

# O U R L A D Y O F P E R P E T U A L H E L P

## Frequently Asked Questions About the Ministry of Praise

### Who can be part of this ministry and what is required?

This ministry is for the seniors of our parish, sick, handicapped and homebound. Our members are commissioned at a special Mass or privately in their homes or facilities. You will receive a certificate, cross and prayer book. You may use the prayers that are contained in it or those that you favor. You are asked to volunteer your prayers, joys and hardships daily.

### Why are we called the Ministry of Praise?

“Ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall find, knock and it will be opened unto you.” Prayers of petition and prayers of intercession are mandated by our Lord. But well-rounded prayer life also includes prayers of repentance and thanksgiving. All prayers must include praise of our God who loves and cares for us so much. That is why this ministry is called the Ministry of Praise.

### Will I need to attend special meetings, or pray in church?

#### Are there any dues?

No. Your daily offering of prayers, joys and sufferings is all that is needed.

### What good will your prayers do?

Your prayers will provide a wealth of spiritual treasures that will bring God's blessings on our priests, religious families, youth, and everyone with special needs for strength and direction.

### How will I receive my intentions to pray for?

Every month you will receive a letter from our pastor asking you to pray for special intentions of the parish. Of course, you will add your own intentions.

### Ministry of Praise Commissioning Prayer

Lord God, in your loving kindness you sent your Son to be our shepherd and guide.

Continue to send workers into your vineyard to sustain and direct your people.

Bless NN.,

Let your Spirit uphold them always as he/she takes up his/her new responsibility among the people of this parish as a Minister of Praise.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen