

FAMILY PRAYER SERVICE

Until we are able to once again gather for the celebration of Mass, please join us on MATTtv for the daily and Sunday Masses.

As an additional resource, the following prayer service is perfect for sharing prayer and the Mass readings with your family.

Begin in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Pray

I confess to Almighty God
and to you my brothers and sisters
that I have greatly sinned
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Read the readings of the day, which can be found at <http://usccb.org/bible/readings/>, or in books like *Our Daily Bread*, *Magnificat*.

Pray the *Apostle's Creed*

I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father
almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Petition

Spend a moment offering prayers of petition for the Church and the Holy Father, the world and your family, for those you love and for those you know are in need.

Pray the *Our Father*

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is
in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive
us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass
against us, and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

Pray

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us. (two times) Lamb of God, you take
away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Pray

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my
roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Make a Spiritual Communion

Close your eyes, picture Jesus standing next to you and
pray: My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the
Most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and
I long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you
sacramentally, come now spiritually into my soul. As I
await the next opportunity to attend Holy Mass and
receive You sacramentally in Holy Communion, I wish
for your indwelling in my soul. Amen.

Close by praying the *Hail Mary* and *Saint Michael the Archangel* prayers.

Hail Mary, full of grace,
the Lord is with you.

Blessed are you among women,
and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, mother of God,
pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death.
Amen.

Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our
protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do you, o
Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast
into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the
world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.