Saint Theresa says it well when she encourages us; [Let nothing disturb you. Let nothing frighten you, all things pass away, God never changes, patience obtains all things; he who has God finds he lacks nothing; God alone suffices.](#)

We must not believe that because we have taken a vow of obedience to the apostolate or dedicated ourselves to religious works makes us better than anyone. "Give to God what is God's" If the coin which bears the image of Caesar should be restored to Caesar, with much greater reason should our soul, which bears the image of God, be restored to God. To say that we must give our soul to God is to say that we owe him everything. To fulfill our duties toward our neighbor, toward our equals or our inferiors, is to fulfill our duty toward God; it is to restore to Him everything He has given us, by submitting our freedom to His law, by putting our will in the service of His will. It should make you realize your nothingness, that God has granted you grace and the gift of love to serve and to give freely to others. You are called to be a servant to all! Remember love never takes; it always gives so if you are taking, it is not love. [Love, is perfect; NEVER FAILS.](#)

There is no wrong way to pray if it is from your heart, for love is perfect, it bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, and endures all things. (1-Corinthians 13:7-8) Brothers and sisters: if you are guided by the spirit; you are not under the law; the fruit of spirit is Love; against such there is no law. Now those who belong to Jesus Christ have crucified their flesh with its passions and desire.

Let us plant seeds and water them with prayers, God will make them grow. To enter the Sacred Heart of Jesus order of [Apostles of Prayer](#) all that is required is to take a vow of obedience to the sacred heart of Jesus. Pray every morning the prayer of the Holy Spirit or say the prayer of the beatitudes and take up your cross and walk with Jesus, when praying The Way of the Cross. By doing the vow of consecration; giving of your self freely, for the Love of God and the salvation of souls; God is rejoicing in heaven, because you are giving of your own free will; an act of true love. God has Grace upon Grace to give you, so embrace the gifts you receive from him and give freely to others what God has given to you. Remember God wants to give you so much; but He only can give you what you can receive at that moment, so allow God to increase and you to decrease as you walk on your journey of faith with Jesus Christ Our Savior. Be patient and God will transform your Life, for all things are possible with God.

God Bless
Who loves ya Baby!!
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Make the sign of the cross in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Offer up all your prayers and praise for the sacred heart of Jesus and The Salvation of Souls. By praying the Apostles of Prayer Consecration and the Prayer Warrior prayer on the next page.

May God Almighty, the Creator of Heaven and earth, bless you. He who has designed to join you to [The Sacred Heart of Jesus/Order of Apostles of Prayer](#); so that you may enter into Possession of your eternal heritage as children of God; through Christ our Lord. "Amen"

Pray: (Apostles of Prayer/consecration) I love you Jesus with all my heart, I offer all my prayers for the salvation of souls, the conversion of hearts, the gift of life and the right for life, for all people who have no one to pray for them. For our priest and vocations to the priesthood.

To my beloved Jesus I offer all I am and all I will be for your Glory; your Love; may your will always be done Lord, not mine. May my heart always be yours; to be a servant to all, along with all the graces and gifts you give me; may I give them freely to others. Help me to pray everyday, for you are the source of prayer, may my soul always proclaim the greatness of the Lord; though [Faith, Hope, and Love](#). Grant me the Love, Protection, and Guidance of the [Holy Spirit](#) as we serve and Love our brothers and sisters as [Apostles of Prayer](#); "In the name of Jesus, Amen".

Pray: (Prayer warriors, prayer) Put on the armor of God, stand firm in the truth, and let righteousness be your breast plate; hold faith as your shield from God, to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one; with the helmet of salvation from his beloved Son, Jesus, and the mighty sword, the word of God that is revealed through the gifts of the [Holy Spirit](#). Let's go out today and battle the things of the flesh, as you walk in the spirit to seek and do the will of God. Live and walk in your faith and others will follow; "In the name of Jesus, Amen".

You are now an [Apostle of Prayer](#), a prayer warrior for The Sacred Heart of Jesus for the Gift of Life and the salvation of souls. Listed below on-line items 1 thru 5 are your daily and weekly obligations as Apostles of Prayer.

[Apostles of Prayer Daily devotion to prayer](#)

1. **Daily Morning prayer:** [Pray everyday Sacred Heart of Jesus Prayer devotional.](#) ([Apostles of Prayer/ Consecration](#)) from above.

