## Padre Pio - Prayer Anthology

## Prayer #13

Focus idea: Our lives have been upset by the Covid-19 virus. Many of us have been deeply saddened by events that have taken place in our personal lives and by public events that have taken place throughout the world. Our method of coping with this sadness varies greatly. The one "tried and true" method of coping with any situation is prayer! We need to pray, not just for ourselves and our loved ones, but for all of humanity! How do we feel about our fellow man? Would Jesus approve? Are we doing everything in our power to show kindness, compassion and respect? We need to pray for the inspiration of Jesus in the hearts of EVERY human being. And we need to PRAY HARDER now than EVER BEFORE! God CAN replace bitterness with love. He CAN replace selfishness with selflessness. And He CAN fill all of our hearts with His peace and love, and inspire us to be the best versions of ourselves that we can be! **WE CAN** live in His image and likeness and create a more loving world! And persistent prayer will give us the strength, the courage and the motivation that we need!

## Prayer for the healing of hearts and minds:

Dear Lord, I pray for the healing of the hearts and minds of all of Your children. I pray that You will help them with the struggles that they are going through. Draw them near to You and let them feel Your loving presence. Open their hearts and minds to You, help them to hear Your voice, and lead them in their next steps. I pray that You will calm any fear or anxiety that they may be feeling. Replace it with the courage and confidence to trust in You. I pray that Your guidance will be clear to them. Amen.

Closing thoughts: Tell Jesus what is in your heart. Thank Him for your gifts and most of all, thank Him for loving you with His most sacred heart!