**PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE OF HAITI**



Out of the depths we cry to You, O God.

We cry to You for our Haitian sisters and brothers.

We thank you for upholding them in their suffering.

Give them continuing strength and comfort.

Give us love and courage to stand with them

and work with them

As they struggle for justice and freedom

And as we struggle to understand

What you want and need us to do.

Help us to be open to receiving the gifts

they have to give us.

Keep us committed to truth and empower us

With Your Spirit of love:

A love that always sees possibilities

For peace founded on justice;

A love that seeks justice

Without vengeance and retaliation;

A love that reaches out to enemies,

As Jesus taught us.

We trust in your continuing mercy

as we bring to you

Our desire to be in solidarity

With our Haitian brothers and sisters.

Amen.

 (Roman Catholic Diocese of Worcester)