

Praying for . . . Those Who Are Poor and Suffering from Changes in Employment

O God of healing and mercy, you know the pain of those among us who suffer from changes in daily work and employment because of this world emergency and its after effects.

Countless neighbors have served in vulnerable or underpaid positions. For them, the loss of income and ordinary productivity are immediate. Others have had hopeful visions for their businesses suddenly replaced by fears and burdens. Many are helpless at the consequences for their employees and co-workers.

Hold all of them in your mercy, and give them strength and renewed direction. We ask for wisdom for their customers and clients, as well as for policymakers and legislators whose actions affect the livelihoods of numerous people.

May all of us work toward a civic community that holds the common good at its center.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, who lived among us in vulnerability and who gave his life in love for this world.

~ Sister Sally Witt



Reflection for May

In 1995, our Sisters traveled to Mississippi, one of the nation's poorest states to help those struggling economically and spiritually.

We directed a housing program, provided pastoral care and social services at parishes, tutored children, and coordinated a support group for those with HIV and AIDS.

Our commitment to serve the poor has taken us to all corners of this country and to missions across continents.

Today, our deep care and concern for the poor remains embedded in our hearts.

Through a collaborative ministry with other communities of women religious, we support Sisters Place, which is a supportive housing community assisting families who are experiencing homelessness in southwestern Pennsylvania.

