

FEAST OF ST OLIVER PLUNKETT, 1ST JULY 2025



BLESSINGS AND PRAYERS



Blessing of St. Oliver's Cross, Picture or Medal

God of truth and justice,
you called your servant Oliver Plunkett to be a faithful shepherd,
guiding your people with courage, wisdom, and love.

We ask you to bless this cross (picture or medal),
a sign of St. Oliver's unwavering faith in the face of trials.

May it remind us of his steadfast hope, his love for peace,
and his trust in your divine providence.

Through St. Oliver's intercession,
may we be protected from harm,
strengthened in our faith,
and inspired to live with integrity and compassion.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

(The cross or medal may be sprinkled with holy water)

May the blessing of Almighty God,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be upon this cross (picture or medal),
upon those who wear it,
and upon the homes where it is placed.

Amen.

St. Oliver's Blessing for Peace and Courage

May St. Oliver bless the hearts that seek peace,
the minds that search for truth,
and the souls that long for justice.

Bless every home where faith is nurtured,
every voice that speaks with kindness,
and every hand that reaches out in love.

May St. Oliver's example of courage in adversity
inspire us to stand firm in our convictions,
to forgive with generosity,
and to live with hope in times of trial.

St. Oliver, bless us with the peace of Christ,
the courage of the martyrs,
and the joy of the Gospel in our hearts.

Amen.

St. Oliver Plunkett 400 - Prayer for Love Courage and Peace

St. Oliver, faithful shepherd and brave witness,
you remained steadfast in faith amidst persecution and fear.
You spoke the truth with love,
forgave those who wronged you,
and trusted in God's mercy even unto death.

Pray for us, that we may have your courage
to stand for what is right and just.
When we face trials, strengthen us.
When we are afraid, comfort us.
When we are tempted to despair, fill us with hope.

Intercede for peace in our hearts,
in our homes, and in our world.
May we, like you, be faithful disciples of Christ,
living with integrity, love, and joy.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.