

OPENING PRAYER

Sign of the Cross

Reflection (by Pope Francis, “Angelus Address” / November 1, 2017)

Prayer

Leader: Let us pray.

***All: We praise you, O God,
and we honor all your holy ones.***

***We ask the help of those men and women
who struggled against evil and stood firm,
who loved one another,
who worked for justice and peace,
who healed the sick and fed the hungry.***

***We on earth and they in heaven
sing one song of praise.
We in grace and they in glory
form one communion in Christ, Your Son.***

***Make us and all those we love
worthy to be called your saints.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.***

Amen.



MID-SESSION PRAYER

Litany of Thanksgiving



God Most High,

Before your son fed the multitudes, he first gave thanks.
Before he raised his friend Lazarus, he first gave thanks,
That all might know your glory.

And so, as we are blessed to do your works in the world,
That all, indeed, might know your glory
We thank you and praise you, O Lord.

For the grace to feed the poor ...

❖ ... *we thank you and praise you, O Lord.*

For the grace to heal the sick ...

❖ ... *we thank you and praise you, O Lord.*

For the grace to lift up the broken ...

❖ ... *we thank you and praise you, O Lord.*

For the grace to harbor the refugee ...

❖ ... *we thank you and praise you, O Lord.*

For the grace to aid the endangered ...

❖ ... *we thank you and praise you, O Lord.*

For the grace to speak on behalf of the marginalized and vulnerable ...

❖ ... *we thank you and praise you, O Lord.*

For the grace to be for the prisoner, the addict, the lost, the outcast,
the dying

What your son has been for us

A comfort, a beacon, a shepherd, a rabbi, a healer, a hope

The salt of the earth, the light of the world ...

❖ ... *we thank you and praise you, O Lord.*

Amen

CLOSING PRAYER

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Reflection (On All Souls Day ~ “Time Eclipsed by Love,” by Kathleen Norris)



Prayers for the Dead

Leader: Into your hands, O Lord, we humbly entrust our brothers and sisters who have died.

All: *In this life you embraced them with your tender love; deliver them now from every evil and bid them enter eternal rest.*

Leader: The old order has passed away:

All: *Welcome them into paradise, where there will be no sorrow, no weeping nor pain, but fullness of peace and joy with your Son and the Holy Spirit forever and ever. Amen.*

Leader: Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.

All: *And let perpetual light shine upon them.*

Leader: May they rest in peace.

All: *Amen.*

Leader: May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

All: *Amen.*

All: *May all the saints look after us, and lead us safely home.*

*May they guide our steps in goodness,
befriend us in loneliness,
refresh us in weariness,
and strengthen us in danger.*

*We ask this in the name of Jesus,
who is our Way, our Truth, and our Life,
now and forever.*

Amen.