

PRAYERS, NOVENAS & LITANY TO ST JUDE THADDEUS

(PATRON SAINT OF DESPERATE CAUSES)

God has granted to St Jude extraordinary powers in cases where others seem to have failed, and it is especially in difficult cases that his wonderful help is experienced. Thousands daily invoke his aid, and many have seen their prayers answered in a miraculous manner, even when to all human calculation the petition seemed hopeless. Though it be sickness, poverty, misery, distress of heart and soul, even despair, go to this great Saint and let him find the solution for your difficulty.

PRAYER FOR A SPECIAL FAVOUR

(May be used as a Novena - that is, prayed every day for nine consecutive days.)

O glorious Apostle St Jude Thaddeus, true lover of Jesus and Mary, I greet thee through the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Through this Heart I praise and thank God for all the graces He has bestowed upon thee. Humbly prostrate before thee, I implore thee, through this Heart, to look down upon me with compassion. Despise not my poor prayers; let not my trust be confounded; to thee God has granted the privilege of aiding mankind in the most desperate cases. O come to my aid, that I may praise the mercies of God! All my life I will be grateful to thee and will be thy faithful client, until I can thank thee in Heaven. Amen.

PRAYER IN GRIEVOUS AFFLICTION

St Jude Thaddeus, relative of Jesus and Mary, glorious Apostle and martyr, renowned for thy virtues and miracles, faithful and prompt intercessor for all who honour thee and trust in thee, powerful patron and helper in grievous affliction, I come to thee and entreat thee with all my heart to come to my aid, for thou has received from God the privilege of assisting with manifest help those who almost despair! Look down upon me: my life is a life of crosses, my days are full of tribulation, and my paths are strewn with thorns - and scarcely one moment passes but is witness of my tears and sighs. My soul is enveloped in darkness, disquietude, discouragement, mistrust - yes, sometimes even a kind of despair preys upon me. Divine Providence seems lost to my sight, and faith seems to falter in my heart. Overwhelmed by these thoughts, I see myself surrounded by a dark cloud. Thou canst not forsake me in this sad plight! I will not depart from thee until thou hast heard me. Oh, hasten to my aid! I will thank God for the graces bestowed upon thee, and will propagate thine honour according to my power. Amen.

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

O most sweet Lord Jesus Christ, in union with the unutterable praise with which the Most Holy Trinity extols Itself and which thence flows upon Thy Sacred Humanity, upon Mary, upon all the Angels and Saints, I praise, glorify and bless Thee for all the graces and privileges Thou hast bestowed upon Thy chosen Apostle and intimate friend, St Jude Thaddeus. I implore Thee, for the sake of his merits, to grant me Thy grace, and through his intercession to come to my aid in all my needs. Especially at the hour of my death, deign to strengthen me against the rage of my enemies. Amen.

PERPETUAL NOVENA IN HONOUR OF ST JUDE

St Jude, glorious Apostle, faithful servant and friend of Jesus! the name of the traitor has caused thee to be forgotten by many, but the Church honours and invokes thee universally as the patron of hopeless cases - of matters despaired of. Pray for me who am so miserable; make use, I implore thee, of that particular privilege accorded to thee, to bring visible and speedy help where help is almost despaired of. Come to my assistance in this great need that I may receive the consolations and succour of Heaven in all my necessities, tribulations

and sufferings, particularly (here make your request) and that I may bless God with thee and all the elect throughout eternity.

I promise thee, O blessed Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favour, and I will never cease to honour thee as my special and powerful patron and do all in my power to encourage devotion to thee. Amen.

St Jude pray for us, and for all who invoke thy aid.
St Jude, help of the hopeless, aid me in my distress!

Pray for us, that we may appease the Divine Justice, and obtain a favourable judgement.

Pray for us, that we may be admitted into the company of the blessed, to rejoice in the presence of God forever. Amen.

Blessed Apostle, with confidence we invoke thee!
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St Jude, help of the hopeless, aid me in my distress!
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Pray for us, that before death we may expiate all our sins by sincere repentance and the worthy reception of the holy sacraments.

