

Season of Ordinary Time : Sunday 21A General Intercessions

Priest

The Lord is high and yet looks on the lowly;
with humble trust, we pray for the Church and for the world.

Reader

1. For Pope Francis, successor of St Peter;
that the Holy Spirit will guide him in proclaiming the Good News,
promoting unity in the Church,
and inspiring us to greater love and service.

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

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

2. For all members of the Church:
that we may boldly profess Jesus as Lord,
and help others to come to know and follow him.
3. For all who are searching for the key to new life:
that God will help those who feel bound by addiction or destructive habits
to recognise Christ as the One who will liberate them.
4. For an end to the pandemic:
that God will deliver the human race from the coronavirus,
heal those who are ill,
and inspire those who are developing cures or vaccines.
5. For our young people who have received their results,
and for their families;
we pray that God will guide them in the decisions they face.
6. For all who are grieving:
that God's renewing and healing presence
may comfort them, and fill them with hope.
7. We ask Mary, our blessed Mother, to join with us in our prayers: Hail, Mary, ...

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Living God,
you sent your Son among us
to reveal your wisdom
and make known your ways.
Increase our faith,
that we may confess Jesus as your Son,
take up his work on earth,
and trust his promise to sustain the Church.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.