

Dear Father

We bring before you the leaders of our society, and your Church.

Father, we know that you have established every authority, and that everything remains under your control. We also know that your word urges us to pray for all in high positions, so that we may live quiet and peaceable lives, godly and respectful in every way.

Therefore, we seek your blessing and your peace for the leaders of our society, for our Governments and Parliaments, our Councils and our Courts. We pray that you might be with them and guide them in their challenging roles.

We pray for those of our civic leaders who don't yet know you. Father, you know them and love them. Please help them to be aware of you and your creation and your power and your love. Please help them to understand that their authority ultimately comes from you, and help them to exercise power humbly and wisely.

Father, we pray for Christians in positions of authority, both in civil society and in your Church. May your spirit counsel them and help them to acknowledge you in all their ways and in every part of their lives, so that you might keep their paths straight. Please strengthen them with the resolve to follow your Word, to fear you always, and to be conscious of the example they provide. Help them to remember that they are your creations, tasked to do the good works which you have prepared for them to do.

And finally Father, we pray for our young leaders. We pray that your Spirit might be working to raise up leaders for our society and your Church who are just and wise, who love mercy and truth, who are charitable and compassionate, and who will rule us in reverent fear of your power, your permanence and your goodness.

Thank you for your faithfulness, Lord, and please hear our prayers, Amen.

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