

Season of Ordinary Time : Sunday 27A

Harvest Fast Day

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 all be a fruitful garden,
producing a harvest rich in justice, compassion, mercy and forgiveness.

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

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

2. For all religious leaders:
may God free them from selfish pursuits
and help them to see that their opportunities and authority are gifts from God.
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. At this harvest season we pray for our farmers
and for all who work in food production;
may we always have enough for our own needs,
and to share with others.
5. For all who are suffering from, or are bereaved as a result of Covid 19:
we pray that God's healing hand may rest upon them;
we pray too, for all doctors, nurses and support staff.
6. For all who have died:
may they experience the peace of Christ eternally.
7. We ask Mary, Mother of Our Lord,
to intercede for us in these troubling times: Hail, Mary....

Priest

God of power and goodness,
you never fail to provide for all your creatures;
fill us with an urgent love
to assist all those deprived of food,
that their hunger may be relieved
and they may serve you with gladness and trust.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.