



AMERICAN NATIONAL CATHOLIC CHURCH

A message from George R. Lucey, FCM Presiding Bishop of the American National Catholic Church

Every morning when we pray the Benedictus, we proclaim "To give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace."

Let us join all People of good faith in earnestly imploring our Prince of Peace to bring peace to Ukraine and Eastern Europe.

I invite the ANCC People of God to join me on February 25 at 8:00 pm EST for five minutes of earnest prayer for the welfare of the Ukrainian people and the end of Russian aggression against them. May the peace of God, which passes all understanding, calm the hearts and minds of all humans.

I encourage all of us in the American National Catholic Church to join our Roman Catholic sister and brothers in a day of prayer and fasting for peace on March 2, for as we know, some "spirits can only be cast out by prayer and fasting."

Most gracious Father,

*We ask that you give comfort, courage, and patience to the people of Ukraine
as they endure the unjust aggression leveled against them.*

*We ask that you open the hearts of the Russian leaders
that they might repent of their imperial ambitions.*

*We ask that you strengthen our own resolve
to love profligately and work mightily for peace,
that your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, who came to bring peace to the world,
may find us worthy.*

*In the name of the Father, + and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
Amen.*