



*God our Creator,*

*You have given us the Church  
as a communion of life, love and truth.*

*You gave 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 this Archdiocese.*

*May our deliberations and decisions be marked  
with respect, patience and honesty.*

*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.*

*Saint Paul, pray for us.*