

# MERCY Peace & Justice CALENDAR

## Peace and Justice Prayer Calendar June 2025

*National Gun Violence Awareness Month*

*Torture Awareness Month*

*Cancer Survivors Month*

*LGBTQ+ Pride Month*

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### 1 Global Parents Day (UN)

We pray for parents, especially those in conflict areas of the world..

### Stand for Children Day (USA)

We pray for quality education and health care for all children.

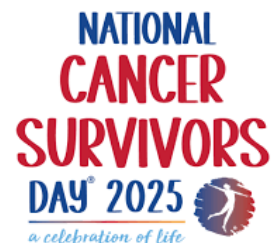


### World Communications Day

(VA) Theme: "Share with gentleness the hope that is in your hearts" ( cf.1 Pet.3:15-16)  
Pope Francis

**Jewish Shavuot begins** celebrating the Harvest and giving of the Torah and Ten Commandments by God (Ascension may be observed)

**National Cancer survivors day** Theme:  
Celebrating Life, Raising Awareness and  
Inspiring hope for the future



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- 2 We pray “that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus and from his Heart learn to have compassion on the world” **Pope Francis Monthly Intention**

Monthly Prayer Intentions



**Native Americans granted citizenship in 1924**

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- 3 **Feast of St. Charles Lwanga and Ugandan Companions**  
We pray for the people of Uganda, South Sudan, Sudan, Nigeria, Cameroon, Mali, Burkina Faso, Congo.



**Pope John XIII died in 1963**

**World Bike Day (UN)**

**Shavuot ends** We pray for peace in Israel and Palestine



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- 4 **International Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression (UN)**  
We pray for the loved ones of the more than 10,500 child soldiers who are killed yearly



## Tiananmen Square Massacre in 1989

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### 5 World Environment Day (UN)

*Theme: Ending Plastic Pollution*

**We pray for the will to end use of plastics**

**International Day for the Fight Against  
Illegal Unreported & Unregulated  
Fishing (UN)**

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### 6 Muslim Feast of Eid al Adha Feast of Sacrifice

**1<sup>st</sup> Friday Pray and Act Against the  
Death Penalty (CMN)**



**Robert F. Kennedy killed in 1968**

**We pray for the safety and wellbeing of those seeking  
public office.**

**D-Day 1944 in Normandy France**

**We pray for the end of USA financed  
weapons for Wars.**

**National Gun Violence Awareness  
Weekend ...Wear Orange in support**

**We pray for the end of gun violence in our communities.**



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7 **World Food Safety Day (UN)**

We pray for those who are food insecure in our World.



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8 **Feast of Pentecost (Orthodox Feast also)**

We pray for the Spirit's guidance on Pope Leo XIV and for healing of the Church during this Jubilee Year of Hope

We pray for the safety and wellbeing of the protestors on the Rally and March for Freedom in Washington



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9 **Feast of Blessed Virgin Mary  
Mother of the Church**

**World Oceans Day (UN)**

We pray with gratitude for all of creation especially the oceans



- 10 We pray for Anthony F. Wainwright in Florida and Gregory Hunt in Alabama scheduled for execution, the victims and their families

**International Day for Dialogue among Civilizations (UN)**

**Feast of St. Rafqa First Lebanon Saint patron of lost parents and the sick**



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- 11 We pray for the repose of the souls of Jessie Hoffman, Jeffrey Hutchinson, James Osgood, Moises Sandoval Mendoza, Christopher Sepolvado (natural causes) executed last month in USA.
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- 12 We pray for John Hanson scheduled for execution in Oklahoma, the victim and their families.

**World Day Against Childhood Labor (UN)**

We pray for the end of childhood Labor

**Orlando Night Club Shooting in 2016 49 killed 53 injured** We pray for the end of homophobia and violence

**Anne Frank born in 1929**

We pray for the end of Anti-Semitism.

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**13 Feast of St. Anthony of Padua patron of those who are poor**

**International Albinism Awareness Day (UN)**

We pray for economic justice and equity for all and the end of discrimination of Albino persons



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**14 USA Flag Day**

We pray that the American flag remains a symbol of peace and justice

**A Day of Memory of Repressed (Armenia) People (UN)**

We pray for the repressed peoples of the World.



**World Blood Donor Day (WHO)**

We pray for more blood donors.

