

Prayer to Our Lady for Those Suffering with Cancer



Mater Dolorosa, Titian, c. 1554, Museo del Prado

Prayer to the Mother of Sorrows

My dearest Mother, Virgin Mother of God and Mother of Sorrows, behold me, your child, in prayer before you. I plead for a special favor through the intercession of your faithful servant, Saint Peregrine, who was so devoted to you. (Mention your favor.) Sorrowful Mother, I beg you to present my petition to your Divine Son. I know you want me to seek God's Will in all things, as you always did. Therefore, with childlike trust I abandon myself to God's Holy Will concerning my request. If what I ask for should not be granted, pray that I may receive that which will be of greater benefit to my soul. Dear Mother of Sorrows, I love you! I put all my confidence in you, because your prayers before God are most powerful. For the sake of Jesus who suffered for my soul as you also did, and through the intercession of Saint Peregrine, hear and grant my prayer. Amen.

Prayer to St. Peregrine

St. Peregrine, whom Holy Mother Church has declared Patron of those suffering from Cancer, I confidently turn to you for help in my present sickness. I beg your kind intercession. Ask God to relieve me of this sickness, if it be His Holy Will. Plead with the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of Sorrows, whom you loved so tenderly and in union with whom you have suffered the pains of Cancer, that she may help me with her powerful prayers and loving consolation. But if it should be God's Holy Will that I bear this sickness, obtain for me courage and strength to accept these trials from the loving hand of God with patience and resignation, because He knows what is best for the salvation of my soul. St. Peregrine, be my friend and patron. Help me to imitate you in accepting suffering, and to unite myself with Jesus Crucified and the Mother of Sorrows, as you did. I offer my pains to God with all the love of my heart, for His glory and the salvation of souls, especially my own. Amen.

Our Lady of Sorrows, pray for us. St. Peregrine, pray for us.