

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.

2022	
January	<p><u>For true human fraternity</u> – We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.</p> <p><u>OFS:</u> For the national fraternities of Benin, Togo and Costa Rica. <i>Our Father...</i></p>
February	<p><u>For religious sisters and consecrated women</u> – We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.</p> <p><u>OFS:</u> For the national fraternities of Argentina and Venezuela. <i>Our Father...</i></p>
March	<p><u>For a Christian response to bioethical challenge</u> – We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.</p> <p><u>OFS:</u> For the national fraternities of Austria, Bolivia, Portugal and Romania and for the success of the school of formation in Argentina. <i>Our Father...</i></p>
April	<p><u>For health care workers</u> – We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.</p> <p><u>OFS:</u> For the CIOFS Presidency and for the national fraternity of Cuba. <i>Our Father...</i></p>
May	<p><u>For faith-filled young people</u> – We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary’s life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.</p> <p><u>OFS:</u> For the fraternity of Canada. <i>Our Father...</i></p>
June	<p><u>For families</u> – We pray for Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives.</p> <p><u>OFS:</u> For the national fraternity of El Salvador. <i>Our Father...</i></p>
July	<p><u>For the elderly</u> – We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.</p> <p><u>OFS:</u> For the unity and cooperation and collaboration of local and National fraternities. <i>Our Father...</i></p>

August	<p><u>For small business</u> – We pray for small and medium sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities. OFS: For the national fraternity of Brazil. <i>Our Father...</i></p>
September	<p><u>For the abolition of the death penalty</u> – We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country. OFS: For the whole world suffering from Covid-19 disease and especially for health workers. <i>Our Father...</i></p>
October	<p><u>For a Church open to everyone</u> – We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality. OFS: For the national fraternities of USA and France. <i>Our Father...</i></p>
November	<p><u>For children who suffer</u> – We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection. OFS: For the CIOFS Presidency. <i>Our Father...</i></p>
December	<p><u>For volunteer not-for-profit organisations</u> – We pray that volunteer non-profit organisations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation. OFS: For the better collaboration between OFS and YouFra in the World. <i>Our Father...</i></p>