

Be the Body of Christ

For Daily Prayer for the church to acknowledge the gifted people in her congregation.

Acknowledge the authority of Christ as the head of the Church and that he has appointed leaders to guide us – pray for them to lead in humility.

Acknowledge the 'Law of the Spirit of Life'; the new wine being poured into the hearts of those willing to receive – pray that the gifts will be used to glorify God and serve the Church.

Acknowledge that we (the Church) have allowed spiritual pride and superiority to divide us and destroy the reputation of Christians as a whole: repent on behalf of the Church (stand in the gap) and pray that all Christians repent and seek God's forgiveness and restoration so we can become one Church, one body, one Bride of Christ

Acknowledge that The Creative Arts belongs to God and that the blood of Christ and grace are poured upon all Artists in Australia

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**Transforming Sydney Prayer Meeting
July 2013**

**Praying for
Creative Arts**

Praying for:

Artists, performers, Painters, dancers, Musicians, Poets

Visual Arts, Crafts, Multimedia Arts, Performance Arts, Drama, Architecture, Design, Fashion, Cultural and Creative public and private sectors, Photography, sculpture, Interior and product designs.

Department of Arts in NSW

Museums

Museum of Sydney

Sydney art galleries

Theatre and Drama School, colleges and shows in Sydney

Sydney heritage Fine Arts

Dance and performing arts

Aboriginal culture in Sydney

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God's Plan to Liberate the Creative Arts Industry from Darkness

The Church needs art

In order to communicate the message entrusted to her by Christ, the Church needs art. Art must make perceptible, and as far as possible attractive, the world of the spirit, of the invisible, of God. It must therefore translate into meaningful terms that which is in itself ineffable. Art has a unique capacity to take one or other facet of the message and translate it into colours, shapes and sounds which nourish the intuition of those who look or listen. It does so without emptying the message itself of its transcendent value and its aura of mystery.

The Church has need especially of those who can do this on the literary and figurative level, using the endless possibilities of images and their symbolic force. Christ himself made extensive use of images in his preaching, fully in keeping with his willingness to become, in the Incarnation, the icon of the unseen God.

Does art needs the Church?

The Church also needs art, and artists. But can it also be said that art needs the Church?

Yes Art needs the church and Christ.

Scriptures

Let us read Genesis 1:28

Isaiah 64:8

But now, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand.

Exodus 35:30-35

Then Moses said to the people of Israel, "See, the Lord has called by name Bezalel the son of Uri, son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah; and he has filled him with the Spirit of God, with skill, with intelligence, with knowledge, and with all craftsmanship, to devise artistic designs, to work in gold and silver and bronze, in cutting stones for setting, and in carving wood, for work in every skilled craft.

1 Chronicles 22:15

You have an abundance of workmen: stonecutters, masons, carpenters, and all kinds of craftsmen without number, skilled in working

Exodus 30:25

And you shall make of these a sacred anointing oil blended as by the perfumer; it shall be a holy anointing oil.

Prayer Points

Praying for Christians gate keepers, watchmen, educators, chaplains, intercessors, pastoral carer in this domain:

Let us pray for

Christians in the arts would connect and work together, Christians in the arts are given favor in the media and entertainment industry. Christ would call and raise up an army of Christians to be sent into the domain of Creative Arts.

Prayer for Artists

**Bless the creators, O God of creation,
who by their gifts make the world
a more joyful and beautiful realm.**

**Through their labors
they teach us to see more clearly
the truth around us.**

**In their inspiration
they call forth wonder and awe
in our own living.**

**In their hope and vision
they remind us
that life is holy.**

**Bless all who create in your image,
O God of creation.**

**Pour your Spirit upon them
that their hearts may sing
and their works be fulfilling.**

Amen.