

## **PRAYERS FOR THE FIRST WEEK OF SCHOOL, ELEMENTARY–SEPTEMBER 2018**

### **Tuesday, September 4**

#### **Rooted in Prayer – Enracinés dans la prière**

Loving God,

We come together rooted in prayer, in praise, in thanksgiving, for all the wonderful blessings you have bestowed upon us. We give thanks for the wonderful summer months and we look forward to beginning this new school journey with you as our friend and guide.

Lord, be with us as we learn, pray and worship, now and throughout the school year.

We make this prayer in the name of Jesus, our friend and teacher.

Amen.

### **Wednesday, September 5**

#### **Living in Community – Vivre au coeur de la communauté**

Gracious God,

You created us to be with one another. You use the love of our family, our friends, our school and our parish communities to show us how much you care for us. And it is only through loving them, that we grow. Thank you for the gift of living together in community and help us on our journey of becoming followers of Jesus, so that we might learn to be more loving as we get older. We know that you too, live in the community of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Amen.

### **Thursday, September 6**

#### **Doing Justice and Creating Hope – Semer la justice et inspirer l'espérance**

Loving God,

We see Jesus in the faces of others and you help us to live in loving community. Strengthen us to be people of service, bringing God's love to everyone we meet. With your love, we can bring mercy and kindness to others and truly live our faith. Give us hearts of hope and justice so that all may live with joy.

Amen.

### **Friday, September 7**

#### **Journeying Together in Faith – Cheminer ensemble dans la foi**

God of all beginnings and endings,

We give thanks to you today for the school year ahead, with all its promise and possibilities.

Walk with us as we journey together this year. Remind us of the many ways in which we can support each other along the way. Help us to choose words and actions that are kind and welcoming. Inspire us to see with your loving eyes and to listen with your open ears. Fill our hearts with the joy of your presence and guide us to share our joy with one another. Deepen our faith to sustain us throughout the journey.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.