

# Catholic Cemetery Conference Memorial Day Program

## SUGGESTED MEMORIAL DAY INTERCESSIONS

**My brothers and sisters  
let us in faith call upon God the almighty Father,  
who raised Christ his Son from the dead,  
as we pray for the salvation of the living and the dead.**

*The petitions are announced by a deacon or other minister*

Our response is: Lord, have mercy!

That all the people of God, in communion with Pope **N.** and **N.** our Bishop, may continue to rely on the promptings of the Holy Spirit to bring peace to the world. We pray:

That the God of life may inspire world leaders to bring peace by ending the violence and terrorism that casts its shroud over peoples and nations. We pray:

That the Lord our God may wipe away the tears from all faces and lift the burdens that oppress innocent victims of suffering. We pray:

That the bereaved may find consolation and strength in our shared faith in the resurrection of Christ from the dead. We pray:

That we will use the resources of our faith to help shape a society more respectful of the life, dignity, and rights of the human person, especially the poor and vulnerable. We pray:

That the Lord call into service as priests and religious many young people so that the good news of eternal life in Christ Jesus may be proclaimed for years to come. We pray:

That those who have given their lives in the service of our country  
(and all the deceased near and dear to us interred in this cemetery)  
may rejoice for all eternity in the glory of God's reign.  
We pray:

We now add our own intentions in silence. *Pause...*  
For those intentions which we hold in the silence of our hearts. We pray.

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**Almighty God,  
You know the many different needs  
Your people have in this life.  
Hear us and answer the prayers of all who believe in you.  
We ask this and all things through Christ our Lord.**

**R: Amen.**