

MONTHLY INTENTIONS OF PRAYER OFS-YOUFRA:

To underline the communion with the Pope, we offer **the intention of the Holy Father for the month** and an **intention for OFS** according to the life and important events of the Order.

Local Fraternities pray for both.

<u>2023</u>	
January	<p><u>For educators</u> - We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all. OFS: For the national fraternities of Singapore, Malaysia, Chad, Albania, Belarus and Rwanda. <i>Our Father...</i></p>
February	<p><u>For Parishes</u> - We pray that parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need. OFS: For the national fraternities of Panama, Switzerland, Dominican Republic and Japan. <i>Our Father...</i></p>
March	<p><u>For victims of abuse</u> - We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering. OFS: For the national fraternities of Uruguay, Panama, Japan, Central Republic of Africa, and CIOFS Presidency. <i>Our Father...</i></p>
April	<p><u>For a culture of peace and non-violence</u> - We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens. OFS: For the national fraternities of Philippines, Hong Kong-Macau, Paraguay, Japan and Denmark. <i>Our Father...</i></p>
May	<p><u>For church movements and groups</u> - We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world. OFS: For the national fraternities of Denmark and IX Latin American Congress OFS/YouFra. <i>Our Father...</i></p>
June	<p><u>For the abolition of torture</u> - We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families. OFS: For the national fraternities of Venezuela and Pakistan. <i>Our Father...</i></p>
July	<p><u>For a Eucharistic life</u> - We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters. OFS: For the success of the International gathering of YouFra in Portugal. <i>Our Father...</i></p>
August	<p><u>For World Youth Day</u> - We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives. OFS: For the national fraternities of USA (VFP). <i>Our Father...</i></p>
September	<p><u>For people living on the margins</u> - We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance. OFS: For the national fraternity of Netherlands VFP <i>Our Father...</i></p>

October	<p><u>For the Synod</u> - We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world</p> <p><u>OFS:</u> For the OFS emerging fraternities and in difficulties. <i>Our Father...</i></p>
November	<p><u>For the Pope</u> - We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.</p> <p><u>OFS:</u> For the CIOFS Presidency. <i>Our Father...</i></p>
December	<p><u>For persons with disabilities</u> - We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the centre of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.</p> <p><u>OFS:</u> For the unity of OFS and YouFra in the World. <i>Our Father...</i></p>