A Prayer

by St. Padre Pio of Pietrelcina

May your heart always be the temple of the Holy Spirit. May Jesus always be the helmsman of your little spiritual ship.

May Mary be the star
which shines on your path
and may she show you
the safe way
to reach the Heavenly Father. Amen.

Padre Pio's Prayer to the Guardian Angel

Angel of God, my guardian, to whom the goodness of the Heavenly Father entrusts me.

> Enlighten, protect and guide me now and for ever. Amen

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Efficacious Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

(This novena prayer was recited every day by Padre Pio for all those who asked for his prayers)

I. O my Jesus, You have said, 'Truly I say to you, ask and it will be given you, seek and you will find, knock and it will be open to you.' Behold, I knock, I seek and ask for the grace of...

Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory be to the Father... Sacred Heart of Jesus, I placed all my trust in You.

II. O my Jesus, You have said, 'Truly I say to you, if you ask anything of the Father in my name, He will give it to you.' Behold, in Your name, I ask the Father for the grace of...

Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory be to the Father... Sacred Heart of Jesus, I placed all my trust in You.

III. O my Jesus, You have said, 'Truly I say to you, heaven and earth will pass away but my words will not pass away.' Encouraged by your infallible words, I now ask for the grace of...

Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory be to the Father... Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in You.

O Sacred Heart of Jesus, for whom it is impossible not to have compassion on the afflicted, have pity on us poor sinners and grant us the grace which we ask of You, through the Sorrowful and Immaculate heart of Mary, Your tender mother and ours.

Hail, Holy Queen... St. Joseph, foster father of Jesus, pray for us.

A Prayer to Jesus

by St. Padre Pio of Pietrelcina

Lord, God of my heart, You alone know and see all my troubles. You alone are aware that all my distress springs from my fear of losing You, of offending You, from my fear of not loving You as much as I should love and desire to love You.

If You, to whom everything is present and who alone can see the future, know that it is for Your greater glory and for my salvation that I should remain in this state, then let it be so.

I do not want to escape from it.

Give me the strength to fight and to obtain the prize due to strong souls.

Prayer of Pope St. John Paul II to St. Pio of Pietrelcina

(Pope John Paul II recited this prayer on the occasion of the canonization of Padre Pio, June 16, 2002)

Teach us, we pray, humility of heart, so that we may be counted among the little ones of the Gospel to whom the Father promised to reveal the mysteries of His Kingdom.

Help us to pray without ceasing, certain that God knows what we need even before we ask Him.

Obtain for us the eyes of faith that will help us recognize in the poor and suffering, the very face of Jesus.

Sustain us in the hour of trouble and trial and, if we fall, let us experience the joy of the sacrament of forgiveness.

Grant us your tender devotion to Mary, mother of Jesus and our Mother.

Accompany us on our earthly pilgrimage toward the blessed Homeland, where we too, hope to arrive to contemplate forever the Glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

A Spiritual Communion

by St. Padre Pio of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio celebrated Mass daily, and at various times during the day, he would pause and pray making a spiritual communion)

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the MostBblessed Sacrament.

I love You above all things and I desire to possess You within my soul.

Since I am unable at this moment to receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as being already there, and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.