

Appendix E:

Prayers to Blessed Michael McGivney

Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (*here make your request*).

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Litany of Blessed Michael McGivney

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 Spirit,

have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity, One God,

have mercy on us.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, *pray for us.*

Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, ...

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Star of the New Evangelization,

St. Joseph, Spouse of Mary and Guardian of the Redeemer,

St. Michael the Archangel,

Blessed Michael McGivney, *pray for us.*

Humble Servant of God, ...

Faithful Disciple of Jesus,

Son of the Immaculate Heart,

Obedient Son of the Church,

Exemplary Priest of Purity,

Zealous Priest of Christ,



Gentle Shepherd of Souls,
Devoted Parish Priest,
Wise Counselor,
Teacher of the Faith,
Servant to All,
Protector of the Poor,
Defender of the Widow and Orphan,
Friend of the Lonely and Suffering,
Companion to the Imprisoned,
Comforter of the Sick and Dying,

Apostle of Christian Family Life,
Father to the Young,
Advocate of Workers,
Evangelizer of Those Gone Astray,
Champion of the Gospel of Life,

Guardian of the Laity,
Pastor of Immigrants,
Exemplar of Charity,
Model of Unity,
Builder of Catholic Fraternity,
Instructor of Christian Patriotism,
Founder of the Knights of Columbus,

Blessed Michael, humble in service, *pray for us.*
Blessed Michael, devoted to the Sacred Heart, ...
Blessed Michael, pure in heart,
Blessed Michael, faithful in priestly duties,
Blessed Michael, strong in suffering,
Blessed Michael, peaceful in dying,
Blessed Michael, conformed to Christ crucified,

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
spare us, O Lord!

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
graciously hear us, O Lord!

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us!

V/ Pray for us, Blessed Michael McGivney,

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

Let us pray. God, our Father, inspired by the heroic example of the life and virtue of your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling His commandment of charity and building up His Body, which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and outcast.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.