

Saint Martin de Porres

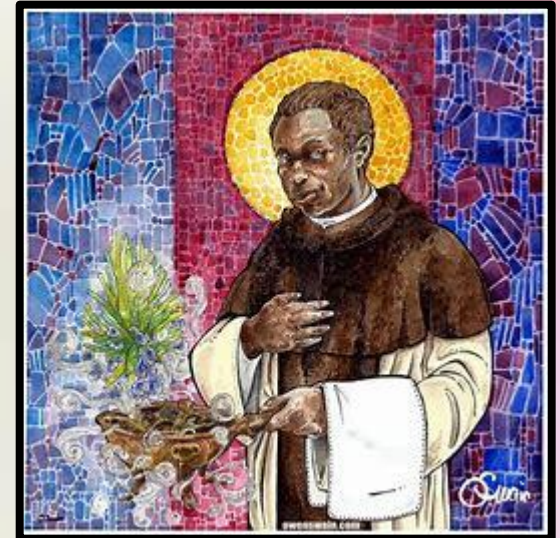


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Gathering Hymn

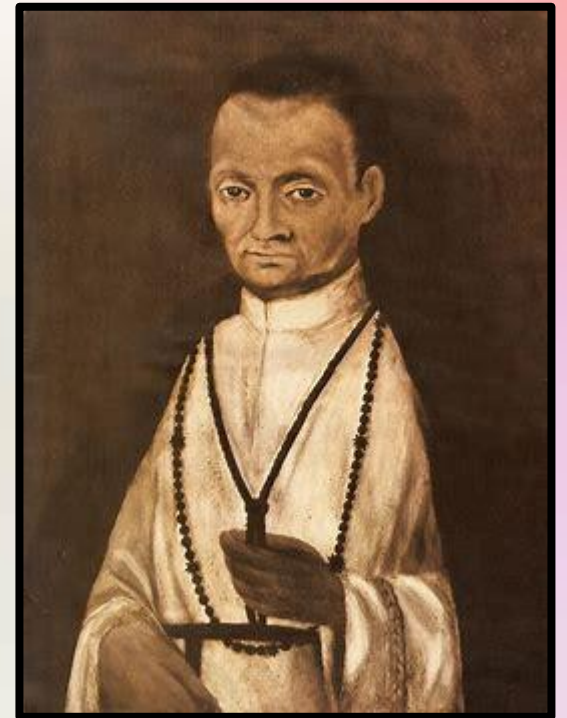
Gather, gather,
Gather in the light of his flame and we'll
Gather, gather,
Shout! Praise! Glorify his name!

Saint Martin was a good man,
Saint Martin was a good man.
He helped the sick and poor,
He helped the sick and poor.
Proclaim, proclaim and we'll

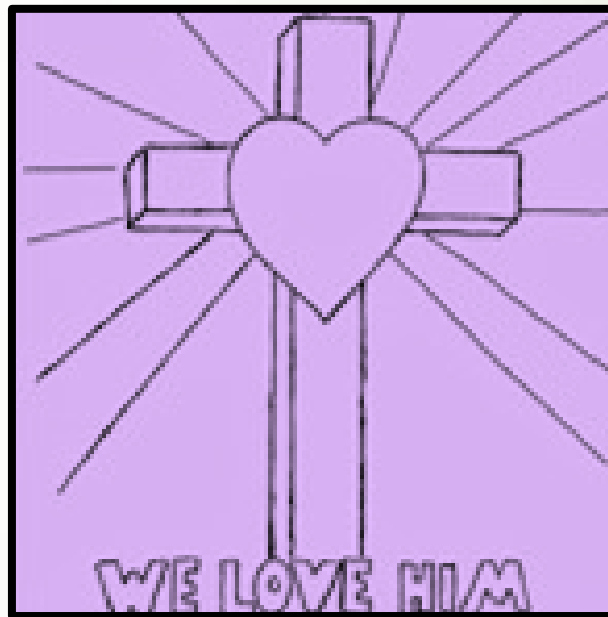


Gather, gather,
Gather in the light of his flame and we'll
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Shout! Praise! Glorify his name!

He was very holy, he was very holy.
He prayed for many hours,
he prayed for many hours
Proclaim, proclaim and we'll



WELCOME



Saint Martin de Porres was born in Peru in 1579. His father was a Spanish gentleman, and his mother was a black former slave. The family were very poor as Martin's father left them when Martin was very young. His father had nothing to do with him because he was black. After spending two years in primary school Martin worked with a barber where he learnt to cut hair and helped sick people get better.



