

Triduum of Prayer to Saint Francis of Assisi

Leader: In the words of our Holy Father Saint Francis: "Let us bless the living and true Lord God. To him we must always attribute all praise, glory, honor, blessing and every good."

All: May his grace and peace strengthen us to be instruments of his peace, / and heralds of his good news.

Leader: Let us pray...

Most High, glorious God,

All: your servant, Saint Francis of Assisi, was humble and poor.

He desired nothing more

than to mirror the life of Jesus, your Son.

He had a deep love for you, Lord God,

for all people and all creation,

and through his example,

the hearts of many people

were turned to follow your Son more closely.

Through the intercession of Saint Francis,

hear us in our need. (pause)

Leader: Give the peace for which we long.

All: Amen.

Litany of Saint Francis

Leader: Saint Francis, Poverello, Little Poor One,

All: Pray for us.

Leader: Saint Francis, Mirror of Christ,

All: Pray for us.

Leader: Saint Francis, Instrument of Peace,

All: Pray for us.

Leader: Saint Francis, Model of Humility,

All: Pray for us.

Leader: Saint Francis, Light for all People,

All: Pray for us.

Leader: Saint Francis, Inspiration for Gospel Living,

All: Pray for us.

Leader: Saint Francis, Hope of the Suffering,

All: Pray for us.

Leader: Saint Francis, Lover of All Creation and Patron Saint of the Environment,

All: Pray for us.

Peace Prayer of Saint Francis

Leader: Lord, make us instruments of your peace, for where there is hatred,

All: let us sow your love.

Leader: Lord, give love to those whose lives are filled with hatred.

**All: Let those whose hearts yearn for love find you,
the everlasting source of love.**

Leader: Lord, where there is injury,

All: Let us sow your pardon.

Leader: Lord, give pardon to those who have been injured.

**All: Let those who seek to mend their brokenness find you,
their only strength.**

Leader: Lord, where there is doubt,

All: Let us sow your faith.

Leader: Lord, give love to those whose are in doubt.

**All: Let those who seek to know the truth find you,
the Way, the Truth, and the Life.**

Leader: Lord, where there is despair,

All: Let us sow your hope.

Leader: Lord, strengthen those who are in the depths of despair.

**All: Let those who are afraid and unsure find you,
their confidence and support.**

Leader: Lord, where there is darkness,

All: Let us sow your light.

Leader: Lord, illumine those who are in darkness.

**All: Let those who search for the light find you,
for you alone can be the dawn that brings us peace.**