# **Chaplet for the Dead**

The Chaplet was established by the Archconfraternity of Our Lady of Suffrage in Nimes, France, and approved by Pope Pius IX in 1873. It is similar to a standard Rosary, except it has 4 decades instead of 5. The chaplet starts on the Cross, and has 4 introductory prayers, followed by 4 decades starting with 1 large bead (Pater) and 10 small beads (Aves). The 5 large beads represent the 5 wounds of Christ. The 40 small beads are in memory of the 40 hours which Our Lord spent in Limbo, releasing the souls from there. There are 49 beads total. A partial indulgence is granted and applied to the souls in Purgatory for each recitation of this chaplet.

In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit

R: Amen

#### On the Cross:

Out of the depths have I cried unto Thee, O Lord;

R: Lord, hear my voice.

Let thine ears be attentive

R: to the voice of my supplication.

If thou, O Lord, shalt observe our iniquities,

R: O Lord, who shall endure it?

For with thee there is merciful forgiveness:

R: and by reason of Thy law, I have waited for Thee, O Lord.

My soul hath relied on His word:

R: my soul hath hoped in the Lord.

From the morning watch even until night,

R: let Israel hope in the Lord.

Because with the Lord there is mercy,

R: and with Him plentiful redemption.

And he shall redeem Israel

R: from all his iniquities.

### On the first Pater (large bead):

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.

R: And let perpetual light shine upon them.

### Act of Faith (first small bead):

My God, I believe in Thee.

R: because Thou art Truth itself; I firmly believe the truths revealed to the Church.

# Act of Hope (second small bead):

My God, I hope in Thee,

R: because Thou art infinitely good.

### Act of Charity (third small bead):

My God, I love Thee with all my heart, and above all things,

R: because Thou art infinitely perfect; and I love my neighbor as myself, for the love of Thee.

### On all the Paters (large beads):

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.

R: And let perpetual light shine upon them.

## On All the Aves (small beads):

Sweet Heart of Jesus

R: be my love.

Sweet Heart of Mary

R: be my salvation.

# At the End:

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.

#### R: And let perpetual light shine upon them.

May the souls of all the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

#### R: Amen.

May the love of God and the peace of the Lord Jesus Christ

bless us and console us and gently wipe every tear from our eyes.

#### R: Amen.

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