

A PRAYER FOR GOD'S HEALING GRACE

O Almighty God, Ruler of all creation and Source of all life and health: we beseech our Great Physician, Jesus Christ to sustain the people of this and every nation with your presence and healing grace to drive away all sickness of body and spirit. Especially in the challenges we face in dealing with the Coronavirus, we pray that you will give us that victory of life and peace which will enable us to serve you both now and evermore. We pray for all who have become ill from this virus (especially *N*), and for all who have been in direct contact with them. Bless, preserve, and keep in your care all medical professionals and political leaders, and give them wisdom, courage, and clarity as they fulfill their obligations to all sorts and conditions of people. Sustain us, strengthen us, and move us by the Holy Spirit to healing and renewal of faith and the power of prayer; in the holy name of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

A LITANY FOR HEALING

God the Creator, Ruler of heaven and earth:

Have mercy on us

Jesus Christ, the Healer and Redeemer of this broken world:

Have mercy on us.

O Holy Spirit, Giver of life and breath:

Have mercy on us.

O glorious Trinity, whose presence fills all of creation:

Have mercy on us.

We confess to You, O God, our anxiety at this time of an infection that afflicts the peoples of the world, the lack of a cure in this time, which ravages the body and challenges the soul:

We beseech You to hear us, O God.

We confess our fearful emotions as we witness the loss of steady employment, the lack of a steady supply of the necessities of life, and the future of economic well-being:

We beseech You to hear us, O God.

We confess our need for steadfastness and endurance to prepare for the hardships of daily life as we care for children and for the elderly, for the well-being of our friends, and the health of our communities.

We beseech You to hear us, O God.

We pray for our health, and for the health of those who surround us, and for those in every place, and especially for those who become ill and are in need of care.

We beseech You to hear us, O God.

We pray for all doctors, nurses, and health-care professionals, for public health workers, and for the provision of needed medical equipment and supplies.

We beseech You to hear us, O God.

We pray for all elderly and infirm residents of nursing care facilities, and for those who work with them, that they may be surrounded with divine protection.

We beseech You to hear us, O God.

We pray for those who lead us in elected and appointed positions, in particular *N. and N.*, who provide moral and political leadership in this time of crisis.

We beseech You to hear us, O God.

We pray for all who labor, especially those who work in smaller businesses, in this time of great financial hardship, that they may be relieved and protected.

We beseech You to hear us, O God.

We pray for wisdom for those in research and development of treatment programs and the development of vaccines and medications.

We beseech You to hear us, O God.

We pray for the Church and its ministries, for opportunities for worship and study even if unable to come together in person, and we pray for all efforts to provide pastoral care and spiritual direction in these days.

We beseech You to hear us, O God.

We pray that your heavenly grace will precede and follow us in this time of trial, and remind us always to turn to you for your saving grace and healing goodness.

We beseech You to hear us, O God.

Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One.

Have mercy on us.

Provide a time of silent reflection, concluding with The Lord's Prayer.

May the God of health and hope sustain us, strengthen us and keep us, in this time and in the days to come, through Jesus Christ, the Great Physician and Healer. Amen.