

PRO FIDELIBUS DEFUNCTIS

ALL SOULS:
NOVEMBER 2

RÉQUIEM ætérnam dona eis (ei), Dómine.
Et lux perpétua lúceat eis (ei) :
(Requiescat) Requiescant in pace. Amen.
(singular)

De Profundis at 6PM (Vespers)

It is traditional practise to offer daily after the 6PM Angelus (or if not possible then ideally an hour either side) the Pater Noster & Ave Maria and the De profundis (Ps. 129), for the faithful departed and for loved ones specifically. There are a set of indulgenced prayers for the Poor Souls for every day of the week (not included) which focus daily on a different aspect of the spilling of our Lord's Precious Blood during His Passion, and which are listed opposite.

Pater Noster ... Ave Maria ...

PSALMUS CXXIX
Canticum graduum.

DE profundis clamavi ad te, Domine ; Domine, exaudi vocem meam. Fiant aures tuæ intendentes in vocem deprecationis meæ. Si iniquitates observaveris, Domine, Domine, quis sustinebit? Quia apud te propitiatio est ; et propter legem tuam sustinui te, Domine. Sustinuit anima mea in verbo ejus ; speravit anima mea in Domino.

A custodia matutina usque ad noctem, speret Israël in Domino; quia apud Dominum misericordia, et copiosa apud eum redemptio. Et ipse redimet Israël ex omnibus iniquitatibus ejus.

Réquiem ætérnam dona eis, Dómine.
Et lux perpétua lúceat eis :
Requiescant in pace. Amen.

Ÿ. Dómine, exáudi oratióne meam.
R̃. Et clamor meus ad te véniat.

Orémus.

FIDELIUM, Deus, ómnium cónditor et redemptor : animábus famulórum famularúmque tuárum remissionem cunctórum tribue peccatórum : ut indulgéntiam, quam semper optavérunt, piis supplicatióibus consequántur. Qui vivis et regnas in sæcula sæculórum. Amen.

Ÿ. Réquiem ætérnam dona eis, Dómine.
R̃. Et lux perpétua lúceat eis :
Ÿ. Requiescant in pace.
R̃. Amen.



FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

COMMEMORATED:
MONTH OF NOVEMBER

ETERNAL rest grant unto them, O Lord.
And let perpetual light shine upon them:
May they REST IN PEACE. Amen.

(1968: Partial; Pre-1968: 300 days: for the holy souls)

De Profundis at 6PM (Vespers)

Consider as you pray:

SUNDAY: The agonising Blood-sweat in the Garden of Olives; MONDAY: The Scourging; TUESDAY: The Crowning with Thorns; WEDNESDAY: Carriage of the Cross; THURSDAY: Institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper; FRIDAY: Crucifixion, specifically the three streams of Precious Blood from His Sacred Hands & Feet; SATURDAY: Piercing of His side.

Our Father ... Hail Mary ...

PSALM 129

De profundis. A prayer of a sinner, trusting in the mercies of God. The sixth penitential psalm.

OUT of the depths I have cried unto Thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice. Let Thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication. If Thou, O Lord, shalt mark our iniquities: O Lord, who can abide it? For with Thee there is mercy: and by reason of Thy law I have waited on Thee, O Lord. My soul hath waited on His word: my soul hath hoped in the Lord.

From the morning watch even unto night: let Israel hope in the Lord. For with the Lord there is mercy: and with Him is plenteous redemption. And He shall redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord.
And let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen.

Ÿ. Lord, hear my prayer.
R̃. And let my cry come unto Thee.

Let us pray.

O GOD, the Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful; grant to the souls of Thy servants and handmaidens departed the remission of all their sins, that by our devout supplications they may obtain that pardon which they have always desired. Who livest and reignest world without end. Amen.

Ÿ. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.
R̃. And let perpetual light shine upon them.
Ÿ. May they rest in peace.
R̃. Amen.

(1968: Partial; Pre-1968: 3 years*, or 5 years during November: for the holy souls)

Domine Iesu Christe, Rex gloriæ

DÓMINE Iesu Christe, Rex gloriæ, libera animas omnium fidelium defunctorum de pœnis inferni et de profundo lacu ; libera eas de ore leonis, ne absorbeat eas tartarus, ne cadant in obscurum; sed signifer sanctus Michaël repræsentet eas in lucem sanctam, quam olim Abrahæ promisisti et semini eius.

Amen.

(ex M.R.)

A porta inferi, Erue, Domine, animas eorum.

