Prayer of Saint Gertrude the Great for the Holy Souls in Purgatory

A prayer which would release many souls from Purgatory each time it is recited.

O Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere - for sinners in the Universal Church, for those in my own home and for those within my family. Amen.

St. Gertrude the Great was a Benedictine nun and mystic who lived in the 13th century. She died in 1302. Her feast day is November 16th.

Please remember to pray daily for the Poor Souls in Purgatory.

All Souls Day is 2nd of November

We shall thus deliver countless Souls from Purgatory, who will repay us ten thousand times over.

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Pray for the Poor Souls in Purgatory

In the words of Our Lord: (Matt 5:26)

“In truth I tell you, you will not get out until you have paid the last penny.”
"It is a holy and wholesome that they may be loosed from their sins" (2 Mac 12:46)

Purgatory is a state of temporal purification for those who die in God’s grace, but are not entirely free from venial sins or have not entirely paid the satisfaction due to their sins.

"All who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven." (CCC. 1030)

St. Alphonsus Liguori says that though the Holy Souls cannot merit for themselves, they can obtain for us great graces. They can obtain for us astounding favours and deliver us from evils, sickness and dangers of every kind.

The souls who are being purified pray for you, offer their sufferings for your well being and, through your prayers, are assisted in being set free from those human imperfections which prevent them from entering into the eternal joy of paradise.

We do not fully realise the advocates we have in the Holy Souls in Purgatory and once they have joined the Father in Heaven they are eternally grateful to us here on earth for the prayers and sacrifices we make on their behalf, praying for our needs continually before the Throne of God.

It would be utterly impossible to describe their unbounded gratitude to those who help them. Filled with an immense desire to repay the favours done to them, they pray for their benefactors with a fervour so great, so intense, so constant that God can refuse them nothing.

In one Vision, Our Lord tells St Gertrude that he longs for someone to ask Him to release souls from purgatory, just as a king who imprisons a friend for justice’s sake hopes that someone will beg for mercy for his friend.

Jesus ends with: “I accept with highest pleasure what is offered to Me for the poor souls, for I long inexpressibly to have near Me those for whom I paid so great a price. By the prayers of your loving soul, I am induced to free a prisoner from purgatory as often as you move your tongue to utter a word of prayer.”

**Chaplet of the Holy Souls can be prayed on a set of normal rosary beads.**

Begin with: The Apostle’s Creed, then 1 Our Father, 3 Hail Marys, 1 Glory be.

On the large beads, pray:
"O Holy Souls draw the fire of God's Love into my soul, to reveal Jesus crucified in me here on earth, rather than hereafter in Purgatory."

On the small beads, pray:
"Crucified Lord Jesus, have mercy on the souls in Purgatory."

When you have completed all 5 decades, pray 3 times the Glory be.

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