

**PRIEST ALWAYS – PRAYER APOSTOLATE or PAPA
A PRAYER FOR PRIESTS**

Almighty Eternal God, * look upon the face of Christ, * and for the love of Him * Who is the eternal High Priest,* have mercy on Your priests. * Remember, O most compassionate God, * that they are but weak and frail human beings. * Stir up in them the grace of their vocation * which is bestowed on them by the imposition of the Bishop's hands. * Keep them close to You, * lest the enemy prevail against them, * so that they may never do anything in the slightest degree * unworthy of their sublime vocation.

O Jesus, * I pray for Your faithful and fervent priests; * for Your unfaithful and tepid priests; * for Your priests laboring at home or abroad in distant mission fields; * for Your tempted priests; * for Your lonely priests; * for Your young priests;* for Your aged priests; * for Your sick priests; * for Your dying priests; * for the souls of Your priests in purgatory.

But above all * I recommend to You the priests dearest to me: * the priest who baptized me; * the priests who absolved me from my sins; * the priests at whose Masses I assisted * and who gave me Your Body and Blood in Holy Communion; * the priests who taught and instructed me * or helped me and encouraged me; * all the priests to whom I am indebted in any other way, * particularly _____ (*name the one priest who you believe is most in need now*). * O Jesus,* keep them close to Your Sacred Heart, * and bless them abundantly in time and eternity. Amen.

O Mary, Queen of the Apostles – *Make your priests holy* (3 times).

St. John Vianney – *Pray for us.*

St. Alphonsus – *Pray for us.*

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