Prayer of Repentance and Service: Have Mercy on me, God, in your goodness. In your abundant compassion blot out my offense. O wash me more and more from my guilt and cleanse me from my sin (Psalm 51). 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. 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. From my sins turn always 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 to 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. [In my silence I find the living and beating heart of Jesus, May God look upon me today as I pray and see his beloved Son in me, and be pleased to grant me the keys to the kingdom of Heaven today; so that I may out today and return love for love; through the out-pouring of the Holy Spirit to transform me; to be one with the Divine Will of God as I cry out, "Speak Lord, your servant is listening."](#) (1 Samuel 3:9) I Pray "In the name of Jesus Amen" (John 14: 4, 6, 14)

- **Pray:** The Beatitudes/[Receiving the Holy Spirit](#) or the [Holy Spirit Prayer](#) and The Way of the Cross (From the book, [Praying with the Holy Spirit, Walking with Jesus](#))
- Read and Meditate on the scripture readings for today from the Magnificat or the daily word, your church Bulletin, using your bible.

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2. **Daily Mid-day prayer:** Pray everyday between 12:00pm and 3:00pm. Set your cell phone alarm to go off for noon and 3 pm to help you remember so you can say a short prayer of praise and love.
 - ◁For our love and devotion to the sacred heart of Jesus, and the Salvation of Souls▷
 - A short silent personal prayer: (Suggested prayers of **Praise and Love**)
 - * (1) **Eternal Father Prayer**
Eternal Father I offer you the body and blood, Soul and divinity of your dearly beloved son, our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for my sins and those of the whole world. “In the name of Jesus, Amen”
 - * (1) **For the Sake of Prayer**
For the sake of his sorrowful Passion, have mercy on me and the whole world. “In name of Jesus, Amen”
 - * (1) Father I love you with all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind and all my strength “**for the love of Jesus, and the salvation of souls**, Amen.”
 - * (3) **Times say the mantra** silently to yourself and breathe in: “**For the love of Jesus,**” exhaling “**and the salvations of souls**” this prayer, is very helpful and effective on combating daily temptations, unholy thoughts and those deep rooted habitual sins that we seem to always struggle with over and over. So lets try something different, by asking Jesus for the Grace of the Holy Spirit, to help combat these daily struggles, by praying this manta 3-times when these thoughts come crashing in during the day.
3. **Evening prayer:** Pray everyday before bedtime; pray, personal Prayers of praise and gratitude for the day.
 - Finish with (1) Our Father prayer
 - Read and Meditate on the scripture readings for tomorrow, in your Magnificat, daily word, or your church Bulletin, using the bible.

Weekly Prayer

4. **Pray:** Every Saturday the devotion for “**The Gift of Life**” and **the salvation of souls**, for all our priest and vocations to holy orders, praying the prayer, **The Life and Passions of Jesus**. (From the book, “**The Day the World Changed, The Call to Pray; The Life and Passions of Jesus**”)
5. Attend Sunday Mass every week. Prayer

Prayers, Study and Obedience

1. Pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit, to reveal a spiritual advisor to you. For we all need guidance and spiritual support. Meet at least once a month with your spiritual advisor. As you progress on your faith walk, you will know if you need to meet more often.
2. Always be obedient to your spiritual advisor and the Magisterium of the church.
3. Patron Saints for The Sacred Heart of Jesus, order of Apostles of Prayer for the Laity. John of the Cross, Padre Pio, Augustine, John the Baptist, Peter, Paul, Luke, John, Therese, the little flower, Teresa of Avila, Blessed Teresa of Calcutta, Blessed John Paul II.
 - Read and Meditate on these Saints throughout your life’s journey as you walk with Jesus Our Savior. (Always follow the Holy Spirit, if you feel called to another Saint, pray and meditate on their Life, as you live your faith on your Journey with Jesus our Savior).
4. Pick a small area in your house or dedicate a room for Prayer and meditation, so you can get away for private reflection. **Be still and know that I am God!** (PS: 46-11).

Jesus, The Divine Gift of Love

Heaven on Earth



Prayer will change the World

(John 1:23)

“I am the voice of one crying out in the Desert,
Make straight the way of the Lord”

‘The Call to Pray’

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Prayerful thoughts as you walk in your Faith

1. **The beatitudes/Receiving the Holy Spirit** or the **Holy Spirit Prayer** and **Walking with Jesus on the Way of the Cross** shall be your daily guide to live and walk with Jesus Our Savior, throughout each day. For they are part of your formation for apostles of Prayer, for spiritual reflection and guidance.
2. Always seek to do the divine will of God daily and to see his beloved Son Jesus in all things and all People, blessed are the pure in heart; for they will see God. May you have a heart of a servant to all, for what you have received freely you are to give freely.
3. In addition to helping ourselves grow, using our God-given talents, which means we are called to bring others to God, which is part of what Jesus expects from us. We can influence them for the good. We can lead them, help them, invite them to become all that they can become. Continuing to develop our gifts and being open to the Holy Spirit to transform and improve ourselves and our world will count for more than all our flesh can offer us or all the riches the world can give you, our reward will be **The Kingdom of God**.

