

MEETING PRAYERS

Prayer for Wisdom

Grant us, Lord,
to know what is worth knowing,
to love what is worth loving,
to praise what delights you most,
to value what is precious in your sight,
to abstain from what is offensive to you.

Do not let me judge by what I see,
nor pass sentence
according to what I hear,
but to judge rightly
between things that differ,
and above all
to search out and to do
what pleases you.

May the God of all simplicity be with us,
opening us to a clear vision
of what is real and true.

AMEN

Partners in Creation

Praise to you, Lord,
For the wonders of Your creation
and the knowledge, skill and creativity
you entrust to us:
Create in us a meeting place
of your divine action
and our human activity.

Praise to you, Lord,
For opening our eyes to recognize your presence
in those who come under our care,
and those who share with us
the work of revealing
your love to the world.

We thank you, Lord:
for the gift of life;
for calling us to continue the work
which you have started.

Teach us to use wisely
the gifts you have given us.

AMEN

Living our Heritage

Loving and ever present God,
open our eyes
so that we will recognize your presence
in the newness and sacredness of this moment.

Open our ears
that we might hear your Word, "Alive" in us
as we set out in faith
to discover new paths
rooted in our heritage and vision. AMEN

Working Together

O God,
grant that we may work together:
As collaborators, not competitors
As life supporters, not oppressors
As co-creators, not exploiters;
As mutual partners in expressing
the depth and wonder of your love
for the vulnerable;
As peacemakers
living in harmony with one another;
As persons rooted in hope for the future;
and in the vision of the Misericordia Family.

May we believe
that **we are the carriers of a vision**
rooted in 'Compassion of the heart for those in need.'
AMEN

Building on our Legacy

Loving and ever-creating God,
open our minds to the wonder of this moment,
to the opportunity it contains
to be the beginning
of new vision and understanding.

Bless us as we face new questions
and new ways of being and living
the heritage of Mother Rosalie
and the Misericordia Sisters
all for the benefit of those whom we serve,
and the glory of your Name. AMEN

Living in Faith

We turn to you O God of Compassion,
with confidence in your love for all.
Open our hearts
and strengthen the ties between us,
so that together we may:
Walk without fear,
Believe without doubt,
Risk without hesitation,
Let go of what we need to let go of;
Hold on to what we need to hold on to;
Dare without regret
and above all,
to Hope in your Promise. AMEN