

Anti racism prayers as we respond to the death of George Floyd and listen to one another and God's Spirit



“Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness for they shall be satisfied” *Matthew 5:6*



Lord, Jesus Christ, who reached across the ethnic boundaries between Samaritan, Roman and Jew, who offered fresh sight to the blind and freedom to captives, help us to break down the barriers in our community, enable us to see the reality of racism and bigotry, and free us to challenge and uproot it from ourselves, our society and our world. *John Bucki, SJ*

Almighty God,

In our efforts to dismantle racism, we understand that we struggle not merely against flesh and blood but against powers and principalities – those institutions and systems that keep racism and prejudice of any kind, alive by perpetuating the lie that some members of the family are inferior and others superior.

Create in us a new mind and heart that will enable us to see brothers and sisters in the faces of those divided by racial categories.

Give us the grace and strength to rid ourselves of racial stereotypes that oppress some of us while providing entitlements to others.

Help us to create a church and a nation that embraces the hopes and fears of oppressed people of color where we live, as well as those around the world.

Heal your family God – our nation, our world, and make us one with you, in union with our brother Jesus, and empowered by your Holy Spirit.

*Pax Christi*

Those who lead others to justice will shine like the stars forever.

*Daniel 12:3*

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