A Prayer for Healing

God of endless love, ever caring, ever strong: your only Son was delivered into the hands of the wicked yet healed us by the blood of his cross.

May the gentle Jesus, join to his own suffering, the pains of those abused by priests who have betrayed your love, and servants of your Church, whose sin has brought us shame.

May Christ hear the cries of those abused, may he quell their restless fears with faith in your protection, their doubt, with confidence in your love, and all rage with trust in your healing mercy.

Grant all Shepherds of his Church the compassion to protect his lambs, the strength to guide his flock, and the wisdom to model their lives on Christ, the Good Shepherd.

God of justice and compassion, protect all children from abuse, and deliver us from hate. May we seek only justice and truth, and trust in your unending mercy.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen