

At the Great Litany:

That, through the grace of His all-holy Spirit, ardent love for God and our neighbour may be kindled within us, that thereby all the passions of our souls and bodies may be utterly consumed, let us pray to the Lord.

That hatred, jealousy, strife and all the other passions which destroy brotherly love, may be uprooted, and that unfeigned love may be sown within us, let us fervently pray to the Lord.

At the Litany of Fervent Supplication

O Lord our God, as Thou art good, mercifully regard the ground of our heart, the love whereof has dried up, and which hath been rendered grievously barren by the thorns of hatred, self-love and countless transgressions; and letting a drop of the grace of Thine all-holy Spirit fall, do Thou richly water it, that it may be fruitful and, out of ardent love for Thee, bring forth the root of all the virtues—the fear of Thee, constant care for the salvation of our neighbour, and the uprooting of hypocrisy, diverse evils, and all the passions. We earnestly entreat Thee, as the Benefactor of all: swiftly hearken and, in that Thou lovest mankind, have mercy.

O Master, Who gavest Thy disciples the new commandment to love one another, actively renew this within our hearts and souls through the grace of Thine all-holy Spirit, that we may in no wise take care for our own benefit, but ever for that which is pleasing unto Thee and for the salvation and good of our neighbour. We pray Thee, O merciful Benefactor, mercifully hearken and have mercy.

O our God, move us, through the grace of Thy Spirit, to have unfeigned love for our neighbour, that we may be made perfect in Thy Love, O Master. For he who thinks that he has love for Thee, yet hates his brother, is a liar, and walks in darkness. Wherefore, O Merciful One, enkindle our souls and hearts with love for Thee and our brethren. We pray Thee, in that Thou art merciful: swiftly hearken and, as Thou art compassionate, have mercy.

Thus do Thou cause Thy love to dwell within us, through the grace of Thine all-holy Spirit, O most compassionate Lord, that, in accordance with Thy commandment, we may truly love not only our brethren and friends, but also our enemies, may do good to those who hate us, and may earnestly strive for their salvation. We pray Thee, O Source of goodness and Abyss of love for mankind: swiftly hearken and, as Thou art compassionate, have mercy.