Optional prayers and devotion to aspire to as you walk on your faith journey with Jesus Our Savior

1. Pray everyday The Life and Passions of Jesus Prayer.
(praise and prayer that will transform your life)
2. Attend daily mass or prayer group (praise and prayer that will transform your life)
3. Attend daily adoration (praise and prayer that will transform your life)
4. Go to reconciliation or your spiritual advisor (confession) once a month on the 1st Saturday of each month. Go sooner if you feel you need too.
5. Always carry Holy Spirit Prayer Beads with you. For these are weapons of prayer to save souls. Sleep with Prayer Beads and if you awaken in the night and feel called to pray, **Pray!** Recite a mantra, or the Holy Spirit Prayer, until you fall back to sleep.
6. Meet once a month in the City that you live, to share your journey of faith and prayers with fellow members of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Order of Apostles of Prayer for the Laity.
(Go to our web-site for a list of people in your area)
7. Attend at least two spiritual retreats a year for deeper prayer, to refresh and share your Faith with others.
8. This completes the rule for The Sacred Heart of Jesus Order of Apostles of Prayer for the Laity. On the next pages, you will find the formation of the Apostles of Prayer and prayerful meditations as you walk in your faith with Jesus to love and serve others.



Formation of the Apostles of Prayer (For prayerful meditation: for all that are called to deeper prayer)

The interior life is the vital principal, the force, and the flame of the apostolate. When a soul is fired with zeal for the apostolic life, its very desire to win other souls for God impels it to devote itself with greater generosity to prayer, giving of ones' self with no regard for self, only for the love of God and for the salvation of souls, with the intention of making itself more capable of a fruitful apostolate. Thus, the interior life is the soul of the apostolate, to bring many souls on to union with God, to seek perfection, to be a servant to all for the love of God and neighbor, to bring us the Kingdom of Heaven. **“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven: (Mt 5: 3)**

Complete poverty of spirit is when we seek only God, when we empty our selves of all our desires, wants, and needs, poverty of material things, spiritual things, moral things, which empties us to poverty of self, to die to our own will, to rest in the divine will of God.” “Heaven on Earth”

When the apostolic ideal is alive and well understood, it does not plunge souls headlong into activity; it rather guides them to a deeper interior life, to the total gift of self, giving of ones self with no regard for self, only for others. For we ourselves must be Holy before we can make others Holy. **“And for them do I love and sanctify myself”.**

One who is just setting out in the spiritual life is not capable of attending to his own sanctification and the sanctification of others simultaneously; he should first have time to concentrate all his powers on his own spiritual formation. It is, therefore, of the greatest importance that those who give themselves to the apostolate, **The Sacred Heart of Jesus, Apostles of Prayer** strive earnestly for perfection and sanctity, for only thus can they give God to souls and bring souls to God.

When we speak of the apostolate, we think almost exclusively of external activity; this is certainly necessary, but it is not the only kind of apostolate. Thus, one clearly sees that there are two fundamental forms of apostolate the interior apostolate of prayer and the word of God, which is a prolongation of the hidden life and of the Passion of Jesus; and the exterior apostolate of word and of work, which is a prolongation of his public life. Both are a participation in the redemptive work of Jesus, but there is a great difference between them. The interior apostolate is the indispensable foundation of the exterior apostolate; no one, in fact, can hope to save souls by sacrifice alone. We must always allow time everyday for prayer and union with the sacred heart of Jesus to refresh and renew our hearts, for the call to be a servant to all, for it is not I who live; but Christ who lives in me.

God calls us to come home to his divine union and intimacy with the sacred heart of Jesus; the chamber of love, to be prayer warriors to lift our voices in prayer for the salvation of souls. In other words, by the gift of Grace through Jesus, God's infinite mercy is ready to be poured out into our hearts, but will not be poured out unless we sing out with praise and prayer; lifting our voices to heaven asking for it. If prayer does not ascend to the throne, of the Most High, grace will not be granted. This explains the absolute necessity for apostolic prayer and its great efficacy. There is no substitute for prayer, because prayer draws grace directly from its source, God. Our activity, our words and works can prepare the ground for grace, but if we do not pray, it will not come down to refresh souls.

“Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted: (Mt 5: 4) Knowledge

When we walk with Jesus, our hearts cannot help but mourn for injustice and lost souls that need help. Just as we mourn we find comfort; for Jesus is with us, and in us, leading us on to serve and love our neighbor; to help them find their way back to the Eucharistic heart of Jesus; and receive the Gift of Love, the Holy Spirit.”

