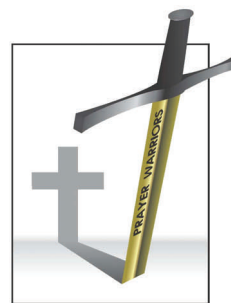


# Family Prayer Program

*St. Michael Prayer Warriors—Lay Apostolate Praying for Priests and Vocations*



## Morning Prayer

Sign of the Cross

O Virgin Mary, Mother of Christ the Priest, Mother of all Priests, you have a special love for priests, because they are the living images of your Only Son.

You helped Jesus throughout your life on earth and continue to assist Him in heaven. We beg of you, pray for our priests!

Pray to our Heavenly Father to send workers to His Harvest. Pray that we always have priests who give us the sacraments, who explain the Gospel to us, and who teach us to become true children of God.

O Virgin Mary, ask God our Father for the priests that we need and since your heart is all powerful, obtain for us, O Mary, truly holy priests. Amen.

Optional – read the story of the saint for that Feast Day.  
Books – Lives of the Saints for Every Day – Catholic Book Publishing Company (Vol 1 & 2)  
On line - <http://www.catholic.org/saints/sofd.php>

Sign of the Cross

## Before Dinner

Sign of the Cross

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

Lord, we beg you to send us Holy Priests.

Let the men that you are calling or will call, be holy, prayerful Godly men and may they listen for Your call and joyfully say yes.

Protect our priests. Keep them safe from the snares of the devil and the culture. Help them be joyful Fathers to us.

Mary, Mother of Priests – pray for us. Amen.



## Night Time Prayer

Sign of the Cross

**V.** Into Your hands Lord, I commend my spirit

**R.** Into Your hands Lord, I commend my spirit

**V.** 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

**R.** Into Your hands Lord, I commend my spirit.

**Ant.** Protect us, Lord as we stay awake; watch over us as we sleep, that awake, we may keep watch with Christ, and asleep, rest in His peace.

Lord, now You let Your servant go in peace;  
Your word has been fulfilled:

My own eyes have seen the salvation which You have prepared in the sight of every people:

A light to reveal you to the nations

And the glory of your people, Israel.

*(This is the response of Simeon when he sees Jesus being brought for the temple for the presentation. Luke 2:29 – 32)*

**Repeat Antiphon:** “Protect us, Lord...”

Mary, Mother of Priests, watch over your sons, our Fathers in the Church. Keep them holy and pure so that they may give witness to Your Son as the Living Icons of the Eternal Priesthood of Jesus Christ and, by that witness, bring more people to the saving grace of Jesus and His Church. Amen.

Pray for your pastor, (arch)bishop, and the Pope – by name. Amen.

Sign of the Cross