



## **PRAYER FOR HOPE AND ACTION**

God of life,  
I pray through the intercession of St Mary MacKillop  
for renewed hope in my life.

In the spirit of Mary of the Cross  
I pray for those suffering the effects of  
natural disasters, poverty, poor health, recession and war.  
I pray that I too,  
“never see an evil without trying to do something about it”.

May I grow in trust in your Providence,  
hope in the saving grace of Jesus Christ,  
and courage in the transforming work of the Spirit.  
God of life, hear me.  
Amen

## ***Prayer for Our Land and People***



God of vision,  
We thank you for Mary MacKillop  
and Julian Tenison Woods  
who loved this land and its peoples.  
As we struggle to realise our hopes  
for a more just country  
May we witness to the meaning of fair play  
for people and land.  
May we value the wisdom  
of indigenous peoples.  
May we act to halt more damage to Earth.  
May we live simply, love tenderly  
and walk humbly.  
We ask this in the name of Christ.  
Amen.

### ***Prayer for Openness to Others***



God of all blessings,  
you revealed in Mary MacKillop a woman  
sensitive to the rights and dignity of every person,  
regardless of gender, race or creed.  
May we learn from her to overcome  
prejudice and fear.

Help us to value each person.  
Help us to value different cultures,  
faiths and people  
and the blessings of diversity.  
Hear us O Holy One, Three in One.

Amen

## Pilgrim's Prayer



**God of the Pilgrim,  
Mary MacKillop trusted your guidance  
in her journey of life  
and deepened her confidence in your will.  
May we renew our trust in your Providence  
to lead us in hope.  
May we relish the sacred in the ordinariness  
of our lives.  
May we grow in the fullness of your love  
and the depth of your mystery.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ,  
the way, the truth and the life.  
Amen**

## PRAYER FOR SPECIAL NEEDS

You have given us Saint Mary MacKillop  
to encourage and inspire us.

Mary, your faith was tried like gold in fire.	<i>Pray for us</i>
You were confident in God's providence.	<i>Pray for us</i>
You lived the gospel bravely.	<i>Pray for us</i>
You knew the cross of misunderstanding and pain.	<i>Pray for us</i>
You reached out to those most in need.	<i>Pray for us</i>
You are our companion in hope.	<i>Pray for us</i>

We pray through your intercession for our needs...

*(include your requests).....*

We make our prayer through Jesus Christ.

Amen



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