

**Congregational Prayer
for the 19th General Chapter
of the Bernardine Franciscan Sisters**



Creator God,
You are our awesome God
and we thank You for Your love and mercy.
We desire to come with open minds and hearts
as we begin our preparations for our 19th General Chapter.

Guide us in our struggles, remove our doubts and fears,
empower us on our journey into the future with You.
We ask for Your divine wisdom in our discernment.

Give us the courage to recognize and to accept the changes
You are calling us to embrace.
Strengthen our faith with the assurance You are always with us.

Awaken us by Your Spirit to engage
in deep listening, fraternal communion, and renewed fidelity
to the charism and mission You entrusted to us.

Help us to see the emerging future
as an opportunity to experience Your grace.
We trust in Your Divine Providence
to shape our hearts' desires to align with Your plan for us.

In communion with one another,
we pray this in the Name of Jesus who calls us forth
to live the Gospel as Franciscan women of the church
and daughters of Mother Veronica.

Amen.