We can never be certain that all our prayers will be answered according to our expectation, for we do not know if what we ask is conformable to God’s will; but when it is a question of apostolic prayer which asks for grace and the salvation of souls, it is a very different matter. In fact, when we pray for the aims of the apostolate, we are praying for the divine will of God, we are fitting in to the plan prearranged by God himself from all eternity, that plan for the salvation of all men, we cannot doubt the efficacy of our prayer. Because of this effectiveness, apostolic prayer is one of the most powerful means for saving souls and bringing our brothers and sisters to the Kingdom of God!

If God has willed the distribution of grace in the world to depend upon the prayers of men, and people today; who pray so little and perhaps most of them, not at all, it is extremely necessary to have in the church souls who are totally consecrated to prayer. By their lives of continual prayer, adoration and unceasing praise to the Most High, these souls supply for the negligence and carelessness of many, and thus they re-establish in the world the balance between God’s rights and man’s duty, between action and contemplation. **Pray, Pray, Pray, “Prayer will change the world”**. In the church, they are “powerhouses” of supernatural energy, energy derived from and accumulated by prayer, and diffused by it to the utmost bounds of the earth. The prayer of contemplatives is the secret and guarantee of victory for those who struggle in the world.

The Crown of Victory “Prayer”.

The prayer which contemplatives unceasingly send up to God in the name of all Christians does not dispense the rest of the faithful from this great duty. Above all, those who dedicate themselves to the external apostolate should give sufficient place in their lives to prayer. Unfortunately, we often put more trust in our work, our diligence, our technique, than in our prayer; we have not enough faith in its efficacy, and as a result, we consider wasteful the time to give to prayer. This basic error springs from a lack of faith and humility; it is an error which explains the sterility of so many works. So, ask for help; which God will surely give those who invoke him from their heart, so you can be filled with gifts of grace to lead you in word and prayer to serve others.

There is a close connection between prayer and sacrifice, since they both flow from one source: love; which spurs the soul on to prayer and immolation for the Glory of God and the salvation of souls. The contemplative life; is a continual “sacrifice of praise.” The more prayer is nourished and accompanied by sacrifice, the more efficacious it becomes; indeed, it attains its maximum efficacy when sacrifice is total for the salvation of souls.

We are disposed to live in continual sacrifice of our own will, in continual renouncement of self; when we are disposed to let ourselves be crucified in whatever way the Holy Will of God ordains, in order to win other souls to his love, then we shall have reached the apex of the apostolate with God’s divine union; with your heart, and the heart of Jesus, on the mount of perfection. Hence allowing the apostolic of prayer to bring forth fruitfulness hundred-fold!!

“Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the Land: (Mt 5: 5) Counsel

When we are meek and humble of heart, we find peace and serenity within us; even thou the world around us is not of Peace and serenity, the world no longer has a hold on us! Jesus said; “Learn of me, for I am meek and humble of heart and you shall find rest for your soul.”

Our participation in the apostolate of Jesus attains its fulfillment in the sacrifice of ourselves, one that is real and concrete. The form and measure of this sacrifice will be made known to us by God himself, through the circumstances of our life, the events permitted by his divine love and mercy, through dieing of self to do all things for the love of God and the salvation of souls.

Contemplatives, apostles for prayer should be “specialists” (**prayer warriors**) in the apostolate of sacrifice which, however, cannot and should not be wanting, in one form or another, in the life of every apostle. Christ has purchased our souls at the price of his precious blood; and whoever wishes to carry their cross with him in the salvation of mankind, should be willing to give of ones’ self with no regard for self; only for the salvation of souls and love of God. Souls cost dearly, and an apostle must pay with himself for those he wants to win. The apostolate is true and fruitful in the measure in which it will sacrifice ones’ self for the love of others, which is the fruit of sacrifice and prayer for the Kingdom of God.

In addition to prayer and sacrifice, there is another powerful arm of the apostolate which is accessible to everyone, the apostolate of a good, Holy Life. All cannot be preachers, all do not have the duty to admonish or exhort others, not all can attend to apostolic works, but there is no one who cannot contribute to the spiritual good of his neighbor by giving the example of life which is integrally Christian: holding to the principles one has professed and faithfully fulfilling one’s duties. Giving of self, praying, walking in your faith to love your neighbor as yourself, becoming a prayer warrior for The Sacred Heart of Jesus and the salvation of souls.

Jesus, who possessed the divine perfections, could tell us: “Be you therefore perfect, as also your heavenly Father is perfect” (Mt 5, 48); and speaking thus, he not only showed us the supreme ideal of sanctity, but he also offered himself as our model. An apostle must follow the same path as Jesus; servant to all, giving of ones’ self, with no regard for self, only for love, a gift from God; to give freely to others what we have received freely. “Let the action be public,” he says, “while the intention remains hidden; thus, we shall give our neighbor the example of good work and at the same time; by our intention which is directed only toward God, we shall please him alone in secret; in the silence of our heart, we hear the whispers of the Holy Spirit.

