

# Saint Titus Brandsma

## Prayer of the Faithful



### *Introduction*

We are born into eternal life by dying to self. As we rejoice to share with Saint Titus Brandsma the faith that he professed at so high a cost, let us turn our thoughts and prayers to the needs of all people.

### *Intentions*

1. For the Church, corporate witness to Christ and all He stood for: that it may be united in courageously presenting to the world the good news of freedom from sin and death.
2. For all who govern us: that they may they guide us with justice and compassion, so that the dignity of all may be respected.
3. For all Christians who must suffer for bearing witness to their faith: that they may not yield to hatred, that they may have the courage to continue through the 'dark tunnel' and know that at the end the eternal light is shining for them.
4. For Carmelites everywhere: may Mary be our example so that, bearing God within us, our lives may radiate mercy and compassion and bring forth Christ for our world.
5. For peace in our time: through the intercession of Saint Titus, who found his 'deepest peace' in the Lord, may human hearts, especially those intent on war, be set free from fear, hatred, and violence, enabling the spirit and love of Christ to live in the hearts of all.
6. For the homeless, for migrants, for refugees, for those displaced on account of war or natural disaster: that the hearts of men and women may be moved to reach out to them with compassion and practical help.
7. For our young people, the future of our Church and of our world: that the example of Saint Titus may inspire them to lives of courageous faith.
8. For those who have died needlessly through violence, and for those who have died recently (N & N), and for (N & N), whose anniversaries occur. That they may have life without end.

### *Concluding Prayer*

God, Our Father,  
as we give thanks for the canonisation of Saint Titus Brandsma,  
who gave his life for you,  
grant, we pray, that his love for you even unto death,  
may direct our gaze without wavering  
towards the light of your Glory.  
We make our prayer through Christ, Our Lord.  
Amen.