CONFERENCE PRAYER CARD

These prayers are to be prayed in Church or at the business meeting.

Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit, ≈ replenish the hearts of Your faithful, ≈ and kindle in them the fire of Your love.

We fly to your patronage, ≈ Holy Mother of God, ≈ despise not our petitions in our necessities, ≈ but deliver us always ≈ from all dangers ≈ O Virgin, glorious and blessed.

Let Us Pray

Almighty and eternal God, ≈ our Lord and Heavenly Father, ≈ behold us assembled for the greater glory of Your Divine Majesty! ≈ Shed upon our hearts Your light and truth, ≈ that we may understand ≈ and appreciate the dignity and duties ≈ of our vocation as Christian wives and mothers. ≈ Give us not only light to know ≈ but strength to fulfill to the end Your divine decrees. ≈ Grant that we may lead to eternal life ≈ the souls of our children, ≈ as well as our own. ≈ This we implore of You ≈ through Christ, Your Son, ≈ the Friend of Children, ≈ through His bitter sufferings and death, ≈ and through the merits of all our holy patrons. ≈ Amen.

The Daily Prayer for the Children

O Mary, ≈ Immaculate Virgin and Sorrowful Mother, ≈ commend our beloved children ≈ to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, ≈ Who refuses nothing to His Mother.

Holy Guardian Angels, *Pray for them.*
St. Joseph, powerful patron, *Pray for them.*
St. John, beloved disciple of the Heart of Jesus, *Pray for them.*
St. Augustine, *Pray for them.*
St. Anthony, *Pray for them.*
St. Aloysius, *Pray for them.*
St. Anne, Mother of Mary, *Pray for them.*
St. Elizabeth, *Pray for them.*
St. Monica, *Pray for them.*

For Various Intentions

For the absent, sick and deceased members. *Hear us, O Lord.*
For Father Directors and Officers. *Hear us, O Lord.*
For our members, husbands and children. *Hear us, O Lord.*
For a deeper love of Holy Mass and all the liturgy. *Hear us, O Lord.*
For vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. *Hear us, O Lord.*
For more parishes to start the Confraternity of Christian Mothers. *Hear us, O Lord.*
For more patience. *Hear us, O Lord.*
For willing acceptance of crosses and suffering. *Hear us, O Lord.*
For peace in our homes and in the world. *Hear us, O Lord.*
For the conversion of sinners, social justice and the grace of a happy death. *Hear us, O Lord.*
O sweet Lord Jesus Christ ≈ we ask You, through the intercession of Your Sorrowful Mother ≈ to hear and answer our requests. Amen.

Parents' Prayer for Their Children

O good God, we thank You, ≈ that You have given us children, ≈ made them heirs of heaven by holy Baptism, ≈ and entrusted their training to us. Fill us with a sense of our responsibility; ≈ assist us in the care of their health, ≈ but especially in the preservation of their innocence and purity of heart.

Grant that we may teach them early to know and serve you, ≈ and to love You with their whole heart. May You in Your generosity, ≈ see fit to grant to at least one of our children ≈ the grace of a vocation in religion.

Grant that we ourselves ≈ may carefully avoid all that we must forbid them, ≈ and may faithfully practice all that we should teach them. ≈ Help us to further at home by example ≈ the work of the priests, religious and lay teachers in Church and in school.

Give us the spirit of sacrifice to study with our children. Never allow us to grow soft ≈ nor to make life too easy for our sons and daughters. ≈ Help us to teach them the eternal value of self-discipline.

We commend them, O God, ≈ to Your paternal care, ≈ to the motherly protection of the Virgin Mary, ≈ and to the guardianship of Your holy angels. ≈ Bless our efforts, O heavenly Father, ≈ and let our children advance in wisdom and age and grace before You and men. Amen.

Prayer to the Mother of Sorrows

O Mother Mary, ≈ your life was filled with the most wonderful joy and the deepest sorrow. ≈ Your joy was the result of God's love in choosing you ≈ to be the Mother of our Savior. ≈ Your sorrow was caused by our sins ≈ which led to the crucifixion of Christ on the cross.

Help us to think about the passion and death of Jesus. ≈ Never allow us to grow so accustomed to the crucifix ≈ that we fail to remember the terrible pains ≈ that your Son suffered in our behalf.

Prompt us and our families to improve ourselves ≈ by striving after virtue and avoiding sin. ≈ Then some day ≈ we will share with you and your family ≈ the eternal joys of heaven. Amen.

Aspirations

O Lord, grant to Your Church saintly priests and fervent religious. Amen.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, draw us and our families closer to you.

Mother of Sorrows, pray for us and our children.

All you saints in heaven, help us to fulfill our obligations in parish, civic and political affairs.

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