

# **Prayer Service in Honor of St. Paul**

## **Our Prayer to Jesus**

**Leader:** Let us begin our prayer...  
In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**All:** Amen.

**Leader:** Jesus, there are many saints in heaven who lived holy lives on earth. Many of them were mothers and fathers, bishops, priests, and sisters, teachers, and even young boys and girls. They listened to your word, obeyed the Ten Commandments and helped others to be holy.

**Reader 1:** Today we honor a special saint who was very close to Jesus. St. Paul was a tentmaker and when Jesus called him to be his follower, he said “yes” to Jesus. Let us listen to what St. Paul said about Jesus.

## **The Words of St. Paul**

**Reader 2:** “Jesus lives in me.” Gal 2:20

**If Jesus lives in you and me, then we must be kind to everyone.**

**All:** St. Paul, help us to see Jesus in everyone we meet. Help us to be kind and loving to our parents, brothers and sisters, teachers and our classmates.

**Reader 3:** “Let the word of Jesus be in my heart.” Col 3:16

**We hear God’s word in Religion class, when we go to Mass, when we pray and when we receive the sacraments. God is always with us!**

**All:** St. Paul, you told many people about how much God loved them. You told them stories about Jesus and how he helped others. Help us to listen to what Jesus is telling us about being kind and holy.

**Reader 4:** “I want to talk with you about Jesus who died on the cross.” 1Cor 2:2

**Jesus suffered and died on the cross for us because he loved us so much. Let us just think about his great love for us!**

**All:** St. Paul, help me to look to Jesus when we are unhappy and sad. When we are hurt or disappointed, let us think of Jesus and what he did for us.

## **Our Closing Prayer**

**Leader:** Let us pray...

**May God, our Father, keep us in his care...**

**All:** ...forever and ever!

**Leader:** May Jesus, our Savior, bless us...

**All:** ...in all that we say and do!

**Leader:** May the Holy Spirit, our Helper, be with us...

**All:** ...and make us holy!

**Leader:** St. Paul, our friend, help us to love God with our whole hearts!

**All:** ...that we may be pleasing to God! Amen!