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**All:** And grant us Thy salvation.

**Priest:** O Lord, hear my prayer.

**All:** And let my cry come unto Thee

**Priest:** The Lord be with you.

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**All:** O Lord Jesus Christ, Savior of mankind, \* by Thy right hand sanctify + (these) | (this) Scapular \* which Thy servants will devoutly wear for the love of Thee \* and of Thy Mother, the Blessed Virgin Mary of Mount Carmel; \* so that, by her intercession, \* they maybe protected from the wickness of the (enemy) | (devil and his demonic legion) and persevere in Thy grace until death; \* Who livest and reigns for ever and ever.

*The priest now sprinkles the Scapular with Holy Water, after which he places the Scapular on each one of the recipients who will be wearing it saying:*

**Priest:** Receive this blessed Scapular and ask the Most Holy Virgin that, by her merits, it may be worn with no stain of sin and may protect you from all harm and bring you into everlasting life.

**All:** Amen

**Priest:** By the power granted to me, I admit you to a share in all the spiritual works performed, with the merciful help of Jesus Christ, by the Religious of Mount Carmel; + \* in the name of the Father, \* and of the Son \* and of the Holy Spirit.

**Priest:** May Almighty God, Creator of Heaven and earth, bless + you \* whom He has been pleased to receive into the Confraternity of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Mount Carmel! \* We beg her to crush the head of the ancient serpent in the hour of your death, \* and, in the end, to obtain for you the palm and the crown of your everlasting inheritance. \* Through Christ, Our Lord. Amen

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