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Frances Xavier Cabrini

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Saint Cabrini Chapel
701 Fort Washington Avenue
New York City



Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini
Pray for us!

ORDER OF DEVOTIONS

HYMN

(All Stand)

Come, Holy Ghost, Creator blest,

And in our hearts take up Thy rest;

Come with Thy grace and heavenly aid,

To fill the hearts which Thou hast made

To fill the hearts which Thou hast made.

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Sermon.

NOVENA

Lord God, Omnipotent and Merciful Father, look favorably upon us, and through the merits of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, graciously grant the graces which we need, if our petition is in accordance with Thy Holy Will.

*Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, pray for us.
Glory be to the Father, etc., three times.*

Divine Saviour, Son of God, equal to the Father, made Man for love of us, because of the ardent devotion that Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini had for Thy divine Heart, free us from the affliction which weighs upon us and grant us the favor which we earnestly ask of Thee.

*Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, pray for us.
Glory be to the Father, etc., three times.*

God the Holy Ghost, Consoler of the afflicted, for the tender devotion professed for Thee by Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, grant us Thy all-powerful aid; help us in our necessities and give us the graces which we so much desire.

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God the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, we believe in Thee, we hope in Thee, we love Thee above all things. For the greater glory of Thy servants, have mercy on us, grant us the favor which we can expect only from Thee, and to Thee be honor and glory forever. Amen.

PRAYER

O Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Thou who hast placed all Thy confidence in the Heart of Jesus, and hast found in Him the secret of all perfection and the strength that made Thee an Apostle of the Gospel throughout the world, from the glory of Heaven, look favorably upon me who confidently have recourse to Thy intercession.

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Amen.

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Nihil obstat.

Mons. Salvatore Natucci

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JESUS, MY LORD, MY GOD

(REV. F. W. FABER)

Jesus, my Lord, my God, my all!
How can I love Thee as I ought?
And how revere this wondrous gift,
So far surpassing hope or thought?

—Sweet Sacrament! we Thee adore,
Oh, make us love Thee more and more,
Oh, make us love Thee more and more.

Had I but Mary's sinless heart
To love Thee with, my dearest King,
Oh, with what bursts of fervent praise
Thy goodness, Jesus, would I sing!

MOTHER DEAREST

Mother dearest, Mother fairest,
Help of all who call on Thee;
Virgin purest, brightest, rarest,
Help us, help, we cry to Thee.

Chorus:

Mary, help us, help, we pray,
Mary, help us, help, we pray,
Help us in all care and sorrow;
Mary, help us, help, we pray.

O SALUTARIS HOSTIA

O Salutaris Hostia,
Quae coeli pandis ostium!
Bella premunt hastilia;
Da robur; fer auxilium.

Uni trinoque Domino.
Sit sempiterna gloria;
Qui vitam sine termino
Nobis donet in patria. Amen

TANTUM ERGO

Tantum ergo Sacramentum
Veneremur cernui;
Et antiquum documentum
Novo cedat ritui;
Praestet fides supplementum
Sensuum defectui.

Genitori Genitoque
Laus et jubilatio,
Salus, honor, virtus quoque,
Sit et benedictio,
Procedenti ab utroque
Compar sit laudatio. Amen

Priest—Panem de coelo praestitisti eis;
(Alleluia.)

People—Omne delectamentum * in se habentem. (Alleluia.)

Priest—OREMUS: Deus, qui nobis sub Sacramento mirabili passionis tuae memoriam reliquisti; tribue, quaesumus, ita nos corporis et sanguinis tui sacra mysteria venerari ut redemptionis tuae fructum in nobis jugiter sentiamus: Qui vivis et regnas in saecula saeculorum.

People—Amen.

Here earnestly plead with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, the kind and generous Son of Mary, Our Mother of Perpetual Help, to grant you the favors you seek, if these be for God's greater glory, and for the welfare of your own soul.

THE DIVINE PRAISES

Repeat Aloud after the Priest

Blessed be God!

Blessed be His Holy Name!

Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true
Man!

