

RITUAL OF CARMELITE TERTIARIES: THE GENERAL ABSOLUTION

The following form may be provided for confessors, to be placed in the confessional. The General Absolution may be given once for each feast day by the confessor after a sacramental absolution on the day most convenient from the vigil through the Octave of the feast day. The tertiary is advised to make known the desired General Absolution at the beginning of the confession. The priest would give the General Absolution after the sacramental absolution. A Plenary Indulgence is granted under the usual conditions (Found in Part III, Chapter X of the Tertiary Manual).

§ X.—THE GENERAL ABSOLUTION

The General Absolution with plenary indulgence may be given to the Tertiaries by the respective Superior, or failing such, by any priest approved for confessions, on the following feasts or any day most convenient during the octaves of the same, either publicly or privately¹ or privately on their vigils by the confessor after sacramental absolution.²

1. Christmas, December 25th.
- *2. Circumcision, January 1st.
- *3. Epiphany, January 6th.
4. Easter.
- *5. Ascension.
6. Pentecost.
- *7. Blessed Trinity.
8. Corpus Christi.
- *9. Sacred Heart.
10. Purification of the Blessed Virgin, February 2nd.
- *11. Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin, March 25th.

¹ Benedict XV, September 21st, 1919.

² Pius X, November 23rd, 1904.—The asterisk shows the General Absolution granted to Tertiaries in virtue of communication of privileges.

- *12. Visitation of the Blessed Virgin, July 2nd.
Assumption, August 15th.
Nativity of the Blessed Virgin, September 8th.
Presentation of the Blessed Virgin, November 21st.
- *16. Immaculate Conception, December 8th.
17. St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin, March 19th, and on the Solemnity (Patronage), Wednesday after the second Sunday after Easter.
- *18. Holy Apostles SS. Peter and Paul, June 29th.
- *19. St. Elias, Prophet, July 20th.
20. St. Teresa, October 15th.
- *21. St. John of the Cross, November 24th.
- *22. All Saints, November 1st.
23. All Saints of our Order, November 14th.
Every day during Holy Week.
At the conclusion of the Canonical Visitation, to be given by the Visitor.

SHORT FORM

If this Indulgence is given immediately after the Sacramental Absolution, the Priest, omitting the other prayers, commences simply with the words Dominus noster, etc., and so continues to the end, only changing the plural for the singular number. If circumstances do not permit him to use the whole formula, the Priest omitting the rest will say :

Auctoritate a Summis Pontificibus mihi concessa, plenariam omnium peccatorum tuorum Indulgentiam tibi impertior. In nomine Patris, et Filii, ✠ et Spiritus Sancti. Amen.

By the authority conferred upon me by the Sovereign Pontiffs, I grant you a plenary Indulgence of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

LONG FORM

Dominus noster Jesus Christus, qui Beato Petro Apostolo dedit potestatem ligandi atque solvendi, Ille vos absolvat ab omni vinculo delictorum, ut habeatis vitam æternam, et vivatis in sæcula sæculorum. R. Amen.

Per sacratissimam Passionem et mortem Domini nostri Jesu Christi; precibus et meritis Beatissimæ semper Virginis Mariæ, beatorum Apostolorum Petri et Pauli, beati Patris nostri Eliæ, beate Matris nostræ Theresiæ, et omnium Sanctorum, auctoritate a Summis Pontificibus mihi concessa, plenariam Indulgentiam omnium peccatorum vestrorum vobis impertior. In nomine Patris et Filii ✠ et Spiritus Sancti. Amen.

May Our Lord Jesus Christ, Who has given to the blessed Apostle Peter the power of binding and loosing, Himself absolve you from all the chains of sin, that you may have eternal life, and live for ever and ever. R. Amen.

Through the most Sacred Passion and Death of Our Lord Jesus Christ, and by the prayers and merits of the Most Blessed Mary ever Virgin, of the blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, of our blessed Father Elias, our holy Mother Teresa and all the Saints, by the authority committed to me by the Sovereign Pontiffs, I grant you full forgiveness of all your sins in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, ✠ and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.