

# **A Prayer for Nurses with St. Alexius**<sup>1</sup>

Spirit of The Living GOD,

    bless the work of our bodies, minds and spirits.

        In planning, creating and doing,

            grant us the compassion to listen

                patiently to each person we encounter.

Grant us joyful moments

    in the midst of human suffering and sorrow.

        Fill us with reverence for one another

            and gratitude for our diversity.

Nourish our spirit with the awareness

    that all life is holy.

        May our work be a reflection

            of all that is good within us.

We ask this in Your Name,

    O Holy King of The Universe,

        Father, Son and Holy Spirit,

            and through the intercession of Saint Alexius, AMEN!

## **PSALM 86:4-5**<sup>2</sup>

Rejoice the soul of Thy servant:

    for unto Thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

        For Thou, Lord, art good, and ready to forgive;

            and plenteous in mercy unto all them that call upon Thee!

## **I THESSALONIANS 5:9-10**<sup>3</sup>

For GOD hath not appointed us to wrath,

    but to obtain salvation by our Lord JESUS CHRIST,

        Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep,

            we should live together with Him!

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<sup>1</sup> Adapted from "Prayer to St. Alexius," Patron Saint of The Alexian Brothers, Nurses and Travelers (410 to 460 AD), who lived a life of piety and poverty in His love for GOD and others. Alexian Brothers. <http://www.alexianbrothers.org/>.

<sup>2</sup> King James Version Bible, PSALM 86:4-5.

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