

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

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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:

We have to work together

Daily reflection:

(Pope Francis; June 9, 2014)

Pope Francis tells us that life is like his favorite sport: soccer. "Don't hog the ball, be team players. To belong to a sports club means to reject every form of selfishness and isolation, it is an opportunity to encounter and be with others, to help one another... everyone gets to play, not just the best, but everyone, with the advantages and the limitations that each has, indeed, focusing on the disadvantaged, as Jesus did."

Daily call to action:

No one wins a soccer, or baseball, or basketball, or volleyball game alone; every player has to work together with all of the others.

We have to work together in life, too.

When we see the effects of inadequate access to food and good nutrition, we need to work together to find solutions. We need to work together to change the systems that perpetuate these conditions.

Let us pray today for the grace to reject selfishness and isolation. Let us pray for the wisdom to find solutions.

Intercessions/ our prayer for our world:

That Church leaders all over the world will work together to spread the joy and love of God.

For countries facing famine, disease, hunger, or any other disaster; that the people of the world will work together to bring relief.

For people in our own city who are unhoused or hungry or treated badly; that God's love will inspire us to help them.

For all of us, that we will work together so that each one of us can become the best that we can be.

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.