

Saint Xavier High School Parent Prayer Group

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Attribute - God of Mothers

(written by Assumption High School)

Praise: Psalm 63:3-5

Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you. I will praise you as long as I live, and in your name I will lift up my hands. I will be fully satisfied, as with the richest of foods; with singing lips my mouth will praise you.

Repentance: Deuteronomy 4: 9

However, be on your guard and be very careful not to forget the things your own eyes have seen, nor let them slip from your heart as long as you live, but make them known to your children and to your children's children. (silent reflection)

Thanksgiving: Luke 2:16-19

So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger. When they had seen him, they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart.

Litany of Thanks: Today I give thanks for . . . [personal intention of thanksgiving]

Intercession: Isaiah 66:13

As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you. (personal intentions)

Intentions:

Almighty God, you have done great things for us. We recall your goodness and pray:

Response: Lord, hear our prayer

We pray for all mothers. May we love and cherish the special women who gave birth to us, nurtured us, and prayed for our well-being. We pray for comfort to those who have lost their mother. We pray for those who hope to become a mother and for expectant mothers. We pray to the Lord. **Response: Lord, hear our prayer.**

We ask the Lord to give courage and hope to mothers as we face uncertainty with our children's future. Help us Lord to put our trust in You and Your perfect plan for our children. Guide us as we work to provide our children a foundation of faith in You. We pray to the Lord. **Response: Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray that the young men of St. X grow in wisdom and stature like Your Son. Surround them with a hedge of protection. Help them to know they are loved by their families and by You. Give them discernment to make careful choices with You in mind, and to pursue a path that honors and glorifies You. We pray to the Lord. ***Response: Lord, hear our prayer.***

We pray for St. X teachers, faculty, and staff. Grant them patience and wisdom. May their instruction reflect Your truth and love. May the Christmas break provide rest and renewed energy. We pray to the Lord. ***Response: Lord, hear our prayer.***

We pray for the students as they prepare for the midterm exams. For the students struggling, may they seek and find the help they need prepare. For the students overly stressed or distracted, help them to find peace and focus as they study. We pray to the Lord. ***Response: Lord, hear our prayer.***

We pray for the protection of our St. X Community during our Christmas break. Help us to not sweat the small stuff and treasure our moments together. Grant us joy in the journey. We pray to the Lord. ***Response: Lord, hear our prayer.***

We pray for those who are buried at Meadowview Cemetery. We pray for those people who have placed their intentions in the St. X prayer book and for all the special intentions of our St. X community. We pray to the Lord. ***Response: Lord, hear our prayer.***

We pray for the respect and the acknowledged sanctity of life from conception to natural death. We ask the Lord to protect the staff and volunteers of the Little Way Pregnancy Center. We pray to the Lord. ***Response: Lord, hear our prayer.***

We pray for peace and comfort for all of those that are grieving the loss of a loved one. We pray to the Lord. ***Response: Lord, hear our prayer.***

We pray for Father Anthony Vinson and our parish priests. Set their souls on fire with love for your people. Grant them the wisdom and strength they need to boldly follow in the footsteps of Jesus. We pray to the Lord. ***Response: Lord, hear our prayer.***

(personal intentions)

Closing: A Mother's Prayer for Her Children:

Dear Lord,

Bless my children in their waking and sleeping, in the food they eat and, in their play, and study. Grant them, O Lord, the right use of your graces and gifts in all they do, in every pursuit of their lives, may they seek to give You glory, and come to share in Your eternal joy.

Direct their steps, O Lord, and lead them along paths that will bring them to You, in peace and love forever.

Amen.