



*do justice • love tenderly • walk humbly with God* Micah 6:8

**May 2, 2025**

We begin all of our prayer in the presence of our loving Creator; because we are all created  
in the very image and likeness of God!

**As a Christian community, we know this:**

**“Hunger is a global, human issue.”**

**Daily reflection:**

*(Pope Francis: World Food Day 2023)*

*“The condition of hunger and malnutrition that seriously wounds so many human beings is the result of an iniquitous accumulation of injustices and inequalities that leaves many stranded in the gutter of life and allows a few to settle in a state of ostentation and opulence. This applies not only to food, but also to all basic resources, the inaccessibility of which for many people represents an affront to their intrinsic, God-given dignity. It is indeed an insult that should make the whole of humanity ashamed, and mobilize the international community...*

*Our world is too interdependent and cannot afford to be divided into blocs of countries that promote their interests in a spurious and biased way. We are called instead to think and act in terms of community, of solidarity, seeking to prioritize the lives of all over the appropriation of goods by the few.”*

Pope Francis has often called us to think beyond ourselves. Our planet produces enough food to sustain everyone on it and, with care, can for future generations.

**Daily call to action:**

Today, and this weekend, let’s look for ways that we can reduce the waste of resources, both as individuals and as a society, so that others might have enough.

**Intercessions/ our prayer for our world:**

For all who are leaders in the Church, may they encourage everyone to share the resources that our earth produces.

For leaders of nations, may they understand that our world, and world peace, depend on equitable access to food.

For people in our own city who experience food insecurity, may they find what they need to sustain their body and their spirit.

**Blessing:** *(the prayer of Aaron over the people of God: Num. 6:23b–26)*

May the Lord bless you and keep you!

May the Lord let his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you!

May the Lord look upon you kindly and give you peace!

*And we say together with all of the people of God:*

**Amen.**