Every soul who lives an interior life, trying to please God alone, should also endeavor to be an apostle by his good example. His life of sincere piety, solid virtue, and union with God, should shine before men, inspiring them to pray, to be recollected, and to seek after the things of heaven. This is possible in every walk of life; we are all called to be **apostles of prayer**.

A truly interior soul is, of itself, an apostle, a prayer warrior, and as Jesus said, “a city seated on a mountain which cannot be hid”; it is a burning light set “upon a candlestick that it may shine to all that are in the house” (Mt 5, 14, 15). The more deeply interior a soul is, the more brightly will its light shine upon other souls and bring them to God.

Side by Side with the interior apostolate of contemplatives, the exterior apostolate of word and deed are of greatest importance for our priest to minister to the faithful. The great need for the sacrament of reconciliation, is the coming home of the prodigal son who embraced the Father for forgiveness; for the old sin dies and we are reborn in the blood of Christ, “**forgiveness**”. Our priests are called to lead their community in the word of God, and the sacrament of love, the Holy Eucharist, to be the light of Christ to lead others to the Kingdom of God. We also need social works and labors, professional men and women who will be apostles of prayer in their own walks of life. In the field of the apostolate, as St Paul says, there are many duties, many offices of varied importance and value, but they all proceed from one and the same spirit, the Holy Spirit, who “divides to everyone according as he will,” and at the same time, orders them all to one end: the growth of the Mystical Body of Christ. Just as one member of the human body has need of the others, “and the eye cannot say to the hand, I need not thy help, nor again the head to the feet, I have no need of you,” so neither can contemplatives say to those in the active life, “your works are not necessary”; nor can the latter say to the former, “your prayer is of no avail.”

Neither can the supporters of the various kinds of apostolic activity consider one to be more important than others; but with mutual appreciation, all should work in a spirit of solidarity, helping one another, each one trying to carry out his own functions with the greatest possible perfection. From the love with which each one gives forth in his own duties and, at the same time, remains united to others, will result in the universal good of the church, which the apostle should seek above and beyond any of his own personal works or interests.

The first place in the apostolic ministry belongs, beyond all doubt, to the Bishops who are the direct successors of the Apostles, to whom Jesus officially entrusted the charge of evangelizing the world: “going, therefore, teach ye all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you.” May all of our Bishops bring back daily adoration from 3:00pm to 6:00pm in all our churches around the world! Along with our priests to do daily adoration under the love and protection of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Next to this apostolate of the Hierarchy, reserved for the clergy, there is the apostolate of the laity, the common person, who is invited by the church to collaborate with the Hierarchy. The Bishop is to guide, govern, and draw up the plans; and under the direction of the Bishop the faithful are called upon to lend their assistance. It is evident, therefore, that the authentic apostolate, the only one which is in accord with God’s plan for the salvation of mankind, is that which is exercised in harmony with the directives of the church. We must be obedient to our Bishop, the right arm; to the chair of Peter, our Pope, who leads us and is the light of Christ calling us to come home. “This apostolic work, performed according to the spirit of the church, consecrates a layman, a common person, as a minister of Christ, **Prayer Warriors** and **Apostles of prayer** for **The Sacred Heart of Jesus**.”

The only road that takes us to our eternal home is that of the divine will of God. Anyone who sincerely seeks God's will and follows it, will be guided, not by his own spirit, but by God's spirit, the Holy Spirit, and can be sure that he will not go astray. **"Be ye filled with the Holy Spirit."**

Take up your cross and follow me, the gift of Love, the Holy Spirit will lead you on the path of righteousness and reveal to you the living word of God; which will sustain you and comfort you as you journey to do God's will. The truth shall set you free, for man does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

"Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied: (Mt 5: 6)

The gift of love, the Holy Spirit dispensed through grace; puts us on the path of light, seeking truth, righteousness, and the call to be a servant to all. Hence, filling that void in us; to love God and our brothers and sisters as our self. Nothing on earth can fill that void in our souls, only Grace, the gift of love from God!"

"Lord, you know what is best; let this or that be done as you will. Give what you will as much as you will, and when you will. Do with me as you know best, as will most please you, and will be for your greater honor. Put me where you will, and do with me in all things according to your will. Lo, I am your servant, ready to obey you in all things; for I do not desire to live for myself, but for you: Oh, that I could do so in a faithful and perfect manner. For "it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life that I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God who loved me and gave himself for me and you." If any man thirst let him come to me, "I will give you a new heart and place a new spirit within you, taking from your bodies your stony hearts and giving you a heart that knows me and loves me."

