

## CHARISMA DAILY DEVOTIONAL

SATURDAY 28 NOVEMBER 2020

### DO YOU PRAY AS YOU OUGHT TO?

*Scriptural Reading: Mark 11:24*

**M**atters of efficacious prayers among Christians are persistent challenges. That's why many people run around seeking where prayers are answered. Sometimes prayer is over exaggerated at the expense of virtues living while at other times it is not said enough or at all. The issue however, is not how much or less of the prayer we say but the efficacy of it. An efficacious prayer is accompanied by faith and expectations. Do you pray with faith and expectations?

One of the biggest challenges Christians face is to know how to pray. The apostles asked Jesus to teach them how to pray and he taught them. They probably asked him to teach them because they saw Jesus pray and get results. St. Paul lamented our inability to articulate our prayers. But soon he realized that “the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans. And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God” (Romans 8: 26-27). If you have the fellowship of the Holy Spirit is with, he will help you to pray.

#### **MEDITATION:**

*How often do you pray, and do you really believe the prayers you say will be answered?*

#### **STRATEGIC PRAYER POINTS:**

1. Pray for the gift of faith and prayer.
2. Pray for whatever is a burden in your heart for God to visit you.
3. Pray for your loved ones and family members, for God to bless them.
4. Pray for the Leaders of the Church and of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal of Nigeria
5. Present your private intentions to God
6. Say your daily prophetic Prayers (Page 6)
7. Pray the act of consecration to the Holy Spirit

#### **DAILY PROPHETIC PRAYERS**

Lord, you are my Shepherd there is nothing I shall want. You make me lie down in green pastures. You also lead me beside the still waters. Lord, you restore my soul and lead me on the path of righteousness for your namesake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadows of death, I shall fear no evil. For you oh Lord are with me in all situations. Your shepherd rod comforts me with signs and wonders, deliverance and protection in the victorious name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth. Amen.

For this reason, I shall neither stumble nor fall. I shall not be a victim of accident, sickness, diseases and untimely death. I shall rise above every limitation and rejoice as you prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies.

You oh Lord have anointed my head with oil and has declared to the hearing of my enemies; “Touch not my anointed and do my prophet no harm”. By the reason of your

anointing upon my life oh Lord, my cup overflows with grace, mercy, uncommon favours, divine uplifting and your blessing that makes rich and adds no sorrows in the mighty name of Jesus.

Surely, your goodness and mercy shall follow me, all the days of my life and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord, forever and ever in the most powerful name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth. Amen.

**PRAYER TO ST MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL AGAINST THE FORCES BEHIND COVID - 19.**

Holy Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebukes him, we humbly pray, and do you, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

**WE PRAY WITH ST JUDE THE PATRON OF DIFFICULT CASES AGAINST THE SPREAD OF CORONA VIRUS**

O most holy apostle, Saint Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the Church honoureth and invoceth thee universally, as the patron of hopeless cases and things almost despaired of.

Pray for me, who am so miserable. Make use, I implore thee, of that particular privilege accorded to thee, to bring visible and speedy help where help was almost despaired of.

Come to mine assistance in this great need, that I may receive the consolation and succour of Heaven in all my necessities, tribulations, and sufferings, particularly...

(insert your prayer request here, especially the menace of COVID - 19 Pandemic)

...and that I may praise God with thee and all the elect throughout eternity.

I promise thee, O blessed Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favour, to always honour thee as my special and powerful patron, and to gratefully encourage devotion to thee. Amen.