

4 September 2022
Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C
Prayer of the Faithful

Priest By his grace, Christ has gathered us in his name. Our prayer will be granted by our Father in heaven, for we know that Jesus is here, in our midst.

1. We pray for Pope Francis, Anthony our bishop, all bishops and priests. May they have the courage to stand up for the Faith, correcting those who oppose the truth by lives that witness to the Gospel and values that reflect the commandments of God. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
2. We pray for the Church. May we, her members, seek first a deeper relationship with God our Father, so that we may be more joyful in enriching our personal relationships and in enhancing our understanding of each other. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
3. We pray for Christians. May we empty ourselves of worldly desires and ambitions so that we can be filled with the love of the Lord and realise our total dependence on him to do all good things. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
4. We pray for peace within our families and community. May we find freedom in the teachings of our Lord Jesus, casting off the shackles of sin, grievances and fear through our willingness to forgive and by the generosity of our spirits. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
5. We pray for all seeking refuge as they flee from conflict, persecution, oppression and exploitation. May they experience understanding, respect and compassion as they rebuild their lives and livelihood. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
6. Grant patience, healing, and comfort to those who are sick and suffering: Mary Succar, Adrian Prtenjaca, Stavroula Ioannou, Patricia Legge, Renee Sakr, David Harlor, Burton Craig. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
7. Let us pray for the souls of those who have recently departed from this life: Eddy Borovnjak, Anne Boesen, Anne Hawkins, Fe Espino, Therese Zangari.

Let us pray for those whose death anniversary occurs about now especially Aranza Hennessy.

Pray also for the Poor Souls in Purgatory and the souls of who have died with no one to pray for them. (Pause) Lord, hear us.

Priest Lord God, our Father, grant the prayers of your people. We join them to the intercession of Jesus in our midst, our brother, priest and king, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.