No special preparation is necessary before giving oneself to the interior apostolate, for, if a soul dedicates itself to prayer or sacrifice as Apostles of Prayer, not only will it help others, but at the same time it will draw great profit for its own sanctification. In fact, the practice of the interior apostolate coincides perfectly with the fundamental exercises of your spiritual life. Just proclaim your **"FIAT"** yes to **"The Call to Pray"** to be a **prayer warrior**, a **servant to all**, for the love of Jesus and the Kingdom of God.

We must always take care that external activity in no way diminishes our interior life. It is necessary to continually maintain the balance between prayer and work in such a way that we do not exhaust our spiritual energies, but allow sufficient time to renew them, to revive and to sustain our intimate contact with God.

Every **Apostle of Prayer** should be convinced that precisely in his own field of labor, and nowhere else, will he find all the graces necessary to sanctify himself, to obtain intimate union with God. When a person gives himself to the apostolate, not by his own choice, nor because of a natural attraction for activity, but solely in answer to **The Call to Pray** from God, he can be certain that, since God has willed him to engage in the apostolate, the fruits of his prayers will multiply a hundred-fold.

Humble your selves profoundly because of your weakness and then more abundant grace will surely bring you success. Do you not know that difficulties and obstacles are transformed under the wonderful action of grace, and will contribute greatly to good? You can say with St Paul: I am certain that no creature in the world has the power to draw me away from the road to sanctity. In the measure that an apostle is docile and faithful to grace, God will purify him, refine him, and sanctify him, precisely by means of his apostolic labors.

“Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy: (Mt 5: 7)

When we show mercy and compassion, we can receive mercy and compassion, for this is the direct off spring of the heart that is infused to the heart of Jesus.”

Anyone who has tasted, even in a slight degree, the infinite beauty and goodness of God, cannot fail to experience an overwhelming longing and need for him. This is a good sign: it means that the apostle has not permitted himself to be distracted by exterior occupations and that although living in the world, he is not of the world, but really tends toward God. Even if this longing should at times become painful, the apostle must not be disturbed nor believe that he has mistaken his way, rather as a grace given to protect the apostle against the dangers of the exterior life. This pain will purify him and lead him to God.

However, the desire for God should be satisfied; in addition to our daily prayer and silence, the apostle must have sufficient pauses in his work. Monthly and yearly retreats are indispensable, and even more leisure for recollection must be taken after periods of intense activity. It would be a fatal error to allow one self to become so absorbed in work that time could no longer be found for silence; prayer and deep personal conversation with God, to refresh us and lead us on the path of righteousness. But at the same time, he must go to his work calmly and confidently, ever mindful of the fact that, until he has attained to full maturity in the spiritual life, he will not be able to escape the conflict between action and contemplation: action which tries to draw him away from contemplation, and contemplation which would like to prolong itself beyond the appointed time. He must make every effort to **maintain balance**, avoiding both extremes, and unifying his life by means of love. Before the conflict is settled in perfect harmony, a long road must be traveled, where it is absolutely necessary to give oneself to activity with great prudence, and to be very faithful to prayer, being careful not to allow the time allotted for it to be encroached upon.

If God does not use us to accomplish great works, is it because, being insufficiently convinced of our nothingness, we would take to ourselves the glory due to Him alone, attributing our success to our own merits? If our apostolic activity produces few fruits, it is because, relying too much on ourselves, we do not constantly strive to keep close to God by means of humility, prayer, obedience and our desire to love our brothers and sisters as our self; giving of one's self with no regard for self. “Abide in me,” Jesus repeats to us. “As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, so neither can you, unless you abide in me”. The apostle must be united to Jesus through the state of grace; he must remain united to Him, plunged into profound humility which makes him realize that he can do nothing absolutely nothing, without continual help from our beloved, Jesus!

St. Thomas teaches that love is like fire. If the fire burns intensely, then the flame will also be intense and devouring. True apostolic zeal is an all-consuming fire that burns deep and ever lasting within our soul, which unites our hearts to the divine heart of Jesus through love. The more a soul is united to God by love, the more it becomes enveloped in the flame of his charity, participating in his infinite love for others, in his eternal zeal for their salvation; thus, it becomes apostolic, a true servant of God; to Love our brothers and sisters and be a servant to all.

When a soul allows itself, with childlike docility, to be led by the Holy Spirit, he takes complete possession of it, filling it entirely with himself; in the chamber of love, our heart. Jesus is all consuming and all knowing, his will becomes our will. To follow God's will under the direction of the Holy Spirit is the quickest and safest way of reaching our heavenly home.

True faith is not based on our experience, on what we see and touch, but on the authority of God. God has revealed himself; he can neither deceive nor be deceived; and we believe firmly in his word. To believe in the word of God is supernatural faith, the pure faith which is pleasing to God.

