

A Prayer for Priests

Risen Lord Jesus, you love us with all your priestly heart.

Hear my heartfelt prayer for my brother priests.

I pray for faithful and fervent priests,

for unfaithful and tepid priests,

for priests who labor home and abroad,

for tempted priests, for lonely and desolate priests,

for young priests, old priests, sick priests, dying priests,

and for the souls of priests in purgatory.

Merciful Jesus, remember that

we are but weak and frail human beings.

Give us a deep faith, a bright and firm hope,

and a burning love.

I ask that, in our loneliness, you comfort us;

in our sorrow, you strengthen us;

in our frustrations, you show us

that it is through suffering that the soul is purified.

Eternal high priest, keep us close to your heart,

and bless us abundantly, in time and in eternity. Amen.