



Prayers of the Faithful for Mental Health Awareness Month (May)

For persons with a mental illness, and their families to find effective treatment for their illness and understanding and acceptance from others, we pray to the Lord.

For families who strive to understand and help their loved ones with mental illness, Loving God, lift their burdens, calm their anxiety, and quiet their fears. We pray to the Lord.

For the Church and public agencies to act with justice and to ensure the availability of necessary supportive services to aid in the recovery of persons who live with mental health concerns, we pray to the Lord.

For all who provide services for persons whose lives are affected by mental illness – social workers, counselors, mental health professionals, pastoral caregivers – that they will bear witness to God’s spirit of love, we pray to the Lord.

For each of us to reach out with compassion to those who experience mental illness so that they may know that they are not alone, we pray to the Lord.

For persons who suffer from depression or burn-out, that they will find support and a light that opens them up to life, we pray to the Lord.

For all persons who themselves or within their families live with mental illness, that the joy and love of Jesus may bring them comfort, we pray to the Lord.

For people with mental illness who are confined in jails and prisons or who live on the streets without homes or hope, we pray to the Lord.