

PRAYER FOR IMMIGRATION

**God of all nations,
we lift up to you our brothers and sisters
who have left their homelands seeking safety.
We pray for immigrants everywhere,
especially those who are vulnerable
and marginalized.**

**Be with them on their journey, Lord.
Protect them from harm,
guide them to safe haven
and open doors of opportunity
filled with hope and dignity.
Surround them with your love
and the kindness of others.**

**We pray for our Church,
that it may be a beacon of welcome
and support for immigrants
in our communities.**

**Inspire us to show the same compassion
and generosity that you have shown us.
Help us to embrace the richness of diversity
and to work for justice for all.**

**May our parishes
be places where immigrants find friendship,
understanding and a spiritual home.
May we walk with them,
honoring their stories
and embracing the beauty of their traditions.**

**We call upon the intercession
of Our Lady of Guadalupe,
patroness of the Americas,
that her mantle of love
enfolds all God's children
in need of protection.**

**We ask all this
through Christ our Lord,
who himself was a refugee
and stranger in a foreign land. Amen.**

*“For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was
thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and
you welcomed me” (Matthew 25:35).*

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