

Suggested Prayers of the Faithful

Israeli-Palestinian Conflict

1. We pray for the Christian communities in the land where Jesus walked and where the church was born. May their witness to your love and peace remain bright among their Muslim and Jewish neighbours. **Lord, hear us.**

2. God of all nations, guide governments across the world as they respond in ways that support the legitimate rights of all, especially those who are most vulnerable, those who are dispossessed, those denied their basic human rights, and those who fear for their safety. **Lord, hear us.**

3. God of mercy and compassion, bestow your peace on the people of the Middle East. Turn hatred into love, fear into trust, despair into hope, occupation to liberation, and oppression to freedom. **Lord, hear us.**

4. God of the vulnerable, we pray for the children of this conflict, the elderly and infirm, and those held hostage. Return them to the refuge and safety of their families where they will experience protection and healing. **Lord, hear us.**

5. God of hope, we pray for the churches of Gaza, may they offer refuge to the many who are displaced, frightened, distressed and abandoned. May their compassion and love provide sanctuary and shelter to all in need. **Lord, hear us.**

6. God of all-providence, open corridors of hope and relief to the people of Gaza. Provide urgent provisions of food, water, and medical supplies for the innocent embroiled in this conflict and for those unable to leave Gaza. **Lord, hear us.**

7. God of peace, we pray for an end to all acts of terrorism and conflict. Restrain the hostility of warring factions, and may they pursue the paths of justice, peace, and reconciliation. **Lord, hear us.**

8. God of healing, bring comfort to those who are grieving the death of their loved ones. Heal the broken hearted and console them in their grief. **Lord, hear us.**