Blessed be the name of Jesus!

Blessed be His most Sacred Heart!

Blessed be Jesus in the most Holy Sacrament
of the Altar!

Blessed be the great Mother of God. Mary
most holy!

Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Concep-
tion!

Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and
Mother!

Blessed be St. Joseph her most chaste Spouse!

Blessed be God in His angels and in His saints!

HOLY GOD,
WE PRAISE THY NAME

Holy God, we praise Thy name;
Lord of all, we bow before Thee;
All on earth Thy sceptre claim,
All in heaven above adore Thee.

Infinite Thy vast domain,
Everlasting is Thy reign.
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Everlasting is Thy reign.

Hark, the loud celestial hymn,
Angel choirs above are raising;
Cherubim and Seraphim,
In unceasing chorus praising.

Fill the heavens with sweet accord,
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord.
Fill the heavens with sweet accord,
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord.

GOOD NIGHT, SWEET JESUS !

Good night, sweet Jesus, guard us in sleep
Our souls and bodies in Thy love keep;
Waking or sleeping, keep us in sight,
Dear, gentle Saviour, good night, good night
Good night, sweet Jesus, good night.

HYMN TO SAINT FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI

A hymn of joy to heaven we raise
In Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini's praise;
In the realms of saints we see her shine,
See her glow with rays divine.

Oh, Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini!
Oh, obtain for us here below
Just a spark of that love so ardent
That you had for the dear Sacred Heart

ANOTHER NOVENA PRAYER

O God, come to mine aid!

O Lord, make haste to help me.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

O Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, thou who didst obtain the reward of the glory of heaven through thy virtuous life, hear the prayer that I confidently entrust to thee, and through your merits render it acceptable to God.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

O Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, thou who during life didst experience sorrow and bitterness, look with benevolence upon me who in the hour of need confidently have recourse to thee.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

O Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, thou who with filial confidence hadst recourse to God Almighty in all your necessities, intercede for me and obtain the grace I so ardently desire.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

O Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, thou who didst say with the Apostle: "I can do all things in Him Who strengthens me", now that thou livest gloriously with thy heavenly Spouse, implore from Him the grace I desire.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

O Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, thou who wast enriched by the Holy Ghost with many celestial gifts, obtain for me also from this Consoling Spirit the divine comforts.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

O Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, thou who wast a guide and teacher for many erring souls, obtain for me also that unwavering faith that obtains all from God.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

O Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, thou who didst aid the exiles of this earth as a most tender Mother, extend over me also your pitiful protection.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

O Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, thou who didst assist the sick with exquisite bounty, look mercifully upon my sufferings and promptly obtain the grace I confidently ask.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

O Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, thou who didst traverse the earth to pour the balsam of inexhaustible charity on grief-stricken hearts, extend your help also to me by hearing the prayer which I devotedly entrust to your heart.

Glory be to the Father, etc.

Pray for us, O Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini
That we may be worthy of the promises of
Christ.

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Amen.

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O Signore, Dio Padre onnipotente e misericordioso, volgi il tuo sguardo sopra di noi e per i meriti della tua fedelissima Serva Francesca Saverio Cabrini concedici la grazia di cui abbiamo tanto bisogno se cio' è conforme alla tua Santissima volontà.

O Santa Francesca Saverio Cabrini, prega per noi. Tre Gloria.

O Signore, Dio Figlio uguale al Padre fatto uomo per amor mio, Deh! per quell'amore ardente che la tua Serva Francesca Saverio Cabrini ebbe per il tuo Cuore Divino, rendi gloria al Padre Celeste, liberaci dal male che ci afflige e concedeci la grazia di cui abbiamo bisogno.

O Santa Francesca Saverio Cabrini, prega per noi. Tre Gloria.

O Signore, Dio Spirito Santo, consolatore degli afflitti, per la tenerissima devozione che ti professo' la tua Serva Santa Francesca Saverio Cabrini, compi il miracolo che da te attendiamo, aiutaci nei nostri bisogni e concedeci la grazia che tanto desideriamo.

