

## **A Litany for use during an election campaign**

Lord of every time and place, God of integrity and truth,  
we pray for wisdom as we prepare to vote in the Federal election.

*Let us give thanks to God, saying, 'we thank you, Lord'.*

For this land and the diversity of its peoples,  
**we thank you, Lord.**

For all who work for peace and justice in this land,  
**we thank you, Lord.**

For leaders who serve the common good,  
**we thank you, Lord.**

For robust democracy and freedom to participate in public life,  
**we thank you, Lord.**

For media scrutiny and open debate,  
**we thank you, Lord.**

*Let us pray to the Lord, saying, 'Hear us, good Lord'.*

Bless those who administer the electoral process,  
that they may uphold fairness, honesty and truth.  
**Hear us, good Lord.**

Impart your wisdom to all who propose policy,  
that their promises may serve those in greatest need.  
**Hear us, good Lord.**

Give integrity to party leaders, candidates and campaign workers,  
and keep them from deceit and corruption.  
**Hear us, good Lord.**

Protect all engaged in public life, with their families, friends and colleagues,  
that nothing may demean or do them harm.  
**Hear us, good Lord.**

Direct those who influence opinion through the media,  
that we may listen, speak and vote with sound minds.  
**Hear us, good Lord.**

*The Litany concludes with one or both of these prayers:*

Lord of every time and place, God beyond our dreaming,  
we pray for wisdom as we prepare to vote in the Federal election.  
Give us a Parliament committed to the priorities of your kingdom,  
so that peace, compassion, truth and justice may prevail among us,  
and make us a blessing to all peoples, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

God, bless Australia,  
guard our people  
guide our leaders  
and give us peace;  
for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.