

Let Us Pray

Most loving God,
we adore You and thank You
for your steadfast love.

You have blessed us
with the gift
of the faith-filled life
of Mother Maria Kaupas.

Her deep faith in You,
her fervent love for the Eucharist
and her zeal in deepening the
faith life of others
continue to inspire us to be channels
of your love in the world.
Renew in our lives the gifts of the Spirit
You gave to Mother Maria,
and help us to continue
her spiritual legacy.
Through the intercession of
Mary, our Mother, and St. Casimir,
we ask this in Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

With Ecclesiastical Approbation
Blase Cardinal Cupich
Archbishop of Chicago
March 14, 2018



For favors received through the intercession of
Mother Maria Kaupas, kindly inform:

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Prayer for Beatification

O loving Jesus, we beseech You, grant
that Your servant, Mother Maria, who
was imbued with Your Eucharistic Presence
while on earth, may through the
intercession of Your Immaculate Mother
and Saint Casimir, be glorified by visible
signs and miracles; so that for Your glory
and salvation of souls, she may, by Your
power, be declared Blessed. Amen.

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+Samuel A. Stritch, Archbishop of Chicago

“Always more,
always better,
always with love.”

- Mother Maria Kaupas



Prayer of Petition

Gracious God, we praise and thank you
for your faithfulness and love. You have
blessed us with the example of your servant,
Maria Kaupas, whose deep faith in your
presence, love for the Eucharist and zeal
in fostering the faith life of others continue
to inspire us. Through her intercession, we
pray that (*your intention*). Help us to
continue life's journey with a heart filled
with a profound faith in you and that trust
which is born of love. We ask this through
Jesus, our Lord, and the power of the Spirit.
Amen.

With Ecclesiastical Approbation
Archdiocese of Chicago
July 26, 2000



*Loving
You,
Mother Maria*

**Foundress
Sisters of St. Casimir
Chicago, Illinois**



**Litany of
Venerable Servant of God
Maria Kaupas
1880 - 1940**

Casimira Kaupas

Casimira Kaupas, later Mother Maria, founded the Sisters of St. Casimir in Scranton, PA in 1907, to preserve and nurture the faith life of Lithuanian immigrants in the United States. Prior to coming to Scranton in 1897, to be a housekeeper for her brother, Father Anthony, Casimira had never seen Sisters in her lifetime. Her brother explained that they were “women who lived for God alone.” Upon hearing this and seeing the plight of the Lithuanian immigrants who had no one to teach them, she felt a call to dedicate her life to God and to the service of those in need.

With generosity and a love forgetful of self, Mother Maria dedicated the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Casimir to the apostolic work of the Church. Whether it was educating and fostering the life of faith, caring for the sick in hospitals and nursing homes, she saw it as God’s work. Eventually, the Sisters ministered in 14 States and in Argentina. Upon the request of the Lithuanian Bishops, Mother Maria returned to her homeland in 1920 to establish the Lithuanian Sisters of St. Casimir at the Pazaislis Monastery.

For 27 years, Mother Maria carried out her responsibilities of leading the Sisters of St. Casimir with great humility, charity, and openness to the needs of the times. She died in the Motherhouse in Chicago, IL, on April 17, 1940. Mother was deeply loved and acclaimed as a holy woman. Her holy remains rest in a sarcophagus in the chapel. Mother Maria was declared “Venerable Servant of God” on July 1, 2010. The ongoing process continues in Rome for her beatification/canonization.



Litany of Venerable Servant of God, Maria Kaupas

Lord, have mercy.
Christ have mercy.
Christ, hear us.
Christ, graciously hear us.
God, the Father of Heaven,
have mercy on us.
God, the Son, Redeemer of the World,
have mercy on us.
God, the Holy Spirit,
have mercy on us.
Holy Trinity, One God,
have mercy on us.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us.
St. Joseph,
pray for us.
St. Casimir,
pray for us.
Venerable Servant of God, Maria Kaupas,
pray for us.
Foundress of the Sisters of St. Casimir,
pray for us.
Faithful daughter of the Church,
pray for us.
Reflection of true humility,
pray for us.
Devout lover of the Eucharist,
pray for us.
Unconditional trust in Divine Providence,
pray for us.
Exemplar of deep faith,
pray for us.
Model of prayer and charity,
pray for us.

Example of religious life,
pray for us.
Model of a virtuous life,
pray for us.
Handmaid of God’s love for the world,
pray for us.
A religious after the heart of God,
pray for us.
Teacher of simplicity,
pray for us.
Bearer of spiritual peace,
pray for us.
Model of forgiveness,
pray for us.
Responsive to the needs of others,
pray for us.
Devoted to works of mercy,
pray for us.
Filled with a great love for children and youth,
pray for us.
Dedicated to promoting the life of faith,
pray for us.
Woman of hope,
pray for us.
Called to deepen the faith of immigrants,
pray for us.
Committed to preserve the Christian faith,
pray for us.
Comfort and support for immigrants,
pray for us.
Strength of the suffering and sick,
pray for us.
Model of Christ for those dying in pain,
pray for us.
Model for all in embracing death,
pray for us.