



Prayer to Servant of God, Rose Hawthorne (Mother Mary Alphonsa, O.P.)

Rose Hawthorne, daughter of author Nathaniel Hawthorne, gave up her comfortable life to care for poor people who had cancer. She trained as a nurse at MSK in 1896. She founded the Congregation of Saint Rose of Lima, known as the Hawthorne Dominicans, in 1890. They continue her care for poor people who have cancer.

Lord God, in your special love for the sick, the poor, and the lonely, you raised up *Rose Hawthorne* to be the servant of those afflicted by cancer.

May her example of selfless charity inspire us to see the face of Christ in our suffering neighbors and to love them as ourselves. Through her intercession, give health to the sick, hope to the downcast, strength to the weary, and comfort to the sorrowful. Come to our aid in the hour of our need and, according to your great wisdom and love, grant the favor we so ardently desire (here make your request) through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Most Holy Eucharist. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never let me be separated from you. Amen.

Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from the side of Christ, wash me. Passion of Christ, strengthen me. O good Jesus, hear me. Within your wounds conceal me. Do not let me be parted from you. From the evil foe, protect me. At the hour of my death, call me. And bid me come to you, to praise you with all your saints forever and ever. Amen.

Resources for Our Patients

- Bibles
- Rosaries
- Prayer cards
- Other devotional items

Priests

Catholic priests from the Dominican Friars Health Care Ministry of New York come to Memorial Sloan Kettering (MSK) every day. They are available to visit with patients, their loved ones, and caregivers. You can ask for a visit from a priest by calling Spiritual Care Services at 212-639-5982.

Priests are also available for urgent requests. Please ask someone on your care team or an MSK staff member to call for a priest.

Sacraments

The Catholic priests at MSK are available to hear Confessions and administer the Anointing of the Sick. Priests and other ministers of Holy Communion also bring the Eucharist to patients, visitors, and staff.

Masses

The Catholic Mass is celebrated on Sundays, Thursdays, and holy days of obligation at noon. The location is the All Faith Chapel by the lobby on the first floor.

You can also watch all Masses on TV in MSK patient rooms on Chapel Channel 109.1.

Masses and other services are also celebrated at these local churches:

The Church of Saint Catherine of Siena is on East 68th Street (between First and York Avenues)

The Church of Saint John Nepomucene is on First Avenue (between East 66th and East 67th Streets)



Catholic Prayers

Sign of the Cross

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Lord's Prayer (Our Father)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Hail Mary

Hail Mary, full of grace. The Lord is with thee. Blessed are thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Glory Be

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Hail Holy Queen

Hail holy queen, mother of mercy.
Hail our life, our sweetness, and our hope.
To thee do we cry, poor banished
children of Eve. To thee to we send up
our sighs, mourning and weeping in this
valley of tears. Turn then, most gracious
advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us
and, after this our exile, show unto us
the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus
Christ, His only son, our Lord, who was
conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the
Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried. He
descended into hell; on the third day He
rose again from the dead. He ascended
into heaven and is seated at the right hand
of the Father Almighty; from there he will
come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy
Catholic Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of
the body, and life everlasting.

