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#PrayTogether

11 March 2020

Vanity - the spirit of the world - is the path the devil offers to drive us from the Cross of Christ. Let us ask the Lord for the grace to discern the Lord's path, which is the Cross, from the world's path, which is vanity.

13 March 2020

I would like to pray today for pastors who need to accompany the people of God during this crisis. May the Lord grant them the strength and the ability to choose the best ways to help.

14 March 2020

We pray today for families who need to manage a difficult situation, especially those families with a disabled person among them. Let us pray they do not lose their peace in this moment and that they succeed in moving forward with strength and joy.

15 March 2020

#PrayTogether today for those who are working to guarantee public services: those working in pharmacies, supermarkets, transportation, police officers, and for all those working to allow social and civil life to go ahead.

16 March 2020

May the Lord help families discover new expressions of love in this situation. It's a beautiful opportunity to creatively rediscover affection in the family. #PrayTogether that relationships within the family might flourish always for the good.

17 March 2020

#PrayTogether for the elderly who are suffering in a particular way at this moment from great interior solitude, many times with a lot of fear. They gave us wisdom, life, our story... May we be near them with our prayer.

18 March 2020

#PrayTogether for the deceased, those who have died because of the virus. Let us pray especially for healthcare providers who have given their life in service of the sick.

19 March 2020

Faith advances with humble and practical steps. #Lent

20 March 2020

Let us #PrayTogether for doctors, hospital staff, and volunteers who are giving their own lives to save others. And for civil leaders, for those who have to make decisions at this time. All these people are the pillars defending us in this crisis.

21 March 2020

Today we remember the families who cannot leave their homes: may they know how to find a way of communicating well, and conquer the anguish of this moment together. Let us #PrayTogether for peace in families today during this crisis, and for creativity.

22 March 2020

Let us pray for the many people who are dying alone, without being able to say goodbye to their loved ones. Let us pray also for the families who cannot accompany their loved ones on that journey. #PrayTogether

23 March 2020

Let us pray today for those persons who are beginning to experience economic problems due to the pandemic, because they cannot work. All of this affects the family. #PrayTogether

24 March 2020

In these days a number of doctors and priests have died. Many nurses were infected because they were serving the sick. I thank God for the example of heroism they give us in caring for the sick. Let us #PrayTogether for them and their families.

27 March 2020

Let us #PrayTogether for the many people who are concerned for others - families that don't have enough to eat, elderly people who are alone, the sick in hospital - and who pray and seek to help them. We thank the Lord for stirring these sentiments in the hearts of the faithful.

28 March 2020

In these days we are beginning to see other consequences of the pandemic. One is hunger. We're beginning to see the aftermath. Let us #PrayTogether for the families who find themselves in need and are already facing hunger due to the pandemic.

29 March 2020

I am thinking of the many people who are weeping. We, too, accompany them from our hearts. It wouldn't do us any harm to weep a bit as our Lord wept for all of His people. #PrayTogether

30 March 2020

#PrayTogether for the many people who are not succeeding in coping and remain in fear because of this pandemic. May the Lord help them to have the strength to cope for the good the entire community.

31 March 2020

Let us #PrayTogether for those who are homeless. In this moment when everyone is supposed to be at home, may society help them and may the Church welcome them.

1 April 2020

Let us #PrayTogether for all who work in the media, who work to communicate, to inform us, so that people are not so isolated, and to educate children. We pray for all those who are helping us bear this time of isolation.

2 April 2020

These days of pain and sadness are bringing many hidden problems in society to the surface. We ask St Teresa of Calcutta to reawaken in us the sense of nearness to so many persons who are hidden in normal life, such as the homeless. #PrayTogether

3 April 2020

There are some who are already thinking about after the epidemic, and all the problems that will arise regarding poverty, work, hunger. Let us #PrayTogether for all the people who are helping today, but who are also thinking about how to help all of us tomorrow.

4 April 2020

In these painful times, people think of doing many good things. But others think of how they can take advantage of the situation to profit personally from it. Let us #PrayTogether that the Lord might grant an upright, transparent conscience to all of us.

6 April 2020

In those prisons that are overcrowded, there is the danger that this pandemic will end up as a grave

tragedy. Let us #PrayTogether for those responsible, for those who must make decisions, so that they might find a correct and creative way to resolve this problem.

7 April 2020

In these days of #Lent, we've been witnessing the persecution that Jesus underwent and how He was judged ferociously, even though He was innocent. Let us #PrayTogether today for all those persons who suffer due to an unjust sentence because of someone had it in for them.

8 April 2020

Let us pray today for the people doing business with those in need during this pandemic, who seek to profit from the needs of others and "sell" them. May the Lord touch and convert their hearts. #PrayTogether

13 April 2020

Let us #PrayTogether for government leaders, scientists and politicians who are beginning to study a way out of the pandemic, though its "aftermath" has already begun. May they find the right way, always for the good of their people.

14 April 2020

Let us #PrayTogether that the Lord might give us the grace of unity among us. In these difficulties times, may He allow us to discover the communion that binds us and the unity which is greater than any division.

15 April 2020

Let us #PrayTogether for the elderly, especially those who are isolated or in rest homes and are afraid of dying alone. They are our roots. They gave us the faith, tradition, and a sense of belonging. Let us pray that the Lord might be near to them.

16 April 2020

Let us #PrayTogether for pharmacists. They are working hard, together with doctors and nurses, to help the sick get better.

17 April 2020

Let us #PrayTogether for expectant women who will become mothers and who ask themselves: "What type of world will my child live in?". May the Lord give them the courage and confidence that it will certainly be a different world, but also one which the Lord will love tremendously.

