

Season of Ordinary Time : Sunday 15C

Day of Prayer for Seafarers

General Intercessions

Priest

The Lord listens to the needy and does not spurn his servants.
Let us pray for the Church and the world.

Reader

1. For the Church;
that in the life of all who are baptised, God will light the world.

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 making their First Holy Communion around this time,
especially the young members of our parishes;
that the Holy Spirit will enable them to follow Jesus their whole life long.
3. For countries scarred by violence, oppression, and injustice;
that the Lord's words of peace will find a home in the hearts of all.
4. For those who suffer hunger, those who lack shelter or health-care,
and those driven from their homes by hatred and intolerance;
that in their need they will find us to be generous neighbours.
5. For all who work at sea, that God will bring them safely home;
and for those who have pastoral care of seafarers,
that God will bless them in their ministry;
we pray in particular for the work of the *Apostleship of the Sea*.
6. For all the members of our parish who have died over the years,
and who have worshipped in this building;
that they will know the fullness of life with God.
7. We ask Mary, Mother of the Church, to join her prayers with ours: Hail Mary ...

Priest

O God,
you show the light of your truth to those who stray,
that they may return to the right path.

Grant that all who profess the Christian faith
may reject whatever is contrary to the gospel
and follow the way that leads to you.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.