

7 August 2022  
**Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C**  
**Prayer of the Faithful**

Priest God promises to be our protector and our refuge in times of trouble. Let us bring our needs to him and trust in his mercy and love.

1. We pray for Pope Francis, our bishop Anthony, all bishops and priests. May they exhort and encourage us to keep our eyes on God who is good and true and constantly praise his Holy Name. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
2. God comes into our lives at unexpected times and in unexpected ways. May he overwhelm us with his redeeming love, liberate us from our past sins and give us the grace to recognise and serve him in each other. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
3. We pray for world leaders from whom an accounting will be demanded by God. May they be people of integrity with a grave sense of responsibility so that they will be attentive to the needs of their people and ensure the just distribution of the world's resources. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
4. We pray for all who serve in dangerous settings especially the police, firefighters and members of the military. May God send his Holy Angels to protect them from harm and lead them home safely. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
5. We pray for the children of our parish who have recently received or are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation. May they make full use of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit for their personal sanctification and to spread God's message of love and peace to the world. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
6. Grant patience, healing, and comfort to those who are sick and suffering: Tom Carson, David Harlor, Gianna Carrabs. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
7. Let us pray for the souls of those who have recently departed from this life: Charella Parata, Antonio Gotera.

Let us pray for those whose death anniversary occurs about now: Margarida Cameirao, Mathew Micallef, Sebastiana Figueira, Carlos Cunha, Antonio Cunha, Antonio Silva, Marta Mikes, Maria Guterres.

Pray also for the souls of Michael Polding, Olive Polding, Joe Older, Jack Cornish, Olive Cornish. (Pause) Lord, hear us.

Priest Lord God, on whom our faith rests secure and whose kingdom we await, keep us alert for the coming of the Son of Man, that we may welcome him without delay as faithful and diligent servants. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen