

**A Litany for the death of a pet.**

O God, Creator and sustainer of the birds of the air, the beasts of the field, and the fish of the sea, sustain us in our sorrow. Help us to recognize the fragility of all life, and to therefore cherish the precious time we are given. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

**Psalm 148:7-13**

**Prayers:**

O God, our maker, we pray for all pets of the world that they may have good homes.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Grant that all pet owners may provide loving care for your creatures.

Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for all who serve our pets that they recognize our pets as truly members of our family.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Grant us the wisdom to recognize the blessing of having had\_\_\_\_\_ with us in our family.

Lord, hear our prayer.

May the owners and friends of \_\_\_\_\_ receive comfort and peace from the knowledge of your eternal love and grace.

Lord, hear our prayer.

We praise you for the pets of your saints, who have gone before: for Dame Julian's cat, for the dolphins who led St. Brendan safely to land, for the wolf tamed by St. Brigid, for all the animals who loved St. Francis and for all animals everywhere.

Lord, hear our prayer.

**Closing Prayer:**

Dear God, We give thanks for the life of \_\_\_\_\_ and the love and companionship we shared. We will miss her, but in the midst of our sorrow we recognize the blessings s/he brought to us. Just as you are aware of every sparrow that falls, be with him/her at this time. In the name of Jesus Christ, your Son, who died for us. Amen