

The Litany of St Francis

(for private devotion)

Lord, have mercy on us!

Christ, have mercy on us!

Lord, have mercy on us!

Christ, hear us!

Christ, graciously hear us!

God, the Father of Heaven,

Have mercy on us!

God, the Son, Redeemer of the world

Have mercy on us!

God, the Holy Spirit,

Have mercy on us!

Holy Trinity, one God,

Have mercy on us!

Holy Mary, conceived without sin **Pray for us!*

Holy Mary, special patron of the three Orders of St. Francis, *

St Francis, seraphic founder, *

St. Francis, most prudent father, *

St. Francis, who despised the world, *

St. Francis, model of penance, *

St. Francis, conqueror of vices, *

St. Francis, imitator of our Saviour, *

St. Francis, bearer of the marks of Christ, *

St. Francis, sealed with the character of Jesus, *

St. Francis, example of purity, *

St. Francis, image of humility, *

St. Francis, abounding in grace, *

St. Francis, who cured the sick, *

St. Francis, who reformed the erring, *

St. Francis, pillar of the church, *

St. Francis, who defended the faith, *

St. Francis, champion of Christ, *

St. Francis, protector of your children, *

St. Francis, invulnerable shield, *

St. Francis, who confounded the heretics, *

St. Francis, who converted the pagans, *

St. Francis, who supported the lame, *

St. Francis, who raised the dead, *

St. Francis, who healed the lepers, *

St. Francis, our advocate, *

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!

V. Pray for us, blessed Father Francis.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray:

O Lord Jesus Christ, who, when the world was growing cold, in order to inflame our hearts with the fire of your love, renewed the scared marks of your suffering on the body of our blessed father Francis, mercifully grant that by his merits and prayers we may persevere in bearing the cross and bring forth worthy fruits of penance. Who live and reign, world without end. Amen.