Litany for Healing:

Our response will be: Save, heal and protect them, O Lord!

For children wounded and tearful;

save, heal and protect them, O Lord!

For children confused or alone;

save, heal and protect them, O Lord! For children afraid or abandoned;

save, heal and protect them, O Lord!

For children beaten;

save, heal and protect them, O Lord!

For children who sleep in fear;

save, heal and protect them, O Lord!

For children afraid to go home;

save, heal and protect them, O Lord!

For children afraid of their abusers;

save, heal and protect them, O Lord!

For children assaulted and for children who assault;

save, heal and protect them, O Lord!

For children whose innocence has been stolen;

save, heal and protect them, O Lord!

For those who cannot trust;

save, heal and protect them, O Lord!

For those who cannot love;

save, heal and protect them, O Lord!

For those whose hearts are filled with fear;

save, heal and protect them, O Lord!

For those whose faith is challenged;

save, heal and protect them, O Lord!

For those longing for peace;

save, heal and protect them, O Lord!

The Lord heals our wounds and strengthens us in our weakness; let us pray as Christ has taught us:

All: Our Father...

Blessing and Dismissal:

Lord God, your own Son was delivered into the hands of the wicked, yet he prayed for his persecutors and overcame hatred with the blood of the cross. Relieve the suffering of those present today; grant them peace of mind and a renewed faith in your protection and care. Protect us all from the violence of others, keep us safe from the weapons of hate, and restore to us tranquility and peace. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

May God bless us with his mercy, strengthen us with his love, and enable us to walk in charity and peace. **R.** Amen.

Song: #542 Christ Be Our Light

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Prayer Service

for

Healing

Wednesday, June 27, 2012
5:30 PM
Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

Prayer Service for Healing

Opening Song: #491 You Are Mine

Opening Prayer:

Priest/deacon: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

R. And with your spirit.

No one is far from you, O God. We come together in joy – mindful of the burdens we carry, the hurts and sorrows we have. We come together in gladness – never forgetting God's love. We come together with praise – for each other and those who assist us on this journey.

No one is far from you O God and we call upon your power in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

1st Reading:

Isaiah 59:6b-8, 15-18

Their webs cannot serve as clothing, nor can they cover themselves with their works. Their works are evil works, and deeds of violence come from their hands. Their feet run to evil, and they are quick to shed innocent blood; Their thoughts are destructive thoughts, plunder and ruin are on their highways. The way of peace they know not, and there is nothing that is right in their paths; Their ways they have made crooked, whoever treads them knows no peace. Honesty is lacking, and the man who turns from evil is despoiled. The LORD saw this, and was aggrieved that right did not exist. He saw that there was no one, and was appalled that there was none to intervene; So his own arm brought about the victory, and his justice lent him its support. He put on justice as his breastplate, salvation, as the helmet on his head; He clothed himself with garments of vengeance, wrapped himself in a mantle of zeal. He repays his enemies their deserts, and requites his foes with wrath.

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalm 142

R: You, O Lord, are my refuge

With a loud voice I cry out to the LORD; with a loud voice I beseech the LORD. My complaint I pour out before him, before him I lay bare my distress. **R**



When my spirit is faint within me, you know my path.

In the way along which I walk they have hid a trap for me. **R**

I look to the right to see, but there is no one there who pays me heed. I have lost all means of escape; there is no one who cares for my life. I cry out to you, O LORD: I say, "You are my refuge, my portion in the land of the living." **R**



Attend to my cry, for I am brought low indeed. Rescue me from my persecutors, for they are too strong for me. **R**

Lead me out of my prison, that I may give thanks to your name. The just shall gather around me when you have been good to me. **R**

The Gospel reading:

Matthew: 10:28-33 - Do Not Fear

Jesus said to his disciples: "Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body in Gehenna. Are not two sparrows sold for a small coin? Yet not one of them falls to the ground without your Father's knowledge. Even all the hairs of your head are counted. So do not be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows. Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father. But whoever denies me before others, I will deny before my heavenly Father."

Homily

Intercessions:

For community and political leaders to model justice and right living;

Christ hear us.

For priests to truly mirror Christ's goodness and love; **Christ hear us.**For families to nourish and foster their children; **Christ hear us.**For teachers to respect and call forth the goodness and wholeness in children;

Christ hear us.

For all adults to enrich the lives of children; **Christ hear us.** For all who support and contribute to our ministry; **Christ hear us.** For all the needs of the world; **Christ hear us.**