September Prayer Theme from the Social Concerns Prayer Team Labor Rights and Economic Justice

PARISH SOCIAL CONCERNS PRAYER TEAM

Mary Queen Catholic Church

With Labor Day being in September, this prayer reminds us that work is more than a job—it's a reflection of our Godgiven dignity. By lifting up workers in prayer, especially the poor and unseen, we ask God to guide society toward justice, compassion, and the common good.

Scripture reminds us: "Behold, the wages of the laborers who mowed your fields, which you kept back by fraud, cry out; and the cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts." (James 5:4).

A Prayer for Labor Rights and Economic Justice

Lord of Justice and Compassion,

You created us in Your image and called us to labor with dignity.

Bless all workers - seen and unseen - who strive to support their families.

Protect the rights of laborers, especially the poor and vulnerable.



May fair wages, safe conditions, and just treatment be upheld everywhere.

Inspire leaders, employers, and communities to build an economy that serves the common good.

Through St. Joseph the Worker, may we uphold human dignity. We ask this through Christ our Lord, who labored with human hands.

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.