18 April 2020

We remember the difficult task entrusted to healthcare providers, nurses and doctors, in caring for persons with disabilities who have come down with Covid-19. Let us #PrayTogether for persons with disabilities and those who assist them.

20 April 2020

Let us #PrayTogether for the men and women who have a vocation to political life, which is a high form of charity. We pray for political parties in various nations, so that in this pandemic they might together seek the good of the country and not the good of their own party.

21 April 2020

There's a lot of silence at this moment. May this silence, which is a bit new to what we are accustomed, teach us how to listen. Let us #PrayTogether that we might grow in our ability to listen.

22 April 2020

At this moment in which unity among us is very necessary, let us pray for Europe, so that it might succeed in creating the fraternal unity which the founding fathers drempt of for the European Community. #PrayTogether

TWEET 2

When we are in a state of sin, we are like "human bats" who can move about only at night. We find it easier to live in darkness because the light reveals to us what we do not want to see. But then our eyes grow accustomed to darkness and we no longer recognize the light.

23 April 2020

There are families in need who cannot work and have nothing to eat. Then along come usurers to take what little they have. Let us #PrayTogether for these families' dignity. And let us pray also for the usurers, that the Lord might touch their hearts and convert them.

24 April 2020

We pray today for teachers who have to work so hard to take lessons via the internet and other media channels, and we also pray for students who have to take exams in a way they are not used to. Let us accompany them with prayer.

25 April 2020

Let us #PrayTogether for those who provide funeral services. What they do is so painful, so sad, and they are touched deeply by the pain of this pandemic. Let us pray for them.

TWEET 2

Today the Church celebrates the Feast of St Mark, one of the four Evangelists, the first to write a Gospel. It has a very simple style. If you have time today, read it. The simplicity with which he recounts the Lord's life makes for an enjoyable read.

26 April 2020

Let us #PrayTogether for all those who are suffering from sadness, because they are alone, do not know what future awaits them, or cannot take care of their family because they have no job. Let us pray for them today.

27 April 2020

Let us #PrayTogether for artists, who have a great capacity for creativity and show us the path forward through beauty. May the Lord grant each of us the grace of creativity in this moment.

28 April 2020

At this time, as indications emerge for a way out of quarantine, we pray that the Lord will grant us the grace of prudence and obedience to these indications, so that the pandemic does not return. #PrayTogether

29 April 2020

On the feast of St. Catherine of Siena, Doctor of the Church and Patroness of Europe, let us #PrayTogether for the unity of the European Union, so that we might all move ahead together as brothers and sisters.

30 April 2020

Let us #PrayTogether today for those who have died because of the pandemic, and in a special way for the "anonymous" dead.

1 May 2020

Today is the feast of St. Joseph the Worker and also International Labour Day. Let us #PrayTogether for all workers, so that no one might be without work and all might be paid a just wage. May all benefit from the dignity of work and the beauty of rest.

2 May 2020

Let us #PrayTogether for government leaders who are responsible for taking care of their people. May the Lord grant them strength and teach them that they need to show great unity in moments of crisis for the good of the people, because unity is superior to conflict.

3 May 2020

Let us #PrayTogether for the many pastors who give their lives for the faithful. I think often of priests, as well as other pastors who care for the good of the people: doctors. May the example of these shepherds, priests and doctors help us care for the holy, faithful people of God.

TWEET 2

Let us #PrayTogether today for #vocations, asking the Lord for the gift of good workers for His Kingdom, whose hearts and hands are open to His love.

4 May 2020

During the quarantine, families try to do a lot of new things. There's so much creativity to keep going. But sometimes there's also domestic violence. Let us #PrayTogether for families, that they might persevere in peace, with creativity and patience during the quarantine.

5 May 2020

Today we pray for the deceased who have died because of the pandemic. They have died alone, without the caresses of their loved ones. So many did not even have a funeral. May the Lord receive them into His glory. #PrayTogether

6 May 2020

Let us #PrayTogether for men and women who work in the media. They have risked much and worked tirelessly during this pandemic. May the Lord help them always in their task to transmit the truth.

7 May 2020

I would like to ask the Lord to bless artists, who make us understand what beauty is. The Gospel cannot be understood without beauty. Let us #PrayTogether once more for artists.

8 May 2020

Today is World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day. Let us #PrayTogether for those people who work in these noteworthy institutions. May the Lord bless their work which does so much good.

9 May 2020

Today is the commemoration of Saint Luisa de Marillac. Let us #PrayTogether for the Vincentian sisters who have worked here at Santa Marta for nearly 100 years, while running the clinic.

11 May 2020

Many people have recently lost their jobs. Let us #PrayTogether for our brothers and sisters who are suffering for lack of employment.

12 May 2020

Today is International Nurses Day. Nursing is more than a profession – it's a vocation, a dedication. During this pandemic, they have given an example of heroism. Some have even given their lives. Let us #PrayTogether for nurses.

14 May 2020

May God have mercy on us and put an end to this tragedy, this pandemic, as well as the pandemics of hunger, war, and children without an education. This we ask as brothers and sisters, everyone together. #HumanFraternity #PrayTogether

15 May 2020

Today is the #InternationalDayOfFamilies: Let us pray for all families, so that the Spirit of the Lord - the spirit of love, respect, and freedom - might grow in families. #PrayTogether

16 May 2020

Today, let us #PrayTogether for those persons who are burying the dead during this pandemic, risking being infected as well. To bury the dead is one of the works of mercy.

17 May 2020

Let us #PrayTogether today for those who clean hospitals, streets, who empty dumpsters, who go to each house to remove trash. It's a job that no one sees, but one that is necessary for our survival. May the Lord bless them.