

PRAYERS FOR HOME: NOVEMBER 2020, NO. 3

A PRAYER FOR ADVENT (from CaFOD)

With expectant waiting
we anticipate your coming.
Come close to us, Lord,
come very close.



First Sunday of Advent

Come, Alpha and Omega,
who are from before the ages.
Come, Son of Joseph and Son of Mary,
who went down to Nazareth to be obedient to them.

Come, Morning Star,
who named the stars.
Come, carpenter from Nazareth,
who know the smell of planed wood.

Come, Beloved Son of God,
who know the heart of God.
Come, Son of Man,
who know the hearts of God's people.

Come, Lord of Life and Prince of Peace.
Come, Dayspring and Rising Sun.
Come, Wonderful Counsellor.
Come Emmanuel, God with us;
God very close to us. Amen.

A prayer for those with Covid-19

Dear Lord, in your ministry,
you healed and cared for
everyone regardless of age,
sex, creed or position in
society.

Be with all the people
who need you because of
Covid-19. Protect those who
will feel isolated whilst they
are in quarantine or whilst
receiving treatment. Help
people to work together
rather than individually: just
as Jesus did with his Apostles.

Saint Jude, saint of hope, pray
for us. Amen.



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PRAYERS FOR OUR LOVED ONES WHO HAVE DIED



I commend you, my dear brothers and sisters, to Almighty God, and entrust you to your Creator.

May you return to Him who formed you from the dust of the earth.

May Holy Mary, the angels and all the saints come to meet you as you go forth from this life.

May Christ who was crucified for you bring you freedom and peace.

May Christ who died for you admit you into His garden of paradise.

May Christ the Good Shepherd acknowledge you as one of His flock.

May he forgive all your sins, and set you among those He has chosen.

May you see your Redeemer face to face, and enjoy the vision of God for ever. Amen.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them — may they rest in peace. Amen.

PRAYER OF PADRE PIO

JESUS, how often I think that I am too busy to pray!
My days are overloaded!

And yet, JESUS, You surely don't expect me to be so preoccupied. How could I not have time to think of You!

You are always at my side, JESUS.

You alone are my strength, my courage, my support.

I want to make a habit, JESUS, of speaking to You as a friend, to confide my joys and sorrows.

And so, from the bottom of my heart I want to say simply:

JESUS I LOVE YOU!

When I am tired, help me still to say: **JESUS I LOVE YOU!**

When I find it hard to forgive, I need only to repeat:

JESUS I LOVE YOU!

When darkness comes on me, and I don't know where You are, I will call on You and say: **JESUS I LOVE YOU!**

My daily tasks will become easier, and my work will become a prayer which says: **JESUS I LOVE YOU!**

What trouble can shake me, what suffering overcome me if I can always repeat: **JESUS I LOVE YOU!**

For the joys You give me, for the graces You shower on me, my thank-you will always be: **JESUS I LOVE YOU!**

And simply to please You, for no other reason, let me often say: **JESUS I LOVE YOU!**

And when the evening of my life comes, and You invite me home, let me say for one last time here below, before I depart:

JESUS I LOVE YOU!

And when You call me for judgment, be merciful, Lord, because You know how many times I have said:

JESUS I LOVE YOU!