



Lord, Jesus Christ,

There are many people in our world who are sick, dying, hurting, afraid, and anxious.

Our routines are messy, and the future is uncertain. But we know you were close to the sick and comforted those who suffered. You went to those who were isolated.

You spent time alone but were never alone. Help us know you have not abandoned us; we are not alone.

Send your Holy Spirit to be with the medical professionals who are serving those in need. Give them courage and peace.

Send the Holy Spirit to comfort those with friends, family, and co-workers who are sick or dying.

Be with all those who are still working the essential jobs we need to ensure we have food, medicine, and supplies — all the people who have jobs we may not have thought were glamorous or heroic until now.

Provide for those who are already suffering because of homelessness, are at greater risk because they lack access to medical help, or are in living situations that prevent them from getting proper care.

Lord, during this time when we cannot pray together in our parishes, help us know the Mass is still offered and the Eucharist is still true. Help us long to receive you in Holy Communion again and never take it for granted.

Deliver us from bodily illness and suffering, from anxiety and fear, and from the temptation to sin during this time.

Most importantly, Lord, deliver us from eternal death so we may live with you.

Lord, Jesus Christ, our hope is in you, who is king over this world, in unity with God the Father and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.