A Vincentian Prayer

O Jesus Christ, our Savior,
You chose to live in poverty
and made Yourself present among the poor,
the displaced, and the oppressed.
We adore You, Lord, hidden in those who suffer.

Grant us, as Vincentians,
eyes of faith to recognize You,
hearts and hands filled with love,
to care with compassion.

Clothe us with simplicity, humility,
gentleness, self-denial, and zeal for souls.
May our prayer become faithful service,
and our service reflect Your divine charity.

Form us into a community that welcomes the poor
as our "lords and teachers."
Through them, teach us the joy of the Gospel
and the meaning of true discipleship.

Help us to work together generously
wherever You send us.
When mission is difficult and fruits unseen,
strengthen our fidelity.

May our lives continue Your presence in the world today.
Awaken in us the spirit of Saint Vincent,
that by proclaiming the Gospel to those abandoned,
we may grow in holiness. *Amen*

Saint Vincent de Paul, pray for us.

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Saint Vincent de Paul never left behind a fixed formulation of prayers. Father André Dodin, C.M. wrote the book "En prière avec Monsieur Vincent" *(1982). The prayer presented draws extensively from the insights found in Father Dodin's profound writings. Its formulation remains faithful to a spirit of prayer that is never separated from the practice of evangelization and service to the poor, and that finds its source in the incarnational mystery of Christ.*