Those Seeking St. Anna's Intercession for the Begetting of Children

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Blessing Over a Childless Couple

Let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mercy. Hear us, O Merciful and All-powerful God, that this petition be fulfilled by Your Grace. Be merciful, O Lord, to our supplications and remember Your statute, by which you ordained the increase of the human race. Mercifully visit us, that this union which is in You, be preserved by Your help. O Truly-gracious God, by Your power You made all things from nothingness, and established a beginning for all things; You made man in the Image of God with the inseparable help of woman; You have ordained that the body of woman conceive with the help of a man, and You taught us that what God has joined together ought never to be sundered. O our God, You sanctified the union of spouses with a high Mystery in which was prefigured the mystical union of Christ with Your Church. The bride is joined to the husband and the first friendship is given a new arrangement with a blessing. Look down, O Merciful One, on these Your servants, N., who are joined together in marriage, and who entreat of You refuge and help, that there be in them such mercy, peace, and joy, that no deed of Satan may be found in them. Let them be fruitful, and let them see their children's children, granting them even third and fourth generations. And let them attain to ripe old age and enter into the heavenly tabernacle. For You are a merciful God, and the Lover of mankind, and to You we ascribe glory: to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

And the priest sprinkles the barren couple with Holy Water.





How to Observe the Canon of Saint Anna Seeking Her Intercession for the Begetting of Children





