Season of Ordinary Time: Sunday 29B World Mission Day – Synod of Bishops

General Intercessions

Priest

The Lord is our help and our shield; with confidence let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Reader

1. For all members of the Church: that we will give thanks for God's many gifts to us, and have a true spirit of service.

PAUSE for silent prayer — at least **five** seconds, please. Repeat after each intention.

Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

- 2. For the Bishops, and all who are taking part in the Synod in Rome: that God will show the Church throughout the world how best to discern and to live Christ's vision today.
- 3. For missionaries, for all who have left their home to proclaim the Gospel: that God will bless their work and make it yield a rich harvest.
- 4. For the Churches in Africa, Asia, Latin and South America, and the Holy Land, and especially for all who are persecuted because of their faith: that their zeal for Christ will inspire and encourage us.
- 5. For peace, reconciliation, and the end of conflict, terror, and violence; may God transform the hearts and minds of all governments and leaders, that harmony and peace will flourish across the world.
- 6. For those who have died; that all who have served Christ faithfully on earth will know the fullness of life with him in the glory of heaven.
- 7. We ask Mary, Mother of the Church, to join her prayers with ours: Hail Mary ...

Priest

O Lord, ruler and guardian of your Church, pour forth on your servants gathered in synod the spirit of understanding, truth, and peace, that they may strive with all their hearts to know what is pleasing to you and pursue it with all their strength.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.