## Season of Ordinary Time : Sunday 24A General Intercessions

## **Priest**

The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger, rich in mercy.
With confidence, let us pray for the Church and for the world.

## Reader

 For all who are baptised into Christ; that we may share generously with one another the forgiveness Christ has won for us.

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

Lord, in your mercy. Hear our prayer.

- 2. For reconciliation and greater collaboration between the churches; for deeper understanding and tolerance within our own Church; that we will proclaim the gospel of Christ with integrity.
- 3. For those who feel so badly hurt that they are unable yet to forgive; that our merciful God will release them from their burden.
- 4. For governments, leaders, and all who serve in politics; that together they will seek the ways of peace, and bring relief and hope to all who are in need.
- 5. For those who will soon leave home to go to college or university; that God will guide, inspire, and protect them.
- 6. For the faithful departed; that the Lord of the dead and of the living will gather them to himself.
- 7. We ask mary, Mother of the Church, to join her prayers with ours: Hail, Mary ...

## **Priest**

O God most high, you are slow to anger and rich in compassion. Keep alive in us the memory of your mercy, that our angers may be calmed and our resentments dispelled. May we discover the forgiveness promised to those who forgive and become a people rich in mercy. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.