

Prayer Path on May 9th 2020 - *Together for Europe*

Invitation



Dear friends in *Together for Europe*,

“Europe needs our prayer” was the motto last year on the Europe-Day on May 9th. Your echoes later convinced us that going together towards this day was an encouragement for many of us. Dealing with the epidemic scale of Corvid-19-infections these days, we realize: It is not just Europe that requires our prayers, it is the whole world! We may consider this while we are praying for the European countries during our Six-Weeks-Prayer-Path. To do so, we provide some impulses for your prayer - and the prayer-path starts March, 28th and ends with the Europe Day on May 9th.

What do the impulses look like? During the meeting of the steering-group in Rome-Castel Gandolfo in 2016 we agreed which Europe we'd like to affirm by giving our strong Yes. We will assign this reflection to the six weeks, by mentioning every single “Yes” during the weeks to come. Starting from a word from the Gospel we deal with this special accent of the week. And, finally, a prayer suggestion and a song connect us to heaven and to each other. Please note that some ideas derive from the Pentecost Prayer of the Schoenstatt-Movement in 2019. Moreover we would like to thank Wolfgang Lissner for compiling the English translation!

So, during these six weeks to come let us pray for the European Countries from the Atlantic to the Ural! And let us live up to and testify our belief in the Triune God in whose hands our fate is.

We are thankful for feedback and questions!

Best wishes to all of you!

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And so we may pray together:

Father, make us one, that the world may know Thou have sent the Son. Father, make us one.

You might know the tune of this hymn protected by copyright. Surely, you will find it in one of the songbooks you own. It is written by Rick Ridings and composed by Marion Warrington (1976). But you might also know this song by heart - great! Feel free to sing, because whoever sings prays twice!