

**ALTERNATIVE PRAYERS
FOR USE IN
LASALLIAN PRAYER SERVICES**

Bro. Nicholas Hutchinson

January 18

Blessed Brother Jaime Hilario

Lord Jesus,
we honour Brother Jaime
who willingly gave his life in joyful sacrifice,
proud in the knowledge of who you called him to be.

Inspire us with his living faith and vitality
that we may hear your words addressed to us
and be faithful messengers of your gospel.

Empower us with your Spirit
and enable us to transform our difficulties,
for only your love makes us whole. Amen.

January 29 (or August 13)

Saint Benilde

Lord, you set before us
the example of Saint Benilde.

Through his intercession
may we grow in awareness of your presence
and live joyfully in your love each day.

Inspire us
to transform ordinary lives
and bring out the best
in those you entrust to us.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

January 30

Saint Mutien-Marie Wiaux

Lord our God,
may the life and witness of Brother Mutien
inspire us to live more faithfully
your call to walk in your presence
and grow in holiness.

Lead us to delight in the life you bring
through all the circumstances in which you place us
and with the people whom you entrust to us.

Lead us to discover the simplicity of the gospel
and live in appreciation and thanksgiving
with Jesus your Son. Amen.

February 9

Saint Miguel

Father,
may the prayers and example of Saint Miguel
help us to see what is praiseworthy in others
and be of encouragement.

Renew us in your love
and inspire us to live joyfully in your presence each day.

Help us to discover your will for us
and live simply in the ways of the gospel.

Enable us to transform our frailty into your strength
and make good use
of the gifts and talents you have given us.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

April 7 (or 15 May)

Saint John Baptist de La Salle

God ever-faithful,
we thank you for the gift to your Church
of John Baptist de La Salle.

We pray that, like him,
we may grow more aware of your presence
and deepen our friendship with you.

May your Spirit be fully alive in us
that we may look upon everything with the eyes of faith
and place our trust in your providential care.

May the gospel transform us
so that we may better reflect
the words and actions of Jesus, your Son.

Inspire us
to touch the hearts of those you entrust to us
and to encourage each person to value human dignity.

Enable us to help others
to discover your kingdom within
and to accept the salvation you offer in Jesus your Son.
Amen.

September 2
Blessed Brother Solomon

God our Father,
strengthen us by the example
of your martyr, Brother Solomon,
that we may always follow conscience
and promote in the young people you entrust to us
a critical stance towards contemporary society. (Rule 13c)

May we all grow in wisdom and integrity of character
and develop a true sense of values
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

September 27
Blessed Brother Scubilion

Lord, you set before us
the example of Brother Scubilion,
who lived his life in your presence,
preached the good news to the poor,
and brought liberty to captives.

May his prayers
help us to acknowledge and to confirm for others
that each of us is made in your image and likeness.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

October 9
**The Martyrs of Turon, Asturias:
Brother Cirilo Bertran & Companions**

God our Father,
you love young people
to the extent of providing them with saints. (Decl. 53:3)

In the Martyrs of Turon
we see the transforming power of the gospel.

Empower us with your Spirit
and inspire us to take the gospel more seriously
that we, too, may embrace the cross with courage
and be credible witnesses of your love.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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October 23
Blessed Brother Arnold

God our Father, open our eyes
to the splendour of your creation,
to the dignity of those who are made
in your image and likeness,
and to the opportunities each day brings.

Create new miracles this day
that, transformed by your grace,
we may touch the hearts of those entrusted to us.

Through the intercession of Brother Arnold,
inspire young people to respond generously
to your call to holiness,
that each may accomplish what you want of them.

Help us to walk more faithfully in your presence
and seek first your kingdom, with Jesus your Son. Amen.

November 16
**The Martyrs of Almeria:
Brother Aurelio & Companions**

Lord God,
may the witness of the Martyrs of Almeria
strengthen our faith.

May their martyrdom
be the seed for our growth in holiness.

Help us to encourage the weak,
defend the powerless,
have courage amidst difficulties,
and be signs of your kingdom
amongst those to whom you send us.

Give us the power of your Spirit
to promote understanding and reconciliation,
that all may live justly and in peace
as brothers and sisters of Jesus your Son. Amen.

**The Martyrs of the prison-ships of Rochefort
Brothers Roger, Leon, Uldaric**

God our Father,
enliven us with your Spirit
that we may be firmly rooted in Jesus, your Son,
and may deepen our friendship with him.

Through the prayers of our Martyrs
who bore witness to the end of their lives,
lead us to share their integrity
and give of ourselves in joyful sacrifice.

Challenge us in our daily lives
and inspire us to live more authentically
the values and priorities of the gospel,
and so become more convincing signs of your kingdom.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen. ●