

19 March 2023  
**Fourth Sunday of Lent Year A**  
**Prayer of the Faithful**

Priest: Dear friends, Jesus led the blind man on a journey of faith until he saw with the eyes of the heart. Enlightened in baptism, let us open our hearts in loving prayer for the whole world.

1. We pray that Pope Francis, our bishop Anthony, all bishops, priests and religious may continue to reflect the Light of Christ on all whose lives are overshadowed by sin and death. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
2. We pray for ourselves, that we will be godly companions through this season of conversion and renewal and encourage one another to follow Jesus Christ more closely. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
3. We pray for the Elect of our parish whom God has called to remain faithful to him and boldly give witness to the words of eternal life. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
4. We pray that all Christians may be people of the Light, people of integrity with nothing to hide, transfused with truth, goodness and love. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
5. We pray for the whole world, which the Father loves to attain in the Church complete spiritual freedom. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
6. Grant patience, healing and comfort to those who are sick and suffering: Fred Perera, Maria DiMatteo, Annabelle, Darrell Boesen, Bob Sakr. (Pause) Lord, hear us.
7. Let us pray for the souls of our recently departed relatives and friends: Kin Zarro, Roberto Barroga, Kathleen Allabyrne, Martin Avendano, Warren Saunders.

Let us pray for those whose death anniversary occurs about now: Ephraim Fernandez, Slavka Kokinovska, Peter Khoury.

Pray also for the souls of Alan Mercer, Kathleen Mercer, Janice Mercer and for the Poor Souls in Purgatory. (Pause) Lord, hear us.

Priest: Grant, we pray, O Lord, that we may continually allow your light to shine in us and through us so that all may come to believe and be saved. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.