### *Litany of St Therese*

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. God the Father in Heaven: have mercy on us. God the Son, Redeemer of the world: God the Holy Spirit: Holy Trinity, one God: Holy Mary: pray for us. St Therese of the Child Jesus and the Holy Face : St Therese, devoted to the Virgin Mary and St Joseph: St Therese, converter of hardened hearts: St Therese, filled with love for the Eucharist: St Therese, filled with fervour for souls: St Therese, filled with apostolic zeal: St Therese, filled with loyalty to the Holy Father: St Therese, filled with love for the Church: St Therese, filled with concern for others: St Therese, victim of Divine Love: St Therese, patient in sufferings: St Therese, silent in humiliations: Who taught the way of spiritual childhood: Who gave an example of perfect trust in God: Who sought spiritual perfection in little ways: Who offered her life for priests and missionaries: Who gained countless souls for Christ through prayer: Who promised, after death, a shower of roses:

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world: Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world: Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

spare us, O Lord. graciously hear us, O Lord.

V. Pray for us, St Therese of the Child Jesus and the Holy Face:

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

#### Let us pray:

Lord Jesus, You said, "Unless you become like little children, you shall not enter the Kingdom of Heaven." Grant us the grace to walk in the footsteps of St Therese with humility and purity of heart, so that we may attain eternal life. You live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.

# A Triduum in honour of Saint Therese of the Child Jesus

to commemorate the 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Founding of St Paul's Parish in Mount Lawley WA on 17th September 2021

## **Opening Prayers**

Pray each day of the Triduum:

- V. In the Name of the Father **†** and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- R. Amen.
- V. We salute you, Saint Therese:
- R. You are a rose of God's love and a flower of holiness.
- V. We rejoice at the favours God grants at your request:
- R. Humbly and confidently we ask you to help us:
- V. We trust in God's gifts to you:
- R. Look upon our needs and concerns as we pray.
- V. You felt great love for the Child Jesus:
- R. Tell Him of our wants and recommend us to Him.
- V. Obtain for us what is best, and hear our prayers:
- R. And we will tell of your greatness far and wide.

## Daíly Prayers

Pray the prayer assigned to each day of the Triduum. From whatever day you begin, continue in sequence, and then go back to Day 1 until you finish.

#### Day 1: Tuesday 28 September

St Therese, privileged Little Flower of Jesus and Mary, I approach you with humility and childlike trust. You promised to spend your Heaven doing good upon earth, so I ask you now to intercede for me. hear my prayer and obtain for me the favours that I earnestly now request: (*silently state your intention now*)

#### Day 2: Wednesday 29 September

St Therese, you patiently endured the disappointments that God allowed in your life, and you preserved peace in your soul because you sought only God's will. If the favours that I am asking are pleasing to Him, then obtain them for me; but if not, may God's will be perfectly fulfilled in me. Here are the favours that I now request : (silently state your intention now)

## Day 3: Thursday 30 September

Little Flower of Jesus, you spent your young life denying yourself in all things, so as to follow Jesus more perfectly. Help me to patiently bear the trials of my daily life. Teach me to use the difficulties that come my way to know myself better and love God more. Obtain for me from Jesus the favours which I now so earnestly seek: (silently state your intention now)



Concluding Prayer (pray each day of the Triduum)

Almighty and eternal God, You glorified Your faithful daughter Therese as a model of holiness, and through her You have taught us to follow the 'little way' of the Gospel.

Give us the childlike faith that she possessed. Help us, like her, to see the Holy Face of Your Son Jesus in the people and daily encounters of our lives, and to approach You with love and complete confidence. Through her powerful prayers, may we and all those dear to us be protected in every way in this life, and come to the joys of the world to come, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

V. Saint Therese of the Child Jesus and the Holy Face: **R. Pray for us.** 

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October is the Feast of St Therese of Lisieux, which we will celebrate at St Paul's Church with Mass at 5.45pm. During the Mass we will pray the Litany of St Therese; and after Mass we will bless and distribute roses in honour of the Saint, whose promise to send a shower of roses upon the earth will be celebrated with these flowers. Donations will be gratefully accepted for the Parish Building Fund, to defray our debt for last year's replacement of the church roof and renovation of the church building. (We will also have Mass in honour of St Therese at 9.00am at the Acacia Home Chapel, but no roses then.)