

IV. VARIOUS PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

1. FOR A POPE

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Collect

O God, faithful rewarder of souls,
grant that your departed servant Pope **N.**,
whom you made successor of Peter
and shepherd of your Church,
may happily enjoy for ever in your presence in heaven
the mysteries of your grace and compassion,
which he faithfully ministered on earth.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

Prayer over the Offerings

We pray, O Lord,
that through these devoted offices of supplication
you may mercifully bestow a blessed reward
on the soul of your servant Pope **N.**
and on us, your gifts of grace.
Through Christ our Lord.

Prayer after Communion

Renewed by the Sacrament
of our communion with you, our God,
we pray, O Lord,
that your servant Pope **N.**,
who served by your will on earth
as the visible foundation of your Church's unity,
may be happily admitted to your blessed flock.
Through Christ our Lord.

B**Collect**

O God, who in your wondrous providence
chose your servant Pope **N.** to preside over your Church,
grant, we pray,
that, having served as the Vicar of your Son on earth,
he may be welcomed by him into eternal glory.
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

Prayer over the Offerings

Look with favor on the offerings of your Church
as she calls on you, O Lord,
and by the power of this sacrifice
grant that, as you placed your servant Pope **N.**
as High Priest over your flock,
so you may set him among the number
of your chosen Priests in heaven.
Through Christ our Lord.

Prayer after Communion

As we receive sacred sustenance
from your charity, O Lord,
we pray that your servant Pope **N.**,
who was a faithful steward of your mysteries on earth,
may praise your mercy for ever in the glory of the Saints.
Through Christ our Lord.

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Collect

O God, immortal shepherd of souls,
look on your people's prayers
and grant that your servant Pope **N.**,
who presided over your Church in charity,
may, with the flock entrusted to his care,
receive from your mercy
the reward of a faithful steward.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.

Prayer over the Offerings

Look with favor, we pray, O Lord,
on the peaceful offering of your people,
with which we confidently commit to your mercy
the soul of your servant Pope **N.**,
and grant, we pray, that,
having been, in the midst of the human family,
an instrument of your charity and peace,
he may merit to delight in the same,
for ever with all your Saints.
Through Christ our Lord.

Prayer after Communion

As we come to the table of your eternal banquet,
we humbly beg your mercy, Lord,
for the soul of your departed servant Pope **N.**,
that he may rejoice at last in possession of the truth
in which he faithfully confirmed your people.
Through Christ our Lord.