



**A PRAYER IN PREPARATION  
FOR THE PILGRIMAGE TO SANTIAGO DI COMPOSTELLA**

As we prepare for our pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostella, we remind ourselves of the reasons for our resolve to go on this holy pilgrimage. Santiago de Compostella is a monument to the devotion of the people of God. Pilgrims have gone there in great numbers to be strengthened in the Christian way of life and to become more determined to devote themselves to the works of charity. We must also try to bring something to the people of Santiago de Compostella who live there: our example of faith, hope and love. In this way both they and we will be enriched by the help we give each other.



**Merciful Lord,**  
You always show mercy toward those who love you  
and you are never far away for those who seek you.  
Remain with your pilgrims on this holy pilgrimage  
and guide their way in accord with your will  
Shelter them with your protection by day,  
give them the light of your grace by night,  
and, as their companion on the journey,  
bring them to Santiago de Compostella in safety.  
We ask you this through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

