

**Prayer for the intercession, beatification and canonisation of
Paul Takashi Nagai and Marina Midori Moriyama**

O merciful Father
who never leave your children alone on the journey of life,
we thank You for giving
to all believers and to the whole world
Paul Takashi Nagai and his wife Marina Midori.

Midori, after leading her bridegroom to friendship with You,
in humble dedication to her vocation,
showed him the way of perfect charity.

Together, in trusting abandonment to Your will,
they have given their face to the Good that Your Providence
knows how to draw even from evil and have become
the announcement of hope and testimonials of charity
for the wounded people.

After the death of his bride,
walking in deep poverty of spirit,
Takashi experienced in the atomic desert
the tenderness of Your friendship and,
witness of grace and of the hundredfold,
he regenerated in his people the taste for life
and the courage to rebuild.

Grant us all,
through the intercession of these spouses,
the grace to respond to our personal
call to holiness
and grant us, if it is to Your greater glory,
the grace we are imploring (...)
in the hope that these spouses may soon
be counted among Your Saints.

Through Christ our Lord.

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*** Joseph Mitsuaki Takami, Archbishop of Nagasaki
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