

**17 MARTIE  
NATALIA GARLAND  
RUGĂCIUNEA  
SF.CUVIOS  
MACARIE DE LA KALIAZIN  
A Prayer**

Saint Macarius, we humbly bow before you and request your blessings upon our lives. We are in great need, for we are buffeted in every way by malevolent factions, by worldly opposition, and by the various disguises of sinfulness as foundations of goodness. We are in much distress, for we suffer from bodily ailments and emotional wounds. We are in profound grief, for we feel time has slipped away in busyness and we have yet to truly repent in the wilderness.

Help us, O holy wonderworker, to go forth in faith and trust, to renounce all ungodliness, to learn the truths of our own history, and to inherit the spirituality of the saints and elders. Rid us of our inner tendencies toward passions and direct us on the path to the virtues. Make us holy, for we wish everyone

around us to be drawn to holiness and to be rescued from the abyss of unrighteousness.

Spare us, Saint Macarius, from the negative consequences we deserve, for you are meek and generous and because God desires the salvation of the sinner. We wish to inherit your love of work and prayer, your fidelity to the Church, and your compassion for the suffering. Guide us, Saint Macarius, so that we stray not from the narrow path and that we find all delight in the God Who created us. Amen.