As Martin grew older, he experienced a great deal of bullying for being of mixed-race. He felt called by God to become a religious and entered the Dominican Order. He wanted to be a missionary.



Every day Martin worked in the kitchen, laundry and infirmary. He became known for carefully and patiently caring for the sick. Martin founded an orphanage, planted an orchard so anyone could take the fruit to eat and built a children's hospital to care for Lima's many street children.

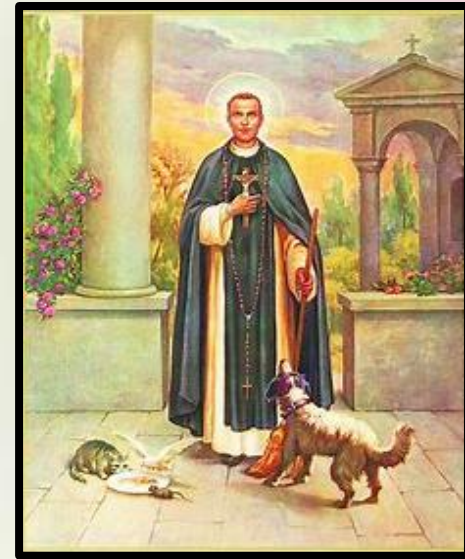
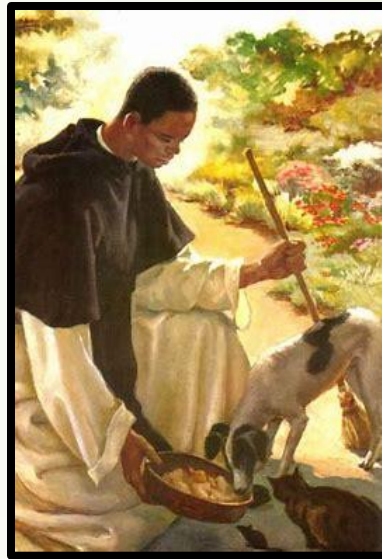


Martin would meditate on the suffering that Jesus endured on the cross. He had an exceptional love for the great sacrament of the Eucharist and often spent long hours in prayer before the blessed sacrament. He received Jesus in Holy Communion as often as he could.



Saint Martin was given extraordinary gifts from the Holy Spirit. Light filled the room where he prayed, cures were common, and he was known for being good with animals. He is often pictured with cats and dogs. Martin had the gift of bi-location which meant that he could be in two places at the same time.

Here are some examples.



Brother
Martin feed
us and cured
our sickness.

Brother Martin
was there to help
me and give me
the medicine I
needed.

But Brother
Martin has
never left
Peru.



Gospel Acclamation

Al x le x luia, alleluia.

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Al x le x luia, alleluia.

Al x le x luia, alleluia.

A new commandment I give unto you

That you love one another as I have loved you,

that you love on another as I have loved you.



A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Glory to you O Lord.

The Pharisees gathered together, and one of them a scholar of the law, tested Jesus by asking him, "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?"

He said to him,

"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.

This is the greatest and the first commandment.

The second is like it:

You shall love your neighbour as yourself.

