## St. Anthony of Padua Prayers

# NOVENA to St. Anthony of Padua OPENING PRAYER

**Leader:** Gracious Father, we thank you for giving us St. Anthony of Padua as a model of someone who lived the Gospel faithfully. With complete trust in you may we, like St. Anthony, always seek your face in our brothers and sisters that we may serve and love one another and build the heavenly kingdom here on earth where You live and reign forever and ever. Amen.

#### **NOVENA PRAYER**

**All:** St. Anthony, glorious Wonderworker, father of the poor and comforter of the afflicted, I ask for your help. You have come to my aid with such loving care and have comforted me so generously. St. Anthony, glorious for the fame of your miracles, obtain for me from God's mercy, this favour that I desire (mention your request here). Since you were so gracious to poor sinners, do not regard my lack of virtue but consider the glory of God, which will be exalted once more through you by the granting of the petition that I now earnestly present to you. Accept this offering of my devotion and love and with it my earnest promise to live always in the love of God and my neighbour. Continue to shield me graciously with your protection, and obtain for me the grace of being able, one day, to enter the Kingdom of Heaven to praise, with you, the everlasting mercies of God. Amen.

### **PRAYER to St. ANTHONY**

**All:** O Holy St. Anthony, gentlest of Saints, you were chosen by the Lord to lead us on the path of life in simplicity, humility and joy, with love for all creation and detachment from all things. God in his mercy granted you, when on earth, to possess miraculous powers. Miracles waited on your word, which you were ever ready to speak for those in trouble or anxiety. O gentle and loving St. Anthony, whose heart was ever full of human sympathy, whisper my petition into the ears of the Sweet infant Jesus, who loved to be folded in your arms. Pray for me, that the passionate fire of our Lord will be enkindled in my heart so that I will seek only God's greater glory and the salvation of souls.

#### **LITANY of St. ANTHONY of PADUA**

Lord have mercy, **Lord have mercy.** 

Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy.

Christ hear us, Christ graciously hear us.

Holy Mary, pray for us.

- St Francis of Assisi, pray for us.
- St. Anthony, glory of the Order of Friars Minors, pray for us.
- St. Anthony, martyr in desiring to die for Christ, **pray for us.**
- St. Anthony, pillar of the Church, **pray for us.**
- St. Anthony, worthy priest of God, pray for us.
- St. Anthony, Apostolic preacher, pray for us.
- St. Anthony, teacher of the truth, pray for us.
- St. Anthony, conqueror of heretics, **pray for us.**
- St. Anthony, terror of evil spirits, pray for us.
- St. Anthony, comforter of the afflicted, **pray for us.**
- St. Anthony, helper in necessities, **pray for us.**
- St. Anthony, guide of the erring, pray for us.
- St. Anthony, continuous worker of miracles, pray for us.
- St. Anthony, example of humility, pray for us.
- St. Anthony, lover of the Cross, pray for us.
- St. Anthony, restorer of lost things, **pray for us.**
- St. Anthony, restorer of health, pray for us.
- St. Anthony, sanctuary of heavenly wisdom, pray for us.
- St. Anthony, destroyer of worldly vanity, pray for us.
- St. Anthony, conqueror of impurity, pray for us.
- St. Anthony, martyr of desire, pray for us.
- St. Anthony, our advocate, pray for us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, **spare us O Lord.**Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, **graciously hear us O Lord.** 

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Pray for us, O Blessed St. Anthony, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray: Almighty and eternal God, you glorified your faithful confessor Anthony with the perpetual gift of working miracles. Grant that what we confidently seek through his merits we may surely receive by his intercession. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Our Father ...
Hail Mary...
Glory Be ...

#### St. ANTHONY'S BLESSING

Behold, the Cross of the Lord! Be gone, all evil powers! The Lion of the tribe of Judah, The Root of David, has conquered! Alleluia, Alleluia!

#### St. ANTHONY'S PRAYER for the HELP of THE HOLY SPIRIT

O God, send forth your Holy Spirit into my heart that I may perceive, into my mind that I may remember, and into my soul that I may meditate. Inspire me to speak with piety, holiness, tenderness and mercy. Teach, guide and direct my thoughts and senses from beginning to end. May your grace ever help and correct me, and may I be strengthened now with wisdom from on high, for the sake of your infinite mercy. Amen.

#### **GOOD St. ANTHONY PRAYER**

Good Saint Anthony, in God's providence you have secured for his people many marvelous favours. You have been especially celebrated for your goodness to the poor and the hungry, for finding employment for those seeking it, for your special care of those who travel, and for keeping safe from harm all who must be away from home. You are widely known also, good Saint Anthony, for securing peace in the family, for your delicate mercy in finding lost things, for safe delivery of messages, and for your concern for

women in childbirth. We honour you, good St. Anthony, for the many graces our Lord grants through your favour. May your spiritual help always make us strong, and by your assistance may we enjoy an eternal reward with all the saints in heaven. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

#### St. ANTHONY'S WRITING about the CRUCIFIX

Christ who is your life is hanging before you, so that you may look at the Cross as in a mirror. There you will be able to know how mortal were your wounds, that no medicine other than the Blood of the Son of God could heal. If you look closely, you will be able to realize how great your human dignity and your value are .... Nowhere other than looking at himself in the mirror of the Cross can man better understand how much he is worth.

#### **DISCIPLESHIP PRAYER of St. ANTHONY**

Let us lean on the Cross of Christ, just as travelers lean on a staff when they begin a long journey. We pray for the Passion of Christ to be deeply embedded in our minds and hearts, because only from it can we derive peace, grace, and truth. Amen.