

February Prayer Theme from the Social Concerns Prayer Team

The Gift of Cultural Diversity



“After this I had a vision of a great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, people and tongue, standing before the throne and before the Lamb.” Revelations 7:9

(This verse affirms that cultural diversity is not erased in God's Kingdom, but gathered, honored and made radiant.)

We pray for the richness of cultural diversity because it reflects the creative abundance of God, who formed humanity with many languages, traditions, and ways of life. Cultural diversity is not an obstacle to unity, but a gift that reveals the fullness of God's beauty and wisdom. When we pray for this richness, we ask for hearts open to learning, respect, and gratitude for one another.

Scripture reminds us that God's family gathers “*from every nation, race, people, and tongue*” (Revelation 7:9). Prayer helps us honor these differences, resist fear or exclusion, and grow into a community where diversity is welcomed as a blessing and unity is rooted in love.

Loving God,

You created every person in Your image and breathed dignity into every human life.

We thank You for the richness of cultures and traditions that reflect Your beauty and form our human family.

Open our hearts where fear or indifference remain.

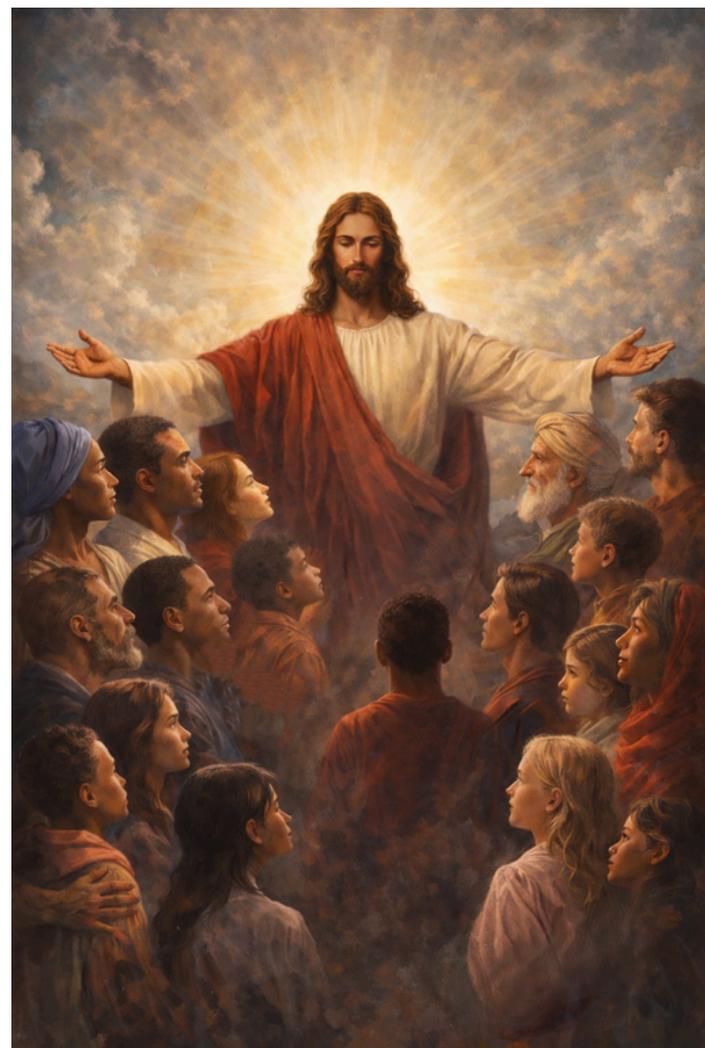
Heal the wounds of racism and division, and teach us to see one another as brothers and sisters in Christ.

Grant us grace to listen with humility, to speak with respect, and to act with justice and compassion.

May our parish be a place of welcome, where all cultures are honored.

Strengthen us to stand together in solidarity, working for peace and reconciliation in our world, today and always.

Amen



A Call to Prayer: Join the Social Concerns Prayer Team

Do you carry in your heart a deep compassion for those who are suffering—physically, emotionally, spiritually, or financially? For those living in poverty, without shelter, or burdened by loneliness?

The **Mary Queen Social Concerns Ministry** walks alongside many who are hurting and broken. We now invite our parish community to become prayerful companions in this ministry by lifting up these beloved children of God to the Lord in prayer.

As a member of the Social Concerns Prayer Team, you will receive regular emails with specific names, intentions, monthly prayer themes, and Scripture passages to guide your intercession. There are no meetings—only a shared spiritual commitment to pray intentionally, from your own home and on your own schedule.

Let us unite in prayer, trusting that our Loving God hears the cries of the poor and works through the faithful prayers of His people. To join or learn more, please contact Chris at chrisaustgen@maryqueenchurch.org or 281-482-1391.