# Saint Xavier High School Parent Prayer Group

November 10, 2023

#### Attribute - God of Wisdom

## **Praise: Matthew 11:25**

Jesus said in reply, "I give praise to you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned you have revealed them to the childlike."

# Repentance: 2 Chronicles 7:14-15

If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land. Now, therefore, my eyes shall be open and my ears attentive to the prayer of this place.

## **Thanksgiving: Colossians 3:15-17**

And let the peace of Christ control your hearts, the peace into which you were also called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, as in all wisdom you teach and admonish one another, singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

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

### **Intercession: Proverbs 9:10-11**

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding. For through wisdom your days will be many, and years will be added to your life.

*Intentions:* Almighty God, you have done great things for us. We recall your goodness and pray: *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. Today we lift up Mrs. Vessels' F Ethics and Morality class. We pray to the Lord. *Response: Lord, hear our prayer.* 

We pray for St. X teachers, faculty, staff and volunteers. Holy Spirit grant them an abundance of patience and wisdom each day. May their instruction teach the students to be disciples of Jesus. We lift up Amy Sample and Paul Colistra, and the members of the St. X Business Office. Give them strength and peace in all circumstances. We pray to the Lord. *Response: Lord, hear our prayer*.

We pray for the families of those buried at Meadowview Cemetery, the 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 staff, volunteers and families attending the St. X Open House November 12. May the families attending see the tremendous blessing St. X is for young men.

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 clients, staff, and volunteers of the Little Way Pregnancy Center. We pray to the Lord. *Response: Lord, hear our prayer*.

We ask you Lord to grant bring peace and comfort to those impacted by the horrors of war. Transform the hearts of the oppressors, so they come to know the forgiveness and repentance only found in Jesus Christ your Son. We pray to the Lord. *Response: Lord, hear our prayer.* 

We pray for our Veterans. Let us be mindful of the cost paid for the liberty we possess. We ask you to bless the members of our armed forces. Give them courage, hope and strength. May they experience your firm support, gentle love and compassionate healing. Be their protector and grant them peace. We pray to the Lord. *Response: Lord, hear our prayer*.

We pray for Father Anthony Vinson, our parish priests, and pastors. 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.* 

#### **Prayer for Students and Parents**

Heavenly Father, You know the students and parents that are struggling and in crisis.

We ask you to lift their burdens, calm their anxiety and quiet their fears.

Surround them with your healing presence so they may know they are not alone.

Holy Spirit, comfort them in their weakness. Give them strength when it feels like they cannot take another step. Reassure them of the unconditional love of the Father.

Inspire their peers and other people to show compassion and support through their challenges.

In Jesus' mighty name we pray. Amen

The righteous cry out, the Lord hears, and he rescues them from all their afflictions. The Lord is close to the brokenhearted, saves those whose spirit is crushed. Psalm 34:18-20

#### **Closing Prayer: A Prayer for Wisdom**

Loving God, You sent us the Holy Spirit to be our Comforter, our Teacher, and our Guide. Allow Your Spirit Lord to comfort me in times of anxieties and worries. Let the Holy Spirit teach me Your ways and guide me in your truth. Develop in me a sensitivity for Your voice.

Teach me to be still and quietly listen. Do not allow the noise of wrong influences and ungodly advice muddle my thoughts and distract me from listening to the right things. Help me focus my hearing on helpful words and advice. Help me stay strong against discouraging and unproductive remarks. Tune my ear to words that provide guidance and direction towards a fruitful life.

Bless me with the wisdom to understand and perceive by faith the plans You have for me. Let the Holy Spirit direct my thoughts and guide my decisions so that I may make the most of your will in my life. Amen.

James 1:5-8 If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.