

The prayer of the *Evening Blessing*

Lord Jesus Christ,

we come before you full of trust to thank you for this day
and to adore you. Through the blessing
of bishops, priests and deacons, may you strengthen
our faith and our unity with The Spiritual Family The Work.

Give us the grace to live joyful lives that are formed by the Sacraments, by a spirit
of love, and by the truth of the Faith. Enable us to always strive for that unity
which glorifies you.

Help us to become bearers of hope and new life by trusting in your merciful and
just love. Grant us the grace to recognize the signs of the times in the light of your
plan of salvation. Guide us to respond in faith.

Give us the spirit of discernment that allows us to share in the renewal of the
Church as she faces the challenges of today. May we bear witness to her beauty
with a joyful heart, following the example of Mother Julia.

By your divine blessing, protect us from every influence of darkness. Strengthen
us to live in your light, that we may recognize all that is beautiful, true, and good
in our lives.

Give your Church Christian families who serve the kingdom of God in the midst of
this world. Guard and protect the faith of our children and youth. Help them to grow
into fervent disciples.

Call young people into your service as priests and consecrated men and women.
Grant comfort and help to all who are sick and lonely.

Lead our departed brothers and sisters into your heavenly home to share in the
eternal wedding feast.

Forgive us for the times we were not true to your holy will and when we failed to
be loving. Jesus, we place this day into your hands and ask for your blessing.

**In the name of the Father
and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit. AMEN.**

Holy Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us and with us in all our needs.

