

Prayers for Preparation of the 36th General Chapter of the Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament



SSS Religious: Together, Faithful Witnesses of the Eucharistic Mission

Come Holy Spirit and enlighten us
as we prepare for our General Chapter.

Ignite a rebirth of our communities
unfolding the diversity and wealth of Your gifts
to strengthen us to work as one¹.

May we renew our faith and Eymardian Charism
to live our *Rule of Life*
for the Church's Eucharistic mission²
in this new era.

Together, may we be your faithful witnesses
of the Eucharistic mission given to us by our ancestors.

Now with you,
may we fashion our Congregation
in a new reality for our Eymardian Family.

Amen.

Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament,
Saint Joseph, protector of the righteous,
Saint Paschal Baylon, patron of Eucharistic congresses,
Saint Peter Julian Eymard, Apostle of the Eucharist,

pray for us!
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¹ Cf. RL 8.

² Cf. RL 6.

Intercessions for Morning and Evening Prayer in preparation for the 36th General Chapter

The LORD'S Day

On this day of renewal, rest, and guidance of the Holy Spirit,

- may we ensure an evangelical witness of the Gospel that transforms us for our General Chapter and supports the Church.

Monday

As we labor the seeds of our Eucharistic life in this new work week,

- may it bear fruit to promote our renewed Eucharistic spirituality and bring new zeal to our General Chapter and the mission of the Congregation.

Tuesday

With great hope for the future of our Eymardian Family,

- may the General Chapter be an opportunity to strengthen and enhance our Eucharistic mission for the next six years and bind the ties that join our religious and lay associates.

Wednesday

May a spirit of wisdom support our capitulars preparing for the General Chapter,

- that their decisions renew the Eymardian Family for future fruitful Eucharistic service.

Thursday

With the servant of God Father Lodovico Longari and Brother Giovanni Nadiani as faithful Eucharistic witnesses,

- may our prophetic vocation in the Church be strengthened, and bestow confidence and zeal on our young religious.

Friday

You invited us to take up the cross and follow you. May women and men hear the call to be vowed religious or lay associates of the Eymardian Family,

- so that, like our founder, we support the General Chapter with our vocation and encouragement of others.

Saturday

May your servant Mary, a Eucharistic woman, whose presence gave birth to the Christ and guided the apostles in their gathering at the Cenacle,

- assist the capitulars now and through the General Chapter to give birth to new ways of living the Eucharistic mystery.

A Prayer of Thanksgiving for our Eucharistic Life

God of all goodness and graciousness,
we lift our hearts in joyful praise
thankful for this time of gratitude and joy.

May our lives,
filled with Eucharistic zeal
for being fed at the table of our salvation,
make our minds and souls
models of your gift of goodness.
With an attitude filled with generosity,
empower our hearts to be ever faithful
and pray for the success of our 36th General Chapter.
Let us serve you and share our many blessings
with the hungers of the world,
to fulfill their needs
and lift them up to your glory.

Through Christ our LORD. Amen.

Eucharistic Litany for the General Chapter

LEADER:

LORD, have mercy
Christ, have mercy
LORD, have mercy

Food for children
Care of the sick
Support of compassion
Model of love

Protector of the Church
Wisdom of the poor
Comfort to the afflicted
Hope of all ages
Companion in death

Courageous in spirit
Endurance in trials
Nourishment for our mission
Strength of the Chapter

ALL:

**LORD, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
LORD, have mercy.**

**Lord, hear us.
Lord, hear us
Lord, hear us.
Lord, hear us.**

**Lord, hear us.
Lord, hear us.
Lord, hear us.
Lord, hear us.
Lord, hear us.**

**Lord, hear us.
Lord, hear us.
Lord, hear us.
Lord, hear us.**

True Paschal Lamb

Lord, hear us.

Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament

Pray for us.

Saint Joseph

Pray for us.

Saint Peter Julian Eymard

Pray for us.

Saint Paschal Baylon

Pray for us.

Father Lodovico Longari

Pray for us.

Brother Giovanni Nadiani

Pray for us.

Lamb of God who takes away our sins

Have mercy on us

Lamb of God who takes away our sins

Have mercy on us

Lamb of God who takes away our sins

Grant us peace.

O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament
have left us the sacred memorial of your death and resurrection,
grant us to live this mystery
that we may bring forth fruits for the life of the world.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son,
who live and reign in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God for ever and ever.
Amen.