

# PRAYER BEFORE MEETINGS

God our Creator, You have given us the Church as a communion of life, love and truth. You have given us, your Son Jesus Christ who desires that all may be one, as you are one with him. Your gift of the Holy Spirit gathers people of every race, language and way of life. Your apostle and our patron Paul calls us to be one body in Christ. Guide us as we discern your will for the future of this local Church.

Bless us as we attend to the needs of His people. May our deliberations and decisions be marked with respect, patience and honesty. If we err, may it always be on the side of love.

We pray that we might shine forth as a people made one in the unity of you who are Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us.

St. Paul, pray for us.