

## MEDITATION AND PRAYER FOR THOSE CONTEMPLATING SUICIDE

Statistics say that every five minutes someone in the world commits suicide. This reveals great suffering and sorrow in the human heart, the loss of hope and no desire to live. How many of our brothers and sisters are living in despair and crying out for help. Through prayer, we can help them. And God, in his infinite mercy, can save them.



*With trust and love, let us pray:*

O sorrowful Jesus, how profound and deep was your suffering in the Garden of Olives. So profound, that your sweat became drops of blood falling down upon the earth. By the merits of such great suffering and by the sorrows of the Immaculate Mother, we pray for those who are being tempted with suicide today. Wash them in your Most Precious Blood and free them from such spiritual struggle. Let your wonderful light penetrate their minds, hearts, and souls. Fill them with hope and faith in you. O Sorrowful Mother, we entrust these precious souls to you. Obtain for them God's mercy. Saint Michael the Archangel, defend them. All the Angels and Saints, pray for them. Amen



*"Pray as much as you can for the dying...certain souls' salvation depends on your prayers at their final moment."  
- Jesus to St. Faustina, diary #1777*

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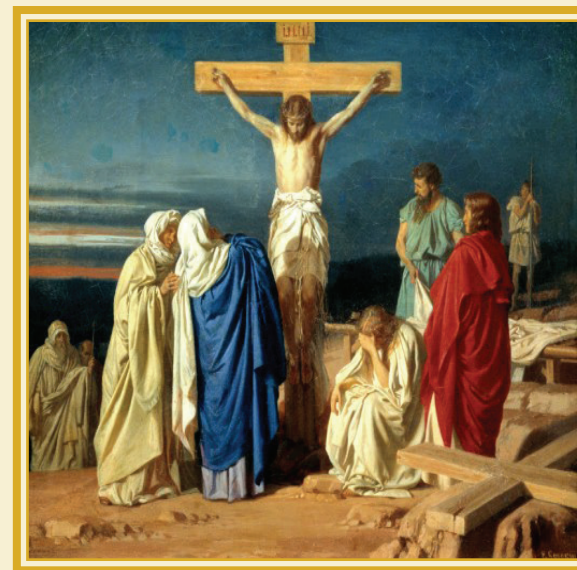
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## PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN DESPAIR



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Bringing souls to  
God's Infinite Mercy*

## PRAYER FOR MERCY FOR THOSE COMMITTING SUICIDE

O God, creator and sustainer of all life. All things belong to you and you know when our earthly time begins and ends. Out of love, you created us to love. Shower that most wondrous love over those who are about to leave this world before their appointed time. Give them the light of your truth and the grace to repent.

Merciful Father, you are always ready to forgive. In your great kindness and compassion, hear the prayers we offer up to you for our brothers and sisters who are in their final moments. May the Precious Blood of Jesus wash away all their sins, and may the rays of your mercy penetrate their hearts, minds and souls. Lord, make them worthy to look at your radiant face.

Blessed Mother, we entrust these precious souls to you.

St. Joseph, pray for them.

St. Michael the Archangel, protect them.

All the Angels and Saints come to their aid.

"O Blood and Water which gush forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in you." Amen (St. Faustina Diary)

## DIVINE MERCY



***Jesus I Trust In You!***  
***"On the cross, the fountain of My mercy  
was opened wide by a lance for all souls--  
no one have I excluded!" (Diary 1182)***

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## PRAYER FOR THOSE WHO LOST A LOVED ONE BY SUICIDE

*"Great crowds came to him, having with them the lame, the blind, the deformed, the mute, and many others. They placed them at his feet, and he cured them." Matt. 15:30*

O Lord of Mercy and Compassion, we place before you the family members and friends of those who have taken their own life by suicide. How immense the pain and sorrow in their hearts! Their lives are changed forever, their hearts broken, their dreams shattered.

O God of infinite mercy, you alone can heal and console them. May the rays of your mercy penetrate their whole being, restoring in them the joy of life and a trusting love for you.

O holy Mother of God, you stood at the foot of the cross where Jesus suffered and died for love of us. Your heart was pierced by a sword of sorrow and you understand their pain. Behold the suffering of your children, hold them in your arms, and let them feel the love of your Immaculate Heart.

Lord Jesus crucified, we offer you this prayer through the hands of our sorrowful Mother and St. Joseph. Amen