



OPENING PRAYER
FOR
SOCIETY MEETINGS



CLOSING PRAYER

L: In the name of the Father, etc.

All: Amen.

L: Come, Holy Spirit, live within our lives.

All: And strengthen us by Your love.

L: Send forth your spirit and new life will be created.

All: And the whole face of the earth will be renewed.

L: Our Father, etc.

All: give us this day our daily bread, etc.

L: Let us reflect on the words of Our Lord Jesus Christ, recalling His unity and presence among us: "Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

(Silence)

All: Lord Jesus, deepen our Vincentian spirit of friendship during this meeting and make us responsive to the Christian calling to seek and find the forgotten, the suffering or the deprived so that we may bring them your love. Help us to be generous with our time, our possessions, and ourselves in this mission of charity. Perfect in us your love and teach us to share more fully in the Eucharistic Sacrifice offered for all.

L: Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

All: Have mercy on us.

L: Immaculate Heart of Mary All: Pray for us.

L: St. Vincent de Paul All: Pray for us.

L: St. Louise de Marillac All: Pray for us.

L: Blessed Frederic Ozanam All: Pray for us.

L: Blessed Rosalie Rendu All: Pray for us.

L: In the name of the Father, etc.

All: Amen.

All: Father, grant that we who are nourished by the Body and Blood of Christ in the Holy Eucharist may realize the depth of our needs, respond more spontaneously to the suffering of others, and come to love You more deeply by service to our neighbor.

Grant us also the wisdom and strength to persevere when disappointed or distressed. May we never claim that the fruitfulness of our apostolate springs from ourselves alone. United in prayer and action, may we become a visible sign of Christ and may we give witness to His boundless love, which reaches out to all and draws them to love one another in Him.

We thank You, Lord, for the many blessings which we receive from those whom we visit. Help us to love and respect them, to understand their deeper needs, and to share their burdens and joys as true friends of Christ.

L: That the Cause for the Canonization of Frederic Ozanam, who excelled in the virtue of Christian love, be advanced.

All: Lord, hear us.

L: That our departed friends and relatives, our Vincentian Brothers and Sisters, and those whom we have served, be welcomed into your Kingdom and joined in love.

All: Lord, hear us.

L: In the name of the Father, etc.

All: Amen.