



## Prayers 2005

### Prayer for a Just and Peaceful World

God You put us on this earth to be fair and to love. We have disobeyed You by separating ourselves from people who we think are different from us. Please help us realize that we are equal and that riches and power are always out-ruled by friendship and love. Amen.

5<sup>th</sup> Grade  
St. John Berchmans School

### Prayer for a Just and Peaceful World

God our Creator,  
Allow us to embrace individuality instead of looking upon others with a closed mind. Encourage us to love beyond our limits regardless of race and borders. May we learn from each other and love like You have loved us. Like so many others, may we seek a better life daily and always strive to be a more authentic image of You. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade  
St. John Berchmans School



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### United We Stand

Lord, help your world come together. Help different races come and stand together without disputes or dilemmas. Let your power bring everyone into a single body of worshippers. Bring the African Americans, Caucasians, Puerto Ricans, and Asians together. Don't let our skin color interfere with being together. Don't let our skin color determine what group we should be in. Let us stand united as a diverse nation. God, you made us to be mixed in with one another. United we stand, but, but divided we fall, so we should stick together forever.

Amen.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade  
St. Philip Neri



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### Erase Racism Lord

Dear Lord,

In the world that we live in, there are a lot of gangs, violence, drugs, alcohol, and most of all racism. People nowadays can't seem to care for one another as they should. But Lord, that isn't how You designed it to be. You said in your word, to love one another as I have loved you. So God, I'm praying to You for all those who have racism in their hearts. Help them to understand that what has happened in the past Lord, is in the past. Help them to see that everyone is different, but unique in the sight of You. Come into their hearts and erase any racism, jealousy, envy, strife, that is not like You.

Lord, You are love. And if You were willing to go through all the hurt, pain, and suffering for us, then surely any person with the wrong moderm in life can change, and praise You. All these things I ask in Jesus name, Amen.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade  
St. Philip Neri



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### Become one in the Nation

Dear Lord,

Help us to love our brothers and sisters like we are family. Let us become one without the guns and violence surrounding us. Let us be free from harm and pain in the world. We all love and serve a great God, that never lets us down. Lord bless us with your unlimited supply for blessings, love, faith, grace, and so much more. Let the devil know that nobody wants him, let him see that we are children of God and not slaves for his world. Please, keep your children free from sin. May your name be known through out your land. Let people know who You are so that they may be free from pain and sorrow. Let us grow in peace and harmony with each other. Help every one of your children to continue to walk on the path of righteousness forever. In Jesus name we pray.

Amen.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade  
St. Philip Neri



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Dear Almighty Lord,

Thank You for giving us blessings which are helping us grow in understanding others. May the people without these benefits, immigrants and the poor, find a light to guide them through difficult and dark times. We can be the light for all people if we work together. Our good works will improve the lives of many people. Lord, will You help us to be concerned people with You standing at our side guiding us? Helping others also helps us to help ourselves. Thank You. Amen.

7<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Bridgeport Catholic Academy

Dear God,

Please help us make this world a better place. Help us to make this world peaceful and just. Please help us to end war and settle in peace. Help us to welcome strangers from all over the world into our country. God, help us to be patient with each other and our differences.

Amen.

4<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Bridgeport Catholic Academy



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Dear God,

You are very helpful to all the people, people with brown skin and people with white skin. All people are not the same, but it is better like that, and I am thankful for my life.

1<sup>st</sup> Grade  
Bridgeport Catholic Academy

Dear Lord,

We are not perfect.  
Sometimes we fight and sin.  
But I know You can help us.  
You made the world and You can change it.  
I really know You can.  
So, please, Lord, can You make the world change?

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade  
Pope John XXIII School



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Lord God, there shall be no stranger alone.

You shall light the way to nice and kind people.

Help us all become one.

We shall not argue over race when You come.

We shall not fight over might or popularity when You come.

Drugs are bad, but some people use them. There shall be no more of that when You come.

There shall be no sinners when you shed your light upon us.

4<sup>th</sup> Grade

Pope John XXIII School

Dear God,

In a world that has been misguided and shadowed by evil, death, and depression, we ask for the will and power of You to help us. We do what we can here on this earth for the greater good, but all things begin and end with You. Lead us with your light, ever so powerful, to help us prevail over these evils. Help us to welcome the people from other countries, whom we label immigrants, and judge them as kindly as we would judge ourselves. Help us to welcome all of the world: the different nations, traditions, and colors that make our world a utopia. It is our belief as Catholics to treat others as we would appreciate being treated. Who are we to judge by the color of someone's skin? In the Lord's name, we pray to end the prejudice.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Pope John XXIII School



O Lord let us welcome people who are different in culture and color.  
Give them strength to overcome hurtful words.  
Jesus, give us peace in the world, so that we can live happily.  
Without You, Lord, we would have no life.  
You make this a better place to live.  
Help us to overcome those who are mean, and don't know the Christian life.  
Let us teach those who are wrong and lead them to righteousness.  
Amen.

5<sup>th</sup> Grade  
St. Albert the Great School

Dear Lord,

Help those who are in need of your guidance in this great country. Help us to better understand newcomers that need time and patience to get used to our country's customs and language. Let us be more understanding and considerate of the feelings and beliefs of immigrants and other people who come here from different countries.

