

Peace Light Reception
St. Francis De Sales School
November 30, 2015

“May a powerful cry for peace go up from every land.”
--Pope Francis

I) Procession and Presentation of the Peace Light

II) Opening Words and Blessing

-Let us pray

Lord we come before You with these candles that express our
faith in Your great love for us. Bless these candles, and let
our lives bear witness to the Peace they symbolize.

III) Reading

-John 14:27

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to
you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled,
and do not let them be afraid.

IV) Petitions

1) For all who are living in fear amidst armed conflict and war...

Response: AND GRANT US YOUR PEACE

2) For all who are mourning the violent loss of loved ones...

Response: AND GRANT US YOUR PEACE

3) For all who have fled their homes and are living in refugee camps...

Response: AND GRANT US YOUR PEACE

4) For all who are working to bring aid into war torn areas...

Response: AND GRANT US YOUR PEACE

5) For world leaders, departments of state, ambassadors, and diplomats ...

Response: AND GRANT US YOUR PEACE

6) For all who in any way further the cause of peace...

Response: AND GRANT US YOUR PEACE

V) Distribution of the Peace Light

VI) Final Blessing and Prayer

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace,
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy;
O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand;
to be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive;
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

-St. Francis of Assisi