Prayer for the Intercession of Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro, S.J., Priest and Martyr

Loving Father, You have revealed your greatness through your saints. The Christian faith which You have planted in your Church has been made abundant and fruitful by the blood of Your martyrs.

May we imitate the life and example of your servant, Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro. May we courageously proclaim the Gospel in every aspect of our lives. May we serve You, just as he did, in the poor and the oppressed. And like him, may we stand for Justice and Equality towards building Your Kingdom here on earth.

Grant, through his intercession, the grace I ask of you if it will be for my good.

(recite your intention).

And, in Your chosen time, may he be raised to the honors of Your altar as one of our exemplary Saints.

Amen.

O Virgin of Guadalupe, our Mother and Queen, Pray for us!

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## **NOVENA TO SAINT MIGUEL AGUSTIN PRO**

Recited November 14th through November 22nd



Feast Day: November 23rd (Ordinary Time)

## Novena

The word Novena derives it name from the Latin word "novem" meaning "nine." A novena can be either a private or public devotion in the Catholic Church to obtain special graces.

## A Novena in Honor of Blessed Miguel Pro, S.J.

Blessed martyr of Christ the King, Father Miguel Agustin Pro, you are a special patron of those who labor, those in illness, depression or despair. You are also a friend of musicians, the captives, and all who work toward social justice. Your beloved brothers, the Jesuits, revere you and count you among the ranks of their saints. You love your people of Mexico and all those loyal to the Church. I thank the Sacred Heart for loving you so dearly.

I pray to Our Lady of Guadalupe whom you love so dear, to intercede for the cause of your canonization.

I pray that you remember me in your eternal and well-deserved rejoicing, and also my needs: [state needs]

Through your courageous life and martyrdom you have won the crown of life everlasting.

Remember me, Blessed Miguel, for I remember you.

Viva Cristo Rey! Viva la Virgen de Guadalupe!

IMPRIMATUR: Most Reverend John F. Donoghue Archbishop of Atlanta December 21, 2004

## A Prayer Composed by Blessed Miguel Pro, S.J.

According to one of Fr. Pro's biographers, Rec. M.D. Forrest, M.S.C., the following was composed shortly before his death:

Does our life become from day to day more painful, more oppressive, more replete with afflictions? Blessed be He a thousand times who desires it so. If life be harder, love makes it also stronger, and only this love, grounded on suffering, can carry the Cross of my Lord Jesus Christ. Love without egotism, without relying on self, but enkindling in the depth of the heart an ardent thirst to love and suffer for all those around us: a thirst that neither misfortune nor contempt can extinguish... I believe, O Lord; but strengthen my faith... Heart of Jesus, I love Thee; but increase my love. Heart of Jesus, I trust in Thee; but give greater vigor to my confidence. Heart of Jesus, I give my heart to Thee; but so enclose it in Thee that it may never be separated from Thee. Heart of Jesus, I am all Thine; but take care of my promise so that I may be able to put it in practice even unto the complete sacrifice of my life.