

ΑΣΦ

ALPHA SIGMA PHI

alphasig.org

INVOCATION AND BENEDICTION

On occasion, the Fraternity has utilized an invocation or benediction to invoke Divine blessings upon our deliberations, meetings, or gatherings. The following are optional prayers that can be adjusted to suit your chapter's needs. Traditionally, our Ritual calls for the Vice President of Standards to deliver the invocation or benediction, but an honored guest or senior member of the chapter is also appropriate. An invocation is given prior to a meal or ceremony; benedictions are given to close ceremonies and events. You may include an invocation, benediction, or both at any chapter events (meal, formal, alumni event, etc.).

Use the samples below as a reference when developing your invocation or benediction.

SAMPLE INVOCATION #1

Please bow your heads for our invocation. Most high and worshipful Father of us all, thank you for bringing us together this afternoon in friendship and fellowship. We thank you for the gifts of Silence, Charity, Purity, Honor, and Patriotism. We thank you for bringing together our Brothers, family members, advisors, and friends for this joyous occasion. We ask that You continue to bestow Your grace upon our brotherhood and our chapter as we strive to embrace the best that is within each one of us. Bless this food of which we are about to partake; let it be of nourishment to our body, mind, and soul. Amen.

SAMPLE INVOCATION #2

Please bow your head for our invocation. Most high and worshipful Father of us all, bless this brotherhood as we come together this evening to celebrate our accomplishments. Help us to be worthy of the gifts we have received and to be better men through our membership in Alpha Sigma Phi. Bless the meal set before us this evening and continue to confer upon us the favor of Thy grace. Amen.

SAMPLE BENEDICTION

Please bow your heads for the benediction. Most high and worshipful Father of us all, we come to You this evening with hearts full of pride, not pride for ourselves, but pride for our fellow brothers. We thank you for Your assistance on our journey toward the pinnacle of fame and humbly ask that You make us worthy of the honors bestowed upon our brothers this evening. We ask that You help us to be ever mindful of our responsibilities and obligation to be gentlemen. Bless our brotherhood this night and help each of us live each day of our lives with Silence, Charity, Purity, Honor, and Patriotism. Amen.