

Procedure for the Blessing and Investiture

of the Scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel

To be eligible for THE SCAPULAR PROMISE, one must be enrolled in the Family of Carmel. This is a simple ceremony, which takes only a moment and can be done by any Carmelite or duly authorized priest. The words used by the priest when enrolling a person in the Confraternity of the Scapular are as follows:

Priest - Show us, O Lord, Your mercy.



Respondent - And grant us Your salvation.

Priest - Lord, hear my prayer.

Respondent - And let my cry come unto You.

Priest - The Lord be with you.

Respondent - And with your spirit.

Priest - Lord Jesus Christ, Saviour of the human race, sanctify by Your power these scapulars, which for love of You and for love of Our lady of Mount Carmel, Your servants will wear devoutly, so that, through the intercession of the same Virgin Mary, Mother of God, and protected against the evil spirit, they persevere until death in Your grace. You who live and reign, world without end. Amen.

THE PRIEST SPRINKLES HOLY WATER AND INVESTS PERSON(S), WHILE SAYING:

Receive this blessed Scapular and beseech the Blessed Virgin that, through Her merits, you may wear it without stain. May it defend you against all adversity and accompany you to eternal life. Amen.

AFTER THE INVESTITURE THE PRIEST CONTINUES WITH THE PRAYERS:

I, by the power vested in me, admit you to participate in all the spiritual benefits obtained through the mercy of Jesus Christ by the Religious Order of Mount Carmel.

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

May God Almighty, the Creator of Heaven and earth, bless you, He who has deigned to join you to the confraternity of the Blessed Virgin Of Mount Carmel; we beseech Her to crush the head of the ancient serpent so that you may enter into possession of your eternal heritage, through Christ our Lord.

Respondent - Amen.

The first Scapular must be blessed and imposed by a Priest using the (above) formula contained in the Roman ritual for reception into the Confraternity of the Scapular.

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