

Chaplet of Divine Mercy to Pray Against Human Trafficking

Opening Prayer:

Almighty and everlasting God, from the depths of your boundless freedom you created man and woman in the wondrous liberty of your friendship, and when through disobedience man lost that freedom, you restored it through the sacrifice of your dearly beloved son, our Lord Jesus Christ, our Supreme liberator. As we gather to venerate the precious wounds that freed and healed us, we commend to your loving protection and care our brothers and sisters who are victims of human trafficking. Send forth to us, from your seat on high, your Spirit of wisdom and courage that we may know how best to work for their freedom from bondage, to secure them in their liberty once they escape or are rescued, and to do all we can to ensure them a fruitful and dignified membership in society.

As we pray this Chaplet and remember your Passion, we also beseech you, merciful and just God, for the traffickers who enslave their brothers and sisters. We pray that you illumine their conscience with a stark realization of the evil they are committing, that they recognize their faults, do penance, and offer restitution for their crimes against human dignity.

We ask this through Our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

Decade 1: For corrupt officials and those who, by betrayal, condemn victims to slavery. For the dignity of victims suffering humiliation. For those in danger of being ensnared in slavery.

Decade 2: For families torn apart by human trafficking. For the perseverance of those who work on behalf of victims of trafficking. For those who raise awareness of human trafficking and advocates.

Decade 3: That victims in captivity may never lose hope, even after repeated failures. For the spiritual growth of service providers and advocates. For the perseverance of survivors after rescue or escape.

Decade 4: That under all types of adversity, the Church may continue fighting for and accompanying survivors of trafficking. For victims of trafficking who become victimizers. That the merits of Christ's passions be applied to the liberation of those in bondage.

Decade 5: For victims of trafficking who die in bondage. That survivors of trafficking may be able to bear witness to their own courage, resilience, and dignity.