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### **Should the Holy Father RETURN TO THE LORD**

#### **FOR MASS ON SUNDAY (should the Holy father RETURN TO THE LORD)**

**(No Alteration of the opening prayer)**

#### **Universal Prayer**

For the Soul of our Holy father Pope John Paul II,  
grant him Lord your mercy, that he may obtain eternal  
fellowship with You in whom he hoped, trusted  
and so faithfully served  
we pray to the Lord.

#### **Prayer after Communion**

Let us Pray  
Almighty God,  
may the Easter sacraments we have received  
live forever in our minds and hearts, and by its power bring the soul  
your servant our Holy father Pope John Paul II  
the peace of your eternal home.

Grant this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

#### **FOR MASS ON MONDAY (should the Holy father RETURN TO THE LORD)**

#### **Opening Prayer**

O God, from your infinite wisdom you were pleased to number  
Your Humble servant John Paul II, among the sovereign Pontiffs;  
grant we beseech You, that John Paul II who reigned as the vicar

of Your Son on earth, may be joined with the Your Holy Pontiffs and saints forevermore. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen

### **Prayer over the gifts**

O Lord receive the sacrifice which we offer on behalf of Your servant John Paul II, you willed him to be chosen as the vicar of Christ on earth. May in your mercy, now number him among Your chosen ones in the Kingdom of heaven. Through Christ our Lord.

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*Excerpts from the Rituale Romanum Various prayers for the dead, For a deceased Pope.*

Readings and Psalms are found in the Weekday Missal, Masses for the Dead during Easter Season from Page 1990cf