Holy Women of God, Pray for Us

Risen Lord,

The angel that announced your rising Spoke to an audience of but a few women from Galilee.

And then you appeared, Risen in the body, But first only to Mary of Magdala.

We look back on all the centuries of your Church

Born of this small, faithful band, Nurtured through the ages so often by the special grace given to women.

Lord, teach us to honor women, in body and in spirit.

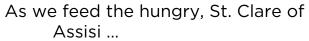
For these great disciples have taught us to heal the sick,

To feed the poor

To sow mercy and justice.

To make peace.

And we call on them now to pray for us, As we take up the cross ourselves.



... pray for us.

As we give drink to the thirsty, St. Brigid of Kildare ...

... pray for us.

As we clothe the naked, St. Margaret of Cortona ...

... pray for us.

As we shelter the homeless, St. Elizabeth of Hungary ...

... pray for us.

As we comfort and care for the sick, St. Marianne Cope ...

... pray for us.

As we visit the prisoner and ransom the captive, St. Hedwig of Silesia ...

... pray for us.

As we care for the dying and bury the dead, St. Teresa of Kolkata ...

... pray for us.

As we do all the works of Christ in this world, Blessed Virgin Mary and all you holy women of God ...

... pray for us.

Lord, as we are heirs to the Gospel So too you have made us heirs of these women

Teach us to sing the song, in our words and deeds, that our sisters have taught us:

That Jesus Christ is risen from the dead.

Amen