O Santa Francesca Saverio Cabrini, prega per noi. Tre Gloria.

O Dio Padre, o Dio Figlio, o Dio Spirito Santo, credo in te, spero in te, amo te sopra tutte le cose, e spero che tu esaudirai questa nostra preghiera. Deh! per la maggior gloria dei tuoi Santi abbi pietà di noi, compi il prodigio che da te attendiamo e sia a te solo onore e gloria per tutti i secoli. Così' sia.

ORAZIONE

O Santa Francesca Saverio, Tu che nel Cuore di Gesù hai posto ogni tua confidenza, ed in Lui hai trovato il segreto di ogni perfezione e la forza che ti fece Apostola del Vangelo nel mondo, dalla gloria del Cielo guarda benignamente a me che ricorro fidente alla Tua intercessione.

Tu che hai lenito con cuore materno i disagi spirituali e temporali di tanti fratelli nostri esuli per il mondo, mostrati propizio, anche a me, pellegrino per le vie della vita e dal Cuore dolcissimo di Gesù ottienimi tutte le grazie spirituali necessarie per giungere alla Patria del Cielo.

Ascolta, o Santa Francesca Saverio, la mia fiduciosa preghiera, dammi la grazia che tanto mi sta a cuore (si dica la grazia desiderata) e fa che anch'io mi unisca a quello stuolo di anime che per la Tua intercessione lodano riconoscente Iddio. Così sia.

Ora pro nobis Santa Francisca Xaveria
Ut digni efficiamur promissionibus Christi.

OREMUS

Exaudi nos, Deus, salutaris noster: ut, sicut de Santa Franciscae Xaveriae Virginis tuae festi-
vitate gaudemus; ita pia devotionis erudiamur
affectu. Per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

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NOVENA
in onore dell Santa
FRANCESCA SAVERIO CABRINI

Deus in adiutorium meum intende.
Domine ad adiuvandam me festina.
Gloria Patri ecc.

O Santa Francesca Saverio, che per la virtuosa Tua vita hai ottenuto in premio della gloria dei Cieli, ascolta la preghiera che fiduciosamente Ti rivolgo e per i Tuoi meriti rendila accetta al Signore.

Gloria Patri.

O Santa Francesca Saverio, Tu che durante la vita hai conosciuto dolori ed amarezze, guarda con benevolenza a me che, nell'ora del bisogno, a Te con fiducia ricorro.

Gloria Patri.

O Santa Francesca Saverio, che con filiale confidenza a Dio Padre onnipotente in ogni Tua necessità ricorresti. interponi la Tua intercessione ed ottienimi la grazia che tanto sospiro.

Gloria Patri.

O Santa Francesca Saverio, Tu che dicevi con l'Apostolo "Tutto posso in Colui che mi conforta," ora che siedi gloriosa presso il Tuo

Sposo celeste, supplica da Lui la grazia che attendo.

Gloria Patri.

O Santa Francesca Saverio, che dallo Spirito Santo fosti arricchita di tanti doni celesti, ottieni anche a me dallo Spirito Consolatore i divini conforti.

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O Santa Francesca Saverio, che per tante anime erranti fosti guida e maestra, chiedi anche per me quella fede senza esitazioni che tutto ottiene da Dio.

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O Santa Francesca Saverio, che agli esuli del mondo come Madre tenerissima soccorresti, anche su di me, pietosa, stendi la Tua protezione e tutela.

Gloria Patri.

O Santa Francesca Saverio, che gli infermi con squisita bontà sollevasti, guarda misericordiosa al mio soffrire e prontamente ottienimi la grazia che fiduciosa Ti chiedo.

Gloria Patri.

O Santa Francesca Saverio, che percorresti il mondo per donare a tanti cuori affranti il balsamo di una carità inesauribile, porgi anche a me il Tuo soccorso esaudendo la preghiera che devotamente affido al Tuo cuore.

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INNO ALLA SANTA
FRANCESCA SAVERIO

Salga al cielo un tripudio di canti!
Giubiliamo! La Madre Cabrini
già risplende nei cori dei Santi
e ne irraggia fulgori divini.

