PRAYER F^QR THE CONVERSION OF SOULS

Mary, Mother of mercy and refuge of sinners, deign to look with pity upon the nations seduced by the errors of heresy and schism. Thou, who art the Seat of Wisdom, enlighten the minds surrounded by the darkness of ignorance and sin; may they clearly know that the Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church is the only true Church of Jesus Christ, and the only unfailing source of sanctity and salvation! Beseech thy divine Son to grant us their sincere and complete conversion: obtain for them the grace to accept all the truths of our holy faith, and to make their submission to the Roman Pontiff, the Vicar of Jesus Christ on earth; so that, being at last united by the sweet bonds of divine charity, we may form but one flock under the care and guidance of the same shepherd, and all together sing thy praise, O glorious Virgin, in the transports of eternal joy and glory "Rejoice, O Virgin Mary, for alone thou hast put an end to all heresies." Amen.

St. Alphonsus Liguori, pray for us.

Hail Mary, three times.





NOVENA Tº SAINT ALPHONSUS LIGUORI

glorious Saint Alphonsus, my most beloved protector, thou who hast labored and suffered so much to secure to men the fruits of Redemption, behold the miseries of my poor soul, and have pity on me. Through thy powerful intercession with Jesus and Mary, obtain for me true repentance, together with the pardon of my past faults, a great horror of sin, and strength always to resist temptation. Impart to me, I pray thee, a spark of that ardent charity with which thy heart was ever inflamed; and grant that, imitating thee, I may make the good pleasure of God the only rule of my life. Obtain for me, moreover, a fervent and constant love for Jesus Christ, and a tender and filial devotion to His Mother Mary, together with the grace to pray always, and to persevere in the service of God until my death; so that I may at length join with thee in praising God, and the most Blessed Virgin Mary for all eternity. Amen.

LITANY ºF SAINT ALPHONSUS LIGUORI

Lord have mercy on us. Christ have mercy on us. Lord have mercy on us. Christ, hear us. Christ, graciously hear us.

God, the Father of Heaven, *have mercy on us.* God the Son, Redeemer of the world, *have mercy on us.* God the Holy Ghost, *have mercy on us.* Holy Trinity, One God, *have mercy on us.*

Holy Mary, conceived without sin, *pray for us. St. Alphonsus, model of innocence and piety from thy very childhood, * St. Alphonsus, despiser of the riches and vanities of the world, * St. Alphonsus, always subject to the voice of Divine Providence, * St. Alphonsus, rich in the treasures of Christian poverty, * St. Alphonsus, model of patience in pains and afflictions, * St. Alphonsus, model of meekness and of resignation in contradictions, * St. Alphonsus, burning with a holy zeal for the salvation of souls, * St. Alphonsus, scourge of heresies, * St. Alphonsus, defender of the Catholic Faith, * St. Alphonsus, always occupied in evangelizing the poor, * St. Alphonsus, tender comforter of the afflicted, * St. Alphonsus, instructed in the divine art of converting sinners, * St. Alphonsus, enlightened guide in the path of perfection, * St. Alphonsus, who became all things to all men, to gain all for Christ, * St. Alphonsus, new ornament of religion, * St. Alphonsus, bold champion of ecclesiastical discipline, * St. Alphonsus, model of submission and devotion to the Sovereign Pontiff, * St. Alphonsus, who didst watch unceasingly over the flock committed to thee, * St. Alphonsus, full of solicitude for the common good of the Church, * St. Alphonsus, glory of the Priesthood and of the Episcopate, * St. Alphonsus, shining mirror of all virtues, * St. Alphonsus, full of tenderest love for the Infant Jesus, *

St. Alphonsus, inflamed with divine love in offering the Holy Sacrifice, * St. Alphonsus, fervent worshiper of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist, * St. Alphonsus, penetrated with lively grief while meditating on the sufferings of our Divine Savior, * St. Alphonsus, specially devoted to the Blessed Virgin Mary, * St. Alphonsus, honored by apparitions of the Mother of God, while preaching in her honor, * St. Alphonsus, of angelic life and purity, * St. Alphonsus, a true Patriarch in thy paternal solicitude for the people of God, * St. Alphonsus, endowed with the gift of prophecy and miracles, * St. Alphonsus, Apostle by the extent and fruit of thy labors, * St. Alphonsus, a Martyr by thy unheard-of austerities, * St. Alphonsus, Confessor by thy writings full of the Spirit of God, * St. Alphonsus, Virgin by thy purity of body and soul, * St. Alphonsus, founder of the Order of the Most Holy Redeemer, * St. Alphonsus, model of missionaries, * St. Alphonsus, most zealous Doctor of the holy Roman Catholic Church, * St. Alphonsus, our tender father and powerful protector, *

Lamb of God, Who takes away the sins of the world, *spare us, O Lord.* Lamb of God, Who takes away the sins of the world, *graciously hear us, O Lord.* Lamb of God, Who takes away the sins of the world, *have mercy on us.*

Pray for us, St. Alphonsus, That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

I present myself, O Saint Alphonsus, before you, who were so inflamed with love for your neighbor, and so burning with zeal to procure the grace of conversion for sinners. Humbly prostrate at your feet, I implore your effectual protection; obtain for me, I beg of you, a true contrition for my sins, and the entire reformation of my life. Once more, make my heart become, and remain forever, kindled with love for God, and for the Most Holy Virgin Mary, for whom you had so tender a devotion. Obtain for me the grace to walk in the ways of holiness and justice, that I may one day merit to enjoy my God with you eternally in heaven. Amen.