

A Memorial Litany for Pope Francis

Response: Blessed are you forever.

God the Father Almighty,

God the beloved Son,

God the Spirit of truth,

God the Creator,

God the Redeemer,

God the Sanctifier,

For your unconditional love,

For your merciful love,

For your liberating love,

For your work in the world,

For your pilgrim people,

For your servant Pope Francis,

For his spirit of service,

For his spirit of humility,

For his spirit of brotherhood,

For his closeness to the poor,

For his calls to peace,

For his visits to the peripheries of the world,

For his invitation to evangelisation,

For his vision of a synodal Church,

For his concern for creation,

Response: Welcome him into your Kingdom.

That our Pope Francis may contemplate your face,
That he may taste the freshness of your rest,
That he may have a place at your table,
That he may enter into the company of saints,
That he may celebrate in eternal joy,
That he may know peace without end,
That he may be filled with life in abundance,
That he may intercede for us.

Lord God, hear us. **Lord, hear us.**

Lord God, receive our prayer. **Lord God, receive our prayer.**

Let us pray :

Holy God, thrice blest, we thank you for the ministry of your servant, our Pope Francis. He has been for us a brother, a pastor and a model of Christian life. Help us to continue his work in the Church and in the world.

We implore you, open wide the doors of your dwelling to him, so that he may contemplate your gaze, full of love and tenderness. May he experience the mercy he has so often invoked and the universal brotherhood he has so often dreamed of. And may he remain in our memories as a living sign of your love for us, who pray to you through the intercession of Mary, Mother of the Church. To you be honour and glory for ever and ever.

Amen