



# PRAYER CRUSADE FOR PRIESTS

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### Dear Crusader,

Greetings in Our Lord and Blessed Lady! Well! Our last newsletter was all the way back in May of 2010! In my opinion, that is too long; God willing, I promise to be more timely with my letters! Anyway, we have gained 120 new members since then, so for some of you, this will be your first PCP newsletter, so let us review a few things to keep everybody on track.

### Why We Have Become Crusaders

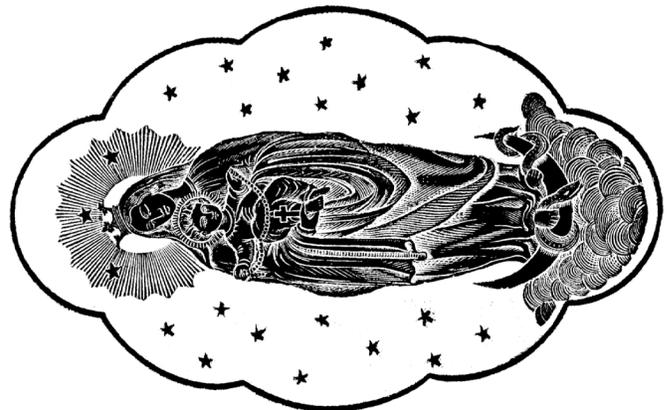
We voluntarily undertake the goals and obligations of the Prayer Crusade for Priests because we understand the value of priests in regard to the salvation of souls. We believe that by promising to perform certain prayers and sacrifices we are able to draw down from our good God special graces for priests, vocations to the priesthood and religious life, as well as ransom priests' souls from Purgatory. We see all around us the great necessity of obtaining more priests as well as fortifying the ones we do have. By making the promises of the Prayer Crusade for Priests, we form a union - an institution - where all involved are performing the very same actions and making the same promises with the same understanding and hope. God the Father looks down and sees not just the body of one person making special requests, but a great body of many, many people all praying in one accord! He sees us praying for His own will to be done, and that with one heart. It is something His fatherly heart cannot resist. We are Crusaders precisely to win this Heart.

### What We Have Promised

When we signed the membership form, we promised to pray certain prayers. It takes us, perhaps, about 5 minutes in a day to say our daily PCP prayers (if you have forgotten what these are, please contact me!), and then we have the Holy Hour on the first Thursday of each month. So you see, what we promise is not very hard in itself. The HARD PART is to persevere in doing it every day, and without forgetting, and without becoming weary of our task! We also have not placed a time limit on this engagement - which means that we will do it until we are no longer able. Let us fulfill well these easy, fruitful promises!

### What We Will Gain

It is a true statement that ALL Crusaders are generous: they give something of themselves and their precious time to God. We all know that God will not be outdone in generosity, so we can easily understand



7. God loves us so much that He would do absolutely anything for us - so much that if He were human like we are, He would give His life for us. In order for us to truly love Him, we too must love infinitely. Since our finite nature prevents us, in His all-lovingness, He has given us a Sacred Heart with which we may love Him.
9. If, in our every action, we simply remembered Him, our time here would be well spent.
10. Time is the only means we have to sacrifice our selves to Him.

OUR LADY OF THE CLERGY PRAY FOR US AND OUR PRIESTS.

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and believe that nothing we do will be overlooked by Him. In this way God will reward us in Heaven. When we see our priests persevering and winning souls, remember that our prayers are joined into that success -we can't help but to believe that our collective labour has had something to do with this. In this way God rewards us on earth. It is a win-win situation for us.

**Prayer Crusade for Priests Mission #5**

In the last newsletter, we started Mission #4, which was to pray for a forlorn priest whom we decided to call "Father Andrew" to retain his anonymity. Well, for all you who did undertake that mission, I happened to speak to a priest who said he had visited Father Andrew - just about the time the Mission would have ended (somewhere around early November of last year). He said that Father Andrew was doing well in regards to natural measures, but had given up the cassock and was not saying Mass. These ARE RESULTS! Providence arranged for us to know *something* about the state of that priest for whom we have been praying; let us take this response as an encouragement. Mission #4 was to pray an extra decade for him for 90 days. It looks like more is required of us to accomplish the task of bringing Father Andrew back.

For Mission #5, should you choose to accept it (you are not obligated, but please do consider!), we will do something a little more difficult. We will, again for 90 days, make a novena of meditations. These meditations will be for 5 minutes apiece, and should be done early in the morning. The topic of the meditations will be: **Who and What is God?** We will try to know something more about *who* God is, *what* He is, and what *our relationship* to Him is. To this end, I have placed a list of *points of meditation* on the accompanying holy card which you may use as an aid. Be sure at the start of each meditation to explicitly state your intention, which is to call back Father Andrew, one of *God's Chosen Servants*. At the end of your meditation, you will pray, "**Our Lady of the Clergy, Pray for us and our Priests.**" If you find you have forgotten for a time, just pick up the count where you left off.

**New Prayer Crusade for Priests Website**

On a lighter note, we have erected a website for the PCP at: <http://www.spxusa.org/pcp> It has (at the bottom of the site's page) a download section for the *Crusader Pamphlet* (which you are welcome to print and distribute) as well as all the past *PCP Newsletters* in PDF format.



**Some Details for your information**

Until the next *timely* Newsletter, God bless you all and our Apostolate!

† Your Brother in Jesus & Mary,

*Brother Gabriel-Marie*

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Director for the Prayer Crusade

- ✦ There are presently 1061 Crusaders (in the last letter #9, of May 2010, we reported 941 Crusaders).
- ✦ We pray for 742 priests, 38 of them being deceased.
- ✦ Please say a prayer for two of our deceased Crusaders, Mrs. Mary Mushitz of Rapid City, ND, who died on May 13, 2010 and Mrs. Gene MacDonald of Ventura, CA who also died last year.
- ✦ Here is a list of priests who have died since our last Newsletter; if we each say a little prayer for them, that makes 750 prayers apiece which they would not have had without us! Do say at least one Hail Mary for: Father Paul Marx, Father LaSalle O'Friel, Msgr. William Ridgeway, Father Paul Fangman, Msgr. Hugo Doyle, Father Michael Dudick, and Father John Portucheck.

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**WHO AND WHAT IS GOD**  
**PCP MISSION #5**

**5 Minute Meditation Novena for 90 Days**  
1. Quickly recognize the presence of God.

- 2. Form your intention.
- 3. Meditate: choose any of the following points and simply think about it for as long as it proves fruitful. When you cease to gain anything, move on to the next point. You may substitute your own points at will. If you get distracted, just bring yourself back to the topic and continue.
- 4. Make a quick thanksgiving and spiritual communion.
- 5. End with "Our Lady of the Clergy, Pray for us and our Priests."



**POINTS OF MEDITATION**

- 1. Before anything created was made, God was there.
- 2. Eternity is a single moment; it cannot be placed on a timeline. It is simply now.
- 3. To look toward God in Eternity, consider your existence before Him at this very moment.
- 4. Truly, nothing else in the world matters except the relationship between you and Him. Anything else that seems important is only so in its subordination to this relationship.
- 5. God is our Father, we are not only His children by creation, but more especially by grace. He is our Father even moreso than our earthly father.
- 6. God, being infinite, loves infinitely..