Prayer for Priests Diocese of Antigonish

Please Pray for a Priest Each Day

Let us show our love and appreciation for our priests, and others serving in our diocese, by praying each day. Please use the calendar on the back of this pamphlet as your guide for your daily prayer intention.

> Eternal Father, we lift up to you these and all the priests of the world.

> > Sanctify them.

Heal them; guide them.

Mold them into the likeness and holiness of your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest.

May their lives be pleasing to You. In Jesus' name we pray. AMEN

There are some prayers included on the inside of this brochure which you may use. You may have other forms of prayer that you would prefer, such as

> Mass Fasting Eucharistic Exposition Rosary Holy Hour Other Devotions

For all priests

Give them your wisdom, Lord. Give them virtue. Give them patience and charity. Give them obedience and kindness. Give them a burning zeal for souls. Give them an intense love for the Eucharist. Give them loyalty to the Holy See and their Bishops. Give them respect for their dignity. Give them a great love for Mary. Give them rectitude and justice. Give them the gift of counsel. Give them strength in their labours. Give them peace in their sufferings. Give them humility and generosity. Let them be the light of souls. Let them be the salt of the earth. Let them practice sacrifice and self-denial. Let them enkindle hearts with the love of Mary. Let them be other Christs. Let them be holy in body and soul. May they be men of prayer. May faith shine forth in them. May they be concerned only for the salvation of souls. May they be faithful to their priestly vocation. May their hands know how to bless. May they burn with the love of You and Mary. May all their steps be for the glory of God. May the Holy Spirit possess them, and give them his Gifts and fruits in abundance.

Let us pray:

O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, you are the soul and the life of the Church. Hear the prayers we offer for priests. We ask this through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, their protector and guide.

AMEN

O Jesus, Eternal High Priest, live in (name of priest), act in him, speak in and through him.
Think Your thoughts in his mind, love through his heart.
Give him Your own dispositions and feelings.
Teach, lead and guide him always.
Correct, enlighten and expand his thoughts and behavior.
Possess his soul; take over his entire personality and life.
Replace him with Yourself.
Incline him to constant adoration and thanksgiving; pray in and through him.
Let him live in you and keep him in this intimate union always.
O Mary, Immaculate Conception, Mother of Jesus and Mother of Priests, Pray and intercede for (_____).
AMEN

Let us Pray For:

The Holy Father Fill him with your grace, Lord. Cardinals, Archbishops & Bishops Give them your gifts, Lord **Diocesan Priests** Never leave them. Lord Priests in seminary work Give them your wisdom, Lord Priests in hospital work Give them constancy, Lord Priests who are ill Heal them. Lord. Priests who are in danger Deliver them. Lord. Priests who are weak Strengthen them, Lord. Priests who are poor Relieve them. Lord Priests who are zealous Help them, Lord.

Priests who are worried *Give them peace, Lord* Priests who are old Sustain them. Lord. Priests who are young Impel them for your glory Lord. Priests who are alone Accompany them, Lord. **Missionary Priests** Protect them. Lord. Priests who are preachers Enlighten them, Lord. Priests who direct souls Instruct them. Lord. Parish priests Give them prudence, Lord. **Religious** priests Make them perfect, Lord.

On all the Church --- Lord, have mercy

March 2017		
Wednesday	1	Pope Francis
Thursday	2	Bishop Brian Dunn
Friday	3	Seminarians
Saturday	4	Fr. Jim Oliver
Sunday	5	Fr. Patrick O'Neill
Monday	6	Fr. Frank Pellerin
Tuesday	7	Deacon Leo Penny
Wednesday	8	Fr. Peter Piva
Thursday	9	Deacon Art Riley
Friday	10	Deacon John Scott
Saturday	11	Fr. Vincent Van Zutphen
Sunday	12	Fr. Callistus Abazie
Monday	13	Fr. Frank Abbass
Tuesday	14	Fr. Paul Abbass
Wednesday	15	Fr. Jake Andrea
Thursday	16	Fr. Antolin Asor
Friday	17	Fr. Peter Baccardax
Saturday	18	Fr. John Barry
Sunday	19	Fr. Leo Boone
Monday	20	Fr. Daniel Boudreau
Tuesday	21	Fr. Donald Boudreau
Wednesday	22	Fr. Vernon Boutilier
Thursday	23	Fr. Andrew Boyd
Friday	24	Fr. Bill Burke
Saturday	25	Fr. Charles Cameron
Sunday	26	Fr. Francis Cameron
Monday	27	Fr. Angus Campbell
Tuesday	28	Fr. Barrett Clare-Johnson
Wednesday	29	Deacon Robert Coleman
Thursday	30	Fr. William Crispo
Friday	31	Fr. Gerald Curry