## **Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney**

God, our Father, protector of the poor and defender of the widow and orphan, you called your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian family life and to lead the young to the generous service of their neighbor. Through the example of his life and virtue, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body which is the Church. Let the

inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and the outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify Blessed Michael McGivney on earth according to the design of your holy will. Through his intercession, grant the favor I now present (here make your request). Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **A Litany of Blessed Michael McGivney**

Lord, have mercy on us. Lord, have mercy on us.
Christ, have mercy on us. Christ, have mercy on us.
Lord, 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,
have mercy on us.

God, the Holy Spirit, have mercy on us.
Holy Trinity, One God, have mercy on us.
Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us.
Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception,
pray for us.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Star of the New Evangelization, *pray for us*.

St. Joseph, Spouse of Mary and Guardian of the Redeemer, *pray for us*.

St. Michael the Archangel, pray for us.
Blessed Michael McGivney, pray for us.
Humble Servant of God, pray for us.
Faithful Disciple of Jesus, pray for us.
Son of the Immaculate Heart, pray for us.
Obedient Son of the Church, pray for us.

Exemplary Priest of Purity, pray for us.

Zealous Priest of Christ, *pray for us*.

Gentle Shepherd of Souls, pray for us.

Devoted Parish Priest, pray for us.

Wise Counselor, pray for us.

Teacher of the Faith, pray for us.

Servant to All, pray for us.

Protector of the Poor, pray for us.

Defender of the Widow and Orphan, pray for us.

Friend of the Lonely and Suffering, pray for us.

Companion to the Imprisoned, pray for us.

Comforter of the Sick and Dying, *pray for us*. Apostle of Christian Family Life, *pray for us*.

Father to the Young, pray for us.

Advocate of Workers, pray for us.

Evangelizer of Those Gone Astray, *pray for us*.

Champion of the Gospel of Life, pray for us.

Guardian of the Laity, *pray for us*.

Pastor of Immigrants, *pray for us*.

Exemplar of Charity, *pray for us*.

Model of Unity, *pray for us*.

Builder of Catholic Fraternity, *pray for us*.

Blessed Michael, humble in service, pray for us.

Instructor of Christian Patriotism, *pray for us*. Founder of the Knights of Columbus, *pray for us*.

Blessed Michael, devoted to the Sacred Heart, pray for us.

Blessed Michael, pure in heart, *pray for us*.
Blessed Michael, faithful in priestly duties, *pray for us*.

Blessed Michael, strong in suffering, pray for us.
Blessed Michael, peaceful in dying, pray for us.
Blessed Michael, conformed to Christ crucified,
pray for us.

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!

V/Pray for us, Blessed Michael McGivney, R/That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray. God, our Father, inspired by the heroic example of the life and virtue of your priest, Blessed Michael McGivney, may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ, more closely, fulfilling his commandment of charity and building up his Body, which is the Church. Let the inspiration of your servant prompt us to greater confidence in your love so that we may continue his work of caring for the needy and outcast.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.