In this life we walk toward God, not by vision, but by faith. The purer our faith, relying less on human elements, the more pleasing it will be to God, and the more it will enable us to know his Holy Will and to accomplish it with love. This will allow us to respond to the call to be an **"Apostle of Prayer."**

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God: (Mt 5: 8)

When we have a pure heart, we can see Jesus in all things and all people; for love has no boundaries and it can see all things, hope in all things, endures all things, for the glory of God; for perfect love cast out all fear."

This attitude is particularly necessary in our direct contact with souls; more than ever, the Apostle of Prayer should invoke the Holy Spirit, keep himself under his influence, and allow himself to be directed by him. Souls belong to God; should be directed, not according to one's own spirit, but according to the spirit of God. Complete submission demands great faith and great confidence in Jesus, the Son of God, and transforming action of the Holy Spirit.

(2 Corinthians 12:7-10) Remember what Paul said, in order that I might not become conceited I was given a thorn in the flesh, an angel of Satan to beat me and keep me from getting proud. Three times I begged the Lord that this might leave me. He said to me, "my grace is enough for you, for in weakness power reaches perfection." And so, I willingly boast of my weaknesses instead, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. Only in this way will the apostle have the courage to follow his lead in any form of activity, while remaining fully aware of his own insufficiency. Therefore, I am content with weakness, with mistreatment, with distress, with persecutions and difficulties for the sake of Christ; for when I am powerless, it is then that I am strong; for when I am strong let me know my weakness, so that all that I am will be for the Love of Christ; so that I may boast only in Christ and be a servant to all! Only thus will he have the courage to face any sacrifice with generosity, while feeling all our own weakness. For the Holy Spirit has not been given to us in vain; He is within us, and provided we give ourselves wholly to Him, He can transform us into **"Apostles of Prayer"** for the glory of God and the salvation of souls.

The soul that truly loves God does not resign itself to waiting for heaven in order to be united to Him, we can have Heaven on Earth. This is a gift from God the grace that comes forth through his beloved Son, the Holy Spirit that will lead us and sustain us as we call out and proclaim our “yes” speak Lord your servant is listening; to seek and do your will. Only thru God can we have a taste of Heaven on Earth; God wants to give you this gift of grace. Is it possible? Yes, Jesus has said: “If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him; and we will come to him and will make our abode with him”. Our Lord himself tells us in these words the condition for living united to him: **Love**. “He that abideth in charity abideth in God and God in him.” Love is the great power which unites us to God even in this life. [“Heaven and Earth”](#)

“The end of the spiritual life,” says St. Thomas “is that man unites himself to God by Love”. By steps of love, we advance toward our last end: union with God. Such is the great ideal which should illumine and direct our whole life, the great goal which, with the divine assistance, we can attain even here below, as far as it is possible in this state of our flesh, to be children of God; for we are of the flesh and not perfect; but our hearts can be perfect with the Love and Desire to praise and Love God and all our brothers and sisters in service and prayer. God knows your intentions and your heart.

[“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be children of God: \(Mt 5 : 9\)](#)

When we do all things to please and love God, we become dependent on God; like children who can do nothing for themselves; total dependency on God, we seek peace; justice and love in all things.”

St. John of the Cross explains where in union of Love with God consists. For this is communicated only by love and grace, which not all souls’ posses; and all those that posses it have it not in the same degree; for some have attained more degrees of love and others fewer.” He concludes: “God communicates himself most of all to that soul that has progressed farthest in **love**.” The state of grace is the point of departure for the union of love with God.

When you go before God at the end of your human life; He will ask you how much did you love your brothers and sisters; not how much work you accomplished or success you had; only how much did you **Love!**

The goal is the full development of grace, so that the soul remains totally in the spirit of Faith, Love and Truth, and all its powers, its entire will, all its affections are concentrated in God, neither desiring nor loving anything henceforth but what God wills and loves. Grace is the life of God in us, a life which develops through our progress in love. The more the soul loves, the more grace increases in it, with the result that its participation in the divine life becomes more profound, leading it to an ever more intense and perfect union with God. [Grace](#) and **love** are the precious seeds of union with God; they put the soul in intimate communion with him: communion of life, of thought and of will.



“You are my God. My happiness lies in you alone.” Hope is the light that centers all our attentions and desires. On the possession of God for all eternity, ‘for our hearts were made for God and they are restless until they rest in Him.’ “In God alone is my soul at rest, for my hope comes from him.” “Hope will never leave us disappointed”, for Jesus is infinitely more interested in seeking us than we are seeking Him.

“I am certain that nothing will be able to separate us from the love of God, made visible in Christ Jesus our Lord.” God is good beyond all description!

