



Order for the Blessing of Pro-Life Pilgrims

You may wish to include the blessing of pilgrims within the Sunday Mass the prior weekend. Following the Prayer after Communion, the presider invites all the pilgrims to stand, says the prayer of blessing, and then concludes the Mass with the final blessing for the entire assembly. In a school setting, perhaps the entire school can gather at the end of a school day to pray for the pilgrims together. It can be very powerful to include the larger community in this prayerful send off.

Prayer of Blessing

(The Leader and/or those of the parish community who are sending the group forth are invited to extend their hands in a gesture of blessing.)

Leader: All powerful God,

You always show mercy to those who love you and you are never far away for those who seek you. Remain with your servants on this journey and guide their way in accord with your will. Shelter them with your protection by day, give them the light of your grace by night, and, as their companion on the journey, bring them to their destination in safety.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Assembly: Amen.
