

Prayer for Imploring Holy Popes

(A prayer recommended by Bishop Athanasius Schneider)

Kyrie Eleison! Christe Eleison! Kyrie Eleison! Lord
Jesus Christ, Thou art the Good Shepherd!

With Thy almighty hand, Thou guidest Thy pilgrim
Church through the storms of each age.

Adorn the Holy See with holy popes who neither fear the powerful of this world nor compromise with the spirit of the age, but preserve, strengthen, and defend the Catholic Faith unto the shedding of their blood; and observe, protect, and hand on the venerable liturgy of the Roman Church.

O Lord, return to us holy popes who, inflamed with the zeal of the Apostles, proclaim to the whole world: “Salvation is found in no other than in Jesus Christ. For there is no other name under Heaven given to men whereby they may be saved” (see Acts 4. 10-12).

Through an era of holy popes, may the Holy See — which is home of all who promote the Catholic and Apostolic Faith — always shine as the cathedra of truth for the whole world. Hear us, O Lord, and through the intercession of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Mother of the Church, grant us holy popes, grant us many holy popes! Have mercy on us and hear us! Amen.