

Prayer of Commendation

Into your hands, Father of mercies,
we commend to you our departed brothers and sisters
in the sure and certain hope that,
together with all who have died in Christ,
they will rise with Christ on the last day!



We do give you thanks for all of the blessings
That you bestowed upon them in this life:
They are signs to us of your goodness
and of their fellowship with the saints in Christ.

Merciful Lord,
turn toward us and listen to our prayers.
Open the gates of paradise to your servants who have died
and help us who remain to comfort one another
with assurances of faith, until we all meet in Christ and are with you
and with our brothers and sisters forever.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen!

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
And let perpetual life shine on them forever.
May they rest in peace! May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen!

Saint Matthew Parish Community Prayer – November 2025