Blessed are they who hear the word of God and believe, for the truth shall set them free! **‘To fall in love with God is the greatest of all romances; to seek him, the greatest adventure; to find him, the greatest human achievement.’** **“God is Love”** who “loved us first” and who takes a thousand steps toward us for our one step toward him. **“I am sure of this much: that he who has begun the good work in you will carry it through to completion.”** The gift from the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit **“Love”** Live to Love and Love to Live!

Be still and know I am God, for when we can be silent we can hear the Whispers of the Holy Spirit. St John of the Cross said a profound statement that leads us to Jesus where our true treasure is, our heart! The way of nothing, the Mount of perfection. When I seek nothing, want nothing, desire nothing; I find everything in my nothingness. For all my faculties and senses are quiet and still, my will belongs to the Will of God, for as the bride and the groom become one, with the Will of God. For, “it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life that I now live in the flesh, I live by faith in the Son of God who loved me and gave himself for me and you.” Let us pray for a heart of love, compassion and mercy; blessed are the merciful for they will be shown Mercy!

Have Mercy on me, God, in your goodness. In your abundant compassion blot out my offense. O wash me more and more from my guilt and cleanse me from my sin (Psalm 51). 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. 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. From my sins turn always 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 to 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.



A Saint has said: "The greatest honor God can give a soul is not to give it much but to ask much from it!" Jesus is treating you then as a privileged one. He wills that you already begin your mission and that through suffering, in dying, that he himself redeemed the world? I know you aspire to the joy of sacrificing your life for the divine Master, but martyrdom of the heart is not less fruitful than the pouring out of one's blood, and now this martyrdom is yours. I am right, then, in saying that your lot is beautiful, that it is worthy of an **Apostle of Christ**. Let us work together for the salvation of souls. The tomorrow of this day will be eternity, and then Jesus will restore to you a hundredfold the very sweet and very legitimate joys that you sacrificed for him.

Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven: (Mt 5: 10)

When we do all things with no regard for self, only; for others and the love of God. For we will find heaven on earth as we give our lives for the Kingdom of God."

For in sacrifice you take no delight, burnt offering from me you would refuse, my sacrifice, and a contrite spirit. A Humbled, contrite heart you will not spurn. If any man thirst let him come to me, "I will give you a new heart and place a new spirit within you, taking from your bodies your stony hearts and give you a heart that knows me and loves me."

In our silence, we find the living and beating heart of Jesus in us! May God look upon us today as we pray and see his beloved Son in us, and be pleased, as he sends his grace and the gifts of the Holy Spirit to transform us; to be one with the Divine Will of God as we cry out, "Speak Lord, your servant is listening." (1 Samuel 3:9) We Pray "in the name of Jesus Amen." (John 14: 4, 6, 14)

Let us live our faith today, pray today and most of all love today and give to God what is Gods "yourself". The Holy Spirit puts the same message on my heart as you have always heard and seen put into action by Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta, "**Pray, Pray, Pray**" and come back to **adoration, for prayer will change the world!** My prayers in adoration will always be for the salvation of souls, right for life; and our priest and vocations to Holy orders. That they will be filled with the Holy Spirit and be the light of Christ for the Salvation of souls.



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Prayer time with Jesus

Adoration is like Christmas

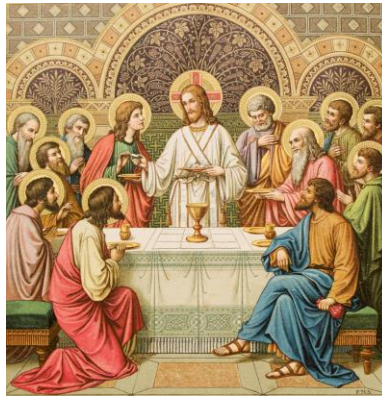
When we go to adoration to visit Jesus; let us come as little children at Christmas time; with great excitement and joy as a child receives and opens gifts with love and affection for the one who gives these gifts. For adoration is the same; for God, the Father has so many gifts for you and in the same excitement and joy as a child; we do not know what gifts God will grant us. God will always give us gifts of grace and exactly what we need and can receive at that moment; based on our openness and love to receive such gifts. What gifts you have received freely, you are to give freely.

We are called to **Pray, Pray, Pray!** In the name of Jesus, “Amen” (John 14: 4,6,14)



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“Prayer”

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Apostles of Prayer



All the writings, scriptures, and statements were done in prayerful adoration and reflection on the word of God and Spiritual works and writings, Saints who lived their lives to Love and serve God. Such as: John of the Cross, Therese, the little flower, Teresa of Avila, Blessed Teresa of Calcutta and the new American Bible St. Joseph Edition.

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The Call to Pray



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(John 1:23)

“I am the voice of one crying out in the Desert,
Make straight the way of the Lord”

‘The Call to Pray’



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*God Bless
Remember!!*

Who Love's ya Baby!!!

Jesus



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