

Becoming Working Parts in the Body of Christ

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We thank You, our beneficent and merciful God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for You have protected us, loved us, guarded us, accepted us, supported us, and brought us to this blessed day. Lord, Jesus Christ, we thank You for blessing us to be a part of Your Holy Body, whether as laity or clergy. We are grateful that You listen to all our prayers and supplications. Please Lord, kindly hear us now.

Lord, protect Your laity, and strengthen the liveliness and participation of the Christian congregations in all churches. Give security, love, and stability to these people, that they may continue to constantly pray to You and be present in churches. Manage the lives of all Your people according to Your will. Graciously, bless all Your Christian people. Accept us to Your kingdom, as You accepted the thief on the right hand, while You were on the cross, and granted him the paradise of joy. Give chastity to those who are single, and strengthen the love between married couples.

Please God, remember the orphans, the widows, the isolated, the handicapped, and those who feel lost or forgotten whether in a relationship or not. Remember them, and us, when we get to heaven. Help those called to the vocation of marriage to be able to raise their children in Your love and faith. Help them to raise future Christian leaders that will be as inspirational and discerning as the past good leaders were. Protect, O' Lord, our fathers, our mothers, our brothers and sisters, whether biological or non-biological, our families, our relatives, our teachers and all Your children. Make all Your laity become strong working members of your Holy Body, the Body of Christ. Amen.

