

## Season of Ordinary Time : Sunday 23B

Day of Prayer for all involved in Education

### General Intercessions

#### Priest

The Lord keeps faith for ever, and raises those who are bowed down.  
With trust and with confidence, we pray for the Church and the world.

#### Reader

1. 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. Repeat after each intention.*

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

2. For all members of the Church;  
that the Lord Jesus will open our ears to his life-giving word,  
and give us words to praise his holy name.
3. For the peace of the world,  
for the work of the United Nations;  
that in all things the wisdom of God will prevail.
4. For our school pupils and teachers,  
those who are leaving home to go to college or university,  
and for all who work in education.
5. For all members of our parishes, and everyone with us today;  
that we will gather faithfully together to pray in the name of the Lord,  
and so become strong in living the values of the kingdom.
6. For the faithful departed, especially those who have died recently,  
and those whose anniversary we keep;  
we pray, too, for all who are bereaved.
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.