

## Prayer to Stem the Scourge of the Pandemic

God our Father,

We come to you in our need to ask your protection against the COVID-19 virus that has disturbed and even claimed lives.

We pray that you guide the people tasked to find cures for this disease and to stem its transmission. Protect the medical experts that they may minister to the sick with competence and compassion.

We pray for those afflicted. May they be restored to health soon. Protect those who care for them. Grant eternal rest to those who have died.

Give us the grace in this trying time to work for the good of all and to help those in need. We implore you to stop the spread of this virus and to save us from our fears.

Grant all these petitions through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever. Amen.

We fly to your protection, oh Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our petition in our necessities, but deliver us from all dangers, oh glorious and Blessed Virgin. Amen.

O Mary, Health of the Sick, *pray for us.*

Saint Joseph, protector of the Holy Church, *pray for us.*

Saint Raphael the Archangel, *pray for us.*

Saint George the Martyr, *pray for us.*

Saint Corona the Martyr, *pray for us.*

Saint Roch, *pray for us.*

Saint Rosalia, *pray for us.*

Saint Sebastian, *pray for us.*

Saint Gregory the Great, *pray for us.*

Saint Charles Borromeo, *pray for us.*

Blessed Francis Seelos, *pray for us.*

## **Prayer Invoking the Precious Blood of Jesus for Protection against Pestilence**

Lord Jesus Christ in your Name and with Your Power of Your Most Precious Blood we seal every person, action or event in which every enemy wants to harm us.

With the Power of the Most Precious Blood of Jesus we seal every destructive power in the sky, on earth, in the water, in the fire, under the earth, in the abyss of hell and in the World in which we move today.

With the Power of the Most Precious Blood of Jesus we destroy any interference and actions of the evil one.

We ask you, O Lord, to send to our homes and to our work places the Blessed Virgin Mary accompanied by St. Michael, St Gabriel and St. Raphael and the entire Court of their Holy Angels.

With the Power of the Most Precious Blood of Jesus we seal our home and all those who live in it: (here: name all those in your family.....), the people the Lord will send them and the nourishment and the goods He gives us so generously for our sustenance.

With the Power of the Most Precious Blood of Jesus we seal the ground, doors, windows, objects, walls, floors, the air we breathe and, in faith, we place a circle of His Most Precious Blood around all our Family.

With the Power of the Most Precious Blood of Jesus we seal all the places where we will go during this day, the people we visit, the businesses and institutions we will deal with.

With the Power of the Most Precious Blood of Jesus we seal our physical and spiritual works, the works of our family, the vehicles, the streets and any means of transportation we will have to use. With Your Most Precious Blood we seal the actions, the minds and the hearts of our Country so that Your Peace and Your Heart may reign in them.

We Thank You Lord for Your Most Precious Blood by which we have been saved and preserved from every harm. AMEN!

## Prayer to the Holy Cross for an End to the Plague

O Cross of Christ, save me. Z. May zeal for your house free me. + The Cross conquers; the Cross reigns; the Cross rules; by the sign of the Cross free me, O Lord, from this plague.

- The Cross of Christ will expel the plague from this place and from my body. B. It is good to wait for the help of God in silence, that he may drive away this plague from me.

I. I will incline my heart to performing your just deeds, and I will not be confounded, for I have called upon you. Z. I had zeal on occasion of the wicked; seeing the peace of sinners, I have hoped in you.

- The Cross of Christ puts demons to flight; corrupt air; and drives away the plague. S. I am your Salvation, says the Lord; cry out to me, and I will hear you, and I will liberate you from this plague.

A. Abyss calls to abyss, and you have expelled demons by your voice; liberate me from this plague. B. Blessed the man who hopes in the Lord, and does not look upon vanities, and false extravagances.

- May the Cross of Christ, which was once the cause of scandal and indignity, and is now in glory and nobility, be for my salvation, and expel from this place the demon, and corrupt air, and plague from my body.

Z. May zeal for the honor of God convert me before I die, and in your name, save me from this plague. + May sign of the Cross free the People of God, and those who trust in him, from the plague.

H. Will this foolish people return to the Lord? Make good on your vows, offering a sacrifice of praise and faith to him, because he is able to liberate this place and me, from this plague; for whoever trusts in him will not be confounded.

G. If I will not praise you, let me tongue stick to my throat and to my jaws; free those who hope in you; in you I trust; liberate me and this place, O God, from this plague, for your name has been invoked in prayer.

F. At your death, O Lord, darkness fell over the whole earth; my God, render the power of the devil tenuous and dim, for it is for this that you have come, O Son of the living God: so that you might destroy the works of the devil with your power, drive out from this place and from me, your servant, this plague; and may the corrupt air depart from me into the outer darkness.

- Defend us, O Cross of Christ, and expel from this place the plague, and free your servant from this plague, you who are kind, and merciful, and of many mercies, and true.

B. Blessed is he who does not look upon vanities, and false extravagances; on the day of evil the Lord will free him; Lord, I have trusted in you; free me from this plague. F. God has become my refuge; because I have trusted in you, free me from this plague.

R. Look upon me, O Lord my God, Adonai, from the holy seat of your Majesty, and have mercy on me, and because of your mercy, free me from this plague. S. You are my Salvation: heal me, and I will be healed; save me, and I will be saved.