

Community Prayer:

God our Father, we believe that we are members of your family and that we are called to build up the community of Christ.

Fill us with a spirit of service to one another and to all.

Help us foster a spirit of welcome in our parish community where people feel safe and that they belong; where our brothers and sisters will experience a spirit of love and support, encouragement and a listening, caring, ear.

Spirit of God we pray that the gifts you have distributed among us will be encouraged, enhanced and lived out, reflecting the truth that we are the Body of Christ in this time and place.

Help us to see the links between the events of our lives and the faith we profess.

May we generous and open to growth, give of ourselves and help others in turn to grow.

In grateful response to these gifts you have given to us may we live out our Baptismal vocation to be disciples and friends of Jesus Christ and invite others to do the same by becoming involved in, and by sharing responsibility for, our parish community.

In and through all this, to be a community that witnesses to the good news of the gospel message.

We ask this Christ our Lord. Amen.