## A Thanksgiving Prayer for the Journey

"May the Lord of the vineyard give growth so that what his love has called into being may bear blessed fruit in its time."

(Bl. Theresa Ge<mark>rhardin</mark>ger, Letter 3339<mark>, March 15</mark>, 1862)

This Thanksgiving, we recall the abundance

that we've received and continue to each day.

The Lord continuously pours out his love,
giving strength to our hands as laborers in the vineyard.

Amidst business, we step back to be mindful of
God's constant work and presence in our lives.

We give thanks for those who have influenced us on this journey,

as we strive to be His hands and feet.

With a renewed heart, we remain confident that God's work in us grows in perfection each day. This journey is one made with companions, knowing we don't do this work alone.

Let us never tire in giving thanks,

for in gratitude we firm our roots more deeply in God's love.

With raised hearts, we keep focus on the good and the short, graced moments.

We come to the table, hand in hand,

recalling how far we've come and look forward to the journey ahead.

"Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus."

(*Philippians 4: 6-7*)

Reflecting on your journey this year, what are you most thankful for?