In a world without hatred, no one would be judged on race, appearance, or religion. All would be treated as equals and we would not even think of racism or prejudice.



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With your kindness and patience help us to be more like You in understanding those who come looking for better opportunities in our country. Let us not look at color, race, or religion, but at personality, determination, and endurance instead. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, Your Son.

Amen.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade  
St. Albert the Great School

Dear God,

Please make “Peace on Earth” so that all the people in the whole world get along, care for each other, and are kind. May all people treat others, as they want to be treated.

Amen

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade  
St. Albert the Great School



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### Prayer for Peace and Justice

Dear Jesus,

I pray for a world free of hatred. Let there be peace through out the land. I hope for peace and justice in my school. I pray that my schoolmates and community welcome all God's children from all nations and races. Help us to be just and loving in dealing with others as You have been with us. Amen.

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

St. Alexander School

### A World of Peace

I love You and I know You.

I pray that some day there will be peace throughout our world.

I pray that one day there will be justice throughout our world.

Please stop all the fighting and wars in the world.

Please help people survive all the disasters in the world.

Please help people get to know and understand each other.

Please help people get to know and love You.

I pray that people come to have no enemies.

I pray that people will be treated fairly by others.

I hope in the future that people will get along and love each other.

I hope in the future that hungry people will have food,

that homeless people will find shelter,

that sick people will be cured, and

that all people will know Your Love and Peace.

Bless our world with Peace and Justice.

Amen.

5<sup>th</sup> Grade

St. Alexander School



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### Prayer for a Peaceful and Just World

Dear God, please help our world.  
Fighting has broken out and people are separated.  
People who have come to America have had a hard life.  
They are poor and have little.  
A little girl in my cousin's class has very little clothing that is too small.  
Many children are left without a family.  
Through donations of clothes, food, and money many poor people are helped.  
Please Lord, with your help the world may begin to heal.  
Please bring people together dear God, please.  
Our world would be peaceful without hatred.  
War would end.  
Life would be better for the poor.  
Homes would be rebuilt.  
Families, reunited.  
Destruction would end.  
Please hear us and help dear Lord.

Amen.

7<sup>th</sup> Grade  
St. Alexander School



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Dear Jesus,

I think of You and how much You love all your children. Please help us to love each other. Even though we are all different, we are all sisters and brothers. No one likes to feel sad because someone says something mean to them or doesn't let them fit in.

Help us to be friendly to each other and be kind to one another. Amen.

1<sup>st</sup> Grade  
St. Benedict School

Dear God,

God please spread peace and harmony throughout our world. Let all kids be kind and respectful to their teachers and parents. Let them have courage. Let them know right from wrong.

4<sup>th</sup> Grade  
St. Benedict School



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Dear God,

Forgive those who show hatred and discrimination to others. Bless those who show peace, acceptance, harmony and justice to those who are different. Bless those who have different cultures and have the courage to be proud of those differences. Help us to show and share friendship with others and to create unity among all human beings. In the Lord's name we pray. Amen.

7<sup>th</sup> Grade  
St. Benedict School

Lord, this prayer is for peace in this corrupt world. Man corrupted this world with the use of guns, drugs, and violence. We can't do this without your help.

People are also dying every day from starvation, because of their belief in religion. More people are also dying because of many drugs in this world. We really need your help making this world a better place to live in. Please God help us!

Amen!

Grade 7  
St. Daniel the Prophet School



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Loving God,

You saved us from sin by dying on the cross. You opened the gates of heaven and wished for a peaceful world. War is going on right now in Iraq, even though you don't want it. Help all men and women to stop war, bring peace, become Christians, and love You. War leads to violence, which leads to injuries, which leads to lives being lost. Please help President George Bush to make the right choices about this war. Help all the soldiers, and make sure they all come home safe and unharmed. Please bring peace to the world and to all of your people.

Amen

Grade 7

St. Daniel the Prophet

Dear God,

God could You please help stop the war in Iraq. Lord, help our world leaders make our world a better place to live in. Could You also let people forgive each other and accept each other as they are? Lord, in our school, help all of us to be kinder to each other and to remember that we are brothers and sisters in Christ.

In Jesus Name I Pray. Amen.

5<sup>th</sup> Grade

St. Daniel the Prophet



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Dear God,

We shall be called to always light the way for the poor. If there was more good than bad, the world would be known for the peacemakers of life. People like Mother Teresa, Jesus, and you, God, dedicated your lives to help the poor. Some people think money is actual treasure, but the real treasure is You God, our ancestors, and family. God thank You for America, my family, my health, my senses, and food and water. Thank You.

Amen

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade  
St. Francis Xavier School

Dear God,

Please help us to make a just and peaceful world. Help people not to cause crimes. Help me to be kind and loving to strangers because they can be lonely sometimes and they might not have any friends, so we have to help them out. Some people come from different countries and do not know English so they have trouble making friends. I also ask You to help us make the world free from hatred so there will be no more wars or fighting, people will love one another.

Amen.

6<sup>th</sup> Grade  
St. Symphorsa Church