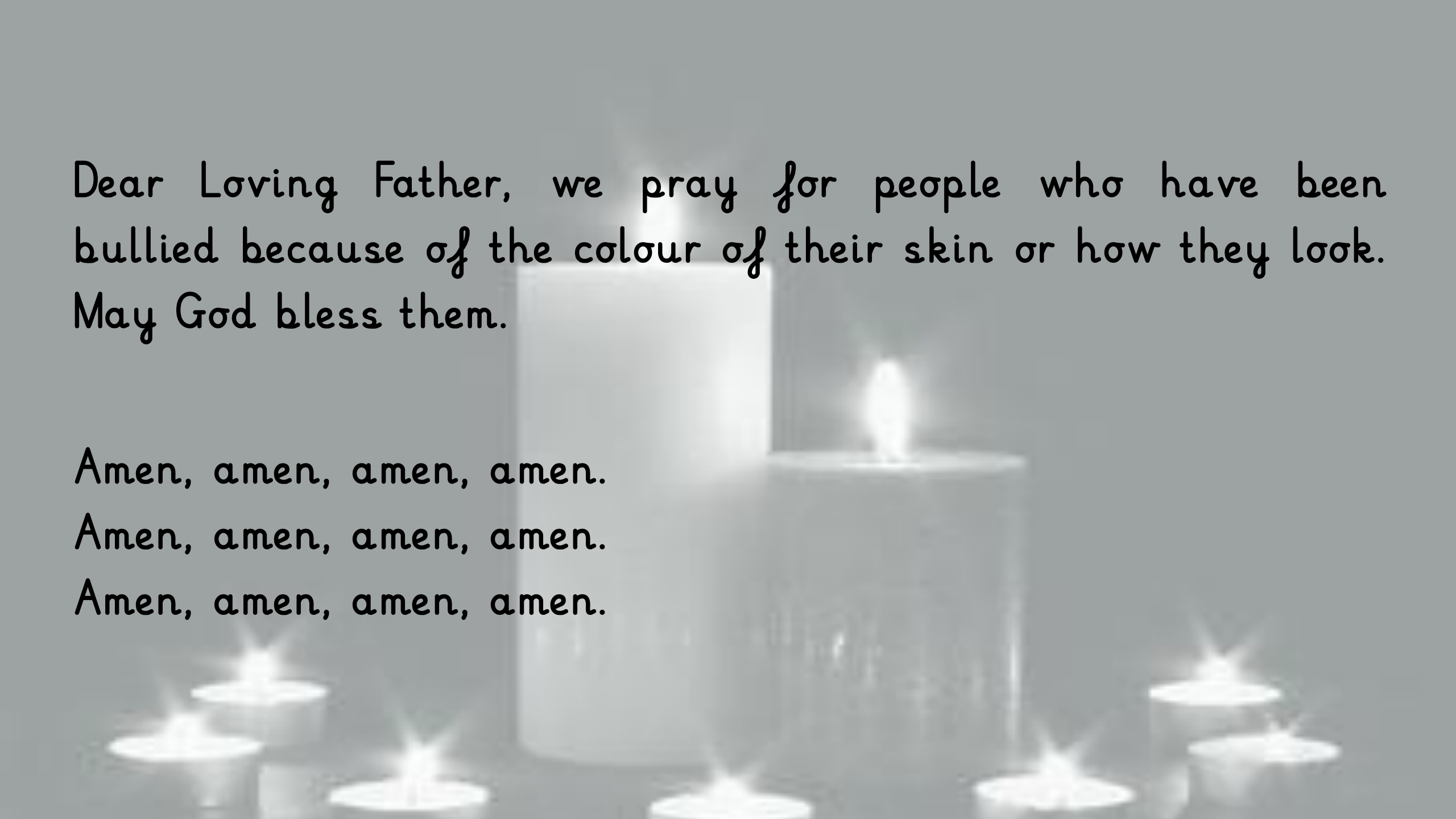
The whole Law and the Prophets depend on these two commandments."

The Gospel of the Lord.



Dear Loving Father, we pray that in this Jubilee Year we will pray more like when wake up in the morning and before we go to bed. Help us to use kind words when we speak and help anyone in need.





Dear Loving Father, we pray for people who have been bullied because of the colour of their skin or how they look. May God bless them.

