

## 72 HOURS FOR JESUS PRAYER GUIDE

Dear brothers and sisters,

This is a prayer guide for our daily meeting with Jesus in this marathon.

Let-s open our hearts to God, let-s have an intimate dialogue with Him , using our own words and knowing that He is hearing us .

### Prayer to the Holy Spirit

God Almighty, Eternal, Just and Merciful God , grant me miserable to do more , for your grace , what you want , and always to desire what pleases you . Purify my soul because , enlightened by the light of the Holy Spirit and lit by his fire, might follow the example of your Son and our Lord Jesus Christ.

Give me to reach to Your grace alone , to You, high and almighty God , who lives and reigns in glory, in perfect Trinity and simple unit , for ever and ever . Amen .

St. Francis of Assisi ( Feat :October 4th )

### Psalm 100

#### All Lands Summoned to Praise God

#### A Psalm of thanksgiving.

<sup>1</sup> Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.

<sup>2</sup> Worship the LORD with gladness;  
come into his presence with singing.

<sup>3</sup> Know that the LORD is God.

It is he that made us, and we are his;<sup>[a]</sup>  
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

<sup>4</sup>Enter his gates with thanksgiving,  
and his courts with praise.  
Give thanks to him, bless his name.

<sup>5</sup>For the LORD is good;  
his steadfast love endures for ever,  
and his faithfulness to all generations.

Ezekiel 36:16-36 New Revised Standard Version, Anglicised Catholic Edition (NRSVACE)

### The Renewal of Israel

<sup>16</sup>The word of the LORD came to me: <sup>17</sup>Mortal, when the house of Israel lived on their own soil, they defiled it with their ways and their deeds; their conduct in my sight was like the uncleanness of a woman in her menstrual period. <sup>18</sup>So I poured out my wrath upon them for the blood that they had shed upon the land, and for the idols with which they had defiled it. <sup>19</sup>I scattered them among the nations, and they were dispersed through the countries; in accordance with their conduct and their deeds I judged them. <sup>20</sup>But when they came to the nations, wherever they came, they profaned my holy name, in that it was said of them, 'These are the people of the LORD, and yet they had to go out of his land.' <sup>21</sup>But I had concern for my holy name, which the house of Israel had profaned among the nations to which they came.

<sup>22</sup>Therefore say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord GOD: It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for the sake of my holy name, which you have profaned among the nations to which you came. <sup>23</sup>I will sanctify my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them; and the nations shall know that I am the LORD, says the Lord GOD, when through you I display my holiness before their eyes. <sup>24</sup>I will take you from the nations, and gather you from all the countries, and bring you into your own land. <sup>25</sup>I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. <sup>26</sup>A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put

within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. <sup>27</sup> I will put my spirit within you, and make you follow my statutes and be careful to observe my ordinances. <sup>28</sup> Then you shall live in the land that I gave to your ancestors; and you shall be my people, and I will be your God. <sup>29</sup> I will save you from all your uncleannesses, and I will summon the grain and make it abundant and lay no famine upon you. <sup>30</sup> I will make the fruit of the tree and the produce of the field abundant, so that you may never again suffer the disgrace of famine among the nations. <sup>31</sup> Then you shall remember your evil ways, and your dealings that were not good; and you shall loathe yourselves for your iniquities and your abominable deeds. <sup>32</sup> It is not for your sake that I will act, says the Lord GOD; let that be known to you. Be ashamed and dismayed for your ways, O house of Israel.

<sup>33</sup> Thus says the Lord GOD: On the day that I cleanse you from all your iniquities, I will cause the towns to be inhabited, and the waste places shall be rebuilt. <sup>34</sup> The land that was desolate shall be tilled, instead of being the desolation that it was in the sight of all who passed by. <sup>35</sup> And they will say, 'This land that was desolate has become like the garden of Eden; and the waste and desolate and ruined towns are now inhabited and fortified.' <sup>36</sup> Then the nations that are left all around you shall know that I, the LORD, have rebuilt the ruined places, and replanted that which was desolate; I, the LORD, have spoken, and I will do it.

