



We pray for the Holy Catholic Church, as it continues to speak out against all that would destroy human dignity and human rights, we pray...

We pray for all those who task it is to lead communities and nations, may their leadership reflect wisdom and prudence. We pray...

We pray for those who are poor or oppressed, that, by our prayers and actions, they may experience freedom, justice and peace. We pray...

We pray for all of us gathered here today, may we be open to the Holy Spirit when faced with moral dilemmas. We Pray...

Closing Prayer: Loving Father, protect us from all harm and give us health in mind and body. Guide us with the Holy Spirit in all of our decisions both large and small. Help us live our lives inspired by the life of your Son, our greatest teacher, Amen.



All of us were created to find happiness by living in God's love. This love must be guided with the wisdom of our faith. Prudence is about guiding one another as sons and daughters of God and encouraging each other to live the Gospel of Jesus with confidence. Prudence is often linked with wisdom. Prudence has three steps:

1. Seeking the proper and most loving thing to do;
2. Judging between actions to find the best choice;

3. Confidently acting on the most righteous choice

There are many classroom applications for this virtue. One could look at Cyber safety, netiquette, the use of media in trying to persuade people away from their Catholic beliefs and values. One could also promote social justice by prudent spending (fair trade practices with developing countries). Prudence is the grace to be able to see everything with the eyes of God. It is simply this; to see the world, situations, circumstances, problems and everything with God's eyes. Pope Francis, Vatican City—April 9th, 2014.

Looks like: I think before acting when faced with a moral dilemma. I think of others when making decisions. I reflect on past mistakes before acting. I keep my promises.

Sounds like: I say I am sorry and try to make up for past mistakes

Feels like: I respect learning and the learning of others and I am open to new ideas

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As parents and educators we want to make the right choices for our children and students. When we have important decisions to make, we seek help from

Ten Things I can Do to Help my World. Author: Melanie Walsh

The Big Elephant in the Room. Author: Lane Smith

Do Unto Others—A Book About Manners. Author: Laurie Keller

I Repeat Don't Cheat. Author: Margery Cuyler, Arthur Howard

The Pink Refrigerator. Author: Tim Egan

Don't Laugh at Me. Author: Steve Seskin

One. Author: Kathryn Otishi

The War. Author: Anais Vaugelade

