The Domestic Church
Traditional Prayers for the Family

The Sign of the Cross

In (+) the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Lord’s Prayer | The Our Father | Paternoster

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

The Hail Mary | The Angelic Salutation | Ave Maria

Hail, Mary, full of grace. The Lord is with thee; blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the Fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

The Glory Be | The Gloria Patri

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.
The Confiteor

I confess to Almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, (strike your breast thrice as a token of contrition) through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore, I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Prayer to the Guardian Angel

Angel of God, my guardian dear / To whom God’s love commits me here / Ever this day be at my side / To light and guard, to rule and guide.

Prayer for the Consecration of the Day

O Lord God, King of heaven and earth, may it please Thee this day to order and to hallow, to rule and to govern our hearts, and our bodies, our thoughts, our words and our works, according to Thy law and in doing of Thy commandments, that we, being helped by Thee, may here, and forever and ever, worthily be saved and delivered by Thee, O Savior of the world, who livest and reignest for ever and ever. Amen.

Morning Offering

O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer you my prayers, works, joys, and sufferings of this day for all the intentions of your Sacred Heart, in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world, for the salvation of souls, the reparation of sins, the union of all Christians, and in particular for the intentions of the Holy Father this month. Amen.

Short Prayers | Aspirations

Come Holy Spirit! • Thy Will be done. • My God and my all. • Lord, I am not worthy – Domine, non sum dignus • O Heart of Jesus, all for Thee. • O God, have mercy on me, a sinner • Blessed be the name of the Lord – Sit nomen Domini benedíctum! • Jesus, I trust in You. • Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, I love you, save souls. • Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us. • Sweet Heart of Mary, be our refuge. • Pure Heart of Joseph, pray for us.
Eternal Rest | Requiem Aeternam

V. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. R. And let the perpetual light shine upon them. And may the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Blessing Before Meals

Bless us, O Lord, and these Thy gifts, which we are about to receive from Thy bounty. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing After Meals

We give Thee thanks, Almighty God, for all Thy benefits; Who livest and reignest, world without end. Amen.

Hail, Holy Queen | Salve Regina

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears. Turn, then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this, our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary. V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God. R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ. Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, Who by the working of the Holy Spirit didst prepare both body and soul of the glorious Virgin Mother, Mary, that she might deserve to be made a worthy dwelling for Thy Son, grant that we who rejoice in her memory, may, by her loving intercession, be delivered from present evils and from lasting death, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.