

# **Universal Prayer Suggestions related to: The International Day of Persons with Disabilities 2022 December 3, 2022**

## **Petitions to use on the weekend of December 3-4 and other times during the year:**

That the world-wide efforts promoted on the International Day of Persons with Disabilities will foster a culture of inclusion in society, let us pray to the Lord.

That families with members who have disabilities will find a welcoming home in the Catholic Church, let us pray to the Lord.

That members of our parish community will reach out lovingly to all our parishioners, especially those with disabilities, new parents, older parishioners, busy families, and veterans and their families, let us pray to the Lord.

For our parish family, that our community will model the welcoming and inclusive ministry of Jesus, seeking always to see the image of God in every person, let us pray to the Lord.

That growth in understanding of disabilities will lead to relationships of support and increase a sense of belonging for those who live with disabilities and their families, let us pray to the Lord.

That families and all who live with disabilities will find their faith to be a source of strength, community, and hope, let us pray to the Lord.

Pope Francis' Address 2021 on the International Day of Persons with Disabilities:  
[https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/pont-messages/2021/documents/papa-francesco\\_20211120\\_messaggio-disabilita.html](https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/pont-messages/2021/documents/papa-francesco_20211120_messaggio-disabilita.html)

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