

# Prayers to the Angels and Saints

St Joseph

Saint Joseph, guardian of Jesus  
and chaste husband of Mary,  
you passed your life in loving fulfillment of duty.

You supported the holy family of Nazareth  
with the work of your hands.

Kindly protect those who trustingly come to you.

You know their aspirations,  
their hardships, their hopes.

They look to you because they know  
you will understand and protect them.

You too knew trial,  
labour and weariness.

But amid the worries of material life,  
your soul was full of deep peace  
and sang out in true joy  
through intimacy with God's Son entrusted to you  
and with Mary, his tender Mother.

Assure those you protect that they do not labour alone.

Teach them to find Jesus near them  
and to watch over Him faithfully as you have done.

OR

O blessed Joseph, faithful guardian of my Redeemer, Jesus Christ, protector of thy chaste spouse, the virgin Mother of God, I choose thee this day to be my special patron and advocate and I firmly resolve to honor thee all the days of my life. Therefore I humbly beseech thee to receive me as thy client, to instruct me in every doubt, to comfort me in every affliction, to obtain for me and for all the knowledge and love of the Heart of Jesus, and finally to defend and protect me at the hour of my death. Amen

## Memorare to Saint Anne [Version 1]

*To obtain some special favor*

REMEMBER, O holy mother St. Anne, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help and sought thy intercession was left unaided, for thou art a most merciful mother and aid all who are in distress.

Inspired with this confidence, I take refuge with thee and beseech thee, by thy great prerogative of being the mother of the Queen of Heaven and grandmother of the Savior of the world, come to my aid with thy powerful intercession, and obtain from thine Immaculate Daughter this favor [mention it]. In honor of the nine months during which thou didst bear the ever-blessed Virgin in thy womb and brought her forth without stain of Original Sin, I now pray nine Hail Marys, which offer thee through my Guardian Angel. Amen.

Hail Mary . . . [Nine times.]

## Memorare to Saint Anne [Version 2]

*To obtain some special favor*

O glorious and Good Saint Anne, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help and sought thy intercession, was left unaided; inspired by this confidence, behold, I cast myself at thy feet, and beseech thee, by thy great prerogative of being the Mother of the Queen of Heaven and the Grandmother of Jesus, come to my aid with thy powerful intercession, and obtain from Almighty God through the ever Blessed Virgin Mary, this special favor which I beg of thee. Cease not to intercede for me until through Divine Mercy, my request may be granted. Above all, obtain for me the grace one day to behold my God face to face and with thee and Mary and all the Saints praise and bless Him through all eternity. Amen.

“Good Saint Anne, pray for us.”

*With ecclesiastical approval.*

## Prayer for God's Blessing on the Married

I BLESS THEE, most gracious Lord Jesus Christ, for having ordained that Thy holy Mother, the Virgin Mary, of whom Thou, O Redeemer of all men, didst will to assume flesh, should proceed from the chaste union of Joachim and Anne. By Thy goodness I beseech Thee, through the merits of the holy parents Joachim and Anne, have mercy on me and on all who, in their memory, sanctify their life in the state of Matrimony. Give them rest and peace, health of body and soul; make them fruitful in good children, and after this exile, grant them eternal glory to Thy praise and honor, O sweetest and most gracious Savior. Amen.

## Prayer for a Wayward Child

O HOLY MOTHER, St. Anne, so rich in graces! Thou wilt never leave unheard the pleadings and tears of a mother who invokes thee for a wayward child. Thou knowest my grief and the anguish of my heart. Look down with thy maternal eyes upon this poor erring child, and bring him [her] back upon the way of salvation, that he [she] may again serve God faithfully and thus obtain eternal happiness. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hail Mary . . . [Three times.]

## Recommendation to Saint Anne

HAIL, O illustrious St. Anne, blessed among women because thou hadst the happiness of bearing in thy womb the holy and immaculate Virgin Mary, Mother of God. I participate in the joy thou didst experience on giving birth to her and offering her in the Temple to the Eternal Father. I pray thee, good mother, to present me to thy well-beloved Daughter and to her Son, Jesus. Be my protectress and advocate with Jesus and Mary; be my intercessor, my refuge, my consolation. Amen.