

A Prayer of Thanksgiving

Thank you, Dear God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, for bringing me to this moment in my life. Thank You for calling me to change and grow in the new school year. Give me the courage, please, to respond to its challenges and walk with me every step of the way.

I want to grow closer to You and to my family, and to begin anew in all of my relationships. I need Your help to do this, and I rely on You for all the graces and blessings I will need. May I always keep You in my heart and may everything I do be done with You beside me.

Thank You, My God, for this time of new challenges and new growth.

AMEN

Prayer to My Guardian Angel

Angel of God, dear friend who watches over me always, please ask God's blessing on me this day. Help me to remember that you walk beside me in everything I do and that you are with me always, a special gift from God. Guide me this day when I am tempted to stray from God's will for me. Guide me as I make decisions at home and at school. Remind me often throughout this day that God dwells within me, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Remind me, too, that God gives me all the graces I will need, if only I ask for and respond to them. Guard me today, dear angel, and show me the way to God in all that I do.

AMEN

Prayer for Vocations

Jesus, Dear Savior, I ask Your blessing on all of us young people today. Touch all of our hearts that we might be open to Your words "Come follow me". If You are calling us to a religious life, may we hear Your voice and respond with love and generosity. Give us deep faith and a burning desire to serve You and Your church. May we open our hearts as well to all Your needy ones and may we know that in serving them, they are serving You.

Bless our Catholic Church and all its leaders, Dear Savior. Bless all our priests, parents and religious leaders that they may continue to love and serve you faithfully.

AMEN

Prayer of the Holy Spirit

Come Holy Spirit, come down, come in, please come and dwell within us.

Walk with us this day and keep your loving and guiding hand upon us. Don't go away from us when we forget you or when we turn away from you.

Don't leave us alone when we are weak and even sinful. Don't abandon us when we are stubborn or selfish, as we often are. We need you, Holy Spirit: we love you and we seek you in spite of our limitations. We need patience, courage, peace, joy and goodness.

Come Holy Spirit, come down today, come in today, come and dwell among us this day and always.

AMEN

To Bring Someone Back to Faith

Glory be to You, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. You are the center of my life; You are the source and the summit. My life is rooted in You. I want those I love to experience You this way, too. I want them to have deep faith and childlike trust in You. I want them to walk in the path You have chosen for them and to know You as a dear and compassionate friend.

Please give my loved ones faith, Great God. Please help them to see to that You are always with them, watching over them, calling them forward, loving them more than they will ever know.

AMEN

For Growing Spiritually

Lord Jesus Christ, by Your saving death and resurrection, free me from my sins and weaknesses. May Your peace take root in my heart and bring forth in me a rich harvest of love and truth. Without You and all the good things You have done for me I can do nothing. And so I pray that You will fill me with a Your saving grace that I might daily follow You.

Help me to reach out to others in love and service and to search out God's will in the daily activities of my day. May I always put the needs of others before my own. May I so love my family, friends, and classmates that they see only Your goodness and grace in me. May Your love and Your light shine through in everything I do.

AMEN