

A Prayer for 2022

In his New Year's wishes to the world, Pope Francis encouraged us to focus on the good which unites us while acknowledging that the coronavirus pandemic has left many scared and struggling.

“We are still living in uncertain and difficult times due to the pandemic,” Pope Francis said. “Many are frightened about the future and burdened by social problems, personal problems, dangers stemming from the ecological crisis, injustices and by economic imbalances.”

As Christians we know that there is hope in God. So let us pray:

Dear God,

You make all things new. Thank you for all that you've allowed into our lives this past year, the good things along with the hard things, which remind us how much we need and rely on You.

May Your Spirit lead us in this New Year, guide our decisions and turn our hearts to deeply desire You above all else. Help us to pursue You first in our daily lives.

We ask for your wisdom and for your strength and power to be constantly present within us. Make us strong and courageous for the road ahead and let Your gifts flow freely through us so we can be beacons for those who seek and need hope and comforting.

We pray for your protection over our families and friends. May Your deep love surround us and keep us safe in these troubled times.

Amen

Saint Luke the Evangelist: Pray for us.

May the new year grant you and your family peace.