

## Closing Prayer

L: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

A: **Amen.**

L: Let us pray for our particular intentions. That those we visit may find Your gift of confidence, courage, and peace by our concern for their needs.

A: **Lord, hear us.**

L: That our Holy Father, the Pope, be enlightened and strengthened in his leadership; that all members of the Society, their families, any who may now be in need, and all those who help us in our work be attracted by Your love and live fulfilling lives.

A: **Lord, hear us.**

L: That the Society and our council be blessed with continual growth and renewal in our mission to help overcome suffering.

A: **Lord, hear us.**

L: That we accept with new enthusiasm our calling to make visible our unity with Christ by working together with all Christians in service to the needy.

A: **Lord, hear us.**

L: That the Cause for the canonization of Blessed Frederic Ozanam, who excelled in the virtue of Christian love, be advanced.

A: **Lord, hear us.**

L: That our departed friends and relatives, our Vincentian brothers and sisters, and those whom we have served be welcomed into Your Kingdom and joined in love.

A: **Lord, hear us.**

A: **In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

## Opening Prayer

L: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

A: **Amen.**

L: Come, Holy Spirit, live within our lives.

A: **And strengthen us by Your love.**

L: Send forth Your spirit, and new life will be created.

A: **And the whole face of the earth will be renewed.**

**Our Father who art in Heaven. . . Amen.**

L: Let us reflect on the words of Our Lord Jesus Christ, recalling His unity and presence among us: "Where two or three are gathered together in My Name, there am I in the midst of them."

*- Pause for a moment of silence -*

*(Conferences are encouraged to light a candle at this point as a reminder of Christ's presence at the meeting.)*

**A: Lord Jesus, deepen our Vincentian spirit of friendship during this meeting. Make us responsive to the Christian calling to seek and find the forgotten, the suffering, or the deprived, so that we may bring them your love. Help us to be generous with our time, our possessions, and ourselves in this mission of charity. Perfect in us Your love and teach us to share more fully in the Eucharistic Sacrifice offered for all.**

**Hail Mary full of grace. . . etc. Amen.**

L: St. Vincent de Paul,

A: **Pray for us.**

L: Blessed Frederic Ozanam,

A: **Pray for us.**