

PRAYER FOR THE SYNOD

Lord Jesus Christ,
whom the Father has commanded us
to listen as his beloved Son,
shed your light upon your Church,
so that she might have nothing more holy
than to listen to your voice and follow you.
You are the Supreme Shepherd
and Ruler of Souls.
Look then upon the Pastors of your Church
gathered in these days
with the Successor of St. Peter in synod assembly.
We implore you to sanctify them in truth
and confirm them in faith and love.

Lord Jesus Christ,
send forth your Spirit of love and truth
on the bishops in synod
and on all who assist them in fulfilling their task.
Make them more faithful
to what the Spirit is saying to the Churches;
stir their souls and teach them truth
by that same Holy Spirit.
Through their work,
may the faithful of their Churches
be purified and strengthened in spirit,
so that they might greater follow the Gospel
through which you accomplished salvation
and they might make of themselves
a living offering to the heavenly Father.

May Mary, the Most Holy Mother of God
and Mother of the Church,
assist the Bishops in these days,
as she assisted the Apostles in the Upper Room,
and intercede with motherly affection
to foster brotherly communion among them,
to allow them to rejoice in prosperity
and peace in the calmness of these days,
and, in reading the signs of the times,
to celebrate the majesty of the merciful God,
the Lord of History,
to the praise and glory
of the Most Blessed Trinity,
Father Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.

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