O Santa Francesca Saverio
deh! intercedi a noi tutti quaggiù
la indomabile fiamma d'amore
del tuo cuore pel Cuor di Gesù.

A te giunto lo strazio dei figli
della Patria più ignoti e più soli,
dell'oceano sfidati i perigli,
missionaria a quell'anime voli.

O Santa, ecc.

Come gli Angeli vigile e pura,
come i Martiri intrepida e forte,
dove passi ogni umana sciagura
divien gioia ed è vinta la morte.

A Short Story of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini

Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, was born July 15, 1850, at San Angelo Lodigiano, in the diocese of Lodi, Lombardy, Italy. Her parents, being pious, practical Catholics, reared their large family of thirteen children (little Frances being the last), in the fear and love of God. From early childhood, her rare virtues merited for her the praise and admiration of all. At her birth, a flight of white doves, never seen before, flitted above the roof of the Cabrini home. In later years, this was interpreted as a symbol of the numerous Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, of whom Frances became their beloved Foundress and Mother.

Although frail of body, she possessed strong sentiments and solid virtue, being trained to this by her mother and her elder sister Rose. She was daily nourished by desires for higher ideals of virtue, which inflamed her with zeal for God's greatest glory.

When only six years old, she felt an ardent longing to receive Jesus in Holy Communion. Frances sought no amusements in sports common to children, but spent her time in retirement, prayer and labor. She cherished an eager desire to become a Religious and Missionary, in order to bring the light of Christian faith to the infidel nations. In her youth, she dedicated herself to works of piety and charity; this she did in an

heroic manner especially during an epidemic that raged in the town of Lodi. After obtaining with honor the teacher's diploma, she taught in the public schools, always shedding brilliant examples of virtue.

At home, she was an exemplary daughter, sister and teacher, so much so, that she was surnamed "the little saint." In fact, she was esteemed as a saintly maiden by all those who knew her.

Ever burning with the ardent desire of serving God as a Missionary, Providence so disposed that she was given the opportunity of directing some young ladies in the spiritual life. In 1880, she assembled them in a house at Codogno, and it was thus that the Institute of the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus was founded. In a few years, her small band of companions and daughters, of whom she was teacher and guide, had multiplied almost prodigiously. Under her leadership they were soon scattered throughout Europe and the two Americas. No place was too remote, no task too arduous for this intrepid apostle of Jesus Christ. Everywhere she founded schools, orphanages, academies, hospitals, dispensaries, foundling homes, preventoriums, and other works of charity, of faith, of civilization and of Christian patriotism. Every misery, every grief, every misfortune — found in Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini — help, comfort and relief.

Inflamed with heroic faith and charity, she crossed the ocean, traversed forests, climbed mountains, suffered, labored, and prayed all her

life that faith might be diffused throughout the world, and the glory of God might be increased. The luminous, inextinguishable beacon-light that guided her always and everywhere; the standard that bound and infused her with indomitable courage and heroic strength; the furnace from whence she drew devouring flames of charity, zeal and of saintly heroism, was the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Well did the holy Pontiffs Leo XIII, Pious X. and Benedict XV, proclaim her the "True Apostle of the Gospel—Full of the Spirit of God—Woman of high ideals, and of great sanctity." In truth wherever she went there radiated a luminous ray of Christian virtue—an order of sanctity. In obedience to the Pontiff Leo XIII, America was designated to be the particular field of her apostolate. So lovingly and indefatigably did she labor among the Italian immigrants that she was called "the saint of immigrants."

At sixty-seven years of age, rich with incomparable merits before God, the Church and society, amidst the veneration and universal lamentation of her innumerable daughters, of other personages, of the clergy, of the Catholic laity and even of the non-Catholics, besides the thousands of poor whom she had benefited in Chicago on the 22nd of December, 1917, like a dove that flitted the earth only to benefit, bless, and console, mantled with celestial candor, she flew to the embrace of her heavenly Spouse.

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