

Almighty God, Creator of all peoples and all places, we come before you with heavy hearts, seeking your strength and guidance in the face of escalating violence and injustice in Palestine. Prince of Peace, you have called us to make peace and seek justice, yet we confess that we have grown numb to the suffering of the innocent and the long-term implications of the conflict. The heartbreaking and worrisome situation weighs heavily on our hearts, and we ask for your wisdom and inspiration to faithfully respond to this injustice, knowing that with your divine guidance, we can find a way forward.

Grant us the resolve to work for peace with justice, honoring the dignity of all individuals without demonizing the other. Help us to be agents of change in a world where we often feel powerless and hopeless in the face of increasing suffering, pain, and conflict. We acknowledge our inadequacy when relying solely on our strength, and we humbly ask for the power of your Holy Spirit to infuse us with the courage, compassion, and wisdom needed to be strong and effective advocates for your beloved community.

Guide us to make sound decisions, face challenges with courage, and always see the needs of others with compassion. May we be ever mindful of your presence in all our actions, seeking your will in every moment. Grant us the openness to embrace inclusion and the beauty of diverse cultures, working together in harmony and unity towards a common goal. With your guidance, let's find common ground and strive towards realizing your beloved community.

We offer thanks and prayers in the name of our risen savior, Jesus the Christ. Amen.

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