

## Season of Ordinary Time : Sunday 25B

### General Intercessions

#### Priest

Because the Lord upholds our life,  
let us pray confidently for the Church and for the world.

#### Reader

1. For the Church:  
may we be servants of one another,  
and have a greater awareness of our common humanity.

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

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

2. For the Christian community and all people of the Holy Land:  
may God inspire leaders to undo injustices, end violence and intimidation,  
establish a just and lasting peace for all who live in the Holy Land;  
and may the Christian community continue to build peace and love.
3. For our government and all members of parliament:  
may God give them wisdom  
as they address the budgetary and infrastructure issues they face.
4. For refugees and immigrants:  
may those who have fled violence and starvation find safety,  
new communities of acceptance and kindness,  
and the resources needed for life.
5. For all who are sick, especially those in our own parishes,  
and for those who care for them:  
may they find sustenance and comfort  
in the knowledge that the Lord cares for them.
6. For all who have died, especially those whose anniversaries we keep this week.
7. We ask Mary, Mother of the Church, to join her prayers with ours: Hail, Mary, ...

#### Priest

Lord, our God,  
upon the two commandments  
to love you and to love our neighbour  
you have founded all your holy Law.  
Give us the grace to keep these commandments  
and so inherit eternal life.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.