

PRAYER LIST

JULY 2020

Cathy Best
 Cynthia Black
 Tom Bolents
 Jessica Bracken
 Linda Campbell
 Clarion Psychiatric
 Patients
 Paul Craig
 Deacon Mike Dittman
 Cynthia Evans
 Erik Fabe
 Bob Gesin
 Laura Jean Gesin
 Jackie Hajjar
 Brenda Kleman
 Marcia Hartle

Rhonda Magness-
 Henry
 Joy Hidinger
 Julie Hoffman
 Oliver Holland
 Trenton Hooks
 Bob Lander
 Danika Lander
 Joan Lander
 Maxine Lauffer
 Deb Martin
 Alexis McCauley
 Chloe McGee
 Alana McMaster
 Russ Miller

Bill Mills
 Regis Orbich
 Jim Pfaff
 Victoria Potemski
 Rita Reed
 Bernice Reinsel
 Kaycee Risher
 Helen Roush
 Steve Santus
 John Satkowski
 Leona Shaffer
 Donna Spinazolla
 Zach Starcher
 Alex Stitt
 Macey Ellen Stranko
 Carol Ann Todd

Judy Urbain
 Tom Urbain
 Rita Ventura
 Rev. John Walsh
 Don Weidner
 Deb Walck
 Les Walck
 Leo Walters
 Jackie Zacherl

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Police, First Responders and Health Care Providers

PLEASE ALSO PRAY FOR OUR SHUT-INS AND NURSING HOME RESIDENTS:

Stella Allio
 Gerald Bauer
 Juanita Bauer
 Theatis Beary
 Judie Beichner

Mary Brooks
 Lorna Cook
 Kathryn Curran
 Grace Distler

Cindy Wolbert-
 Green
 Frances Kelley
 Nancy Knapp
 Marie Lahr

Mary Landi
 Matt Lewis
 Nancy McCann
 Lois McGuirk
 Paul Pastorok

Madeline Sowers
 Cecelia Waringa
 Susan Zitzelberger

If you would like someone's name added to the Prayer List, either complete the form on the parish website or mail a request to the Parish Office with the person's FULL NAME, your name and phone number. Names must be submitted by the 25th of the month to be included on the following month's prayer list. **The list is edited quarterly.** Names can be resubmitted.

PRAY FOR THE INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR JULY 2020

Parish Prayer for the week of July 5

O God, who in the abasement of your Son
have raised up a fallen world,
fill your faithful with holy joy,
for on those you have rescued from slavery to sin
you bestow eternal gladness.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Parish Prayer for the week of July 12

O God, who show the light of your truth
to those who go astray,
so that they may return to the right path,
give all who for the faith they profess
are accounted Christians
the grace to reject whatever is contrary to the name of Christ
and to strive after all that does it honor.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Parish Prayer for the week of July 19

Show favor, O Lord, to your servants
and mercifully increase the gifts of your grace,
that, made fervent in hope, faith and charity,
they may be ever watchful in keeping your commands.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Parish Prayer for the week of July 26

O God, protector of those who hope in you,
without whom nothing has firm foundation, nothing is holy
bestow in abundance your mercy upon us
and grant that, with you as our ruler and guide,
we may use the good things that pass
in such a way as to hold fast even now
to those that ever endure.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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Live Your Faith

Catholic Social Teaching



Racism and the Dignity of the Human Person

In Scripture, God tells us, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you" (Jeremiah 1:5). God created each one of us, and every person is unique and valuable to God. He has a special plan for each of our lives. He knows what he made us to be.

Because God made each individual person, we should treat each person with human dignity. We are responsible for taking care of our bodies and minds and using them to do good things. We are called to be kind toward others, and solve problems peacefully instead of fighting. If we see someone being disrespected, we are called to speak up and defend him or her, and get help if necessary. It is our responsibility to protect others because every life is important to God.

Every person is created in the image and likeness of God, and is equally precious in the eyes of God. He wants all of us, not just some of us, to be with him forever. Every person is his child, so we are all sisters and brothers.

In their pastoral letter titled "Brothers and Sisters to Us," the Catholic bishops of the United States reminded us that people of every racial and cultural group are equal in dignity. And as Pope Francis has said, "The Son of God became incarnate in the souls of men to instill the feeling of brotherhood. All are brothers and all children of God." To treat any one person or group as less than fully equal to ourselves is a sin. Racism divides the human family and goes against God's plan to make us all one family.

Equal Human Dignity

Racism has a terrible history in the world and in our nation. It began with the harmful treatment and displacement of many Native Americans by those who wanted their land. It increased with the slavery of Africans. Over time, other people of color were brought to the United States to do hard labor under brutal conditions.

Racism continues today in unequal treatment and lack of equal opportunity for all. It is our responsibility as Catholics to advocate for change that allows

everyone an opportunity to achieve their goals in school and the workplace. Our diversity as humans means that every person brings his or her own God-given gifts to the world, and deserves a chance to share them. Inequalities in schools and workplaces contradict the equal dignity of all God's children and do not contribute to the common good. Therefore, the Catholic Church and her members are called to raise awareness and end these sinful inequalities.

➤ What has been your own experience with racism?

Personal Action

Write about a time when you saw someone choose to avoid, exclude, or say or do something mean about someone from another race or culture.

Now write about a time when you or someone you know chose to be with someone from another race or culture or defended that person when others were saying or doing something disrespectful, exclusive, or harmful.

Family Action

As a family, identify places or situations in which someone or a group of people are treated unfairly or are not included in a community. It could be in your school, on local TV shows, in textbooks, magazine or TV ads, movies, on the covers of greeting cards, featured in kids' toys, or portrayed disrespectfully in cartoons or on sports teams' logos.

Choose one of the situations, and create a plan to do something about it while maintaining respect for all involved.

