

# HYMN to ST. JUDE

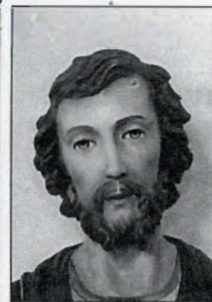
## Chorus:

**Apostle of Jesus,  
The Savior's Disciple;  
you offered your life  
as the sign of your love.**

Your life is for all to see  
Your faith is most powerful.  
Your love is most holy.  
It leads us all to Christ. **Chorus**

A bright light you are for us.  
A leader in life are you.  
With fervor and goodness,  
you show us your way. **Chorus**

O Saint Jude, apostle,  
and martyr bless'd for the Lord.  
O help us, dear Saint Jude,  
Keep us safe from harm. **Chorus**



## DEVOTIONS IN HONOR OF ST. JUDE

### DEDICATION PRAYER

**Priest:** To you, Lord Jesus Christ, we offer our prayers today. We acknowledge the special friendship which your Apostle, St. Jude, has with you. Lord Jesus, we join our prayers today to the Eucharist, which renews in us the loving act of your death and resurrection, and expresses most perfectly our communion with you. Be present with us today and each day of our lives. Deepen our love for the Father and for each other. May the graces and favors for which we pray be granted through you, who lives and reigns with the Father, in union with the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever.

**All:** Amen

### OPENING PRAYER

**Leader:** St. Jude, Apostle and martyr, join us now in prayer. We acknowledge your apostolic role in taking to many places the message of Christ's love.

**All:** **We are encouraged by your own generous love for Christ and humanity, which ended in martyrdom. We fully believe that you now rejoice in the happiness of heaven and have sealed for ever your earthly friendship with Jesus.**

**Leader:** We now pray to you as the patron of hopeless cases and desperate situations. As sinners we are aware of the complete trust we must have in God's mercy and love.

**All:** **We ask you to intercede with God for our present needs.**

## INVOCATIONS TO ST. JUDE

Lord, have mercy...  
Christ, have mercy...  
Lord, have mercy...

**Lord, have mercy**  
**Christ, have mercy**  
**Lord, have mercy**

God the Father of heaven...  
God the Son, Redeemer of the world...  
God the Holy Spirit...  
Holy Trinity, One God...

**Have mercy on us!**  
**Have mercy on us!**  
**Have mercy of us!**  
**Have mercy on us!**

## RESPONSE: PRAY FOR US!

St. Jude, cousin of Jesus..      **Pray for us!**  
St. Jude, Apostle of Christ..  
St. Jude, friend of the Blessed Virgin Mary..  
St. Jude, who was present at the Last Supper..  
St. Jude, who suffered during the Passion and death of Jesus..  
St. Jude, who rejoiced at the Resurrection..  
St. Jude, who witnessed the Ascension of Jesus into heaven..  
St. Jude, who was filled with the Holy Spirit at Pentecost..  
St. Jude, who preached the Gospel of Christ..  
St. Jude, who worked many wonders  
    through the power of the Holy Spirit..  
St. Jude, martyr for Christ..  
St. Jude, patron of the despairing..  
St. Jude, intercessor for difficult cases..  
St. Jude, consoler of the distressed..

## RESPONSE: ST. JUDE, INTERCEDE FOR US!

For our Holy Father, Pope Francis, our Bishop Thomas,  
    and for the priests and deacons of our church..  
For vocations to the priesthood and religious life..  
For peace among nations..  
For the poor and the oppressed..  
For married couples and families..  
For all those in hopeless situations..  
For the aged and the lonely..  
For the sick and the dying..  
For our departed relatives and friends..

## PRIEST: Let us pray:

Glorious Apostle and martyr, St. Jude Thaddeus, whose life and accomplishments we celebrate, pray for us today that the love of Christ in our lives may increase. Pray that we may renounce every sinful habit and refrain from all selfish actions. May we always know your intercession in danger and in difficulty, and may we safely reach heaven to adore with you the Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, forever and ever.

**All:      Amen!**

## PRAYER FOR PARTICULAR NEEDS

**Leader:** St. Jude, Apostle of Christ, the church honors and prays to you as the patron of hopeless and difficult cases. Pray for us in our needs. Make use of the powerful privilege given to you by Christ, bringing visible and speedy help where help is needed

**All:** **Pray that we may humbly accept our trials, disappointments and mistakes as a share in the sufferings of Christ. Let us share, even now, in the joy of Christ's Resurrection. Intercede for us, that we may experience this joy in answer to our present needs if it is God's desire for us.**

*(Pause to pray for your intentions)*

**Leader:** We trust that our prayers will be heard through your intercession.

**All:      St. Jude, pray for us!**

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**Leader:** Lord Jesus Christ, we thank you for all the graces and favors which you have given us through the prayers of your Apostle, Jude Thaddeus.

**All:** **Great Apostle, St. Jude, we will always be grateful to you. Continue to intercede for our needs. Be with us at the hour of death that we may face that decisive moment with courage and serenity.**

**Priest:** May the Name of the Lord be blessed.

**All:      Now and forever more.**