Season of Ordinary Time: Sunday 24B Day of Prayer for all involved in Education General Intercessions

Priest

How gracious is the Lord and just; our God has compassion. With great confidence, let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Reader

 For Jews, Christians, and Muslims, who all worship the one, true God; may God's holy wisdom direct us in the ways of peace and mutual understanding.

PAUSE for silent prayer — at least **five** seconds, please.

Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

2. For the Church;

that all who are baptised will recognise God's gift of faith, and with thankful hearts bear confident witness to Jesus, the Christ.

- 3. For peace in the world; for harmony in our society; that people everywhere will be able to live in peace, and the poor and the weak be well cared for.
- For school pupils and teachers;
 and all who work in education;
 that God will bless and guide them through the coming year.
- 5. For those who are starting college or university, especially those who are leaving home for the first time; that God will guide, inspire, and protect them.
- 6. For the faithful departed: those who have died recently, and all whose anniversaries we keep; that they will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living.
- 7. We ask Mary, Mother of the Church, to join her prayers with ours: Hail, Mary ...

Priest

God of wisdom and grace, you endow us with gifts of energy and intellect to bring to fulfilment your work of creation.

Enlighten by your Spirit those who teach and those who learn, that they may discern what is right and good and gladly share with others the fruit of their wisdom.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.