

Opening Prayer: Dear Father, you are the source of the ultimate peace and power that can sustain us when the worst happens. Give us a sense of your presence and grace. Let us remember the faith of those saints who have come before us. Help us follow the example of your blessed Son. We pray in his holy name. Amen

Lord, sustain us when we hurt and doubt. Remind us of the examples of John the Baptist and all those who faced the most injustice the world had to offer and triumphed because they lived in the reality of your love. Direct us according to your will and make your will for us present as a clear and certain faith, even when we do not understand the injustices and cruelties that beset us.

Always, Father, give us an undimmed and glowing vision of the perfect faith of your Son. Show you sent as the proof of your love. We offer ourselves and our prayers in his name and ask for the empowerment of your Holy Spirit. Amen