1 John 4:16-20 New Revised Standard Version, Anglicised Catholic Edition (NRSVACE)

<sup>16</sup> So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. <sup>17</sup> Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgement, because as he is, so are we in this world. <sup>18</sup> There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. <sup>19</sup> We love<sup>[a]</sup> because he first loved us. <sup>20</sup> Those who say, 'I love God', and hate their brothers or sisters,<sup>[b]</sup> are liars; for those who do not

love a brother or sister<sup>[c]</sup> whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen.

## Gospel

John 15:9-17 New Revised Standard Version, Anglicised Catholic Edition (NRSVACE)

<sup>9</sup> As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. <sup>10</sup> If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. <sup>11</sup> I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

<sup>12</sup> 'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. <sup>13</sup> No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. <sup>14</sup> You are my friends if you do what I command you. <sup>15</sup> I do not call you servants<sup>[a]</sup> any longer, because the servant<sup>[b]</sup> does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. <sup>16</sup> You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. <sup>17</sup> I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

POPE FRANCIS

**GENERAL AUDIENCE**

*St Peter's Square*  
*Wednesday, 6 June 2018*

The Church's mission in the world proceeds through the contribution of all those who are part of her. Some think there are bosses in the Church: the Pope, the bishops, the priests, and then there are the others. No: the Church is all of us! And we all have the responsibility to sanctify one another, to take care of the others. The Church is all of us. Each one has his or her work in the Church, but she is all of us. Indeed, we should think of the Church as a living organism, made up of people we know and with whom we journey, and not as an abstract and distant reality. The Church is we who are journeying; the Church is we who are in this Square today. We: this is the Church. Confirmation binds us to the universal Church spread throughout the world, at the same time, actively involving confirmands in the life of the particular Church to which they belong, with the Bishop, who is the successor of the Apostles, at the helm.

Confirmation is received only once, but the spiritual dynamism inspired by the holy anointing perseveres over time. We will never finish fulfilling the mandate to diffuse everywhere the good fragrance of a holy life, inspired by the fascinating simplicity of the Gospel.

No one receives Confirmation for oneself alone, but to cooperate in the spiritual growth of others. Only in this way, by opening and coming out of ourselves to meet our brothers and sisters, can we truly grow and not merely delude ourselves of doing so. In fact what we receive as the gift of God must be given — the gift is to be given — in order to be fruitful, and not instead buried due to selfish fears, as the Parable of the Talents teaches (cf. Mt 25:14-30). The seed too: when we have the seed in hand, it to be sown, not put away, in the dresser, to be left there. We have to give the gift of the Holy Spirit to the community.

## **Lord Jesus, I have a thirst for love.**

Lord Jesus, You gave your life for me: I want give my life for you. Lord Jesus, you said: "There is no greater love than to give his life for his friends." My supreme master. It's late. The day is ending. Stay with me, Lord. I want to follow and carry my cross. Lord, come to my aid, and lead me in the way. Your voice, Lord, has a profound echo in my heart. Jesus, my Lord and my God, I wanna be like you, want to suffer and die with you, to achieve the joy of the resurrection. You, the great God who loves the world, You live in me night and day. And your voice always calls me and says, "I have thirst, I have thirst for love"! I also want to repeat your divine prayer: I have thirst for love. I have thirst for love! Satisfies my hope, increases in me, O Lord, your divine ardor. I have thirst for love!

What suffering, my God, how great!

How I would fly to you! Your love, Jesus, is my only martyrdom because the more I burn with love, my soul wants to love you more. Jesus, make me die of love for you!

(St. Therese of Liseux)

St. 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 thou, O  
Prince of the Heavenly host, 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.

Angel of God,  
my guardian dear,  
To whom God's love  
commits me here,  
Ever this day,  
be at my side,  
To light and guard,  
Rule and guide.

Amen

**We entrust ourselves to our Queen of Peace with all our heart  
praying the**

**Holy Rosary**

**We entrust ourselves to the Sacred Heart of Jesus praying**

**The Chaplet of the Divine Mercy**