



PRAYERS FOR THE PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY DOOR

In Piazza Pia, the pilgrimage leader introduces the celebration:
In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All answer:

Amen.

Leader:

May the God of Hope,
Who in the Word made Flesh
Fills us with every joy and peace in our faith,
through the power of the Holy Spirit,
be among us.

All answer:

Blessed be the Lord, our hope.

Scripture Reading:

A READING FROM THE LETTER TO THE ROMANS. 5,1-5

Therefore, since we are justified by faith,
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.
Through him we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand,
and we rejoice in our hope of sharing the glory of God.
More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings,
knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character,
and character produces hope,
and hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

After the reading, a brief silence is observed.

Leader:

Let us set out in the name of Christ:
The way who leads to the Father,
The truth who makes us free,
The life who renews The world.

The pilgrimage to the Holy Door begins carrying the Jubilee cross.

PSALM 122 (121)

I was glad when they said to me,
"Let us go to the house of the Lord!"
Our feet have been standing
within your gates, O Jerusalem!

Jerusalem, built as a city
which is bound firmly together,
to which the tribes go up,
the tribes of the Lord,
as was decreed for Israel,
to give thanks to the name of the Lord.
There thrones for judgment were set,
the thrones of the house of David.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem!
"May they prosper who love you!
Peace be within your walls,
and security within your towers!"
For my brethren and companions' sake
I will say, "Peace be within you!"
For the sake of the house of the Lord
our God,
I will seek your good.

PSALM 83 (84)

How lovely is your dwelling place,
Lord, mighty God!

My soul yearns and pines
for the courts of the Lord.
My heart and my flesh
cry out for the living God.

Even the sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest

in which she puts her young—
Your altars, O Lord of hosts,
my king and my God!

Blessed they who dwell in your house!
continually they praise you.
Blessed the one who finds his refuge in you
And has your ways in his heart

Passing through the valley of tears
These are turned into fresh springs
Even the first rain
Adorns him in blessings

His strength grows along the path
Until he stands before God in Sion

Lord God of hosts, listen to my prayer,
Listen to me God of Jacob

O God, behold our shield,
and look upon the face of your anointed.

I had rather live one day in your courts
than a thousand elsewhere;
I had rather lie at the threshold of the house
of my God
than dwell in the tents of the wicked.

For the Lord God is my light and my shield.
The Lord grants grace and glory
He does not refuse good things
To those who walk in the paths of integrity

Lord of hosts, blessed is the one who takes
refuge in you.

Approaching the Church of S. Maria in Traspontina, a brief reflection takes place:

"Hope finds its supreme witness in the *Mother of God*. In the Blessed Virgin, we see that hope is not naive optimism but a gift of grace amid the realities of life ... At the foot of the cross, she witnessed the passion and death of Jesus, her innocent son. Overwhelmed with grief, she nonetheless renewed her "fiat", never abandoning her hope and trust in God... In the travail of that sorrow, offered in love, Mary became our Mother, the Mother of Hope ... amid the tempests of this life, the Mother of God comes to our aid, sustains us and encourages us to persevere in hope and trust." (*Spes non confundit*, 24)

3 Hail Marys

The Litany of the Saints is recited or sung.

LITANY OF THE SAINTS

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Holy Mary, Mother of God, **pray for us.**

Saint Michael, **pray for us.**

Holy Angels of God, **pray for us.**

St. John the Baptist, **pray for us.**

Saint Joseph, **pray for us.**

Saints Peter and Paul, **pray for us.**

Saint Andrew, **pray for us.**

Saint John, **pray for us.**

Holy Apostles and Evangelists, **pray for us.**

Saint Mary Magdalene, **pray for us.**

Holy disciples of the Lord, **pray for us.**

Saint Stephen, **pray for us.**

Saint Ignatius Of Antioch, **pray for us.**

Saint Lawrence, **pray for us.**

Saints Perpetua and Felicity, **pray for us.**

Saint Agnes, **pray for us.**

Holy Martyrs Of Christ, **pray for us.**

Saint Gregory, **pray for us.**

Saint Augustine, **pray for us.**

Saint Martin, **pray for us.**

Saints Cyril And Methodius, **pray for us.**

Saint Benedict, **pray for us.**

Saint Francis, **pray for us.**

Saint Dominic, **pray for us.**

Saint Francis [Xavier], **pray for us.**

Saint Philip Neri, **pray for us.**

Saint John [Vianney], **pray for us.**

Saint Catherine [of Siena], **pray for us.**

Saint Teresa [of Avila], **pray for us.**

St. Frances Cabrini, **pray for us.**

Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, **pray for us.**

Saint Faustina Kowalska, **pray for us.**

Saint Teresa of Calcutta, **pray for us.**

Saint Pio of Pietrelcina, **pray for us.**

Saint Paul VI, **pray for us.**

Saint John Paul II, **pray for us.**

All Saints Of God, **pray for us.**

Through your mercy, Lord, **save your people.**

From all that is evil, Lord, **save your people.**

From all sin, Lord, **save your people.**

From eternal death, Lord, **save your people.**

Through your incarnation, Lord, **save your people.**

Through your death and resurrection, Lord, **save your people.**

Through the gift of the Holy Spirit Lord, **save your people.**

For sinners, **Lord graciously hear us.**

Comfort and enlighten your Holy Church, **Lord graciously hear us.**

Protect the Pope, the bishops and priests and all ministers of the Gospel, **Lord graciously hear us**

Send new laborers into the harvest, **Lord graciously hear us**

Grant justice and peace to the world, **Lord graciously hear us.**

Come to the aid of all who are suffering or in pain, **Lord graciously hear us.**

Protect and confirm in your holy service all those who are consecrated to you, **Lord graciously hear us.**

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During the pilgrimage psalms can be sung. Taking into account the time it may take to reach the Holy Door, some decades of the Rosary may also be recited.

When the Holy Door is reached the following psalm is recited:

PSALM 23 (24)

The Lord's are the earth and its fullness;
the world and those who dwell in it.

For he founded it upon the seas
and established it upon the rivers.

Who can ascend the mountain of the Lord?
or who may stand in his holy place?

He whose hands are sinless,
whose heart is clean,
who desires not what is vain.

He shall receive a blessing from the Lord,
a reward from God his savior.

Such is the race that seeks him,

that seeks the face of the God of Jacob.

Lift up, O gates, your lintels;
reach up, you ancient portals,
that the king of glory may come in!

Who is this king of glory?
The Lord, strong and mighty,
the Lord, mighty in battle.

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reach up, you ancient portals,
that the king of glory may come in!

Who is this king of glory?
The Lord of hosts; he is the king of glory.

After entering the Basilica, the following prayers are recited for the intentions of the Holy Father:

Our Father

3 Hail Marys

Glory be to the Father

On arrival at the Tomb of the Apostle Peter, the Profession of Faith is made:

I believe in one God

If the one presiding is an ordained minister, the pilgrimage concludes with a blessing.

If the person presiding is a layperson, the following is said:

Let us bless the Lord

All answer:

Thanks be to God.



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