

The Hour Prayer

It has been our community's custom to pray this at the start of every hour, no matter where we are or what work we are engaged in.

V. Praise and thanksgiving be to our Lord Jesus Christ.

R. Forevermore. Amen. Ave Maria, gratia plena, Dominus tecum.

Benedicta tu in mulieribus, et benedictus fructus ventris tui, Iesus.

Sancta Maria, Mater Dei, ora pro nobis peccatoribus, nunc, et in hora mortis nostrae. Amen.

V. O Maria sine labe concepta:

R. O pro nobis, qui ad te confugimus.

O Queen of Angels and you holy choirs of Angels to whose keeping has been confided the tabernacle where rests the most precious pledge of the love of God for man, protect the Most Blessed Sacrament from all irreverences, sacrileges and the onslaught of the wicked, and preserve Him for loving hearts until the day of eternity. Amen.

Majestic Queen of Heaven and Mistress of the Angels, thou didst receive from God the power and commission to crush the head of Satan; wherefore we humbly beseech thee, send forth the legions of heaven, that, under thy command, they may seek out all evil spirits, engage them everywhere in battle, curb their insolence, and hurl them back into the pit of hell. "Who is like unto God?" O good and tender Mother, thou shalt ever be our hope and the object of our love. O Mother of God, send forth the holy angels to defend me and drive far from me the cruel foe. Holy Angels and Archangels, defend us and keep us.