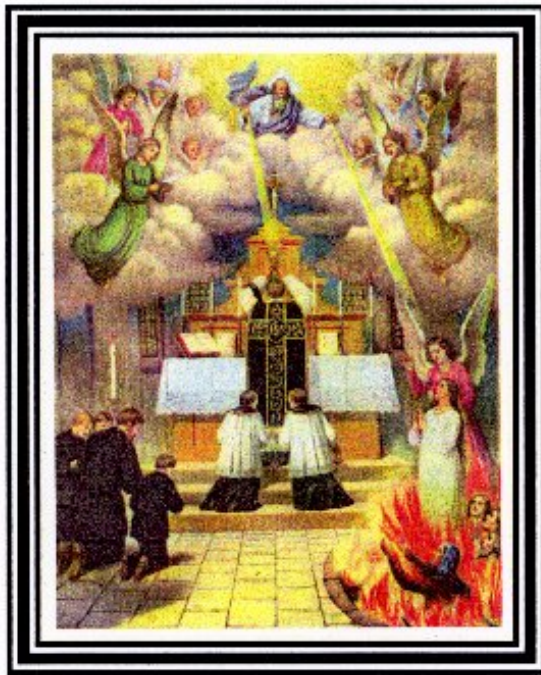


**Nine Days' Prayer  
for One  
Recently Deceased**



*Taken from the 1925 Prayer Book*  
**Blessed Be God**

*For the Third Day*

**W**E beseech Thee, O Lord, that Thou wouldst vouchsafe to grant fellowship with Thy saints and elect to the soul of Thy servant, N., whose departure we commemorate, and mayest Thou pour upon it the everlasting dew of Thy mercy. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*For the Fourth Day*

**I**NCLINE Thine ear, O Lord, unto the prayers in which we supplicantly entreat Thy mercy; and do Thou establish, in a place of peace and rest, the soul of Thy servant, N., whom Thou hast bidden to pass out of this world, and unite him to the fellowship of Thy saints. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*For the Fifth Day*

**A**BSOLVE, we beseech Thee, O Lord, the soul of Thy servant, N., from every bond of sin, that, being raised in the glory of the Resurrection, he may be refreshed among Thy saints and elect. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*For the Sixth Day*

**W**E beseech Thee, O Lord, by Thy loving kindness, to have mercy on the soul of Thy servant, N., and now, that he is released from the contagion of this mortal flesh, to give him part in Thine eternal salvation. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Prayers for the Dead**

By indulgences, prayers, good works, and especially by Masses heard or offered, we can help the souls in purgatory. Let us not deny this office of charity even to those who lived most holily. Nor should the passing years make us forget those we are bound to pray for.

**NINE DAYS' PRAYER FOR ONE RECENTLY  
DECEASED**

*(Ind. of 300 days, each day. — Pius IX. Jan. 5, 1849.)*

*For the First Day*

**O** GOD, to Whom it belongs always to have mercy and to spare, we humbly beseech Thee for the soul of Thy servant, N., which Thou hast commanded to depart out of this world: that Thou deliver it not into the hands of the enemy, nor forget it unto the end; but command it to be received by Thy holy angels, and conducted into paradise, its true country; that, as in Thee it hath hoped and believed, it may not suffer the pains of hell, but may take possession of eternal joys. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*For the Second Day*

**T**O Thee, O Lord, do we commend the soul of Thy servant, N., that being dead to the world he may live unto Thee; and whatsoever sins he has committed through the frailty of his mortal nature, do Thou, by the pardon of Thy most merciful love, wash away. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*For the Seventh Day*

**W**E implore Thee, O Lord, mercifully to grant companionship with the blessed in heaven to the soul of Thy servant, N., whose death we commemorate. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*For the Eighth Day*

**R**ECEIVE, O Lord, our prayers on behalf of the soul of Thy servant, N., that, if it is still soiled by any earthly stains, it may be purified by Thy merciful forgiveness. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*For the Ninth Day*

**G**RANT, O Lord, we beseech Thee, this mercy unto Thy servant deceased, that, having in desire kept Thy will, he may not suffer in requital of his deeds: and as a true faith joined him unto the company of Thy faithful here below, so may Thy tender mercy give him place above, among the angel choirs. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

*(Ind. of 300 days, each day of a novena for the souls in purgatory. — Pius IX. Nov. 26, 1876.)*