



## DARWIN RAMOS

1994 - 2012

**Darwin Ramos** was born in a poor family in Manila, on December 17th 1994. In spite of an illness that atrophied his muscles, and soon prevented him from being able to stand, he was forced to beg in the streets to support his family.

In 2006, he was received by the Tulay ng Kabataan Foundation which takes care of street children. He was baptized on December 23<sup>rd</sup>, then he received communion and was confirmed a year later. His faith was simple and profound, rooted in prayer and thanks-giving. All through his illness, he was in a deep union with Christ on the Cross, and full of hope. He was radiant with joy, and comforted the children of the Foundation.

On September 16<sup>th</sup> 2012, his illness became more severe. He then experienced a true Holy Week: on Thursday, an inner struggle, on Friday, he wrote with great peace: *"A huge thank you. I am very happy."* After a silent Saturday, he died on Sunday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> 2012.

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## Prayer for God's Servant

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O GOD of all Joy, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
you never leave alone  
those who are in a time of trial.

We thank you for giving us,  
in Darwin Ramos, a street child,  
an illuminating example of Christian life.

During his short life  
you gave him the grace  
of simple never-failing faith,  
of joyful hope in illness,  
of endless charitable concern for his neighbor.

We pray you grant your servant Darwin  
glorification on earth  
so that young and sick people  
may find in him a master of Joy.

Through his intercession, hear our prayer,  
*(express it here).*

We ask this, through Jesus-Christ, our Lord.  
Amen.

*Our Father/Hail Mary/Glory to the Father.*



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the Filipino master of Joy

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