

#### A Guide to Stewardship Praying

We are called to make prayer a priority in our daily lives in imitation of His. When Christ was on earth, we know that He withdrew from the crowds to seek guidance and solace in prayer. He made time for prayer.

Pray perseveringly, be attentive to prayer and pray in a spirit of thanksgiving. (Colossians 4:2)

If two of you join your voices on earth to pray for anything whatever, it shall be granted to you by my Father in heaven. (Matthew 7:7)

The moments we spend in prayer are wonderful and draw us into a closer relationship with God.

#### **Best Practices**

-Pray with your family and friends.
-Pray before meals and work
-Use the bible or other spiritual book for inspiration while
meditating on our Heavenly Father

### PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES



#### Rosary Before Mass

Arrive early to Mass and join in the recitation of the rosary. If the rosary is not offered, talk to your pastor about leading the rosary before Mass.



#### **Prayer Organizations**

Take a moment to offer praise and thanksgiving to the Lord for the gifts

He has given you.



#### Adoration

Many parishes offer perpetual adoration or benediction on First Fridays. Consider spending an hour in silence before the Blessed Sacrament.



#### Assist at Mass

Offer your time to your parish as a lector, choir member or extraordinary minister in the most perfect form of prayer, the holy sacrifice of the Mass.

## Pray the litany on the back for the Diocese of Memphis



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# LITANY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION FOR THE DIOCESE OF MEMPHIS

By Pope Sixtus IV

Lord have mercy, Lord, have mercy. Christ have mercy, Christ, have mercy. Lord have mercy, Lord, have mercy.

God the Father, Source of all Sanctity, have mercy on us God the Son, Uncreated Sanctity, God the Holy Ghost, Spirit of Sanctity, Most Sacred Trinity, One God, pray for us Holy Mary, Immaculate, Holy Virgin of Virgins, Immaculate Virgin of virgins, Immaculate, Holy Virgin, by predestination Immaculate, Holy Virgin, in Thy conception, Immaculate, Holy Virgin, after Thy conception, Immaculate, Daughter of the Father, Immaculate, Mother of the Son, Immaculate, Spouse of the Holy Ghost, Immaculate, Image of the Wisdom of God, Immaculate, Dawn of the Sun of Justice, Immaculate, Living Ark of the Body of Christ, Immaculate, Daughter of David, Immaculate, Guide to Jesus, Immaculate, Virgin, triumphing over original sin, Immaculate, Virgin, crushing the head of the serpent, Immaculate, Queen of Heaven and earth, Immaculate, Gate of the Heavenly Jerusalem, Immaculate, Dispenser of graces, Immaculate, Spouse of St. Joseph, Immaculate, Star of the world, Immaculate, Impregnable tower of the Church Militant, Immaculate, Rose amid thorns, Immaculate,

Olive of the fields, Immaculate, Model of all perfections, Immaculate, Cause of our hope, Immaculate, Pillar of our faith, Immaculate, Source of Divine Love, Immaculate, Sure sign of our salvation, Immaculate, Rule of perfect obedience, Immaculate, Pattern of holy poverty, Immaculate, School of devotion, Immaculate, Abode of chaste modesty, Immaculate, Anchor of our salvation, Immaculate, Light of Angels, Immaculate, Crown of Patriarchs, Immaculate, Glory of Prophets, Immaculate, Lady and Mistress of Apostles, Immaculate, Support of Martyrs, Immaculate, Strength of Confessors, Immaculate, Diadem of Virgins, Immaculate, Splendour of all Saints, Immaculate, Sanctity of all Christians, Immaculate, Companion of devout souls, Immaculate, Joy of those who hope in Thee, Immaculate, Health of the sick, Immaculate, Advocate of sinners, Immaculate, Terror of heretics, Immaculate, Protectress of all mankind, Immaculate, Patroness of those who honour Thee, Immaculate,

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, O Lord.

In thy Conception, O Virgin Mary, thou wast Immaculate Pray for us to the Father, Whose Son Jesus, conceived of the Holy Ghost, thou didst bring forth. Let us pray O Almighty and Eternal God, Who didst prepare for Thy Son a worthy habitation, by the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary; we beseech Thee, that, as Thou didst preserve her from every stain of sin, through the merits of the pre-ordained atonement of Jesus Christ, so Thou wouldst grant, that we also may come without spot to Thee. Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, pray for us and our Diocese.