

REQUEST FOR MASS(es)

These masses are said by the Missionary Priest

Masses requested \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(total number x suggested offering = \$5 each Mass)

Mass is to be offered for:  living  deceased

Please send the Mass Card(s) directly to the person(s) specified below; ↓

Purgatorial Society - Deceased

(\$25.00 donation per request)

A card is sent to the family upon your request.

\_\_\_\_\_ Please send the Purgatorial Card(s) directly to the person(s) specified below; ↓

Memorial Cards

\_\_\_\_\_ DECEASED - \$ 50.00 \_\_\_\_\_ LIVING - \$ 50.00

The gift which has been donated in the name of the deceased or living is to be used in the world wide mission work of the Society. This act of Charity unites you to the love, work and prayers of all the missionaries of the Church, and the poor whom they serve.

\_\_\_\_\_ Please send the Memorial Card(s) directly to the person(s) specified below; ↓

Gregorian Masses

Suggested offering of \$250.00

\_\_\_\_\_ Please fill out the necessary information below!

\_\_\_\_\_ Please send a Gregorian Mass Card directly to the person(s) specified below ↓

Perpetual Memberships

\_\_\_\_\_ Please send the Perpetual Memberships Card(s) directly to the person(s) specified below; ↓

Perpetual INDIVIDUAL Membership

\_\_\_\_\_ \$100.00 - A person may enroll himself, herself or another, whether living or deceased.

Perpetual FAMILY Membership

\_\_\_\_\_ \$200.00 - A membership for a father, mother and their children, living or deceased.

**BENEFITS TO MEMBERS: remembered for one year every Sunday at 10:00 A.M. mass at St. Andrew Catholic Church - 833 Julia St. - Amelia, La. 70340**

Each year, 15,000 Masses are offered especially for our members by our devoted Missionary priests at the request of the National Office.  
Each year, Special remembrance is made in the daily masses of the National Directors, the Diocesan Directors and our missionary bishops, priests, brothers, sisters, laity throughout the world.

⇒ Please complete the following (also please complete top portion when applicable)  
Please use a separate sheet of paper if needed.

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_ Mass Intention In the name of \_\_\_\_\_ (living) Mass Intention

**Your information:**

**Send Card to:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_

Additional offering \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (for the needs of the Missions today)

Total offering enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail this form with offering to: Rev. Robert-Joel T. Cruz, Diocesan Director, Propagation of the Faith  
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## GREGORIAN MASSES

Diocese of

Houma-Thibodaux

The Society  
for the  
Propagation  
of the Faith



Gregorian Masses are a series of Masses for one particular living or deceased person offered on 30 consecutive days. They are named after Pope St. Gregory the Great who was Pope from 590 to 604. Tradition holds that when a monk named Justus died, Pope St. Gregory had the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass offered for the repose of his soul on 30 consecutive days. At the end of that time, Justus is said to have appeared to his brother, assuring him that he, Justus, had been released from Purgatory.

Consequently, the custom of offering 30 “Gregorian Masses” for one particular deceased person spread throughout the Christian world and is in practice today.

A living person receiving these masses for 30 consecutive days – this would be for a very particular intention – a person having deep personal struggle and spiritual need.

The Society for the Propagation of the Faith supports the tradition of sending offerings for the celebration of Gregorian Masses by priests in mission dioceses. Mission priests depend greatly on Mass offerings for their support as they serve among the very poor. They are willing to accept the special responsibility of celebrating Gregorian Masses, the 30-day series of Masses for one deceased person. In many instances, Mass offerings are the only support available to many mission priests.

*Spiritually, as you unite yourself with the priest who offers the Sacrifice of the Mass for your intentions, you share a bond of great strength: love of Christ in the Eucharist, trust in His love for you and faith in the power of prayer.*

PURGATORIAL SOCIETY  
MEMORIAL CARDS  
- (living and deceased)  
GREGORIAN MASSES  
PERPETUAL MEMBERSHIPS :  
INDIVIDUAL OR FAMILY  
- (living or deceased)

*"I decided that I wanted to start my mission in Banda Aceh by helping make Christ more present...that the best way to do this would be through the celebration of the Eucharist." -  
Father Scott Binet, O.S*

**A mission priest will celebrate Mass for you,** a friend or family member, living or deceased. As the mission priest celebrates Mass for your intentions, he unites you with himself and his congregation - a clear sign of the universality of the Church! Your Mass Offering is a special help to a mission priest, poor himself and serving among the the poorest of the human family. For many mission priests, Mass Offerings are a substantial means of day-by-day support.

**In having Masses said for the suffering souls in Purgatory:** *"the holy Mass not only shortens their pains but also extends great immediate relief to those poor souls ... the charity you exercise toward poor souls under purification will all redound to your own good."* St. Leonard of Port Maurice

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*...a Pontifical Mission Society*  
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***Do This In Memory of Me...***

*"A single Mass offered for oneself during life may be worth more than a thousand celebrated for the same intention after death."*

St. Anselm, Doctor of the Church

PONTIFICAL MISSION SOCIETIES

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Most Reverend Shelton Fabre, D.D.

Rev. Robert-Joel T. Cruz, Diocesan Director