Let us pray. Glorious apostle, martyr and relative of Jesus, St Jude Thaddeus, who didst spread the true Faith among the most barbarous and distant nations; who didst win to the obedience of Jesus Christ many tribes and peoples by the power of His holy Word, grant, I beseech thee, that from this day I may renounce every sinful habit, that I may be preserved from all evil thoughts, that I may always obtain thy assistance, particularly in every danger and difficulty, and that I may safely reach the heavenly country, with thee to adore the Most Holy Trinity, the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, forever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER

O God who through thy blessed apostle St Jude hast brought us to a knowledge of thy name, grant that by advancing in holiness we may celebrate his lasting glory, and by celebrating it become holier still; through our Lord. Amen.

LITANY OF ST JUDE THADDEUS (For private use.)

Lord, have mercy on us.
Christ, have mercy on us.
Lord, have mercy on us.
Christ, hear us.
Christ, graciously hear us.
God, the Father of Heaven, have mercy on us.
God, the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy on us.
God, the Holy Ghost, have mercy on us.
Holy Trinity, one God, have mercy on us.

St Jude, relative of Jesus and Mary, pray for us
St Jude, deemed worthy while on earth to see Jesus and Mary and to enjoy their company, pray for us
St Jude, raised to the dignity of an Apostle, pray for us

St Jude, who had the honour of beholding thy Divine Master humble Himself to wash thy feet, pray for us

St Jude, who at the Last Supper received the Holy Eucharist from the hands of Jesus, pray for us

St Jude, who, after the profound grief which the death of thy beloved Master caused thee, had the consolation of beholding Him risen from the dead and of assisting at His glorious Ascension, pray for us

St Jude, who was filled with the Holy Ghost on the day of Pentecost, pray for us

St Jude, who preached the Gospel in Persia, pray for us

St Jude, who converted many people to the Faith, pray for us

St Jude, who performed wonderful miracles in the power of the Holy Ghost, pray for us

St Jude, who restored an idolatrous king to health of both soul and body, pray for us

St Jude, who imposed silence on demons and confounded their oracles, pray for us

St Jude, who foretold to a weak prince an honorable peace with his powerful enemy, pray for us

St Jude, who took from deadly serpents the power of injuring man, pray for us

St Jude, who, disregarding the threats of the impious, courageously preached the doctrine of Christ, pray for us

St Jude, who gloriously suffered martyrdom for the love of thy Divine Master, pray for us

Blessed Apostle, with confidence we invoke thee.

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St Jude, help of the hopeless, aid me in my distress.

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That by thine intercession both priests and people of the church may obtain an ardent zeal for the Faith of Jesus Christ, we beseech thee hear us.

That thou wouldst defend our Sovereign Pontiff and obtain peace and unity for Holy Church, we beseech thee, hear us.

That all heathens and unbelievers may be converted to the True Faith, we beseech thee, hear us.

That faith, hope and charity may increase in our hearts, we beseech thee, hear us.

That we may be delivered from all evil thoughts and from all the snares of the devil, we beseech thee hear us.

That thou wouldst vouchsafe to aid and protect all those who honour thee, we beseech thee hear us.

That thou wouldst preserve us from all sin and from all occasions of sin, we beseech thee hear us.

That thou wouldst defend us at the hour of death against the fury of the devil and of his evil spirits, we beseech thee hear us.

Pray for us, that before death we may expiate all our sins by sincere repentance and the worthy reception of the holy Sacraments,

Pray for us, that we may appease the Divine Justice and obtain a favourable judgement,

Pray for us, that we may be admitted into the company of the blessed, to rejoice in the presence of our God forever.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takes 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. St Jude, pray for us.

R. And for all who invoke thine aid.

Let us pray. O God, Who through Thy blessed Apostle St Jude Thaddeus hast brought us unto the knowledge of Thy Name, grant us both to celebrate his eternal glory by making progress in virtue, and by celebrating his glory to advance in virtue, through our Lord Jesus Christ Thy Son, who with Thee and the Holy Ghost art one God, now and forever. Amen.

NOVENA TO ST JUDE

THE FOLLOWING NOVENA TO ST JUDE HAS NEVER FAILED, IT MUST BE SAID SIX TIMES EACH DAY FOR NINE CONSECUTIVE DAYS, LEAVE NINE COPIES IN CHURCH FOR NINE CONSECUTIVE DAYS (81 COPIES TOTAL), PRAYERS WILL BE ANSWERED ON OR BEFORE THE NINTH DAY.

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