

Prayer Before a Date

Dear Little Saint Maria Goretti!

Teach me that God must be my first love and that all other love is based on Him and Him alone. Obtain for me the grace to cease toying with the occasions of sin and to remember that my body and the bodies of all in grace are temples of the Holy Spirit, destined someday for a glorious resurrection.

I entrust the purity and safety of my future spouse who I don't know yet but God does, to your care and prayers. Through your beautiful example, teach me the value and dignity of Christian purity.

Grant that I may never be the occasion of dragging others into hell, by suggestive words, the way I dress, or evil deeds of any kind. Through the merits of your Martyrdom, obtain for me the grace to turn aside from sin, no matter what the cost, so that one day I may enjoy Heaven with you and all the other saints.

Amen