



National Pink Prayer Day

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Greeting

In the name of Jesus Christ, I welcome all of you to this first annual National Pink Prayer Day.

Let us begin, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: *Amen.*

Opening Prayer

Let us pray: Creator God, you sent your Son as Lord of Life, filled with compassion and mercy. We beseech you to hear those who cry out to you. Draw them near and bid your Son to touch and heal them, that they might give you praise and sing your glory to the nations.

All: *Amen.*

Reading: James 5:13-16

(Alternate reading Mt 4:23-24)

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. The Word of the Lord...

All: *Thanks be to God.*

Suggestions for Reflection

- * Someone might wish to offer a reflection on the Word or Jesus' healing ministry.
- * A breast cancer survivor might offer a reflection about her journey.
- * Someone might want to share how breast cancer has affected him or her.

Prayer of the Faithful

* Lord, may your Church continue to proclaim the good news of your healing grace. We pray to the Lord...

All: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

* Lord, may all who suffer from breast cancer and all other ailments find solace and strength in your loving embrace. Heal them in body, mind, and spirit. We pray to the Lord...

All: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

* Lord, we pray in a special way for (insert names). Continue to heal her/them, and give strength to her/their family, friends, and caregivers. We pray to the Lord...

All: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

* Lord, may all who this day struggle to survive find your disciples to be generous of heart and sharers of blessings. We pray to the Lord...

All: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

* Lord, we pray for all who have gone before us, especially those who have died from this disease. Wrap them in your eternal embrace, and pour your grace upon us who remain. We pray to the Lord...

All: *Lord, hear our prayer.*

Prayer (from *Pink Prayer Book*)

You are truly the God of the light
and of the dark.

From each of the low places
to which I've been dropped,
You have lifted me up with great blessing.
The love, kindness, and thoughtfulness
that surrounds me
is the amazingly tangible experience of you.

Sheila M. Chibnall-Treptow, Survivor

Our Father or Hail Mary

Closing Prayer

Let us pray: Lord of Life, your heart was moved with pity at the suffering of God's children, and so you healed the sick and gave your disciples the gift and mission to do the same. May we be true ambassadors of your healing grace and lift up all who suffer.

All: *Amen.*

Dismissal

Let us go in the peace of Christ, sharing with one another some sign of God's peace and strength.

Please feel free to duplicate this prayer service
for use with your family, parish, or community.

For additional prayers, see the *Pink Prayer Book*,
published by Liguori Publications, at www.liguori.org
or call 800-325-9521.