

Prayer for Blessing on Our Pastoral Plan

Eternal loving God,
We your people of the Church of Oakland,
thank you for your gift of life and faith.
Your Son, Jesus Christ, has established this church
as His sign and instrument of a Holy People,
rich with a diversity of spiritual and cultural gifts.
We are to be a New Creation in the East Bay.
Our Call to Holiness.



Our Diocesan Mission calls us
to know Christ better and make Him better known.
To this end, we aspire
to renew and deepen the celebration of the sacraments,
to stimulate the life of our parishes
and revitalize our individual and collective faith.
May your Holy Spirit
lead our Bishop, priests, deacons, religious and laity
as we seek to be formed
into effective and healthy servant leaders,
ready and willing to build-up and serve the Body of Christ.
May all, especially our young people, feel welcomed,
encouraged, and engaged in all aspects of the Church's life,
empowered and energized
to become disciples of Jesus Christ in today's world.

With your grace, and filled with joy and enthusiasm for our Faith,
may we become good stewards of your many gifts,
serving the marginalized and living as true disciples.
May we live our faith fully, sharing it freely with others,
and may we become holy as you are holy.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

Mary, Queen of the World, Mother of the Church of Oakland, pray for us.