

In the gym tomorrow, we will begin with this **prayer**:

We will begin with the Sign of the Cross.

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

Loving Father, we ask your blessing on our community. As we dedicate 2019 to our college theme of Unity in Community, we pray that we will continue in developing the tradition given to us by Blessed Edmund Rice to live lives of love and service to all and to the world in which we live.

As members of Edmund Rice Education Australia, we strive to uphold our values of Faith, Excellence, Respect and Opportunity so that we are able to build a community that lives what it proclaims.

We give thanks.....

- 1) **Leader 1**: We pray for our families, friends and all with whom we have shared our holiday break. We thank you Lord for the quality time we shared with them. Lord, hear us.

Response: Lord, hear our prayer

- 2) **Mr Couani** - We pray for those who are new to our College this year that they may enjoy the spirit of welcome and support as they become valued members of our community. Lord, hear us.

Response: Lord, hear our prayer

- 3) **Leader 3**: We pray for all members of the St Pius community, that we are enlivened by the spirit of Christ and Blessed Edmund Rice in all our interactions with each other. Lord, hear us.

Response: Lord, hear our prayer

School Captain - And finally may our hearts be open to forgiveness, reconciliation and inclusion which should inspire us *to work for peace, stand against injustice, support the poor and fight for a more just society.*

Blessed Edmund Rice, *Pray for us*

St Pius X, *Pray for us*

Live Jesus in our Hearts, *Forever*

Amen

Let's conclude with the sign of the cross.