

SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

CATHOLIC CHURCH

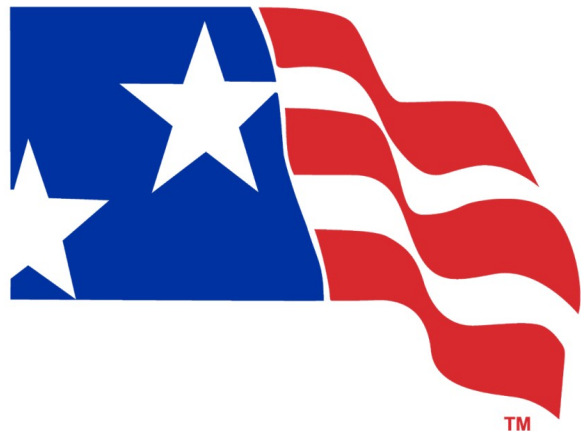
New Brighton, Minnesota

Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis



Gather to Witness
Devotion &
2024 National Prayer

**NATIONAL
DAY OF
PRAYER**



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

Amen.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Holy Mary, Mother of God,

pray for us.

All you holy Angels and Archangels,

pray for us.

Saint John the Baptist,

pray for us.

Saint Joseph,

pray for us.

Saints Peter and Paul,

pray for us.

Saints James and John,

pray for us.

Saints Andrew and Matthew,

pray for us.

Saints Thomas and James the Lesser,

pray for us.

Saints Philip and Bartholomew

pray for us.

Saints Simon and Jude,

pray for us.

Saints Dominic and Thomas Aquinas,

pray for us.

Saints Francis and Clare,

pray for us.

Saints John Paul II and Teresa of

Calcutta,

pray for us.

Saint Anthony,

pray for us.

Saint Benedict,

pray for us.

Saints Stephen and Lawrence,

pray for us,

Saint Bruno of Cologne,

pray for us.

Saint Ignatius of Loyola,

pray for us.

Saint John Bosco,

pray for us.

Saint Patrick,

pray for us.

Saint Isaac Jogues and Companions,

pray for us.

Saint Hyacinth of Poland,

pray for us.

Saints Joachim and Anne,

pray for us.

Saints Zechariah and Elizabeth,

pray for us.

Saints Louis and Zelig Martin,

pray for us.

Blessed Louis IX and Saint Elizabeth of Hungary,

pray for us.

Blessed Karl of Austria and Servant of God Zita,

pray for us.

Saints Priscilla and Aquila,

pray for us.

Tobias and Sarah,

pray for us.

Saint Mary Magdalene,

pray for us.

Saint Catharine of Siena,

pray for us.

Saint Gianna Molla,

pray for us.

Saint Bernadette,

pray for us.

Saint Therese of Lisieux,

pray for us.

Saint Joan of Arc,

pray for us.

Saint Hildegard Von Bingen,
pray for us.
Saint Veronica,
pray for us.
Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque,
pray for us.
Saint Kateri Tekakwitha,
pray for us.
Saint Josephine Bakhita,
pray for us.
The Fourteen Holy Helpers,
pray for us.
Blessed Solanus Casey,
pray for us.
Blessed Miguel Pro,
pray for us.
Blessed James Miller,
pray for us.
Blessed Stanley Rother,
pray for us.
Blessed Frederic Ozanam,
pray for us.
Blessed Rosalie Rendu,
pray for us.
Blessed Michael McGivney,
pray for us.
Servant of God Emil Kapaun,
pray for us,
All you Holy Saints of God,
pray for us.

Inside our homes and within familial
relationships,
may we Gather to Witness to You oh Lord.
When at work and when with friends,
may we Gather to Witness to You oh Lord.
At all times when we are out in society,
may we Gather to Witness to You oh Lord.

Specifically, to those who struggle with
disbelief, the teachings of the Catholic Faith,
or outright reject Jesus and His Church,
may we Gather to Witness to You oh Lord.
To the poor, helpless, imprisoned, and all
those in physical or emotional need,
may we Gather to Witness to You oh Lord.
For the sake of God and not our own selfish
desires or egotistical goals,
may we Gather to Witness to You oh Lord.
United with all the Holy Saints of God,
may we Gather to Witness to You oh Lord.

Be merciful to us sinners,
Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.
Guide and protect your holy Church,
Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.
Restore us with your life in abundance,
Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.

That You are continually taking care of me,
Jesus, I trust in you.
That not knowing the future invites me to lean
on You,
Jesus, I trust in you.
That You are with me in my suffering,
Jesus, I trust in you.
That my suffering, united to Your own, will
bear fruit in this life and the next,
Jesus, I trust in you.
That You give me all the strength I need for
what is asked,
Jesus, I trust in you.
That my life is a gift,
Jesus, I trust in you.
That You are my Lord and my God,
Jesus, I trust in you.
That I am Your beloved one,
Jesus, I trust in you.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins
of the world,
spare us, Lord.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins
of the world,
graciously hear us.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins
of the world,
have mercy on us.

Christ, hear us.
Christ, hear us.
Lord Jesus, hear our prayer.
Lord Jesus, hear our prayer.
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Let us pray:

Dear Lord, You have said that where there are two or more gathered in Your Holy Name, that You are truly present there. Help us to not just know this as a fact of our faith, but to actually believe it and to live it out by our actions as well. Lead us to witness to You, our Savior, like our parish patron Saint John the Baptist did, and not just on our own as individuals, but to gather together in community to live out the Faith in a bold and dynamic way with You present with us. Through the strength and accountability of our fellowship, grant that we may be effective witnesses to Your truth and love, and through our actions may many hearts and minds be healed and converted to You, Lord.

In gratitude for all that You have given, we commit to living out our parish's core values with emphasis on Gathering to Witness to You in all that we do. Guide us in this holy endeavor and pour out the graces on us that we need. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer for the 2024 National Day of Prayer

Jesus, we profess our faith in You. You are the Light of the world, and in You there is no darkness. For You are our lamp, O LORD, and our God who lights our darkness. Forgive us for fearing and focusing on the darkness around us instead of being filled with faith and shining like the city on a hill You have called us to be. Forgive us for the times when we have been the absence of light, allowing darkness to dwell in America. Lead us forward to dispel the darkness and bring light throughout the Church, Family, Education, Business, Military, Government, and Arts, Entertainment, and Media.

We are saved by grace through faith, released from the darkness that once held us captive and now free to walk in the newness of life in You. Light dispels darkness and exposes what is hidden and wicked, so we commit to rise and shine! For by You, Lord, we can take courage to run against the enemy, and by our God we can fight the good fight and keep the faith as living lampstands in our communities and country. We fear no evil for You are with us.

Lord, Your way is perfect, You lead us on paths of righteousness for Your name's sake. Your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Your Word is Truth, instructing and inspiring us to live in the abundant life You gave when You saved us from the death and destruction of the enemy. Fill us with Truth as we read, study, and live Your Word.

God, You are a shield for all those who take refuge in You. As we abide in You and Your Word abides in us, we take up our shield of faith and the sword of the Spirit which is the Word of God and run boldly into the darkness to Lift Up the Word and Light Up the World! In the Mighty name of Jesus we pray,

Amen!