

Prayer for the Dead

In your hands, O Lord,
we humbly entrust our brothers and sisters.
In this life you embraced them with your tender love;
deliver them now from every evil
and bid them eternal rest.

The old order has passed away:
welcome them into paradise,
where there will be no sorrow, no weeping or pain,
but fullness of peace and joy
with your Son and the Holy Spirit
forever and ever.
Amen.

Prayer for a deceased friend or loved one

I commend you, my dear [NAME] to almighty God, and
entrust you to your Creator.

May you rest in the arms of the Lord who formed you
from the dust of the earth.

May holy Mary, the angels, and all the saints welcome
you now that you have gone forth from this life.

May Christ who was crucified for you, bring you
freedom and peace.

May Christ who died for you admit you into his garden
of paradise.

May Christ, the true Shepherd, embrace you as one of
his flock.

May he forgive all your sins and set you among those he
has chosen.

May you see your Redeemer face to face and enjoy the
vision of God, forever. Amen.

Prayer for Mourners

Lord God,
you are attentive to the voice of our pleading.
Let us find in your Son
comfort in our sadness,
certainty in our doubt,
and courage to live through this hour.
Make our faith strong
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Lord,
Our loved ones are gone now from this earthly dwelling,
and have left behind those who mourn their absence.
Grant that we may hold their memory dear,
never bitter for what we have lost
nor in regret for the past,
but always in hope of the eternal Kingdom
where you will bring us together again.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

May the love of God and the peace of the Lord Jesus
Christ
bless and console us
and gently wipe every tear from our eyes:
in the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.