**250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the USA Army**

We pray for the safety and well being of the Washington DC March participants & protest Marchers around the USA



## 15 Feast of the Trinity

**Father's Day** We pray for all fathers, especially those separated from families due to war, immigration and poverty

**World Elder Abuse Awareness Day**  
(WHO we pray for the end of elder abuse.)

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## 16 International Day of Family Remittance (UN)

we pray for the 200 million migrants who support 800 million family members in their native countries

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## 17 World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought (UN)

We pray for the 1.8 Billion people suffering from water shortage worldwide

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## 18 International Day for Countering Hate Speech (UN)

We pray for civil interactions among people of diverse backgrounds and beliefs



## World Sustainable Gastronomy Day (UN)

May countries develop healthy and sustainable ways to create cuisines that reflects their culture

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### 19 Juneteenth Holiday,

We pray for the end of racism and a fair and impartial Justice System

### International Day for the elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict (UN)



### 20 Summer Solstice

#### Refugee Day (UN)

We pray that the more than 68 million refugees (1/2 are children) in the World from countries in Syria, Afghanistan, Ukraine, Venezuela, South Sudan, Myanmar, Sudan, Yemen, Palestine find welcoming countries



### 21 Feast of St. Aloysius Gonzaga Patron of Catholic Youth

We pray for the safety and well-being of the World's Youth

#### Global Music Day (UN)

We pray in gratitude for the musicians.





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**22-29 Religious Freedom Week**  
**Intentions from the USCCB**  
**website**



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**22 Feasts of Sts. John Fisher and Thomas Moore**

We pray all people of faith would be free to gather in Houses of Worship without fear.

**Feast of Corpus Christi**

We pray that Catholics will have the courage to put the truth of the gospel & fidelity to the Church above partisan Politics



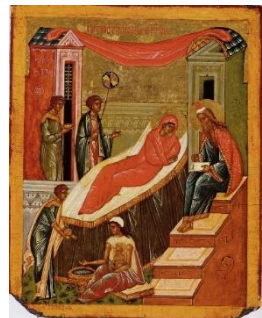
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**23 Let us Pray for couples who suffer fertility challenges & that Political leaders would promote therapies that respect the dignity of all human persons.**

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**24 Feast of the Nativity of St. John Baptist**

We pray the Holy Spirit would give us courage to bear witness to the truth of the gospel even in face of social and legal pressure



**25 International Day of the Seafarer (UN)**

We pray for those who work on the seas  
We pray the Lord protects all migrants and  
refugees and that all those who work with  
people on the move would be free to serve



**Korean War begins in 1950**

We pray for the people of Korea

We pray for the Church in Nicaragua  
where the Catholic Church faces brutal  
government persecution



We pray for Richard Gerald Jordan  
scheduled for execution in Mississippi, the victims and  
families

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**26 Muharram-Islamic New Year begins**

**International Day of Support of Torture  
Victims and Survivors (UN)**

We pray for the end of torture



**International Day Against Drug  
Abuse and Illicit Trafficking (UN)**

We pray for drug abusers

we pray that governments will  
strengthen the ability for parents to  
direct the education of their children.



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**27 Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests (VA)**

**Feast of Our Lady of Perpetual Help**

We pray that the Lord would protect vulnerable migrants & refugees and that the Church enjoy the freedom to carry out the ministries that Christ handed to her.



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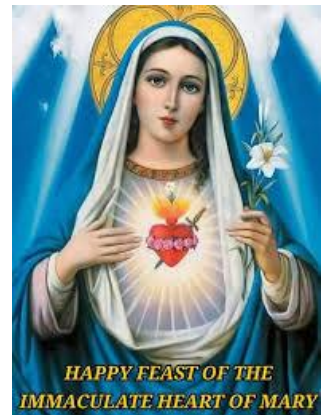
**28 Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary**

We pray that government leaders recognize the contributions religious charities make to the common good

**Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) Awareness Day (USA)**

We pray for the victims of PTSD

**Stonewall Rebellion in 1969 begins LGBTQ+ movement** We pray for the end of homophobia and the respect for all people no matter their sexual origination



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**29 Feast of St. Peter & Paul**

we pray for our brothers & sisters in Nigeria who are suffering violent religious conflict

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## 30 Feast of the First Martyrs of the Roman Church

**Dorothy Kazel OSU North American  
Martyr born in 1939** We pray for the  
safety and wellbeing of all missionaries.

**International Day of Asteroid (UN)**

**International Day of Parliamentarism  
(UN)**



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