# Love one another

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love.

1 John 4:7-8 (NIV)

## **Creative idea, Newspaper Prayers**

God calls us to love one another and as members of the Mothers' Union we reach out as His hands to help others in need. Take a current newspaper and divide the pages so that each member can each find an article to focus on. Talk about these together and then compose a prayer for the people, location or situation it describes.

## One format is to say:

Thank you Lord that you always listen when we pray, we pray today for the people involved in ...... and ask that you help them at this time.

You could vote for the most deserving cause and all agree to focus on this in your daily prayers over the coming week.

If it is a local paper you could choose some recent Birth, Marriage and Death Announcements. Pray for the people named and their families.

# **Prayers**

We pray for all our members and the work that they carry out for the Mothers' Union in the Oxford Diocese. We pray for the members of the Indoor Member Prayer Circle and join our prayers with theirs for the future success of all our endeavours.

### **Let Us Love One Another**

Let us love one another and pray;

Let us love one another and be faithful;

Let us love one another and be humble,

be filled with the charity of God;

Let us love one another with God, in God, and for God;

And we shall thus be one with Him for all eternity.

Δmen

(Prayer of Cornelia Connelly who founded the Society of the Holy Child Jesus)

### Dearest Lord,

May we leave a trace of love from our journey here on earth, a tangible thread that bears witness to our faith and endures so that future generations fully understand how truly wonderful you are.

Amen

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