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The Precious Blood of Jesus

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Precious Blood of Jesus, poured out for love of us, wash over my soul and make me clean.

Cover me with your saving grace and protect me from all harm.

By your Blood shed on the cross, heal every wound within me.

Grant me strength to carry my cross with faith and hope.

Let your Blood be my shield in times of trial and temptation.

Pour out your mercy upon the whole world, now and forever.

Amen.

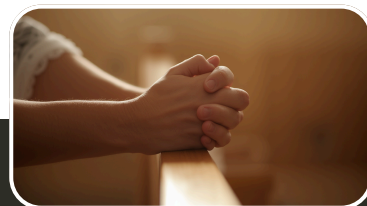
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As we enter the month of July, the Church invites us to reflect on one of the most profound mysteries of our faith: the Precious Blood of Jesus. This sacred devotion, long cherished by the faithful, reminds us that our redemption was purchased at an immeasurable price. Every drop of Christ's Blood, shed from the agony in the garden to the piercing of his side on Calvary, speaks of a love so deep it defies understanding. July calls us to honor this gift with gratitude and reverence, recognizing that through his blood, we are cleansed, healed, and made new.

The devotion to the Precious Blood has its roots in scripture and sacred tradition. From the passover lamb whose blood protected the Israelites, to the new covenant sealed at the last supper, the Blood of Christ is the thread of salvation woven throughout salvation history. In July, we are called to meditate on this mystery more deeply, to offer prayers of reparation, and to seek the protection and mercy that flow from the chalice of his sacrifice. May this month draw us closer to the altar, where his blood is offered for us still, and may we live each day covered by its saving grace. Wishing you a blessed and grace-filled month of July.



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"In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace." — Ephesians 1:7

This Month's Reflection: The Price of Our Redemption

The piercing of Christ's side is not merely a moment of death, but a revelation of boundless love. From his open wound flows blood and water, signs of the sacraments that give life to the Church. In this act, we see that nothing was held back. Every last drop was poured out so that we might be redeemed.

The Precious Blood speaks to us of a love that counts no cost. It is the blood of the new covenant, offered once for all, yet made present at every mass upon the altar. When we approach the chalice, we receive not a symbol, but the very life of God poured into our souls. This is the mystery that July invites us to contemplate more deeply.

In a world that often measures worth by what we produce or achieve, the Precious Blood reminds us that our value was settled on Calvary. We are worth the Blood of God. No sin is too great, no wound too deep, no distance too far for his mercy to reach. His blood bridges every gap between our brokenness and his holiness.

As we reflect on this mystery throughout July, let us bring everything to the foot of the cross. Let us ask the Precious Blood to cover our families, heal our wounds, and protect us from evil. May we never take for granted the immeasurable gift that was given so freely, and may our lives become a living thanksgiving for the blood that saves us still.



Saint of the Month

*"The Blood of Christ is the key to Paradise." —
St. Gaspar del Bufalo*

Saint Gaspar del Bufalo, the 19th-century Italian priest, dedicated his life to spreading devotion to the Precious Blood of Jesus.

He founded the Missionaries of the Precious Blood and preached tirelessly about the saving power of Christ's sacrifice.

His life reminds us that the Blood of Jesus is not a distant mystery, but a living source of grace available to us each day.

This month, as we honor the Precious Blood in a special way, let us follow his example of zealous love for souls.

Whether through attending mass with deeper reverence, praying the Litany of the Precious Blood, or offering our sufferings in union with Christ, we can draw ever closer to the fountain of mercy that never runs dry.



SCRIPTURE



Featured Bible Verse

"How much more, then, will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from acts that lead to death, so that we may serve the living God!"
— **Hebrews 9:14**

The Blood of Christ is no ordinary sacrifice. It is offered through the eternal Spirit, meaning its power transcends time and reaches into every moment of our lives. Unlike the blood of animals in the old covenant, which could only purify externally, the Precious Blood cleanses our very conscience.

This is the profound gift of July's devotion: we are invited to bring our deepest guilt, our hidden shame, and our repeated failings to the altar where his blood still speaks mercy. It purifies not just our actions, but the interior movements of our hearts.

When our conscience is cleansed, we are set free to serve the living God with joy rather than fear. The Precious Blood liberates us from the paralysis of past sin and empowers us to live with holy confidence. We no longer serve out of obligation alone, but out of gratitude for so great a price paid on our behalf.

INSPIRATION



Inspirational Corner

At every mass, the priest lifts the chalice and offers the Blood of the new and eternal covenant. This is not a mere ritual; it is the re-presentation of Calvary itself. The same blood that flowed from the cross is made present on the altar, offered for us and for the forgiveness of sins.

The Precious Blood is our shield against the enemy. Throughout the centuries, the faithful have invoked it for protection, healing, and deliverance. When we plead the blood of Jesus over our lives, we are calling upon the most powerful force in all of creation.

