

OCSOA PRAYER

O God of all goodness and grace,
We praise you and bless your holy name.
We thank you for calling us to lead and serve
in the field of Catholic education.
Help us to be true to that calling:
to be women and men of faith, hope and love.
May we lead with vision, courage and compassion,
and serve with humility, gentleness and kindness.

Strengthen us in our resolve to uphold the true,
the good and the beautiful.

Stand by us in our efforts to promote your reign of justice, peace and love.
Give us eyes to see things not only as they are
but as they should be,
ears to hear all the voices
from the margins no less than from the center;
hearts to listen to the needs, hopes and dreams
of all whom we are called to lead and serve.

O Holy Spirit, come and abide with us.

Enliven us with your creative power;
Inspire us with your wisdom and understanding;
Warm us with your love,
so that we may live what we profess to believe
and serve others with generous and cheerful hearts.

We make our prayer in Jesus' name.

Amen