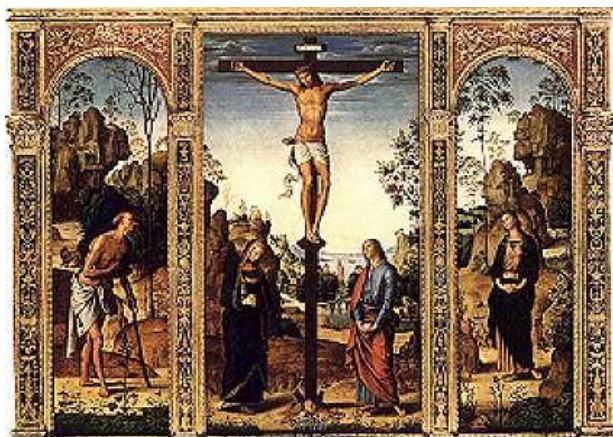


Catholic Prayers: Prayer Before A Crucifix



Behold, O kind and most sweet Jesus,
I cast myself upon my knees in Thy sight,
and with the most fervent desire of my soul
I pray and beseech Thee that Thou wouldst impress upon my heart
lively sentiments of faith, hope and charity,
with true contrition for my sins, and a firm purpose of amendment,
while with deep affection and grief of soul
I ponder within myself and mentally contemplate Thy five Wounds,
having before my eyes that which David, thy prophet, spoke of Thee, my Jesus:

"They have pierced My hands and My feet,
they have numbered all My bones."

Pray: *Our Father*

Pray: *Hail Mary*

Pray: *Glory Be*

for the Holy Father's intentions