

Let us pray to God, our loving Father, and present our needs and petitions confident that he knows what we need in these and all things:

1. For the whole church as we grow in wisdom and in the Spirit; for a growing commitment to follow Christ as the way, the truth, and the life, let us pray to the Lord.
2. For our continued prayer for the cessation of this pandemic, for the transformation of the hearts and minds of our country and of the entire world to honor and protect the good earth that God has given us, and for the acceptance of our own failures to do so, let us pray to the Lord.
3. For a spirit of love and compassion for those who are in nursing homes and have increased vulnerability to the virus; for a prompt response from our leaders and from all to assist them with the materials, personnel, and equipment they need to survive, and for a greater sense of honor and reverence to the life of elders among us, let us pray to the Lord.
4. For courage and strength for those who have lost their jobs and are struggling to get food and care for their families, for our compassionate hearts to reach out to them in the name of Jesus and for hope for those who despair, let us pray to the Lord.
5. For gratitude and support for all workers who are feeding us, protecting our health, cleaning our garbage, caring for our children, and reaching out to all in need during this crisis, for them to experience strength and encouragement from our outreach to them, let us pray to the Lord.
6. For those among us who have doubts of faith and are troubled by fear, depression, and loneliness, for an outpouring of the mercy of Christ among for all who are suffering, let us pray to the Lord.
7. For the mothers and grandmothers of our parish community; for women who are pregnant especially those who feel alone and separated from their loved ones, for those who are struggling with their pregnancy, for courage and compassion for all of us to reach out to them and bring the comfort of Jesus's mercy into their lives, let us pray to the Lord.
8. For those who have died, especially mothers and grandmothers, and especially those who have died or are dying separated from their children and loved ones, for strength for the health care providers that assist them in their passing into a new life, for those who need our love and compassion especially for all those whom we now lift up in silent prayer, ...[pause]...let us pray to the Lord.

**Prayer: Loving God and Father,
You sent your Son to accompany us in our journey
and to show us the way, the truth, and the life,
Hear our prayers that our hearts may not be troubled
but filled with faith in your care for us.**

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen