

**August Prayer Theme from the Social Concerns Prayer Team**  
***Elder Care and Aging with Dignity***



PARISH SOCIAL CONCERNS  
**PRAYER TEAM**

Mary Queen Catholic Church

As a parish rooted in compassion and respect for every stage of life, we invite you to join us in prayer for our elders and all those who care for them. Aging is a sacred journey—one that should be met with dignity, love, and support. You are encouraged to put a copy of the below prayer where you will pray it every day this month.

**Scripture reminds us: “Do not cast me off in the time of old age; forsake me not when my strength is spent” (Psalm 71:9).**

***A Prayer for Elder Care and Aging with Dignity***

*Loving God,*

You are the source of life  
and the keeper of every season.

We thank You for the gift of our elders –  
for their wisdom, love, and witness of faith.

As they grow older, may their dignity be honored.

Grant them peace in pain, strength in weakness, and joy  
in Your abiding presence.

Bless caregivers with compassion and families with patience.

Help our communities cherish each life, especially in times of frailty.

May we serve with mercy, respect, and love. Guide all aging hearts  
closer to You.

Through Christ our Lord. *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](mailto:chrisaustgen@maryqueenchurch.org) or 281-482-1391.