

Louisville Catholic Schools Joint Prayer Service

September 21, 2022

God of Unity

Verses prepared by the St. Xavier Parent Prayer Group

In the name of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, Amen

Praise: 2 Corinthians 13:11

Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice. Strive for full restoration, encourage one another, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you.

Repentance: Ephesians 4:3-6

Endeavoring to keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body, and one Spirit, even as you are called in one hope of your calling; One Lord, one faith, one baptism, One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all. [silent reflection]

Thanksgiving: Galatians 5:13

You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh, rather, serve one another humbly in love.

Litany of Thanks: *Today I give thanks for ... (personal intention of Thanksgiving).*

Intercession: 1 Corinthians 1:10

I appeal to you brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree with one another in what you say and that there will be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly united in mind and thought.

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

All: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For our sons and daughters that they will realize that although they may be different from one another, they are called to a spirit of unity recognizing the dignity and worth of all God's children.

All: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For the Administration, Leadership and Campus Ministry from each school:

Assumption: Mary Lang, President; Martha Tedesco, Principal

DeSales: Rick Blackwell, President; Anastasia Birk, Principal

Holy Cross: Danielle Wiegandt, President; Jennifer Barz, Principal

Mercy: Becky Montague, President; Dr. Cynthia Smith-Ough, Principal

Presentation: Laura Dills, President; Becca Noonan, Principal

Sacred Heart Schools: Dr. Karen McNay, President, Kelly Lanza,
Principal

Saint Xavier: Paul Colistra, President; Amy Sample, Principal

Trinity: Dr. Rob Mullen '77, President; Dr. Dan Zoller, Principal

All: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For the faculty and teachers from all schools

All: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For the Support Staff: Administrative, maintenance, cafeteria workers, traffic guards from all schools

All: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

For personal intentions you may wish to pray out loud

[After each intention is said. . .]

All: ***Lord, hear our prayer.***

Lord, we ask for blessings from you as we lift these requests for all those participating in and attending the Trinity - Saint Xavier Game

TRINITY READS: 1 Corinthians 10:31 So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God.

All: That all those participating or performing during the game will remember that their gifts and talents come from God and that what they are doing is not for their own sense of pride but for God's glory.

PAUSE, REFLECT AND PRAY

ASSUMPTION READS: 1 Peter 5:7 Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you.

All: That all those participating or performing during the game will cast all their anxieties and fears on the Lord so that they can do their best.

PAUSE, REFLECT AND PRAY

SAINT XAVIER READS: 2 Timothy 2:5 And in the case of an athlete, no one is crowned without competing according to the rules.

All: That the coaches and players will compete and play fairly, as men of integrity and honor.

PAUSE, REFLECT AND PRAY

MERCY READS: Psalm 91:11 For God commands his angels to guard you in all your ways.

All: That you would send your mighty angels to protect all athletes and all those attending the game from any injury or harm. That you would watch over everyone; adults and teens, as they drive to and from the game.

PAUSE, REFLECT AND PRAY

SACRED HEART READS: Matthew 5:16 ... let your light shine before others, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

All: That as Christians, our light will shine before Louisville. That our actions and behaviors will reflect positively on our Catholic community for the benefit of spreading the good news of Christ and praising our Father in heaven.

PAUSE, REFLECT AND PRAY

PRESENTATION READS: Hebrew 12:13 Mark out a straight path for your feet. Then those who follow you, though they are weak and lame, will not stumble and fall but will become strong

All: That all parents and adults will set a good example for all the students according to the standards God sets forth in his Word.

PAUSE, REFLECT AND PRAY

SAINT XAVIER READS: Philippians 1:27 Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ...

All: That the players, coaches, parents, student body and fans of the team who wins and the team who loses will do so with grace and in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ.

PAUSE, REFLECT AND PRAY

TRINITY READS: 3 John 4 I have no greater joy than this, to hear that my children are walking in the truth

All: Lord, our most fervent prayer, is that above all, our children will have a relationship with You and walk according to Your truth. PAUSE, REFLECT AND PRAY

CLOSING PRAYER READ TOGETHER:

Let us be united.

Let us speak in harmony. Let our minds apprehend alike. Common be our prayer. Common be our resolution. Alike be our feelings. Unified be our hearts. And perfect be our unity.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.