

Season of Ordinary Time : Sunday 27A
Harvest Fast Day – Day of Prayer for Prisoners & Dependents – Synod
General Intercessions

Priest

St Paul tells us: if there is anything we need, we should pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving.

With confidence, then, we pray for the Church and for the world.

Reader

1. For the Church:
may we be a fruitful garden, producing a harvest rich in justice, mercy, compassion and justice.

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

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

2. For all who are taking part in the Synod in Rome;
that the Holy Spirit will enlighten them,
and enable them to renew the life of witness of the Church.
3. For the Catholic Fund for Overseas Development;
that through our fasting and our generosity,
the poor of the world will be freed from their plight.
4. For all who are imprisoned, whether justly or unjustly;
for their families, and especially the children:
that they may feel the love of God, especially in their darkest moments.
5. For the sick, in both body and mind:
may God's loving and healing presence be with them in their times of need.
6. For all who have died:
that they may experience the eternal peace of God.
7. In this, the month of the Holy Rosary, we ask Mary, Mother of Our Lord,
to join her prayers with ours: Hail, Mary ...

Priest

O Lord,
ruler and guardian of your Church,
pour forth on your servants gathered in synod
the spirit of understanding, truth, and peace,
that they may strive with all their hearts
to know what is pleasing to you
and pursue it with all their strength.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.