



# FOUR PRAYERS

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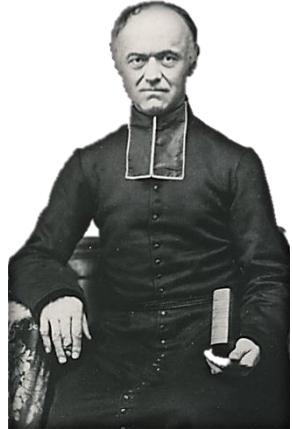
## ◆ FIRST PRAYER

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Here I am, O my God, I come to do your will; engrave your law in the centre of my heart and grant me the grace to do always what pleases you.

O Most Holy Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, my God and my all, I adore you and give you thanks for the blessings of my creation, my redemption, my preservation, for the ineffable sacraments which you have instituted for me, for my vocation to the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary: in a word, for the innumerable blessings with which you have blessed me and all men. Prostrate before you, O God, and covered with the precious blood of your Son, I offer and consecrate to you all that I have, all that I am, my thoughts, my words, my health, my infirmities, my sicknesses, my goods, my reputation, my life. You have given me everything; I give it all back to you to be used for your glory and for the salvation of my neighbour.

May you take away from me all that displeases you and give me everything that pleases you. Lead me and use me according to whatever pleases you. Grant me, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin



Mary, the grace never to offend you, but always to do your holy will. Help me reach the perfection of my vocation according to the spirit of the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary so that my joy may be perfect. Give me a firm and persevering good will and a deep peace. Grant that, always walking in your presence, I may find you in all things. Grant that I may constantly reach out to you, out of love and gratitude, and come to you through the palm of martyrdom, so that I may praise and bless you and sing eternally of your mercies. Amen.

*Vivat Cor Jesu sacratissimum in saecula saeculorum.*

## ◆ SECOND PRAYER

Through the Heart of Jesus, my way, my truth and my life, I dare to approach you, O Father of lights; through the divine heart, I adore you on behalf all those who do not adore You. I love You for all those who do not love You. I recognise you for all the blind who refuse to know You. I want to satisfy through your divine heart the duty of all mortals. In spirit I go around the world to look for all the souls ransomed by the most precious blood of my adorable Saviour, to present them to you through your divine heart and to ask you, through the heart, for their perfect conversion. But, O Father of mercies, can you bear that they do not know my Jesus and that they do not live for Him who died for all? Oh, make them live for the divine Heart. I offer you the souls of all my brothers, especially those of N. and N. I beg and urge you, in the name of my adorable Spouse, to fill them with His spirit, so that they may be eternally yours and be with you under the auspices of the divine Heart.... I ask for them, through this adorable heart, the grace of...



O Jesus, my beloved, you know what I want to say to your Father through your divine heart! In saying it to Him, I say it to you, because you are in Your Father and your Father is in you: Grant me, then, in accord with him, what I humbly ask of You. Be pleased to receive all these souls so favourably that they become one with You. Amen

*Vivat Cor Jesu sacratissimum per infinita saecula saeculorum. Amen.*

### ◆ THIRD PRAYER

To ask for the propagation of the double Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary:

Description of the life of a worthy minister of God and of Our Lord Jesus Christ, as it should be in our Congregation.

The nature of our religious life calls for men crucified to the world and for whom the world is crucified; new men who have stripped themselves of all their affections in order to put on Christ; men dead to themselves in order to live for righteousness; in short, to speak like St. Paul, men, who through labour, fasting, chastity, knowledge, magnanimity, gentleness in the Holy Spirit, unfeigned charity, the word of truth, show themselves to be ministers of God, and who with weapons of righteousness, in what is right and what is crooked, through glory and ignominy, bad and good repute, success and failure, themselves walk with firm steps towards the heavenly homeland, always urging others by all means and with great zeal, to see the greater glory of God in all things.

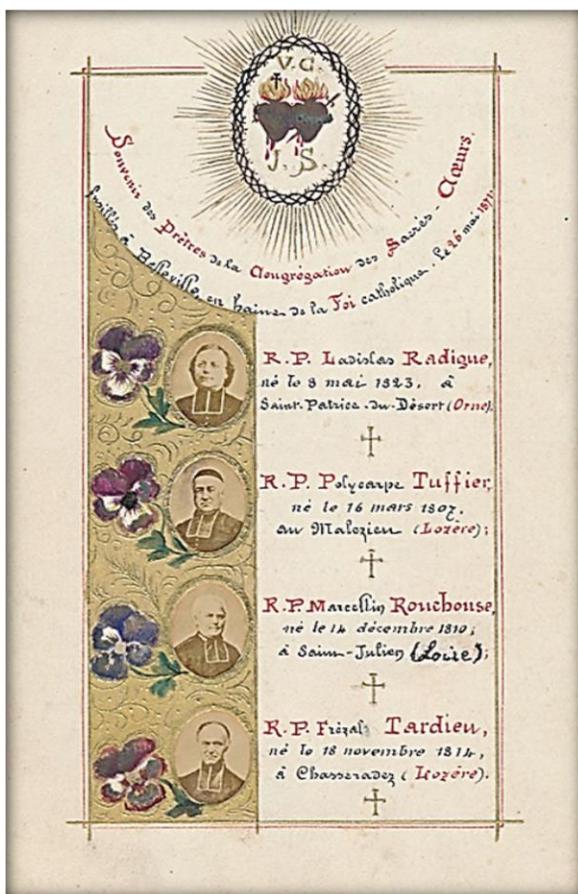


## ◆ FOURTH PRAYER

Increase your faith in times of storm,

In an instant, God can restore calm;

Whoever suffers without complaining and with a generous heart  
at the end finds the crown and the palm.



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