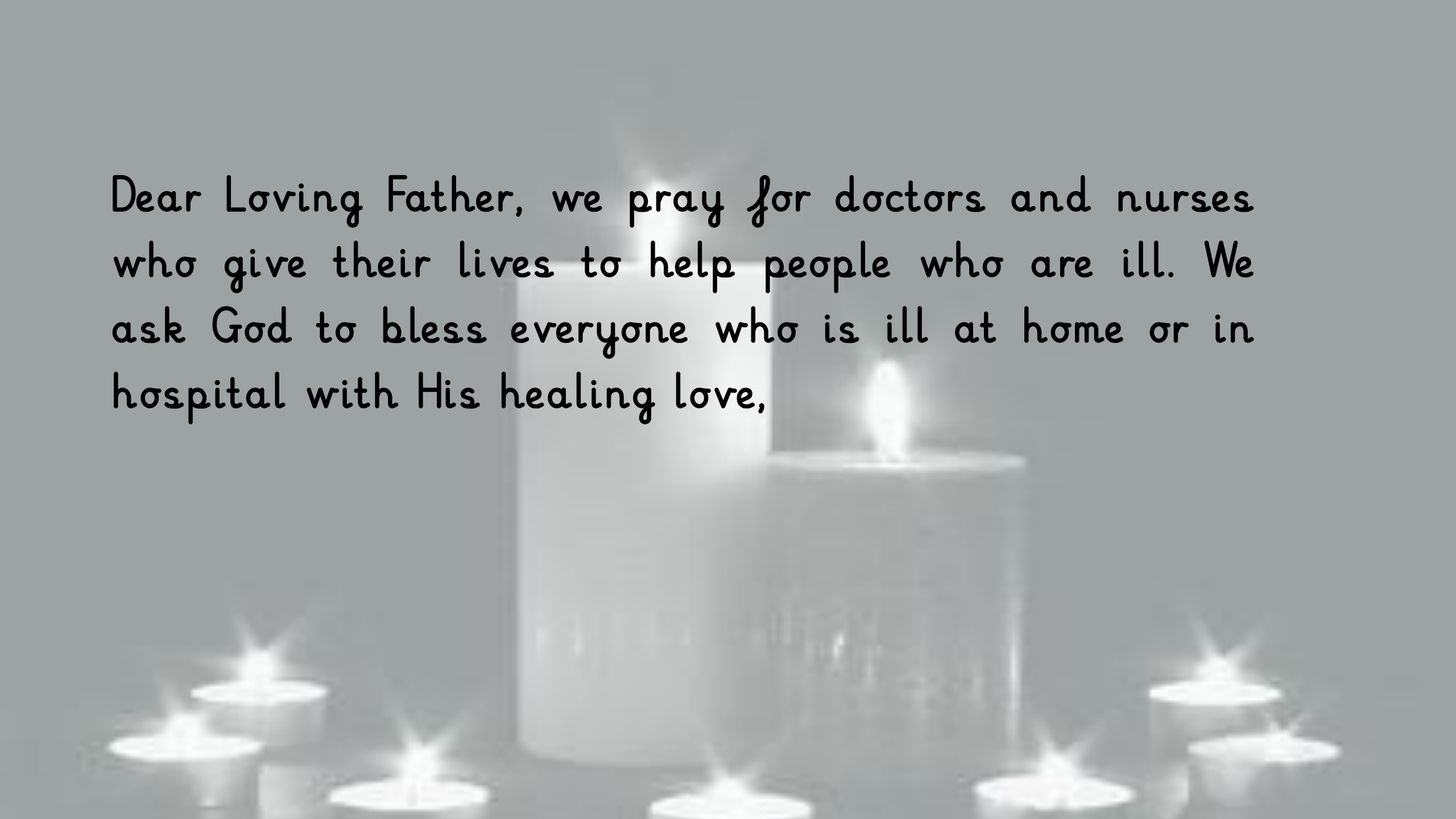
Amen, amen, amen, amen.

Amen, amen, amen, amen.

Amen, amen, amen, amen.

Dear Loving Father, we pray for people who have no food and are homeless that they will get the support they need so they can live in comfort.





Dear Loving Father, we pray for doctors and nurses who give their lives to help people who are ill. We ask God to bless everyone who is ill at home or in hospital with His healing love,

Dear Loving Father, we pray for the people in Gaza who are suffering with not much food or water. May the peace agreement hold so that people can re-build their homes.

Amen, amen, amen, amen.

Amen, amen, amen, amen.

Amen, amen, amen, amen.



The Litany of Saint Martin

Lord have mercy on us.

Christ have mercy on us.

Lord have mercy on us.

Lord have mercy on us.

Christ have mercy on us.

Lord have mercy on us.

Saint Martin de Porres,

Ever in the presence of God

Faithful servant of Christ,

Lover of the Holy Eucharist,

Devoted to our Mary our Mother,

Lover of the Most Holy Rosary,

pray for us.

pray for us.

pray for us.

pray for us.

pray for us.

pray for us.

Comforter of the sick and dying,

pray for us.

Worker of miraculous cures,

pray for us.

Guardian of the homeless child,

pray for us.

Performing boring tasks with holy joy

pray for us.

Gifted with prophecy,

pray for us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of all the world,

have mercy on us Lord.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of all the world,

have mercy on us Lord.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of all the world. grant us peace.

O God, Saint Martin de Porres looked after the sick, the poor and anyone in need. Help us to follow his example and carry our cross with strength like he did. We make this prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.



Final Hymn

I'm trading my sorrows, I'm trading my shame

I'm laying them down for the joy of the Lord.

I'm trading my sickness;

I'm trading my pain for the joy of the Lord.

Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes, yes, Lord.

Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes, yes, Lord. Amen.

Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes, yes, Lord.

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Our Go Forth Message is to do an act of kindness this week as Archbishop Bernard asked us to do in our Jubilee Launch.

