

Intercessions

Let us pray that our schools exhibit the ideas that we profess.

That we will continue to provide a disciplined, safe atmosphere in which students are free to grow and take responsibility for their own learning and for the life of the community,

We pray to the Lord...

That we sustain compassionate, respectful relationships among all stakeholders,

We pray to the Lord...

That we continue to maintain union with the Church through commitment to service and formation of community,

We pray to the Lord...

That we encourage each other to give daily witness to our integral role in communal faith formation,

We pray to the Lord...

That we embrace our human condition and welcome God's healing,

We pray to the Lord...

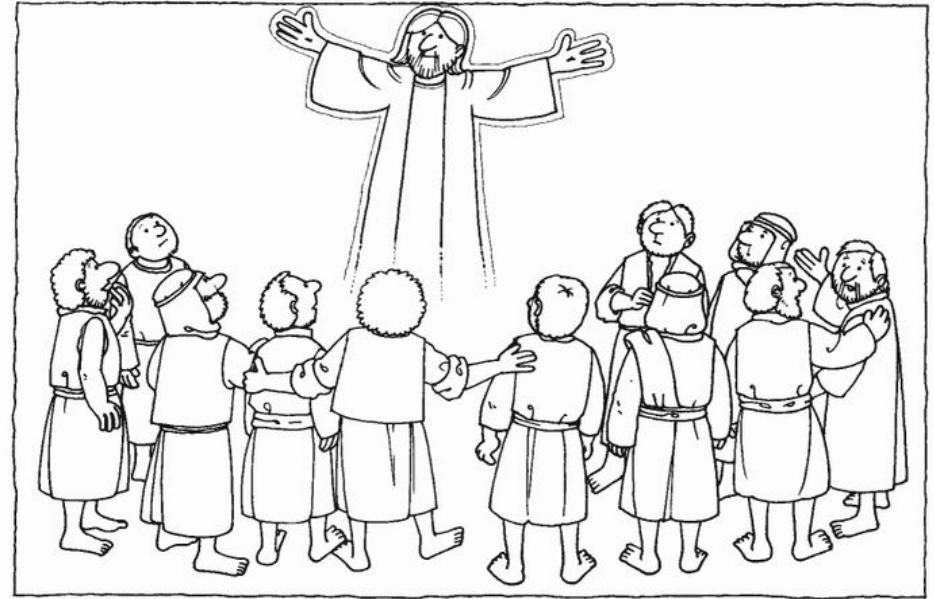
(Spontaneous Intercessions)

Our Father

Closing Prayer:

Grant, all-powerful God,
that your life which we share
may never cease to touch our hearts
with the force of its saving grace.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord
Amen.



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Essential Element IV

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Opening Prayer

Ever-faithful God, by the outpouring of your grace you increase the number of those who believe in you. Keep your chosen ones for ever safe, so that, having been reborn in the waters of baptism, they may be clothed in the robes of immortal glory.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
your Son, who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever.
Amen.

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

*They devoted themselves
to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life,
to the breaking of bread and to the prayers.
Awe came upon everyone,
and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles.
All who believed were together and had all things in common;
they would sell their property and possessions
and divide them among all according to each one's need.
Every day they devoted themselves
to meeting together in the temple area
and to breaking bread in their homes.
They ate their meals with exultation and sincerity of heart,
praising God and enjoying favor with all the people.
And every day the Lord added to their number
those who were being saved.*

Psalm Response

Shout joyfully to God, all the earth;
sing of God's glorious name;
give God glorious praise.
Say to God: "How awesome your deeds!
All the earth falls in worship before you;
they sing of you, sing of your name!"

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Come and see the works of God,
awesome in deeds before the children of Adam.
God changed the sea to dry land;
through the river they passed on foot.
There we rejoiced in our God,
who rules with might forever,

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I will bring burnt offerings to your house;
to you I will fulfill my vows,
Which my lips pronounced
and my mouth spoke in my distress.

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Come and hear, all you who fear God,
while I recount what has been done for me.
I called to God with my mouth;
praise was upon my tongue.

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Had I cherished evil in my heart,
the Lord would not have heard.
But God did hear and listened to my voice in prayer.
Blessed be God, who did not reject my prayer
and refuse me mercy.

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**Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now,
and will be forever. Amen.**

Quiet Reflection

Shared Reflections