

## MEET ST. CORONA, PATRONESS OF EPIDEMICS

She witnessed the martyrdom of St. Victor, a soldier who was executed by his brothers-in-arms for his faith. While Victor was being tortured and disfigured, the brave 16-year-old Corona cried out comforting words and encouragement as Victor held fast to his faith and gave up his life for the Lord. Victor's persecutors soon turned on Corona and executed her by tying her to drawn palm trees, which ripped her in half when snapped upright. Yet the young saint never gave up her faith.

As the Coronavirus wreaks havoc and vexes us all, St. Corona gives us an opportunity to lean into our faith and cling to hope, no matter the turmoil around us. Join us in storming Heaven with prayers for healing and peace.



### Prayer to St. Corona in a Time of Epidemic

Lord Jesus Christ,  
You came into this world  
for our salvation.

Look kindly on us now, we pray,  
that we, and all those who serve You,  
might be kept safe from this epidemic.

Heal those who are sick,  
comfort the suffering, bring back  
those who have gone astray, and  
above all, increase our faith, O Lord.

Give us the grace to follow You and,  
like the martyr St. Corona, who gave  
her life for love of You, to take up our  
crosses daily without fear or hesitation.

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the  
living God, have mercy on us and  
on the whole world.

St. Corona, patroness of  
epidemic victims, pray for us.