



"Christ himself asks us to welcome our brother and sister migrants and refugees with arms wide open."
Pope Francis

National Migration Week Prayer

Loving Father, we thank you for the gift of children
And for the joy and love that they bring into our lives.
Protect with your fatherly care all children who face hardship.

In particular, we pray for unaccompanied migrant children who are alone,
For migrant children separated from parents who have been placed in detention,
For those who have lost loved ones due to violence,
And for those who are trapped in situations of exploitation.

Open our hearts to immigrant and refugee children in need.
Show us how we can protect and comfort them.
Give us the wisdom to know how we can help.

Give us courage to defend them against those who would harm them.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
One God forever and ever. Amen.

