

Devotion in Honor of Saint Anthony of Padua

LEADER: The Lord is the strength of His people, the saving refuge of His anointed.

PEOPLE: Save your people, O Lord, and bless your inheritances, and rule them forever!

LEADER: Hear, O Lord, the sound of my call; be my helper; forsake me not, O God my Savior.

PEOPLE: Though I walk amid distress, you preserve me, O Lord; your right hand saves me.

LEADER: O Lord, hear my prayer.

PEOPLE: And let my cry come unto you.

LEADER: Let us pray.

ALL: Almighty, eternal God, you have given your people St. Anthony as an outstanding preacher and intercessor in times of need. Grant that with his help we may follow his example of Christian living and experience your support in all adversities.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Prayer to Saint Anthony

All: We greet you, St. Anthony, Doctor of the Gospel and true son of St. Francis. We salute you, great Saint, gifted in wisdom and messenger of divine love. We rejoice at the favors which God so graciously has bestowed on you. In humility and confidence, we beg you to help us. Behold our distress, our anxiety, our fears, especially this, our request: *(pause here and silently make your request)*. We ask you to help us by the love you felt for Jesus, the Lord. Tell Him of our wants. Intercede for us. In the name of your love for Him, hear our prayers. Amen.