Deus, qui nos patrem et matrem honorare

DEUS, Qui nos patrem et matrem honorare præcepisti : miserere clementer animabus patris et matris meæ eorúmque peccata dimitte (*ánimæ patris mei eiusque peccata dimitte / ánimæ matris meæ eiusque peccata dimitte*) : meque eos (*meque eum / meque eam*) in æternæ claritátis gaudio fac videre. Per Christum Dóminum nostrum. Amen.

(ex M.R.)

Memento Congregationis tuæ, Quam possedisti ab initio.

Pro defuncto nominatim

INCLÍNA, Dómine, aurem tuam ad preces nostras, quibus misericórdiam tuam supplices deprecámur, ut ánimam fámuli tui **N.N.**, quam de hoc sæculo migrare iussisti, in pacis ac lucis regione constituas et Sanctorum tuorum iubeas esse consórtem. Per Christum Dóminum nostrum. Amen.

(ex M.R.)

Pro defuncta nominatim

QUÆSUMUS, Dómine, pro tua pietáte miserere ánimæ fámulæ tuæ **N.N.**, et a contágiis mortalitátis exútam, in æternæ salvatiónis partem restitue. Per Christum Dóminum nostrum. Amen.

(ex M.R.)

Salvos fac servos tuos, Deus meus, sperantes in te.

ANT: Ego sum resurrectio et vita.

Qui credit in Me, etiam si mortuus fuerit, vivet ;
et omnis, qui vivit et credit in me, non morietur in æternum.

Ÿ. Audívi vocem de coeli, dicentem mihi :

Ř. Beáti mórtui, qui in Dómino moriúntur.

Orémus.

FIDELIUM, Deus, ómnium cónditor et redemptor : animabus famulorum famularúmque tuarum remissionem cunctorum tribue peccatorum : ut indulgéntiam, quam semper optaverunt, piis supplicatiónibus consequántur. Qui vivis et regnas in unitáte Spíritus Sancti, Deus, per omnia sæcula sæculórum. Amen.

(ex M.R.)

Pie Jesu Dómine, dona eis réquiem sempiternam.

PIOUS PRACTISE:

The faithful who recite prayers or perform other devout exercises in supplication for the faithful departed during the month of NOVEMBER may gain an indulgence of 3 years (once, each day); plenary indulgence if performed daily for a month, under usual conditions (Pre-1968).

O Lord Jesus Christ, King of Glory

O LORD Jesus Christ, King of glory, deliver the souls of all the faithful departed from the pains of hell and from the bottomless pit; deliver them out of the lion's mouth, lest hell should swallow them up, lest they fall into the outer darkness; but let Thy standard-bearer, Saint Michael, bring them back into Thy holy light, which Thou didst promise of old to Abraham and to his seed. Amen.

(Pre-1968: 3 years*)

From the gate of hell, O Lord, deliver their souls.

O God, Who Hast Commanded us to Honor our Father and Mother

O GOD, Who hast commanded us to honour our father and our mother: in Thy mercy have pity on the souls of my father and mother (*the soul of my father / the soul of my mother*) and forgive them their trespasses (*forgive him his / forgive her her*); and make me to see them (*him / her*) again in the joy of everlasting brightness.

Amen.

(Pre-1968: 3 years*)

Remember Thy congregation, which Thou hast possessed from the beginning.

For a Deceased MAN

INCLINE, Thine ear, O Lord, unto our prayers, wherein we humbly pray Thee to show Thy mercy upon the soul of Thy servant **N.N.**, whom Thou hast commanded to pass out of this world, that Thou wouldst place him in the region of peace and light, and bid him be a partaker with Thy Saints. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Pre-1968: 500 days*)

For a Deceased WOMAN

WE beseech Thee, O Lord, according to Thy loving-kindness, have mercy upon the soul of Thy handmaiden **N.N.**, and, now that she is set free from the defilements of this mortal flesh, restore her to her heritage of everlasting salvation. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Pre-1968: 500 days*)

Save Thy servants, who hope in Thee, O my God.

ANT: I am the Resurrection and the Life.

He that believeth in Me, although he be dead, shall live;
and every one that liveth and believeth in Me shall not die forever.

Ÿ. I heard a voice from heaven, saying to me:

Ř. Blessed are the dead, who die in the Lord.

Let us pray.

O GOD, the Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful, grant to the souls of Thy servants and haindmaidens the remission of all their sins: that through pious supplications, they may obtain that pardon, which they have always desired. Who livest and reignest, God the Father, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, forever and ever. Amen.

