



Servant of God
Father Thomas Frederick Price

Heavenly Father, You so inspired Father Thomas Frederick Price with love for You and zeal for the Gospel that he dedicated his life to serve You and Your Church, first in North Carolina, his home state, and then in the foreign missions. Grant that by his example we may grow in holiness and into a deeper union with Our Lord Jesus Christ. Help us to be authentic witnesses of the Gospel and proclaim the Holy Name of Jesus throughout the Diocese of Raleigh and to all the people and in all the places we are sent to love and serve.

If it be according to Your Will, glorify Your servant,
Father Thomas Frederick Price, by granting the favor I (we) now request
through his prayerful intercession (*mention your request here*)

I (we) make this prayer confidently through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

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Father Price was born in Wilmington, North Carolina, in 1860. He studied at St. Mary's Seminary in Baltimore and was ordained to the priesthood in 1886. In 1899, following years of service as a pastor and missionary throughout North Carolina, Fr. Price established an orphanage near Raleigh, and three years later, a preparatory school to train men for the North Carolina missions. He wrote for and edited two magazines that helped to spread the Catholic Faith to a national readership. In 1908, he began writing the Blessed Virgin Mary a daily letter, sharing with her the challenges and joys he encountered each day. In 1911, Father Price joined with Father James A. Walsh in founding the American Catholic Foreign Mission Society, popularly known as Maryknoll. In 1918, Father Price led the first Maryknoll missionaries to China. He died one year later and his remains were entombed at the headquarters of Maryknoll in New York, while his heart was buried in France, near the tomb of Saint Bernadette Soubirous, whose example had greatly inspired him.
