

16 May 2021
The Ascension of the Lord Year B

Prayer of the Faithful

Priest: Our hope is in the Risen Lord who promises glorious inheritance for his saints. Until he comes again, we continue his work by praying for all peoples and their needs.

1. We pray for Pope Francis, Archbishop Anthony, all bishops and priests. May they be granted the spirit of wisdom and thus perceive the fullness of God's revelation so that they may be able to lead all believers to full knowledge of him. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
2. We pray that the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord will increase our awareness of the dignity of every human life, from conception to natural end, created for the heights of heaven in the life of the Trinitarian God. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
3. We pray that all of us, especially those who are suffering from ill health, relationship problems, bereavement, financial difficulties or any other trials in life may trust firmly that Jesus Christ offers eternal happiness and the means to obtain it. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
4. We pray that we, who have received the power of the Holy Spirit upon our Confirmation, be joyful and loving witnesses of the Gospel to the ends of the earth as we await the return of the Lord. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
5. We pray for Fr Janusz who celebrates his birthday on Monday. May he continue to grow in the likeness of our Lord Jesus Christ under the protection of St Michael and the loving guidance of the Blessed Virgin Mary. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
6. We pray for our parish children who are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation. May their hearts be fully open to the Holy Spirit who brings to fulfilment the grace and gifts bestowed upon them on their Baptism, enabling them to deepen their faith in God our Father and follow more closely in the footsteps of his beloved Son Jesus Christ. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
7. Grant patience, healing and comfort to those who are sick and suffering: David Harlor, Nunila Quiros, Bob Cashman. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
8. Let us pray for the souls of our recently departed relatives and friends: Clarita Nabung, Waga, Joseph Park, Jose Tony Quiros, Joseph Novak.

Let us pray for those whose death anniversary occurs about now: Jose Acevedo, Luis Zanon, Rolando Madrona. (Pause) Lord, hear us.

Priest: God our Father in heaven, your Son is now seated at your right hand, enthroned in eternal glory. We Make our petitions through him, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. All: Amen.