St. Catherine of Siena was consumed with love for the Precious Blood. She saw it as the "wine cellar" of the Holy Spirit, where souls are intoxicated with divine love. She wrote, *"The soul cannot live without love. It always wants to love something, because love is the stuff it is made of."*

This July, let us approach the chalice with renewed awe. Let us not receive the Precious Blood casually, but with the reverence due to the very life of God poured out for our salvation. Each drop contains infinite mercy, infinite love, infinite power to transform.

May we become vessels of his Precious Blood in the world, carrying his mercy to those who thirst for hope, healing, and redemption.

The Chalice of Mercy

Prayer Intention of the Month

This month, as we honor the Precious Blood of Jesus, we unite our prayers for all souls in need of redemption and healing.

We pray for all who feel burdened by sin, guilt, or shame, that through the power of the Precious Blood, they may experience the freedom and mercy of Christ and be renewed in hope.

We lift up our families, that our homes may be covered and protected by the Precious Blood, becoming sanctuaries of faith, peace, and sacrificial love.



Upcoming July Learning Events

Join me for two special evenings of faith formation this July!

What is Prayer?

Thursday, July 23, 2026

7:00 PM EST

Putting God First

Thursday, July 30, 2026

7:00 PM EST

Whether you are new to the faith or looking to deepen your prayer life, these sessions are for everyone. Bring a friend and come with an open heart!

RSVP: healinggray@yahoo.com | Free of charge | Zoom link sent upon registration.

A Prayer of Offering to The Precious Blood of Jesus

Eternal Father, I offer you the most Precious Blood of Your Divine Son, Jesus Christ, in union with all the masses being celebrated throughout the world today, for all the holy souls in purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal Church, those in my own home, and within my family.

O Precious Blood of Jesus, infinite price of sinful man's redemption, both drink and laver of our souls, you who plead continually the cause of man before the throne of infinite mercy; from the depths of my heart I adore you, and so far as I am able, I would make reparation for the injuries and contempt you have received from mankind.

Who would not bless and glorify this Blood of infinite value? O Precious Blood, hope and refuge of sinners, by the heart that shed you for us, grant us the grace of final perseverance. Wash us clean in your crimson tide and make us worthy to enter the heavenly kingdom, where you reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Most Precious Blood of Jesus Christ, cover us, our families, and all the world. Shield us from every evil and bring us safely to eternal life.

Amen.

Important Dates



July

July 3 - St. Thomas the Apostle

July 22 - St. Mary Magdalene

July 25 - St. James the Apostle

August

Aug 6 - Transfiguration of the Lord

Aug 8 - St. Dominic

Aug 15 - Assumption of Mary

September

Sept 8 - Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Sept 14 - Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Sept 15 - Our Lady of Sorrows

October

Oct 1 - St. Therese of Lisieux

Oct 2 - Holy Guardian Angels

Oct 7 - Our Lady of the Rosary

November

Nov 1 - All Saints Day

Nov 2 - All Souls Day

Nov 22 - Christ the King

December

Dec 8 - Immaculate Conception

Dec 25 - Christmas Day

Dec 27 - Holy Family

Dec 28 - Holy Innocents



Inspirational Corner

The Power of the Precious Blood in Our Daily Lives



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The devotion to the Precious Blood of Jesus is one of the richest treasures of our Catholic faith. Throughout July, the Church invites us to meditate on the blood that was shed for our redemption and to apply its saving power to every area of our lives.

Why the Precious Blood Matters

The Blood of Christ is not merely a symbol. It is the very price of our salvation. (1 Peter 1: 18-19). Every drop speaks of a love so immense that God himself became man and poured out his life for us.

A Shield of Protection

The saints have long taught that invoking the Precious Blood is a powerful form of spiritual protection. Just as the blood of the lamb marked the doorposts of the Israelites and spared them from destruction (Exodus 12:13), so the Blood of Jesus covers and protects us from spiritual harm. Make it a habit to plead the Blood of Jesus over your family, your home, and your daily work.

A Source of Healing

The Precious Blood brings healing to wounded hearts and broken relationships. When we feel overwhelmed by sin, shame, or discouragement, we can turn to the Blood of Christ and find mercy. "The blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin" (1 John 1:7). No stain is too deep, no wound too old for his Blood to reach.

Living the Devotion Daily

Here are simple ways to honor the Precious Blood this month:

- Offer the Precious Blood each morning for the souls in purgatory
- Pray the Litany of the Precious Blood weekly
- Attend Mass with renewed awareness of the eucharistic blood
- Invoke the Precious Blood over your family before sleep each night
- Meditate on the seven Blood-Shedding's of Christ

The Precious Blood is our inheritance, our refuge, and our strength. Let us not allow this month to pass without drawing deeply from this wellspring of grace. As we honor his blood, we honor his love, and we open ourselves to receive the fullness of what he died to give us.

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