

## PRAYERS FOR VARIOUS OCCASIONS

### *Thanksgiving Prayer*

O most gracious Infant Jesus, I kneel before You and offer You my fervent thanks for the blessings You have showered on me. I shall always praise Your mercy and confess that You alone are my God, my Helper and my Protector. Henceforth, my confidence shall be placed in You. I shall proclaim all over, Your mercy and generosity. May Your great love and the great deeds performed, be acknowledged by all. May devotion to Your Infancy extend more and more in the hearts of all mankind. May all who experience Your assistance be ever grateful to Your Holy Infancy. May they praise and glorify You for all eternity.

### *Act of Consecration*

Dear Infant Jesus, I adore You, I love and venerate You in the Mysteries of Your Holy Infancy. I thank You for becoming a child for love of me. In return, I give and consecrate myself entirely to Your love. I beg of You to grant me, now and throughout my life, the virtues of Your Holy Childhood. Give me, dear Jesus, the treasure of Your humility, the sweetness of Your charity, Your sweet virtue of prompt obedience and Your simplicity. May Your grace draw me to love and imitate You and enjoy Your majesty in Heaven. Amen.

### *Prayer in Affliction*

O dear Jesus, Your greatest joy is to dwell among people and to shower blessings on them in abundance. Many who turned with confidence to You, have received extraordinary graces and had their petitions granted. Kneeling before Your miraculous image at Vivekanagar, I open my heart to You, with its prayers, petitions and hopes, especially (*Mention requests/petitions*)

Do with me what You like. I know that in Your wisdom and love, You'll do everything for my good. I pray to You Infant Jesus, to comfort me at this hour and make me happy. Amen.

### *Prayer in Sickness*

O merciful Infant Jesus, I know of Your compassion to the sick. During Your blessed life on earth Your gentle touch cured the sick, the crippled and all those tormented with incurable diseases. In Vivekanagar, thousands who flock to Your miraculous image ascribe to You their recovery and deliverance from most painful and hopeless maladies. I know, indeed, that I, a sinner, have merited my sufferings and have no right for favours at Your hands. But because of the innumerable graces and the miraculous cures granted even to the greatest sinners through the intercession of Your Holy Infancy, I am doubly confident. You can cure me. O Heavenly Physician, if it be Your will that I recover from this present illness. (*Mention illness*) do extend

Your most holy hands. Take away all pain and infirmity so that my recovery may be due, not to natural remedies but to Your almighty power alone.

If, however, You in Your inscrutable wisdom has willed otherwise, at least restore my soul to perfect health. While, I endure the pains of sickness, let the sweet balm of Your consolation flow over me to fill me with the sublime thought that all earthly pain is short lived. Grant me, O merciful and loving Infant Jesus, the courage to endure and to resign to your will. Shower on me Your blessings that I may be like you, O Jesus, in my sufferings. On my sickbed, may I glorify Your providence until You bestow on me eternal life. Amen.

### *Memorare to Infant Jesus*

Remember, O holy Child Jesus, that You have said to Blessed Margaret of the Blessed Sacrament, these words so full of consolation for our poor, burdened and suffering humanity: "Draw from this Divine Heart (*Mention requests/petitions*)

Ask all that you desire through the merits of my Childhood. Nothing will be refused to You". Full of confidence in You, O Jesus, Who are Truth itself, we come to make known all our misery to you. Help us lead a holy life in order to attain blessed eternity. Grant us through the infinite merits of Your Incarnation and of Your Childhood, the graces of which we are most in need.

No, we shall not be deceived in our hope. We abandon ourselves to You. O omnipotent God, in virtue of Your Divine promise, You will favourably receive and deign to grant our prayer. Amen.