



Prayer for the Adelaide Diocesan Assembly

Merciful and Loving God,
author of our story, animator of our mission, and hope of our future,
you have called us to be your family in this place,
to discuss the things that matter to us,
to discern the path ahead,
and to share in the life and mission of your Son, Jesus.

As we prepare for our Diocesan Assembly,
we ask you to make us ready for the work at hand.

Come, Holy Spirit, prepare our hearts,
that we may be filled with compassion, courage and love.

Come, Holy Spirit, prepare our minds,
that we may receive your wisdom, dream new dreams,
and be open to new ideas.

Come, Holy Spirit, prepare our eyes,
that we may see you in one another, perceive the need of our
neighbour, and envision new horizons.

Come, Holy Spirit, prepare our ears,
that we may hear your voice, listen deeply to the other,
and attend to the voice within.

Come, Holy Spirit, prepare our mouths,
that may we speak on behalf of the voiceless, cry out for justice,
and bear witness to your love.

Come, Holy Spirit, prepare our feet,
that we may walk in the footsteps of Jesus, go to the peripheries,
and accompany one another on the way.

Come, Holy Spirit, prepare our hands,
that we may embrace our sisters and brothers, heal wounds,
and build bridges of peace.

Come, Holy Spirit, prepare our community,
that we may be your one body, eliminate borders of exclusion,
and welcome all into your love

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

