

**Prayer of sending forth**

*We thank you, God, for calling each of us  
to live in holiness and love.*

**Help us to embrace this calling with faith,  
and share your love with all.**



*We have been touched and healed by Christ,  
who lives with us now and forever*

**Lord Jesus, fill us with grace  
and lead each of us to a holy life.**

*We believe your Spirit fills us  
,and empowers us to respond to your presence.*

**May your Spirit kindle within us  
the fire of your love.**

**Blessing of the group**

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*Christ has no body now but yours,  
no hands but yours, no feet on earth but yours.*

*Yours are the eyes  
through which he looks with compassion on the world.*

*Yours are the feet  
through which he walks about doing good.*

*Yours are the hands  
with which he blesses people now.*

*St Teresa of Avila*

*~~ Pause for reflection...one thought to take away from today ~~*

*We come before you, O God, and pray for your blessing on ourselves,  
and on all to whom you call us to minister, especially the sick and the elderly,  
the frail and the housebound...*

**O God, we ask you**

**to take us,**

**bless us,**

**break us**

**and give us,**

**each time we celebrate Eucharist.**

**We thank you for the privilege of serving our parish communities,**

**and we ask you to fill us with your Spirit,**

**so that we may continue to live as faithful disciples of Jesus,**

**all the days of our lives.**

*.Go in peace and proclaim the Gospel by your life -*

**This we will do, in the name of the+ Father, the +Son, and the+ Holy Spirit,  
Amen.**