

## Prayer for an end to human trafficking

God of freedom, beauty and truth  
we believe that your deepest desire,  
your most powerful energy,  
is that all creation might know abundant life.

We raise our voices in anguished prayer  
for our sisters and brothers,  
women and girls, men and boys,  
who are modern day slaves;  
They are your beloved daughters and sons,  
exploited sexually or forced to work  
because of human violence and greed.

Fill us with your holy anger and your sacred passion  
that those who are trafficked might know healing and justice;  
that traffickers will come to repentance and conversion;  
that all of us might live in such a way  
that others are not made to pay the price  
for our comfort and convenience.

Hasten the coming of the day when all people  
and our precious Earth itself  
will be treated, not as a commodity,  
but as radiant images of your freedom, beauty and truth.  
Amen. May it be so.

– Sisters of Charity of Saint Elizabeth, Convent Station, N.J.