Merciful Jesus, grant them everlasting rest.

(Pre-1968: 300 days per H.S.)

PIOUS PRACTISE:

The faithful who during the EIGHT (8) DAYS from the FEAST OF ALL SOULS (inclusive) visit a cemetery in a spirit of piety & devotion, and pray, even mentally, for the dead, may gain a plenary indulgence for the dead (usual conditions); 7 years on any day of the year (Pre-1968).

NOTES & SOURCES

This selection of orthodox and historically regarded antiphons, invocations, aspirations, hymns, prayers, devotions, pious practises of the holy Catholic Religion was compiled by Jonathon Reid from the reliable and competent sources listed below; and posited on the world-wide inter-connected network (or, 'inter-net') for public dissemination via the 'web-site' *TraditionalCatholicPrayers.com* on the SECOND day of NOVEMBER, anno Domini TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY-THREE.

Benedictus Dóminus Deus Israë!l: in Ángelis suis, et in Sanctis suis ; a sæculo et usque in sæculum ; et dicet omnis pópulus : Fiat! fiat! Allelúia. (Ps. 105: 48)

Réquiem ætérnam dona eis, Dómine. Et lux perpétua lúceat eis : Requiéscant in pace. Amen.

Sancta María, Mater Christi et Mater Ecclésiæ, ora pro nobis!

UPDATED: – , A.D.

LEGEND:

*: Plenary indulgence if practised daily for a month.

△ **Navy text:** Latin rendering taken from a subscription-free translation tool. In such instance much effort has been invested to eliminate discernible error, however such verses should be regarded with circumspection and caution; it is unlikely that any such are of commendable eloquence. If the reader is uncomfortable with these un-approved renderings, at least he has the prayer, of competent origin, in English; may it be of utility to him.

A WORD ON PRE-1968 INDULGENCES:

Where reliably sourced, the historical Pre-1968 Indulgences have been listed. Delineated in **penitential* days or years** merited, these were over-hauled by Paul VI in 1967 and the radically changed treatment of indulgences came into effect a year later. Specific penance values no longer apply, re-formed into simple 'partial' (in which case God will adjudge the merit) or 'plenary' classes. As part of this process the number of formally recognised prayers, ejaculations, devotions, practises, etc. specifically meriting indulgence of either class was significantly curtailed.

Your correspondant would admonish the reader who does not hold high Ecclesiastical office to refrain, seduously, from any casual or cavalier discourse (and certainly any manner of pejorative remark) regarding the actions of a Supreme Pontiff, past or present, in the execution of his holy office.

The Pre-1968 values are listed to give historical context and, thereby, to show what ostensible value holy Mother Church, for centuries, placed on the importance of these prayers and practises prior to the 1960s; during eras in which, incontestibly, the holy Fear of God was first and foremost in Her teachings and thus visibly prevalent in her liturgies, ministers, buildings and by extension, flock.

The term '**..on the usual conditions**' upon which plenary indulgences pivot means – both prior to 1968 and to this day – that the stated indulgenced act must be accompanied by worthy Confession** and Holy Communion*** and prayers for the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff, with the norm being to offer an *Our Father – Hail Mary – Glory Be* for the same. Obviously, 'intentions' refers to the infallible and inexorably unchangeable intentions of the *Office of the Papacy*.

Plenary indulgences are only be merited if the suppliant is wholly detached from sin, of any species. If he does not merit a plenary indulgence for such or similar cause in the all-seeing eye of God, a partial indulgence is given.

* Not the same as earthly calendar days or years; rather "the amount of purgatorial punishment equivalent to that which would have been remitted, in the sight of God, by the performance of so many days or years of the ancient canonical penance." (New.advent.org)

** Prior to more contemporary times, this was regarded as being required within eight (8) days, either side, of performance of the indulgenced act; so, by standing custom, the faithful would in practise receive the Sacrament of Penance every fortnight (in the absence of specific contingencies) so as to ensure not only an ongoing state of grace but, further, satisfaction of the usual conditions.

*** In contrast, Communion has to received on the day of the performance or satisfaction of the indulgenced act. In the case of novenas or other devotion(s) spread over days, week or month, the indulgence is merited (or 'claimed') upon the reception of Communion. So, many plenary indulgences can be attached to one Confession; however, as the attaining of plenary indulgences is (typically) limited to one per day, every plenary indulgence requires Holy Communion.
