Litany in Honour of Our Holy Father Norbert



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. God, the Holy Spirit. Holy Trinity, one God. Holy Mary. *Pray for us*. Holy Mother of God. Holy Virgin of virgins. Queen of the white-robed Order. Holy Virgin, who hadst a great love for St Norbert. Holy Father Norbert. St Norbert, whose birth was foretold from Heaven. St Norbert, who was marvellously converted by God. St Norbert, mirror of true penance. St Norbert, who didst trample earthly pomps under foot. St Norbert, despiser of the world. St Norbert, who didst conquer thy passions and affections. St Norbert, who didst gain the victory over temptations. St Norbert, who didst quell and cast down devils. St Norbert, restorer of peace and concord. St Norbert, who didst walk barefoot. St Norbert, who didst practice mortification. St Norbert, lover of the Cross. St Norbert, pattern of abstinence. St Norbert, who didst receive the white habit from the Mother of God. St Norbert, most constant in faith. St Norbert, most firm in hope.

St Norbert, most fervent in charity.

Lord, have mercy on us.

St Norbert, zealous lover of chastity. St Norbert, model of poverty. St Norbert, mirror of obedience. St Norbert, vigilant teacher of discipline. St Norbert, defender of the true faith. St Norbert, choice vindicator of the Blessed Sacrament. St Norbert, pillar of the Catholic Church. St Norbert, light of prayer and contemplation. St Norbert, leader of the white-robed army. St Norbert, patriarch of the Premonstratensians. St Norbert, father and protector of thy Order. St Norbert, Primate of Germany. St Norbert, worker of miracles. St Norbert, wonderful discerner of spirits. St Norbert, imitator of Jesus Christ. St Norbert, follower of the Apostles. St Norbert, who was like to the martyrs. St Norbert, gem of pontiffs. St Norbert, glory of confessors. St Norbert, companion of virgins. St Norbert, colleague of all saints. Be merciful. Spare us, O Lord. Be merciful. *Graciously hear us, O Lord.* From the neglect of Thy commandments. Deliver us, O Lord. From the transgression of our vows. From uncleanness of mind and body. From a proud and sad spirit. From the snares of the devil. From overwhelming temptation. From the disorder of our passions. From the blindness of self-love. From the obstinacy of self-will. From an unprovided death.

Through the wonderful conversion of St Norbert.

Through his austere penance.

Through his ardent zeal in preaching.

Through his exemplary life.

Through all his virtues.

Through his holy death.

Through his glorious crown in heaven.

Through his merits and intercession.

We sinners. We beseech Thee, hear us.

Through his glorious crown in heaven.

Through his merits and intercession.

That Thou wouldst grant us true sorrow and contrition of heart.

That Thou wouldst grant us true conversion of life.

That Thou wouldst grant us obedience to our Rule and preserve us in the same.

That Thou wouldst make faith, hope and charity to grow in us.

That Thou wouldst make us zealous observers of our holy vows.

That Thou wouldst grant us the gift of prayer.

That Thou wouldst bestow upon us the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit.

That Thou wouldst vouchsafe to govern and preserve Thy holy

Church.

That Thou wouldst vouchsafe to extend and preserve the Premonstratensian Order.

That Thou wouldst vouchsafe to strengthen the Abbot-General and all the prelates of the Order with perfect spirit.

That Thou wouldst vouchsafe to grant us the crown of

perseverance.

That Thou wouldst give grace to the living and to the departed eternal rest.

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*.

Christ hear us. Christ graciously hear us.

V/ Pray for us, O Holy Father Norbert. R/ That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

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R/ And let my cry come unto Thee.

[V/ The Lord be with you R/ And with thy spirit]

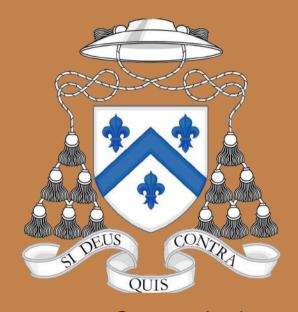
Let us pray.

O God, Who didst make of Blessed Norbert, Thy Confessor and Bishop, an excellent preacher of the Word, and by his means didst enrich Thy Church with new offspring, grant, we beseech Thee, that through his intercession we may put in practice by Thy grace what he taught us, both in word and work.

Awake, O Lord, in Thy Church the Spirit by Whom St Norbert, Thy Confessor and Bishop was guided, in order that, filled with the same spirit, we may love what he loved and live as he taught us.

O Lord, grant to us Thy servants constancy in Thy faith and service, that, rooted in Divine Charity, we may not be conquered by any temptation. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Praised be the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar and the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. *Amen.* 



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