

A Litany for Peace in Ukraine

God the Father, **have mercy on us.**

God the Son, **have mercy on us.**

God the Holy Spirit, **have mercy on us.**

Holy and blessed Trinity, one God, **have mercy on us.**

In these days of trouble, fear and sorrow,
have mercy on us.

In our despair at the violence that seems to fill the world,
have mercy on us.

In the pain of lost life and shattered hopes,
have mercy on us.

In our grieving for those who have died,
have mercy on us.

In our compassion for all who are bereaved,
have mercy on us.

From the history of violence that corrupts every society and our own,
O Lord, deliver us.

From the greed and injustice that divide the world into rich and poor,
O Lord, deliver us.

From the urge for revenge that adds to the cycle of violence,
O Lord, deliver us.

From the fear that grows into hatred for people who are different,
O Lord, deliver us.

From being too quick to attribute blame and demand retribution,
O Lord, deliver us.

From believing ourselves safe through anything other than your grace,
O Lord, deliver us.

From dying suddenly and unprepared,
O Lord, deliver us.

For those who plan and carry out acts of violence,
Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who seek justice and ensure the rule of law,
Lord, hear our prayer.

For the victims of war and terrorism everywhere on earth,
Lord, hear our prayer.

For all who live in fear, and for refugees from violent regimes,
Lord, hear our prayer.

For the people of Ukraine, that they may be granted peace once more,
Lord hear our prayer.

For rescue workers and medical teams treating those injured in conflict zones,
Lord, hear our prayer.

For aid agencies and their workers, responding with practical care in
dangerous places, **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For the leaders of all the nations, looking for ways to work together beyond
fear and suspicion, **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For people of goodwill, responding generously to the needs of suffering
communities, **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all who have friends and family involved in areas of conflict and disaster,
Lord, hear our prayer.

For communities that are terrified by missiles, snipers, vigilantes or death
squads, **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For the vulnerable and defenceless in conflict zones, for the children, the
elderly, the disabled, the sick: **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Our Father . . .

Hail Mary . . .

Glory be . . .