

Education Sunday Bidding Prayers

For all teachers. We give thanks for their dedication, patience and resilience. May they be inspired by Christ the teacher, to continue to accompany young people in their schools with gentleness and compassion.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer

For leaders in education. We pray that through the example of Christ the servant leader, they may foster places of community, love and joy in their schools. In the words of Pope Francis, may they inspire others to become 'leaders of thought, leaders of action, leaders of joy, leaders of hope, leaders of the construction of a better world'.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer

For all those who contribute to the running of schools; support staff, kitchen staff, maintenance staff, governors and chaplains. We give thanks for their self-sacrificial diligence in supporting their school communities.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer

For all pupils and students. We pray that they know they are beloved children of God. May they journey through nursery, school, college or university, supporting one another through life's joys and hardships. At the beginning of this academic year, may they be filled with courage and hope to face the new, exciting and challenging experiences ahead of them.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer

For all those who do not have access to an education. May they know God's love in their lives. We pray that all members of society are drawn to promote the common good, where no one is excluded and everyone's potential, gifts and talents are recognised, nurtured and celebrated.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer