

**THE REMEMBRANCE OF THE
MARTYRDOM OF THE VENERABLE
OSCAR ROMERO OF EL SALVADOR,
MARTYR AND CONFESSOR
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A LITANY OF REMEMBRANCE AND SALVATION

✝ God of witness and memory --

Lord, have mercy

Vindicator of the poor -- *Christ, have mercy*

Spirit bearing justice -- *Lord, have mercy.*

Response: We will not forget.

Let us remember this day all people who
are killed in wars – *we will not forget*
tortured in jails,
disappeared in the night,
starved for food,
subjected to oppression,
driven from their homes,
beaten and raped,
unlawfully imprisoned,
denied religious liberty,
excluded from economic opportunity,
marginalized by poverty,
targeted by racial and cultural prejudices,
silenced by violence and injustice.

Response: Save us O Lord. . .

From the marginalization of poverty –
Save us O Lord

From the silence of the disappeared,
From the ruthless thirst for power and profit,
From the despair of homelessness,
From demonic structures of sin,
From economic exploitation,
From the culture of death,
From the lure of materialism,
From greed for money,
From covetousness of possessions,

From material wealth and power,
From alienation and anger,
From the politicization of all life,
From the exploitation of the maquiladoras,
From the demand for instant gratification,
From the lies of politicians,
From the scourge of war,
From the cruelty of transnational
corporations,
From the denials of human dignity,

Response: Pray for us. . .

Holy Mary, Mother of God – *pray for us*
St. Joseph – *pray for us*
St. John the Baptist,
St. Francis of Assisi,
St. John of God,
Venerable Pierre Toussaint,
St. Moses the Moor,
St. Rose of Lima,
St. Peter Claver,
St. Rose Duchesne,
St. Martin de Porres,
St. Gaspar del Bufalo,
Blessed Maria Mattias,
St. Maximilian Kolbe,
Ugandan Martyrs,
St. Andrew Duc Lac & all Vietnamese
Martyrs,
Blessed Frederic Ozanam,
St. Katherine Drexel,
St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross,
Martyrs of the Americas,
Venerable Matthew Talbot,
St. Francis Xavier Cabrini,
St. Vincent de Paul,
St. Louise Marillac,
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton,
St. Mary MacKillop,
Blessed Kateri Tekawitha,
Mother Mary Elizabeth Lange,

Henriette Delille,
Mother Teresa of Calcutta,
Ita Ford,
Maura Clarke,
Dorothy Kazel,
Jean Donovan,
Barbara Ann Muttra,
Shirley Kolmer,
Mary Joel Kolmer,
Agnes Mueller,
Kathleen McGuire,
Ignacio Ellacuría
Segundo Montes
Ignacio Martín-Baró
Juan Ramón Moreno
Armando López
Joaquín López y López
Julia Elba Ramos
Celina Ramos
John Wesley
Phineas Bresee,
Dietrich Bonhoeffer,
Martin Luther King, Jr.
Dorothy Day,
Peter Maurin,
Stanley Rother,
Venerable Archbishop Oscar Romero,

Open our ears so that we hear and
remember the tragedy, joy, despair, and
hope of the voices that call to us and to
history for justice, reconciliation, and peace.

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.*

✝ Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God, *that
we may be made worthy of the promises of
Christ. Amen. Our Father. . .*