

MONTHLY INTENTIONS OF PRAYER OFS-YOUFRA

To underline the communion with the Pope, we offer **the intention of the Holy Father for the month** and an **intention for OFS** according to the life and important events of the Order.

Local Fraternities pray for both.

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| January | <p><i>FOR THE GIFT OF DIVERSITY IN THE CHURCH</i> We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church. <u>OFS:</u> For the elective Chapter of the national fraternities of India, Bahrain, and Korea. <i>Our Father...</i></p> |
| February | <p><i>FOR THE TERMINALLY ILL</i> We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment. <u>OFS:</u> For the elective Chapter of the fraternities of Switzerland (French speaking), Bulgaria, Greece and Latakia. <i>Our Father...</i></p> |
| March | <p><i>FOR THE NEW MARTYRS</i> We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm. <u>OFS:</u> for world peace and reconciliation and care for the environment. <i>Our Father...</i></p> |
| April | <p><i>FOR THE ROLE OF WOMEN</i> We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world. <u>OFS:</u> For the elective Chapter of Nigeria and the CIOFS Presidency meeting. For the fraternal and pastoral visit of the national fraternity of Togo. <i>Our Father...</i></p> |
| May | <p><i>FOR THE FORMATION OF RELIGIOUS AND SEMINARIANS</i> We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel. <u>OFS:</u> For the elective chapter of the national fraternities of Bosnia & Herzegovina, Colombia and Italy. For the fraternal and pastoral visit of the national fraternities of Colombia, Philippines, Slovakia, Peru, and Croatia. For the success of the III formation course in Bolivia - Cochabamba and the formation course Philippine - Manila. <i>Our Father...</i></p> |
| June | <p><i>FOR MIGRANTS FLEEING THEIR HOMES</i> We pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them. <u>OFS:</u> For the elective Chapter of the national fraternities of the Netherlands, Guatemala, Honduras and Austria. <i>Our Father...</i></p> |
| July | <p><i>FOR THE PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK</i> We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all. <u>OFS:</u> For the fraternal and pastoral visit of the national fraternity of Brazil. <i>Our Father...</i></p> |

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| <p>August</p> | <p><i>FOR POLITICAL LEADERS</i> We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs. <u>OFS:</u> For fraternities in difficulties, for the elderly and YouFra. <i>Our Father...</i></p> |
| <p>September</p> | <p><i>FOR THE CRY OF THE EARTH</i> We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live. <u>OFS:</u> For the elective Chapter of the national fraternities of Australia, Angola, Puerto Rico and the Czech Republic. For the fraternal and pastoral visit of the national fraternities of Australia and New Zealand. <i>Our Father...</i></p> |
| <p>October</p> | <p><i>FOR A SHARED MISSION</i> We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people. <u>OFS:</u> For the elective Chapter of the national fraternities of Germany and Spain. <i>Our Father...</i></p> |
| <p>November</p> | <p><i>FOR ANYONE WHO HAS LOST A CHILD</i> We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit. <u>OFS:</u> For the meeting of the CIOFS Presidency and the success of the 17th Intermediary general chapter of the OFS. <i>Our Father...</i></p> |
| <p>December</p> | <p><i>FOR PILGRIMS OF HOPE</i> We pray that this Jubilee year strengthen our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope. <u>OFS:</u> For Spiritual Assistants worldwide. <i>Our Father...</i></p> |