

8 May 2022
Fourth Sunday of Easter Year C
Prayer of the Faithful

Priest The Lord is our Shepherd who knows each one of us, his flock, by name. Let us offer our prayers to God, trusting in his personal love for us.

1. We pray for Pope Francis, the bishops, priests and religious who are appointed by the Church to care for the people. May they continue to be good shepherds exhorting God's people to turn away from sin and showing them the way to eternal salvation. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
2. We pray for all those who volunteer in our Church. May God give them the grace to continue working in Jesus' name: assisting the poor; feeding the hungry; comforting the lonely and bereaved; evangelising, catechizing and proclaiming the Gospel; and facilitating the Sacraments especially through the distribution of Holy Communion to those unable to come to Mass. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
3. We pray for all children including those in their mothers' wombs. May Jesus, the Good Shepherd, from whose hand none can be snatched away, keep them safe from harm and guide them through the valley of darkness. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
4. We pray for mothers. May they continue to grow in wisdom and strength as they guide their families in following the example of the Holy Family of Nazareth through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary who is Mother of Christ and Mother of the Church. (Pause). Lord, hear us.
5. We pray for farmers, shepherds and those who work on the land. May they be good stewards of God's creation giving honour and glory to him by providing for themselves and others through their just labour. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
6. Grant patience, healing, and comfort to those who are sick and suffering: Teresa Liu, Peggy Tam, Marjorie Penny, Darrell Boesen, Ann Boesen, Gwen Smith, Floricia Ruiz, Rory Higgins. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
7. Let us pray for the souls of our recently departed relatives and friends: Angelo Battisti, Josefina Ocampo, Betty Argerakis, Danica Maric, Juan Tomlay, Mariano Borbon Sr, Salustiano Iguas, Diana Patricia Rojas Rodriguez, Margarida Cameirao.

Let us pray for those whose death anniversary occurs about now: Joseph Park, Angelina Cattarinuzzi, Toufic Dehny, Paul Rogers, Mary Manwaring, Jose Tony Quiros.

Priest Lord God, we are the people that Christ made His own when he gave up His life on the cross. Grant that we may listen to His voice and love him above all else. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.