

## St Peter & St Paul *apostles* General Intercessions

### **Priest**

In communion with the saints of God throughout the ages,  
we pray for the Church and for the world.

### **Reader**

1. For all who serve the Church as leaders, teachers, and pastors,  
especially Paul, our bishop;  
that they be filled with zeal and vision.

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

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

2. For all members of our parishes,  
especially those making their first Holy Communion,  
their families and our catechists;  
that God will draw us together in the body of the risen Christ.
3. For all who are persecuted today because of their faith in the Lord Jesus;  
may the angel of the Lord be present to them,  
to rescue them in their distress.
4. For peace in the world; for an end to violence and conflict;  
for all who work far from home to help establish and build peace.
5. For those standing in our General Election;  
that God fill them and their parties with wisdom, integrity of heart,  
and a care for the common good.
6. For the faithful departed;  
that God will gather all who have died in Christ  
into the communion of the saints in heaven.
7. We ask Mary, Mother of the Church, to join her prayers with ours: Hail Mary ...

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Sustain us, Lord our God,  
through the prayers of the apostles Peter and Paul.  
By their preaching you first gave your Church  
the message of eternal life;  
through their intercession  
grant us now the means of salvation.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.