



## PENITENTIAL RITE III

### SUPPLEMENTARY INVOCATIONS

LITURGICAL COMMISSION OF THE  
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*Lumen Beatum Praedicans*

The *Roman Missal* provides that, in the third form of the Penitential Rite, “the priest (or other suitable minister) makes the following or other invocations...”. The English translation of the Missal provides eight sets of invocations, but the celebrant may, of course, use others.

The following invocations are translated from the Spanish *Missal Dominicano* (Madrid: EDIBESA, 1993) in the hope that they may prove useful for English speakers, especially as they are arranged according to the liturgical seasons:

These invocations may also be used on other occasions which call for a penitential rite, such as the Communion of the Sick, Night Prayer (Compline) and so on.

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**Ordinary Time**

**I**

You are the way that leads to the Father:  
Lord have mercy.  
**R.** Lord have mercy.

You are the truth which enlightens the nations:  
Christ have mercy.  
**R.** Christ, have mercy.

You are the life which renews the world:  
Lord, have mercy.  
**R.** Lord have mercy.

**II**

You are the fullness of truth and grace:  
Lord have mercy.  
**R.** Lord have mercy.

You became poor, that we might be enriched:  
Christ have mercy.  
**R.** Christ, have mercy.

You have come, to make us your holy people:  
Lord, have mercy.  
**R.** Lord have mercy.

**III**

You came not to condemn but to pardon:  
Lord have mercy.  
**R.** Lord have mercy.

You taught us that there is great rejoicing in heaven for a single sinner who repents:  
Christ have mercy.  
**R.** Christ, have mercy.

You pardon much in those who love much:  
Lord, have mercy.  
**R.** Lord have mercy.

**IV**

You came to call those who were lost:  
Lord have mercy.  
**R.** Lord have mercy.

You sought to give your life as a ransom for many :  
Christ have mercy.  
**R.** Christ, have mercy.

You call your scattered children into one:  
Lord, have mercy.  
**R.** Lord have mercy.

**V**

You offered pardon to a repentant Peter:  
Lord have mercy.  
**R.** Lord have mercy.

You promised paradise to the good thief:  
Christ have mercy.  
**R.** Christ, have mercy.

You pardon anyone who trusts in your mercy:  
Lord, have mercy.  
**R.** Lord have mercy.

**VI**

Defender of the poor  
Lord have mercy.  
**R.** Lord have mercy.

Refuge of the weak:  
Christ have mercy.  
**R.** Christ, have mercy.

Hope of sinners:  
Lord, have mercy.  
**R.** Lord have mercy.

**The priest says the absolution:**

May almighty God have mercy on us...  
forgive us our sins,  
and bring us to everlasting life. **R.** Amen.

**Advent Season**

**I**

You came into the world to save us:  
Lord have mercy.

**R.** Lord have mercy.

You visit us constantly with the grace of the Spirit:  
Christ have mercy.

**R.** Christ, have mercy.

You will come one day to judge our deeds:  
Lord, have mercy.

**R.** Lord have mercy.

**II**

You came to visit your people with peace:  
Lord have mercy.

**R.** Lord have mercy.

You came to save those who were lost:  
Christ have mercy.

**R.** Christ, have mercy.

You came to create a new world:  
Lord, have mercy.

**R.** Lord have mercy.

**III**

Light of the world, you come to enlighten  
those who live in the shadows of sin:  
Lord have mercy.

**R.** Lord have mercy.

Good shepherd, you come to guide your flock  
on the paths of truth and justice:  
Christ have mercy.

**R.** Christ, have mercy.

Son of God, you will return one day  
to fulfil the promises of the Father:  
Lord, have mercy.

**R.** Lord have mercy.

**Christmas Season**

**I**

Son of God, born of Mary, you became our brother:  
Lord have mercy.

**R.** Lord have mercy.

Son of Man, you know and understand our weakness:  
Christ have mercy.

**R.** Christ, have mercy.

First born of the Father, you have made of us one family:  
Lord, have mercy.

**R.** Lord have mercy.

**II**

Eternal Word of the Father,  
through whom everything came into existence:  
Lord have mercy.

**R.** Lord have mercy.

True light, who have come into the world  
though the world would not receive you:  
Christ have mercy.

**R.** Christ, have mercy.

Son of God, made man  
you have pitched your tent among us:  
Lord, have mercy.

**R.** Lord have mercy.

**III**

King of Peace and Holy One of God:  
Lord have mercy.

**R.** Lord have mercy.

Light that shines in the darkness:  
Christ have mercy.

**R.** Christ, have mercy.

Image of the new humanity:  
Lord, have mercy.

**R.** Lord have mercy.

**Season of Lent**

**I**

You have renewed us by water and the Holy Spirit:  
Lord have mercy.

**R.** Lord have mercy.

You sent your Holy Spirit to create new hearts in us:  
Christ have mercy.

**R.** Christ, have mercy.

You are the author of our eternal salvation:  
Lord, have mercy.

**R.** Lord have mercy.

**II**

You take away our sins:  
Lord have mercy.

**R.** Lord have mercy.

You create a pure heart in us:  
Christ have mercy.

**R.** Christ, have mercy.

You give us again the joy of salvation:  
Lord, have mercy.

**R.** Lord have mercy.

**III**

You gave salvation to the human race  
on the tree of the cross:  
Lord have mercy.

**R.** Lord have mercy.

You suffered for us, that we might follow in your steps:  
Christ have mercy.

**R.** Christ, have mercy.

Burdened with our sins, you took up the wood of the cross,  
that we who were dead through sin might live in righteousness:  
Lord, have mercy.

**R.** Lord have mercy.

**Easter Season**

**I**

By your resurrection you have destroyed sin and death:  
Lord have mercy.

**R.** Lord have mercy.

By your resurrection you have renewed all creation:  
Christ have mercy.

**R.** Christ, have mercy.

By your resurrection you give joy to the living and life to the dead:  
Lord, have mercy.

**R.** Lord have mercy.

**II**

You are the first born from the dead:  
Lord have mercy.

**R.** Lord have mercy.

You are the conqueror of sin and death:  
Christ have mercy.

**R.** Christ, have mercy.

You are the resurrection and the life:  
Lord, have mercy.

**R.** Lord have mercy.

**III**

You are the High Priest of the New Covenant:  
Lord have mercy.

**R.** Lord have mercy.

You build us up as living stones in the holy temple of God:  
Christ have mercy.

**R.** Christ, have mercy.

You have ascended to the right hand of the Father  
to send us the gift of the Spirit:  
Lord, have mercy.

**R.** Lord have mercy.