

St. Finbarr, pray for us!
 St. Virgilius, pray for us!
 St. Frigidianus, pray for us!
 St. Kilian, pray for us!
 St. Cataldus, pray for us!
 St. Flannan, pray for us!
 St. Brendan, pray for us!
 St. Donatus, pray for us!
 St. Eugene, pray for us!
 St. Fiacre, pray for us!
 St. Fursey, pray for us!
 St. Rupert, pray for us!
 St. Onchu, pray for us!
 St. Caimin, pray for us!
 St. Gerald, pray for us!
 St. Finian, pray for us!
 St. Fechin, pray for us!
 St. Marianus, pray for us!
 St. Peregrinus, pray for us!
 St. Ibar, pray for us!
 St. Ninidh, pray for us!
 St. Columbanus, pray for us!
 St. Gelasius, pray for us!
 St. Colman, pray for us!
 St. Gall, pray for us!
 St. Canice, pray for us!
 St. Kieran, pray for us!
 St. Jarlath, pray for us!
 St. Comgall, pray for us!
 St. Macartin, pray for us!
 St. Enda, pray for us!
 St. Fintan, pray for us!
 St. Aidan, pray for us!
 St. Loman, pray for us!
 St. Lupita, pray for us!

St. Fannie, pray for us!
 St. Ita, pray for us!
 St. Attracta, pray for us!
 St. Gobnaita, pray for us!
 St. Hya, pray for us!
 St. Ethnea, pray for us!
 St. Sodelbia, pray for us!
 St. Blath, pray for us!
 St. Syro, pray for us!
 St. Dympna, pray for us!
 St. Fedelmia, pray for us!
 St. Maura, pray for us!
 St. Mella, pray for us!
 St. Darerca, pray for us!
 St. Crea, pray for us!

All ye holy saints of the Irish nation, make intercession for us!

That thou, O Lord, wouldst vouchsafe to preserve among us, pure and inviolate, the faith "once delivered by St. Patrick, we beseech Thee to hear us!

That Thou wouldst vouchsafe to grant unanimity of sentiment and opinion to our prelates and pastors, we beseech Thee to hear us!

That Thou wouldst vouchsafe to increase among us the fervour of the just, and convert the sinners, we beseech Thee to hear us!

That Thou wouldst vouchsafe to alleviate our sufferings, and grant us patience in our trials, we beseech Thee to hear us!

That Thou wouldst vouchsafe to bless and protect the children of St. Patrick, in life and death, we beseech Thee to hear us!

That Thou wouldst vouchsafe to conduct the, in triumph to Thy heavenly Kingdom, we beseech Thee to hear us!

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, spare us, O Lord!
 Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, graciously hear us, O Lord!
 Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, have mercy on us!

Let us pray,

O Lord God of infinite goodness and mercy, Who with the faith didst plant amongst us the true spirit of St. Patrick, and propagate it abundantly for ages, we humbly beseech that being "the children of the saints," we may never degenerate from their noble sentiments and holy example; but through their powerful intercession, may ever walk worthily in the vocation to which we have been called. Through Jesus Christ Thy Son, Our Lord. **Amen.**

Litany of the Irish Saints

To implore their Protection in all our wants, but particularly for the existing necessities of the Church of Ireland and for Ireland as a Nation.

"The Church in Ireland will only begin to grow when She begins to again venerate Her own Saints." (adapted)

(Saint Arsenios of Paros †1877)



On the 6th of November is celebrated the Feast of All the Saints of Ireland. Pope Benedict XV beatified Oliver Plunkett in 1920 and during his papacy also (1914-22) the Feast of All the Saints of Ireland was instituted. The same Pope also granted Ireland the honour of having a litany of its native saints approved for public recitation. Only four saints, St Malachy (1094-1148), St Lawrence O'Toole (1128-80) and St Oliver Plunkett (1625-81) and St Charles of Mount Argus (1821-93), have been officially canonised. All the other Irish saints, such as Saints Patrick, Brigid, and Colmcille, are saints, as it were, by acclamation of the local Church.

The scope of this feast, while it includes canonised saints, is wider. It also includes those who had a reputation for holiness and whose causes for canonisation have not yet been completed, such as Blessed Thaddeus MacCarthy (1455-92), the seventeen Irish martyrs of the 16th and 17th centuries, Blessed Edmund Ignatius Rice (1762-1844), Blessed Columba Marmion (1858-1923) and the Servant of God Matt Talbot (1856-1925) and people like Legion of Mary envoys Edel Quinn and Alfie Lamb, whose causes have already been introduced. But it also includes those whose lives of sanctity were known only to their families, friends or members of their parish diocese or religious community."

Prayer to the Saints of Ireland:

O God, who didst deign to people our land with innumerable saints, and to make it illustrious amongst all the nations of the world for the zeal of its apostles, the fortitude of its martyrs, the constancy of its confessors, and the shining purity of its holy women, give us the grace of devotion to all the Saints of Ireland that we may be inspired by their example to lead lives worthy of the noble traditions which they have handed down from generation unto generation.

Teach us humility in Thy service through our recognition of the sins we have committed and through the sense of our own unworthiness. Help us to realize how far short we fall of those saintly heroes and heroines of our land, who found their joy in patient suffering, who learned in the school of Christ the necessity of self-denial and the duty of reverence, and who sought in penance and mortification a safeguard against all temptation and all worldliness.

Thou hast endowed us, O God, with the priceless gift of faith and provided us in abundance with heavenly help to deepen our sanctity and intensify our love; but we have not responded to Thy generosity, as the

Saints of Ireland did, and pride in our past glory has often blinded us to dangers and evils of our day. Fill us with the spirit of compunction for our sins and reverence for Thy Law. Vouchsafe to grant us, O merciful God, the grace to place our trust in the Sacred Heart of Jesus, to whom our country is solemnly dedicated, that we may ever advance along that road which led St. Patrick, St. Columcille, St. Brigid, St. Laurence, St. Malachy, Blessed Oliver Plunkett and all the other saints of Ireland, amidst trials and afflictions, poverty and misery, executions and suffering, to the land of peace unending, and to the glory of life everlasting. Through the same Christ, Our Lord. Amen.'

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Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ, have mercy on us.

Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ, hear us. Christ, graciously hear us.

God, the Father of Heaven, have mercy on us.

God the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy on us.

God the Holy ghost, Sanctifier of the Elect, have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity, one only God, have mercy on us.

Holy Mary, Queen of Ireland, pray for us!

St. Joseph, Patron and Protector of the Universal Church, pray for us

Holy Angels, Guardians of Ireland, pray for us!

Glorious St. Patrick, Apostle of Ireland, pray for us!

St. Brigid, Mother of the Churches of Ireland, pray for us!

St. Columba, Saint of the Eucharist, pray for us!

St. Odran, faithful servant of St. Patrick, pray for us!

St. Benignus, beloved disciple of St. Patrick, pray for us!

St. Laurence O'Toole, assiduous client of Our Lady, pray for us!

St. Kevin, patron of the Archdiocese of Dublin, pray for us!

St. Livinus, pray for us!

St. Rumold, pray for us!

St. Malachy, pray for us!

St. Otteran, pray for us!

St. Carthage, pray for us!

St. Declan, pray for us!

St. Columban, pray for us!

St. Albertus, pray for us!

